

# The Gill

Welcome to the October 2015 Edition of the  
Newsletter brought to you by  
Hethersgill Parish Council.

## VACANCY

The Parish Council are still looking for someone to fill one of the vacancies left after the recent election. The role is not onerous and we are a small and friendly team. Meetings only take place six times per year on the second Tuesday of every other month. We would love to hear from you if you feel you could join us in working to make our parish a better place? Please give either the Clerk Sarah a ring on 01228 231124 if you would like to apply or Harry the Chairman would be happy to informally talk through what the position involves if you like.

## NEW COUNCILLOR

We are very pleased to let you know that we have a new Councillor – Simon Barrett has recently joined us and we are sure he will be a great asset. His contact details are on the back page for you in case you need to get in touch about any parish matters.

## NOTICEBOARDS

The Parish Council are delighted to announce that we will be putting up some new glazed noticeboards at Kirkclinton and Uppertown later in the year to replace the open fronted ones currently there. We are aware that the existing ones have a tendency to be affected by inclement weather and notices can blow away so we feel that glazed boards will be better all round. The boards are being funded by Cumbria County Council and so our thanks go to them for their assistance.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Hethersgill Social Committee enjoyed a summer trip to Edinburgh on Sunday 20th July. Although the weather was mixed it didn't stop us from doing all sorts of activities including visiting The Castle, Royal yacht Britannia, Camera Obscura, retail therapy, and a little relaxation & refreshments too! Ideas for next year's trip are always appreciated.



We are planning our annual Halloween party for 31st October 2015 in Hethersgill Hall from 2-4pm. Due to popularity of this event admission will be strictly by ticket only. These can be purchased from Catherine Edwards 01228 675228 or Gillian Smith 01228 675682.

The provisional date for our over 60's supper & social is Tuesday 17th November. more details available nearer the time or contact Irene Armstrong 01228 675389.

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## PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The date for our remaining Parish Council meeting in 2015 is:

**Tuesday 10 November 2015**

We sometimes need to change the date due to unforeseen circumstances but we always post the official notice of the meeting date on the noticeboard three clear working days in advance. Additional meetings are also called when necessary for urgent business, such as planning applications. As it stands, the first meetings in 2016 will be on:

**Tuesday 12 January 2016**

**Tuesday 8 March 2016**

We will confirm these dates at our November meeting so please do check the noticeboards for confirmation. Don't also forget that we have a **Public Participation** section on each and every agenda. This item allows you to bring any items that are of relevance in the Parish to the attention of your Parish Councillors. At some meetings, when their schedule allows, our City Councillor and County Councillor are present too, if you would like to speak to them.

## **BORDER RAMBLER BUS SERVICE**

The volunteer bus service we have discussed in previous editions of this newsletter is now up and running in Brampton and various villages

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References available

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01228 576073**

or email [amanda7parker@yahoo.com](mailto:amanda7parker@yahoo.com)

nearby. No route to incorporate Hethersgill is as yet planned but the scheme is still in development so if you are interested, please let us know so we can feedback to those organising the service. We will need to show there is sufficient demand before the organisers will look at coming out our way so please do get in touch and speak to nearby friends – including those from outside the parish so that we can establish how many of you would like to use a bus. For those eligible, bus passes can be used on the routes.

Also, the team responsible are still recruiting volunteer drivers. If you are interested in helping out one day per month please get in touch with them by emailing [info@borderramblerbus.co.uk](mailto:info@borderramblerbus.co.uk) ..

## BROADBAND

Do you run a business in the Parish? Small and medium size enterprises are being offered help to apply for £3,000 vouchers to spend on superfast broadband connections. To receive a voucher, businesses need a bespoke connection quotation or to take a pre-registered package from a registered supplier (IP River, at Kingmoor Park, Carlisle, is the only registered supplier in Cumbria). The vouchers are issued on a first-come first-served basis and the £40m fund runs until March 2016, or until the money runs out. More information is online at [www.connectionvouchers.co.uk](http://www.connectionvouchers.co.uk).

## PRECEPT SETTING

The Parish Council will be setting the precept in November. We have already received notification that one of the grants we receive for

David Shepherd is City Councillor for our area. If you wish to contact him please telephone 0169772853 or email [david.shepherd@carlisle.gov.uk](mailto:david.shepherd@carlisle.gov.uk) .

**John Mallinson** is your local County Councillor. If you have a County Council related issue which you wish to raise he can be contacted at: **01228 533746** or [john.mallinson@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:john.mallinson@cumbria.gov.uk)

almost £700 will be stopped so we will have some tough decisions to make—if you are interested please remember you are welcome to come along to the meeting.

### **SAFETY AT THE CROSSROADS**

Progress is being made with the proposed implementation of a 30 mile per hour zone around the Crossroads. Plans are still being formulated and formal consultation will be undertaken after the matter has been discussed by the County Council Local Committee, which was due to happen during September .

### **ONLINE SAFETY**

Get Safe Online are launching a campaign targeting parents with advice on how to keep their children safe when gaming online. If you're like most parents, you'll have children who play games online, whether on a tablet, mobile, computer or console. In the majority of cases, online gaming is a fun and safe pastime — a way for kids to keep entertained and in many cases, play against and socialise with friends.

Some games also have an educational angle, helping to develop knowledge and strategies. However, as with many things your kids do online, there's an element of risk. This is because of the vast number of people in the UK and abroad who are also playing, the minimal restrictions involved and the fact that they're not face-to-face - so your child can't be sure who they are, or what their motives are. The risks include being taken advantage of by strangers with sexual, abusive, fraudulent or other criminal motives.

Apart from these, there's also the danger of playing games with an inappropriate age rating, running up huge bills on your credit card - if they have access to it - and getting 'hooked' to the exclusion of exercise, socialising and school work.

For more information, visit [www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org), choose Safeguarding Children then Gaming.

## **POLICE DESK**

Don't forget Longtown Police desk is open in the Surestart Centre every Thursday between 13.00 and 15.00, if you want to speak to the police confidentially there is a private room for this use.

## **BEWCASTLE GROUP SCOUTS**

**Wanted! Youngsters aged 6 - 60 years old!  
We are looking for new members for our  
Scout Group**



This is the first time I have written for the Gill so thought I might explain how a Scout group called Bewcastle was relevant. We have children from all the local parishes in about a 12 mile radius of Bewcastle although we have had some further than this at times. We are unusual in that all the sections Scouts, Cubs and Beavers meet at the same time. This is in recognition of the rural area and the distances some children have to travel. Given this we are a group that very much embraces the rural area we live in. We still do the traditional scouting activities camping, pioneering, outdoor games, hiking etc alongside the newer activities that are coming up for example media. I also stress we welcome children from both genders and currently have a 50/50 split. We meet on a Tuesday evening from 6.15 to 7.45pm during term-time throughout the area.

This is just a brief outline of us if you would like further information please do not hesitate to contact me Simon Barrett (Akela) 01228675717 or Geoff Price 01228 792723 our group leader.



**Why not give it a try?**

**YOUR ADVERT COULD APPEAR HERE!**

If you would like to advertise in the Gill please contact Sarah on 01228 231124 for further information. We post directly to every household in the parish of Hethersgill so could make the perfect advertising

## WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

We now have over 185 likers on our facebook page. Although social media is not for everyone it is the quickest means we have of getting information to you quickly so please do "like" us if you are on Facebook.

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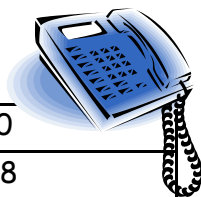
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**SATURDAY 23rd APRIL 2016 AT 8PM**

**TICKETS £12**

**FROM NORMAN ELLIOTT ON 01228 675336**

## Parish Councillors, your Clerk & Useful Contacts



|                   |   |                     |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| <b>Chair</b>      | Cllr H Kay  | 675910              |
| <b>Vice Chair</b> | Cllr A Sisson   | 675378              |
|                   | Cllr S Barret   | 675717              |
|                   | Cllr N Elliott  | 675336              |
|                   | Cllr F Heaton   | 675516              |
|                   | Cllr G Houston  | 675212              |
|                   | <b>VACANCY</b>  | <b>VACANCY</b>      |
|                   | Cllr A Gash   | 675562              |
|                   | Cllr A Oswin  | 675684              |
| <b>Clerk</b>      | <b>Sarah Kyle<br/>Hill House, Walton,<br/>Brampton, CA8 2DY</b> | <b>01228 231124</b> |

### REALLY USEFUL INFORMATION

#### *Mobile Post Office*

The van visits Hethersgill every Wednesday morning between 10.45am and 11.00 am.



#### *Highways Hotline*



Report holes in the road, floods, fallen trees, broken signs, faulty street lights etc. to the hotline **0845 6096 609**. You can also report faults using an on-line form at [www.cumbria.gov.uk](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk)

#### *Recycling*

If the bins are full ring **01228 817200**.



#### *Comments about the Gill*

We welcome comments about the newsletter or any topic - please contact:- Sarah at [clerk@hethersgill-pc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@hethersgill-pc.org.uk).