

# Parish Council Annual Report

2009 was another year of progress for Heapey Parish Council with the planting of daffodils and bluebells at the top of Blackburn Road, in conjunction with Staff and Students from Myerscough College, and a noticeboard for Heapey Chase, together with the installation of the power supply for the Christmas Tree.

The Council continued with its support of our local amenities, with contributions towards the costs of the Village Hall, War Memorial and the play area, and other local organisations. We are still working on a scheme to improve the play area with our colleagues at Wheelton Parish Council.

Joan Geddes and Peter Church did not stand for re-election to the Council this year and we would like to take this opportunity to thank both for their past efforts. Thanks to Joan for her many years of valuable service and to Peter, who in his short time on the Council, made valuable contributions. This has left us with two vacancies and anyone interested in becoming a Councillor should contact the Clerk (further details regarding the vacancies are overleaf).

Lancashire County Council's parking restrictions, to ease the congestion at the bottom of Blackburn Road and along Victoria Street, have been implemented and we will be observing the results to see if they have the desired effect.

For 2010 the Parish Council's aim is to try to engage with our residents. In order to do this we will require feedback and input from as many residents as possible. If there are any issues which concern you, or items you think the Parish Council can help with or take up on your behalf please let us know.

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Parish Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday in alternate months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov), in The White Coppice Rooms, St Barnabas Church, Chapel Lane.

See the Parish Council noticeboards at the junction of Blackburn Road with the A674, the junction of Coppice Lane with Hollin Lane, the entrance to Heapey Chase and the War Memorial Grounds (visible from Kenyon Lane) for details.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Council meetings.

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# Heapey Parish Council Newsletter

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## Heapey Financial Report For the Year Ended 31 March 2010

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>15082</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Parish Precept	9350
Agency Work *	877
Interest	10
VAT Reclaimed **	0
Sundries	75
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10312</b>
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>25394</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Staff Costs	2795
Administration	654
Insurance	321
Donations	2625
Grounds Maintenance	2732
Repairs/Replacements	597
Subscriptions	168
VAT	165
Sundries	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10057</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>15337</b>

\* grasscutting carried out on behalf of Lancashire County Council

\*\* claim for £189 outstanding

## Lancashire Constabulary



As the warmer weather and lighter nights are with us please beware of opportunist thieves. There have been several thefts of cycles from unlocked garages even from drives, usually whilst the owners are inside. Don't leave easily accessible doors open even if you are in and don't leave windows unsecured whilst you are out.

Contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team on the non - emergency reporting number:

0845 1 25 35 45 or via email at

Police Sergeant Andrew Bramhall  
andrew.bramhall@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

Community Beat Manager - Chris Evans  
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## White Coppice Cricket Club

The 8th Annual Sportsmans Dinner will take place on Friday 17 September 2010 with Guest Speaker, Warren Hegg (ex Lancashire CC Captain and Wicket Keeper), Comedian, Martin Gold and MC, Chorley Guardian Editor Chris Maguire. Tickets will be £28. Contact Geoff Haydock on 01257 274241 for details.

Non-playing members are always welcome. For details of membership contact Geoff Haydock.

## Himalayan Balsalm

Local residents are interested in putting together a Volunteer Task Force to deal with local infestations of Himalayan Balsam.

Anyone interested in joining in should contact the Clerk on 01257 234003.

## Village Hall Annual Meeting Monday 14 June 2010 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The Annual Meeting is a public meeting at which the events of the past year are reviewed, the accounts approved and a new committee elected.

Over the year the number of active members on the committee has dwindled and it is important for the future of the hall that more people come forward to be members.

This is your chance to get involved in the running of this valuable community facility.

The Village Fete Organising Team Meeting will take place immediately after the Annual Meeting at around 8.00pm.

For more information about the above phone Joan Geddes on 01254 831522 or email at william.geddes@virgin.net

## Village Fete - Sunday 4 July 2010

Yes, it's that time of year again!! Last year's fete was a great success. We made £1500 for Village Hall funds and a good time was had by all.

Preparations for this year are well under way and, weather permitting, it will be another enjoyable family day out. If you would like to become involved, either in the planning or on the day, you will be very welcome.

We will, of course, need donations of books, CDs, DVDs, plants, cakes, electronic and board games, jigsaws and Tombola prizes.

There will be pony rides, children's races, children's entertainment, fairground rides, the very popular Tombola, refreshments and much more!!

## Council Vacancies

Following the local elections in May there are two vacancies on the Parish Council, which may now be filled by co-option.

If you would like to serve as a Councillor, or require further details of what the role involves please apply, in writing or by email, to the Clerk (details overleaf), providing brief background details and stating why you would like to join the Council.

To qualify, a person must be a British subject, aged over 18 years old and an elector, must reside in, or within 3 miles of, the Heapey Parish boundary or occupy as owner, or tenant, any land or premises therein, or have their principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor.

## Blood Donors Required

Apparently blood stocks fall dramatically during the period of the World Cup!

If you'd like to help maintain the stocks come along to Shaw Hill Hotel and Golf Club, Preston Road, Whittle-le-Woods on Thursday 1 July 2010, between 14.00 - 16.00 and 17.30 - 19.30.

## NHS Question Time

Whilst we're on the subject of health, NHS Central Lancashire is holding a 'Question Time' in the Lancastrian Suite at Chorley Town Hall from 6.00pm on Tuesday 15 June 2010 to be hosted by BBC Northwest's Dave Guest. Come along and put your questions and ideas about your local NHS to Senior Health Managers.

Please telephone 0800 032 24 24 to let the Local Engagement Team know you are going to attend.