

THE CLAYTON CIRCULAR

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Dear Resident

As usual it's been a very busy six months for the Parish Council in Clayton-le-Woods. We have made the move into our temporary offices, which will make us even easier to contact. In addition, we have had the annual Seniors Christmas lunch. Despite it being a bigger event than last year, demand still outstripped supply and so we will probably expand this event yet again in 2018. Look out for details of how to sign up for the lunch on our website and notice boards in November. The Christmas tree lights switch on was also very well attended, with over two hundred people turning up on a cold December evening. The tree itself received many compliments from residents. Preparations are well under way for the Summer Fair which will be held on Saturday 23rd June

On a different note, residents of Clayton and beyond have been assailed by the noxious odours from the landfill site at Clayton Hall quarry. This has been so bad that it has made national news. The Parish Council has been working with the various agencies involved to get this issue resolved as quickly as possible.

Councillor Ray Ormston
Chairman of the Council



ODOUR ISSUES CLAYTON HALL LANDFILL SITE

To report smells, ring Environment Agency:
0800 807060

Quercia residents' helpline: **07961 403 782**

Online enquiry form/updates: www.quercialtd.co.uk

Health issues: **NHS Help Line 111**

Your Parish Council Who are we?

Parish Councils are civil Local Authorities, being the lowest, or first tier of local government. Clayton-le-Woods is a large Parish within the borough of Chorley and has a long history, being established in 1894. It consists of 15 voluntary Parish Councillors who are elected for a four year term of office to serve and administer to the needs of the residents of Clayton-le-Woods village. It employs a Clerk to the Council and funding is raised by a precept on each residential property in the Parish, via your Council Tax. This allows us to carry out our duties to both improve and maintain the area in which we live.

What do we do?

The Parish Council owns a number of assets, including Back Lane Woods; several Play Areas and the Skate Park near to Asda. The maintenance and improvement of these areas remains high on our agenda, as does the appearance of the area.

We employ Lengthsmen from Lisieux Hall to help keep the area litter-free and we maintain many of the flower beds around the Parish. Hence, we believe that Clayton is one of the prettiest and tidiest parishes in the whole of Chorley. We hope you agree!

If you have any ideas to improve the area, we'd be pleased to hear from you – just contact your local parish councillor or the parish clerk.



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Jean Elizabeth Cronshaw



Gail Ormston



Judith Norris



Glenda Charlesworth



Stephen John Fenn



Michelle Mayson



Mark Clifford



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CLAYTON-LE-WOODS *in bloom*

COMPETITION TIME!

We are pleased to announce that we have entered our village into the North West in Bloom competition.

We will be running a few competitions ourselves in support of our entry:

- Best Hanging Basket
- Fabulous Front Garden
- Prettiest Pub
- Fabulous Floral displays at shops & businesses.
- Sparkling schools

No garden. Not a problem...

we will also be on the look-out for the doorstep with best floral display.

No prizes this time for entering the competitions. It's just for fun! And to help make our neighbourhood... BLOOMING MARVELLOUS.

To enter any of these competitions, just email or telephone the Parish Clerk so we can include you on our Judging Tour at the beginning of June
clerk@claytonlewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk
 tel. 01257 264854.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Any budding gardeners out there?

We would like green-fingered resident to volunteer to help plant up our beds, borders and hay baskets. Planting sessions would be fun, plus you would get Spice Time Credits to use towards a range of leisure activities. Please contact Cllr. Gail Ormston now if you are interested in being part of the volunteer Garden Gang for 'Clayton-le-Woods in Bloom 2018'
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SUMMER FAIR

Summer will soon arrive and we celebrate this great time of year with our fabulous Clayton-le-Woods Parish Council Summer Fair. This year it will be held on Saturday 23rd June on the playing fields at Manor Road Primary School. We have a great list of singers booked, a huge range of street food, arts and crafts, funfair, dog show and lots of great attractions for the whole family to enjoy.

If you would like a stall or to advertise at our Summer Fair please contact our Events Manager Cllr Mark Clifford on 07944 891011 or email mark.clifford@claytonlewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk



NEWS *in brief...*

Parish Council Precept 18/19.
No increase this financial year
 (i.e. £22 p.a. on a Band D property)

Defibrillator to be installed in former BT phone box at Bankside near Swansey Lane

Parish Councillor vacancy - contact the Parish Clerk for application form

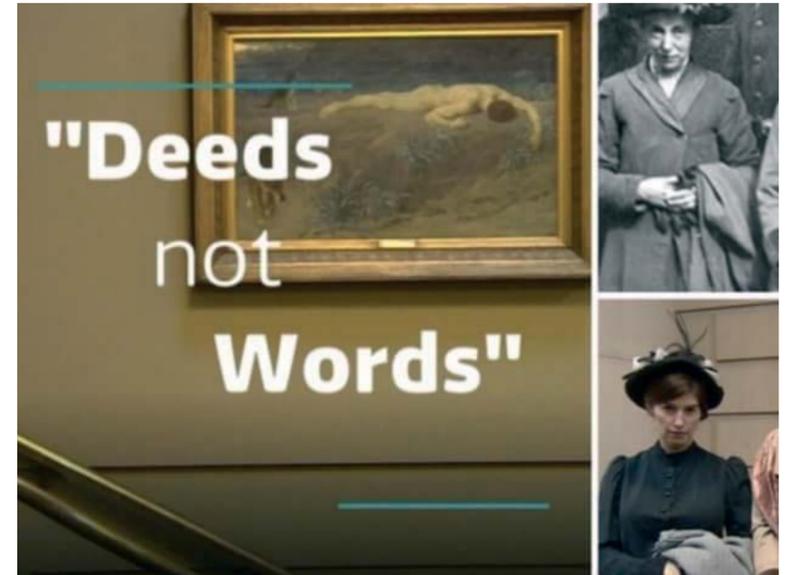


Meet our new PROJECTS OFFICER

Hello – my name's Gill Egan.

I am very excited to be working with Clayton-le-Woods Parish Council as the new Projects Officer. I have worked in Project Management since 2001, on projects large and small and I enjoy seeing a project through from an idea to implementation. It is great to be able to work on projects that are so meaningful for the local area as I have lived in Chorley for 30 years, having brought up my family here.

I am looking forward to supporting the work of the parish council



DEEDS BEFORE WORDS

The 6th February 1918 marked a defining date in the history of votes for women.

100 years ago the law changed for some women and they received the right to vote. In the UK under the representation of The People Act, women who were over the age of 30 and owned property were given the right to vote.

Thanks to Emmeline Pankhurst and the suffragette movement for campaigning, women now have the right to vote and have a voice in all areas of their lives.

The motto of the movement is.... **DEEDS BEFORE WORDS.**



DATES *for your diary...*

- May** • Annual Clayton Cup Inter-schools Sports Competition
- June** • Parish Council Summer Fair – Saturday 23rd June
- July** • Clayton-le-Woods In Bloom Scarecrow Festival – 9th – 22nd July
- November** • Remembrance Service – Sunday 11th November
- December** • Christmas Tree Lights Switch-On Event



CLAYTON-LE-WOODS 2018 SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Our second annual scarecrow festival is due to take place 9th – 22nd July 2018

So, What's a scarecrow festival?

Scarecrow festivals are held all over the world but they are especially popular in the UK, where the use of scarecrows as a protector of crops dates from time immemorial. Today, hundreds of villages all over the UK bring colour, vibrancy and fun to their neighbourhoods by organising scarecrow festivals.

Our first scarecrow festival last July was a great success and scarecrows popped up all over the parish.

The four categories for judging entries were:

- Business/Organisation (i.e. shops, supermarkets, community groups, churches)
- Education/Uniformed Groups (i.e. schools, nurseries, cubs, scouts, brownies, guides)
- Families & individuals 16 years and over
- Child/Children – under 16 years (Majority of the work must be done by child / children)

Cash Prizes will be up for grabs and Rosettes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed scarecrows in each category.

The entry form is also on our website and can be emailed back.



SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Over the last several years, the Parish Council has organised a free Christmas lunch for elderly residents who reside within Clayton-le-Woods. Last Christmas, the lunch was held at the Beaumont Public House near to ASDA.

Even though it was a snowy day over 50 residents attended the event. Each resident received a gift donated by Chorley Council and there were raffle prizes. The event was enjoyed by all who attended and the Parish Council have plans to expand the event this December.

Details of this year's Christmas lunch will be published in next issue of the newsletter, on the website, Parish noticeboards and Clayton Green Library at the beginning of November 2018.

ALL LIT UP!

On the evening of Friday 1st December, we held our Christmas Light Switch-on event.

It was a great night starting off with carol singing by Clayton Green's Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas dropped by to hand out gifts for all the children and after the countdown, the tree was lit up in all its glory. The festivities carried on over at the Beaumont Public House where free mulled wine and mince pies were served, kindly donated by the pub. Then everyone joined in with the singing at the Christmas concert performed by international singing star, Gemma-Louise Doyle.

SPICE UP YOUR LIFE

One hour's volunteering with us earns you one Spice Time Credit. These credits can be used for example for a swimming session at Chorley Baths; to use to pay for entry to public events or a trip to Blackpool Tower.

We have a number of volunteer opportunities that can earn you credits, such as Community Litter Picks and helping plant up our beds and borders.

You get one Spice Time Credit for every hour you volunteer with us. These can be spent in loads of great locations locally and throughout the UK.

Have a look at Spice Credits on facebook. This is the Lancashire link.

www.facebook.com/LancashireTimeCredits/



LITTER PICKING

If you've never volunteered before on our 1 hour community litter picking sessions why not give it a go?

We have a great time every Tuesday starting at 2pm (meeting point is advertised on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/claytonlewoodscouncil)

Litterpicking is great fun working in a team and you get a real sense of satisfaction seeing another part of our village looking even more beautiful.

Don't forget you get one Spice Time Credit for every hour you volunteer with us.



NEW VISITOR CENTRE AND CAFÉ Cuerden Valley Park

The Cuerden Valley Park Trust unveiled the new visitor centre and café on the park on Sunday 25th March.



It has been an ongoing project for nearly three years now. The Trustees, staff and countless volunteers, and Friends of the Park have put in many hours of hard work to make this new visitor centre possible.

Do come and support this wonderful Eco-friendly building in Cuerden Valley Park. The new visitor centre provides a base for the Ranger Services; café facilities; Health Walks; Forest Schools education for the young and mature and much more.

Why not drop in for a brew in the café and take in the fantastic views from the new visitor centre!

The Café is open Tuesday to Sunday 10am - 4pm. Well-behaved dogs are welcome.

Contact 01772 324436 • www.Cuerdenvalleypark.org.uk



CLAYTON IN BYGONE TIMES



No. 530 Preston Road in Clayton-le-Woods was a former road Toll House. It is thought to have been built in the 19th century for the Preston and Garstang Turnpike Trust in the form of a lodge house with protruding front. It is now a domestic property and an original toll cottage has been absorbed into later extensions. It is a two-storey building having a hipped, hip over bay, slate roof, walls of squared stone, square-headed windows, canopied with a square-headed doorway; shutter cover blind window for tollboard.

The Preston and Garstang Trust was set up in 1750 when responsibility for the roads in Britain was transferred to private companies called Turnpike Trusts. These had the mandate to, "to repair, upgrade and maintain the main road", in their particular area. In return for this work they could charge the traveller a toll to use the road, the traveller was stopped at a toll house by a pike across the road which was turned once the toll was paid thus allowing the traveller to continue his journey. There were a number of turnpike trusts responsible for the route that became the A6 from Carlisle to London and this toll house in Clayton-le-Woods is one of a number that would have been built along the route.



ST. BEDE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S BIG TOP CIRCUS

To entertain all the local children and their families

You are invited to join our charity fundraising event. Each 45-minute circus show is performed filled with fun and laughter, featuring an international cast of performers. The interactive shows are fast moving and will hold your attention with aerial, magic, amazing juggling, audience participation, friendly funny clowns and much more!

**Also a Family Barbeque and Refreshment Stalls
for you to enjoy!**



St Bede's Primary School – School Field Saturday 28th April 2018

Gates open at 12 noon • Shows at 1pm and 2.30pm
Cheques to be made payable to St. Bede's PTFA please.
For all enquiries contact Lorraine on 07966 682907