



**BURTON CUM WALDEN
PARISH COUNCIL
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**Welcome to the Parish Council
Newsletter, Issue 64**

**We wish you all a very
Happy New Year**

Thank you

We always start this Newsletter with lots of thanks to everyone who helped to make our Autumn and Christmas events so enjoyable.

Firstly, we would like to thank Peter Wheeler and all his volunteers, once again, for an amazing Firework Display and **Bonfire Night** in November. After all the rain we'd had, it was a miracle that the bonfire got going at all, but we got there eventually!

Thank you also once again to Andy Landau and his team at the Fox and Hounds for keeping us warm with the barbeque and for organising the fundraising during the year. Altogether, £850 was raised to put towards the fireworks for next year.

Our normal **Christmas Festivities** started with the lighting up of our beautiful tree, put up by David and Luke Dent, and the festive cheer of mince pies and punch in the Fox and Hounds. Thank you to everyone who helped to make it such a joyous occasion.

We would also like to once again thank the owner of The Black Bull who every year allows us to use their electricity to power the Christmas tree lights. In return for this generosity, as usual, the Parish Council has sent £25 each to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance Service and the Great North Air Ambulance Service.

Future events

Following a meeting of the Fundraising Group, we can give you advance notice of a few fundraising events during the year.

These will include:

A Games Night
On Saturday, 16 March
In West Burton Village Hall
Snacks will be provided
Bring your own drinks
Further details on costs to be confirmed

The Quiz Night returns!
On Saturday 25 May or
Sunday, 26 May
In West Burton Village Hall
Further details to be confirmed

Harvest Supper
On Saturday, 14 or 21 September
In West Burton Village Hall
Further details to be confirmed

Annual Parish Meeting

Once again, Burton-cum-Walden Parish Council will be holding the

Annual Parish Meeting
On Tuesday, 23 April 2024
in the Village Hall, West Burton
at 7.30 pm

This meeting is open to all residents of the Parish and is your opportunity to come and talk to the Parish Council about any issues that are of concern to you. Further details will be published in the April Newsletter.

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Best Kept Village Competition □

After the recent storms and torrential rain, everywhere is looking a little battered at the moment, but the Council is planning to restore order to various areas of the Village during the Spring months, including restoring and reinstating the plinth at the entrance to West Burton on the B6160. We have investigated the mystery of the missing 'West Burton' sign, to no avail, but if anyone knows what happened to it, please contact Sue Ryding, the Clerk on the number below.

We didn't win the **Best Kept Village Competition** again, last July, but thank you to everyone for their efforts. There are always some lovely gardens and hanging baskets around to add to the beauty of our Village

We are judged on the state of our gardens, the Village Green, lack of litter, well maintained walls and gates and the general appearance of the village, with judging taking place usually in the first two weeks of July.

Emergency Plan □

Last year at this time, we reported on our progress in acquiring a generator to power the Village Hall in the event of an extended power cut. We are pleased to announce that the generator is now in place and ready to use.

We have had a couple of short outages in recent weeks, but have been lucky enough to avoid anything too drastic so far. Nevertheless, we believe that we will be ready, should the worst happen.

In the meantime, the Emergency Team has grown, now numbering ten people with varying skills that we can draw on in the event of a major emergency.

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As the boy scouts say, we aim to

Be Prepared! □

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A Good Life Community Support □

We receive information on this scheme from time to time from its organiser, Julie Greenslade. The scheme evolved from the provision put in place during Covid, and now provides a range of services for the Upper Dales area.

These include the **Community Hub in Hawes** which is open for three days a week on **Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm**, for a cup of tea and a chat, or help and support with energy/fuel costs, computer use and accessing services online. □

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On the first Monday of the month, **Carers Plus, Citizens Advice and MIND** offer free advice, or the opportunity to make an appointment for more confidential advice.

A range of other services and assistance is also available including food support, a **Carer's Break Service, and the Upper Dales Home Care Service.** □

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For further information, on any of these matters, Julie can be contacted on julie@udcp.co.uk or on 078178711227.

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A notice from West Burton Chapel □

The Soup and Cheese Lent lunches are not being held this year.

However, an envelope collection will be taken during

Christian Aid week 12th-18th May.

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