



BURTON CUM WALDEN PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER January 2025 (Issue 67)



Welcome to the Parish Council
Newsletter, Issue 67

We wish you all a very
Happy New Year

Thank you

As always we 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 his volunteers, once again, for an amazing Firework Display and **Bonfire Night** in November. Fortunately, the weather was much kinder than last year and the bonfire started first time and was tremendous.

Thank you also once again to Andy Landau and his team at the Fox and Hounds for the delicious and warming barbeque, and for organising the fundraising during the year. Altogether, over £900 was raised to put towards the fireworks for next year.

This year our **Christmas Festivities** started with a very enjoyable community tea, followed by the lighting up of our beautiful tree, put up by David and Luke Dent, and the traditional 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.

Parish Precept

For the first time in ten years the Parish Council decided that we needed to raise the Precept. Consequently, your Council tax bill will show that the Precept has risen from £6,600 to £7,400. We have calculated that this amount is very much below the inflation rate over those years and represents an increase for this year of approximately £6.00 per household.

This increase has been driven by the need to set aside a fund for the replacement of the motor mower, which will need renewing within the next few years, and the cost of replacing it, which is in the region of £8,000.

To help the mower fund along, we would like to thank the Fundraising Group for a donation of £223.65 which will be added to the fund.

Northern Powergrid priority cases

After the power cut last autumn, Northern Powergrid advised us of their Priority Case scheme which registers vulnerable people and helps to keep them informed of progress to restore power. You can register for this scheme by going to

<https://northernpowergrid.custhelp.com/app/enquiry/type/psr>

Alternatively you can contact their general inquiries number 0800 011 3332.

Road works

We have received information that surface dressing works will be carried out locally and in the wider area between 1 April and 30 September. Each road work could possibly involve road closures for a day or so. As we get the information in, we will let you know through the village WhatsApp group.

The group now has 50 members and is useful for updates on local information and events. If you have not yet joined and would like to, please contact **Neil Smeeton on 07817 593 853 or Emma Davis on 07969 359 599.**

A Good Life Community Support

We included information about this scheme in Newsletter 64, but for those people who missed it, a brief reminder of the help that is available through this scheme in the Upper Dales area.

This includes 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 Greenslade, the organiser, can be contacted on julie@udcp.co.uk or on 078178711227

Upcoming Village events

We have been given information on upcoming events including

**The Village Quiz Night □
On Saturday 22 February 2025 □
In West Burton Village Hall □
7.00 pm for 7.30 pm □
Maximum teams of 6 □
Tickets £8.00 per person from □
Emma Davis on 07969 359 599 □
Payment can be via bank transfer or cash □
Supper of soup (vegetarian), sandwiches, and sweet treats □
Bring your own drinks □**

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If anyone would like to donate a raffle prize, please drop it off with Emma Davis at Hill View. Raffle tickets will be sold and drawn on the night.

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Another Quiz Night is planned for 15 November 2025. Details to follow.

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The Fundraising Group would also like your views and suggestions on other events that you would like to see organised. Please complete the short form available on this link and let us know.

<https://tinyurl.com/WestBurtonEvents>

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If anyone would like a hard copy of the form please contact Emma Davis on 07969 359 599 or email her at edavis1095@gmail.com □

West Burton Social and Fundraising Group—AGM

This will be held on Thursday, 8 May 2025 in the Committee Room at West Burton Village Hall at 8.00 pm. If you have any questions you would like to raise please contact a member of the Group before the meeting. The agenda will be issued nearer the time.

The Group would love more people to join them. Please contact the members for more information. They are Vicky Whitehead, Neil Smeeton, Gordon Lunt, Jane Ritchie, Julie Pledge, Tony Ellender and Emma Davis.

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