

Lancashire Constabulary



There have recently been incidents regarding Letter Boxes that are situated externally on properties. There is an ongoing 'scam' whereby offenders apply for credit/debit cards at the address, then collect the post once it's been delivered by the postman. These may well contain pin numbers and the actual cards themselves. Please be aware of anyone seen hanging around your address, paying attention to post boxes. Take a note of descriptions and any vehicles used, and contact the Police on 101.

Residents witnessing any suspicious activity are asked to contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team on the new non - emergency reporting number, **101**, or via email at:

In The Know and Neighbourhood Watch - your information services relating to what's happening in your neck of the woods within Chorley.

This is a new system designed to keep you informed of what's happening in your area by way of email or text message.

To sign up to the system visit Lancashire Constabulary's website at:

www.lancashirepolice.org

Police Sergeant Pauline Appleton
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Houghton Weavers

Unfortunately the Houghton Weavers concert due to take place on 28 September 2013 has been cancelled.

It should be rescheduled for sometime in 2014 and details will be provided as and when they are available.

Congratulations

To White Coppice Cricket Club for achieving a 'Highly Commended' award in the Cricket Field category of the Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition 2013.

Council Tax Scam

Many residents are still receiving unsolicited telephone calls offering to check council tax bandings. Residents are informed they may be due a rebate of between £2000 and £3000. You should be aware that companies coldcalling to sell this type of service have no connection to any council or to the Valuation Office Agency and that you can check your council tax banding yourself. Any householder has the right to contact the Valuation Office Agency on 03000 501501, or via its website www.voa.gov.uk.

If you are successful in getting the band lowered you will keep the entire rebate.

Whilst on the subject of scams we'd like to remind residents that, under no circumstances, should details of bank account and/or credit card details ever be divulged to someone contacting you, by phone or email, usually to offer some sort of refund or service which requires your details in order for them to credit your account.

White Coppice CC

A few tickets remain for the Annual Sportsman's Dinner, which takes place on Friday 27 September 2013, at St Peter's Parish Club, Eaves Lane, Chorley.

Devon Malcolm (ex Derbyshire and England fast bowler) is Guest Speaker and the Comedian is Max Pressure. Tickets, at £30 each, are available from Geoff Haydock on 01257 274241.

We are now on the lookout for players who are up to Palace Shield standard for the 2014-15 season. Any local players who would like to join us to play their cricket on one of the most picturesque grounds in the country please contact Geoff Haydock on 01257 274241.

Village Hall

The Annual General Meeting of the Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee takes place on Tuesday 15th October 2013, 8:00pm at The Village Hall.

Everyone is welcome!

AGM Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of 2012 AGM and matters arising
3. Chairman's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Reports from User Groups
6. Booking Officer's Report
7. Public Forum
8. Election of Officers
9. AOB

The AGM will be followed by an Ordinary Committee Meeting.

Councillor Vacancy

A vacancy still remains on the Council which is to be filled by co-option.

Applicants must be British subjects, registered electors, must reside in, or within 3 miles of, the Heapey parish boundary or occupy as owners or tenants any land or premises therein, or have their principal place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor.

If you are interested in joining the Council please contact the Clerk on 01257 234003 or email to heapeypc@btinternet.com for further information.

Oil Club

As we approach Autumn and the nights turn chillier residents with oil fired heating systems may want to explore the possibility of joining an Oil Club.

Oil Clubs offer a scheme where individual household can enjoy the benefits of bulk buying of heating oil. The more homes that join the scheme the better it becomes for all as deliveries can be scheduled to take in a number of properties, thus reducing delivery costs. The theory is these reductions are reflected in the price paid by consumers.

If you are interested search 'Oil Club' on the internet or visit one of the following (please note Heapey Parish Council does not endorse or recommend either of the clubs listed below):

www.oilclub.co.uk or

www.theheatingoilclub.co.uk

Parish Councillors

Chairman

Margaret Osborne 01257 264446

Vice Chairman

Colin Grunstein 01257 277840

Councillors

Malcolm Allen 01257 264362

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Vacancy

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Parish Council meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday in alternate months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov), at Heapey Parish Church, Chapel Lane, Heapey.

See the Parish Council notice boards 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 for details.

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

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Solar Farm

A planning application has been submitted for the construction of an (up to 8MW) Solar Photovoltaic Farm and associated works to be sited on Land Bounded by Black Brook, Chapel Lane and Tithe Barn Lane, Heapey.

According to the submitted plans the solar farm will occupy 6 fields and stretch from Chapel Lane to Tithe Barn Lane and then beyond to the disused railway line. The 6 fields are all located within the Greenbelt.

The plans can be viewed on Chorley Council's website at chorley.go.uk or alternatively at the Council Offices on Union Street, Chorley which are opposite the Flat Iron car park entrance. Please telephone for an appointment.

If you wish to comment on the application you may do so online via Chorley Council's website or in writing to The Planning Department, Chorley Council, Civic Offices, Union Street, Chorley, PR7 1AL, quoting application No 13/00811/FULMAJ