

STEETON-WITH-EASTBURN PARISH COUNCIL

December 2009

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Redevelopment of Eastburn Playing Field to start in January



Y5 children from Eastburn Junior and Infant School who started work on their ideas for the design of the scheme three years ago!

The parish council has finally set a date for the start of work to improve Eastburn Playing Field. The contractors will be on site from 4 January 2010 and the work will be completed by the middle of March. The council has secured grants of over £139,500 to make the area an exciting and welcoming community space that provides facilities for all residents.

The journey from ideas to construction has been a long one. The council has tried to involve as many local people as possible in the planning of the scheme and has carried out extensive consultation directly with immediate neighbours, at Neighbourhood Forums and with the Neighbourhood Policing Team. The plans of the scheme have been displayed in the parish council notice-boards, the Eastburn Inn and are available to download from our website.

As corporate trustee body of Eastburn Playing Field Association, the parish council has also applied for a lottery grant from 'Community Spaces' to improve the drainage of the field and provide access for all to the wetland area at the north west corner of the site. The wetland area will also be planted with a wider spectrum of native species of plants. A decision on this grant should have been made by the time you read this newsletter, so look out for an announcement in the local press.

A grand opening celebration and community fun day is planned for the end of March 2010 and anyone who would like to be involved in the organisation of this event please contact Councillor Karen Pickard.

Further improvements to the Rose Garden, Eastburn



The new raised beds were designed by Joel Westbrook, Greenfinger Garden Services, to be enjoyed by all including those residents with mobility and visual disabilities.

The improvements have been welcomed by local residents and the parish council has decided to add a third raised bed to complete the scheme.

Website Improvements

The parish council website has been upgraded and improved. Agendas and minutes of meetings, annual accounts, council policies and updates on the work of the council are available on the website:

www.steeton-with-eastburnparishcouncil.gov.uk
When the work starts at Eastburn Playing Field in January there will be a fortnightly update to keep residents informed.

The parish council can now offer community groups and organisations the facility of having their own page on the website, subject to approval by the parish council. The community group page can be edited directly by the group and for security reasons email alerts are sent to the parish council when a page is updated.

A page for the Steeton Walking Group is currently under construction. If any other groups would like to be considered for inclusion on the website please contact the clerk.

The parish council is also willing to put community news and events in these newsletters and the next issue will be published in March 2010.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Parish Council

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Projects for inclusion in the 2010/11 budget:

- ◆ Feasibility study for the provision of a community building
 - ◆ Further play provision
 - ◆ Extra litter bins
 - ◆ Youth Outreach Work
 - ◆ Improvements to the planting at the Memorial Garden and cleaning of the memorial
 - ◆ 2010/2011 action points identified in the Parish Plan
 - ◆ Additional maintenance and cleaning of recreational areas
 - ◆ Increase reserves by £3000
- The funding of these projects plus administration costs will result in an annual increase in parish council precept of £1.04 to £17.88 in 2010/1011.

Station survey

The parish council has been working with Andrew Mallinson, Craven Ward Councillor, and Silsden Town Council on a survey of users of Steeton and Silsden station and car park. The report will be available in the New Year. A small grant application is also being prepared to access funds to complete the planned improvements to pedestrian access at the station.

**If you notice a
problem....
holes in the road,
uneven pavements,
lights not
working, gullies
blocked,
dog fouling hotspots
etc. etc.....
Ring The City of
Bradford Council on
01274 431000
or report it through their
website:**

Your Neighbourhood Policing Team:

The local Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) consists of Inspector Sue Sanderson, Sgt Jo Beecroft, P.C. Peter Merifield, P.C. Mike Thompson, PCSO Andrew Blood, PCSO Lawrence Walton, PCSO Daniel Williams and PCSO Jon Turnbull.

Police officers regularly attend the parish council meetings and Councillor Pam Blagden attends the Police and Community Together (PACT) meetings as a representative of the council.



PCSO Lawrence Walton

PCSO Lawrence Walton holds regular surgeries in the area. The dates of the surgeries are available on the parish council and NPT websites.

Councillors John Hargreaves and John Weller are Speedwatch volunteers and carry out speed checks alongside police officers. More Speedwatch volunteers would be most welcome. Contact the NPT on the number below if you would like more information or to volunteer.

Check out the NPT website on www.westyorkshire.police.uk/npt to find out what is happening in our neighbourhood and the NPT's agreed local priorities this month.

Contacting the police:

Emergency or Crime in Progress

999

Crime report:

0845 6060606

Neighbourhood Policing Team:

01274 475301

Thornhill Road Development

The parish council, Ward Councillor Andrew Mallinson and local residents all submitted objections to the proposed development on Thornhill Road and attended the Keighley Planning Panel meeting to voice their concerns. Planning permission has, however, been granted and a Section 106 agreement drawn up that outlines the community gains from the development. The section 106 agreement provides for a £300,000 contribution to education, over £61,000 for on-site play provision and improvements to the road layout at the junction of Thornhill and Skipton Roads.



The local Home Guard re-enactment group is adding its support to the campaign to preserve the pill boxes on the Thornhill Road development site. Keighley and District Local History Society are in contact with English Heritage to see if they can get the structures listed and at this time English Heritage are still considering this request



Incommunities is interested in your views and is holding a consultation event:

Thursday 17th December 10am till 3pm
Christchurch Church Hall, 21 The Grove, Ilkley.

There will be a **Free prize draw** of a £50 voucher

Free refreshments, face painting, competitions and lots more!

If you are interested in taking part in a residents group or would like to get in touch with your Neighbourhood Officer you can contact Tracy Laycock on 0845 166 0100

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