Hesketh-with-Becconsall Parish Council Newsletter

Shoreline Summary

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FARMERS' MARKET

The first Farmers' Market was held at All Saints Church Hall on Saturday 31st May 2008. This was an excellent success raising over £500 for the Douglas Cardiac Trust. Our thanks to Councillor Christine McLeod and her team for the excellent effort and hard work put in. If you would like to see this become a regular event and can offer some help, please contact Cllr. McLeod.

THE PARISH PLAN

The completed Parish Plan was formally launched on Sunday 15th June with over a hundred local residents coming to look at the "Wish List" of the village; the next stage is trying to make the wishes a reality. We are indebted to the Bowling Club for kindly hosting the event. Our local MP David Borrow also called in along with County Councillor Malcolm Barron who were both very supportive of the village's aspirations. The Plan itself should have been delivered to all the households in the village during July; a copy can also be downloaded from the Council's Website at www.HwBPC.org.uk. If you would like to help take the village forward, why not contact one of the Focus Groups – details are in the brochure.

PUBLIC PHONE BOX

British Telecomm (BT) are proposing to remove, for good, the public telephone box situated in Chapel Road, Hesketh Bank on the grounds that it is no longer viable as the income does not cover its cost. They cite the facts that 99% of UK homes now have their own phones, 90% have a mobile phone and calls from BT payphones have halved in the last three years. The move will mean that there will be just one phone box in the village adjacent to the Becconsall Hotel.

If you have a view on this proposal, we want to know - please write to the Clerk by the 25th of August who will co-ordinate any responses and reply to the consultation document on residents' behalf.

SPEED INDICATING & RECORDING DEVICE (SPIRD)

This high-tech equipment will be back in action over the next few months identifying problem areas in the village. The equipment collates details of all vehicles passing including the date, time and speed – the information will then be passed to the Police for further investigation.

NORTHERN PARISHES RELIEF ROAD (Green Lane Link)

At the June meeting of the Parish Council, Members agreed to back the principle of the long discussed relief road linking Green Lane, Tarleton directly with the A565 at a new roundabout opposite Hunters Prepacks. Lancashire County Council is presently carrying out a new feasibility study and has looked to the "Northern Parishes" for support and commitment; local growers are also being consulted. The purpose of the Relief Road is to divert the huge articulated vehicles, which serve the local growers, away from the Hesketh Lane / Station Road artery and remove some of the major congestion problems on this route. The County are also looking for financial support but the Parish Council has resolved not to invest any capital until the residents have had an opportunity to express their views. We hope to bring you further news in the Autumn Summary.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (LDF)

Central Government is moving on apace with new directives to District and County Administrations on how areas should be managed in sustainable development terms; central to this is the LDF which is now being worked up for our area – the Framework will cover the next sixteen years. More than ever before, local stakeholders will have the opportunity to influence how their own communities develop and a high degree of consultation will be sought at every stage. It isn't simply about planning but covers the whole needs of the population including such things as schooling, transport and health care. We have many planned exiting schemes in the Village with the new Booths Store, the proposed Linear Park and Footbridge / Cycleway over the Douglas and the "Inspire" scheme to improve the infrastructure of the village centre.

KEEPING UP TO DATE

Don't forget, if you wish to be kept as up to date as possible electronically, just send an email to WebUpdates@HwBPC.org.uk with the word **Update** in the subject line.

LANDSCAPING

Work will start this winter on a planting scheme on the old railway embankment adjacent to the childrens' play area. The scheme has been designed to be complementary to the landscaping at the new Booths Store and in conjunction with improvements to be carried out around the existing shops on Station Road.

HOMEBUY SCHEME

The Alders, Boundary Lane.



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12x3 bed houses









Rodney Housing Division is proud to launch the sale, on a rural shared ownership basis, of 12 three bedroom houses in Boundary Lane, Hesketh Bank.

Rural shared ownership is aimed at people who cannot afford to buy a property outright. The buyer can either purchase 50% or 75% share of the property with Rodney Housing Division keeping the other share. The buyer pays rent on the share of the property that they do not own.

The Alders will be completed in January 2009 and is very much aimed at people who have a local connection to Hesketh with Becconsall.

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