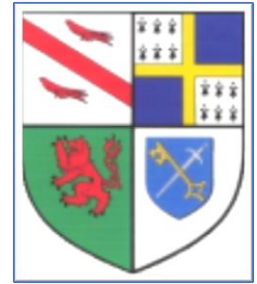


INFORMER

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Welcome to the latest Informer, being the last one of the year it is appropriate to look back at our year. However, it is more important to look forward and to plan for the future. Your Parish Council was reformed after the elections in May. Three councillors retired, the Chairman Stephen Hill, Eileen Northall and Jean Leah. Each had made significant contributions over the years for which we are most grateful. Ian Newbold joined the Council in May, and Stephen Hill re-joined in October. This year we have seen the opening of the refurbished and extended Sports Pavilion. This was the culmination of a huge amount of work from a dedicated team. We now have a superb asset to the village. The opening coincided with the annual Family Funday, an event which gets better and better each year and again thanks must go to those involved in organising it. The future includes the eventual outcome of the development plans which could impact on the north and south of the village. We will not know about this until early 2017 but can only hope that our objections have been heard. We will now be looking to further build onto our Strategic Planning to determine future actions. For example, what should we do with the top corner of the Recreation Ground. Finally may I wish everyone a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. **David Gregory, Chairman**

TODWICK PLAY CAMPS 2016

There will be two MegActive Play Camps in Todwick next year. Spring Half Term, Tuesday May 31st to Friday June 3rd and Summer holidays Monday July 18th to Friday July 22nd.

The charges per day will remain at £5, £2.50 per half day. To help us in keeping costs to a minimum, we are looking for a couple of young volunteers - approx 17 years of age - to come along to the camps to assist the coaches. For more information please ring the MegActive team on 01709 363355 or email sportsdevelopment@rotherham.gov.uk

Communication

The INFORMER is the main method of letting people in Todwick know what the Parish Council is doing. Each Parish Councillor hand delivers the Informer to the houses on their allocated 'round' in the village. To help improve communication, we increased the frequency of the Informer from quarterly to bi-monthly. We also have a Facebook page – just go to Facebook and type in Todwick Parish Council. Agenda and Minutes of Parish Council meetings are available on the Todwick village website at www.todwick.org.uk. You can, of course, always contact any of the Parish Councillors (details at the end of this newsletter) or attend the meeting which is held in public and has a public open session at 8 pm.



Parish Councillor John Jeffrey

John was born in Woking in Surrey; he joined the Royal Marines in 1970, 12 days before his 16th birthday, commencing active service from 1972 for six years. During this time John visited many parts of the world including the Mediterranean, America and Canada to name a few. His claim to fame would be sailing on HMS Hermes at the same time as Prince Charles who at that time was training to fly helicopters.

On leaving the Royal Marines John settled in Sheffield, which is the hometown of his wife, and began a career in retail management. The job initially included managing two shops for the Sheffield Star; he was eventually transferred to manage three shops in Sheffield city centre. Unfortunately the Star shops went into liquidation and a career move was required. Having a young family to support John embarked on a career with South Yorkshire transport as a one man bus operator. He held this position for eight years until obtaining his HGV licence and has stayed in transport since then. Until recently he worked as an owner driver for City Link running his own vehicle. However, due to closure of the company, John had to find employment elsewhere and now works for Wincanton as a HGV driver.

John's hobbies include gardening, golfing and rugby; he used to play rugby for the Royal Marines and Dinnington Rugby club. He has a special interest in restoring the grounds of Todwick church and with friends from the village began the job of tidying and turfing two years ago. John has been married to Sharron for forty years and moved to Todwick in 1984 with their two children Rowly and Terri. Terri now lives in Bolton with her husband and young son James Rowly, who is named after his uncle who died in a car accident in 2009 and lies next to his grandparents in Todwick Church yard.

Door 2 Door services in Rotherham

No matter what age you are, if you find it difficult to use standard public transport then you can apply to use a Door 2 Door service instead. Each service will pick you up from your home and can take you around your local area and beyond. If you want to travel to the town centre or a local supermarket, Shopper Bus is the best service for you. It offers transport from your home at certain times and on set days. If you need to travel at a particular time and to a destination not available on Shopper Bus (for example, if you are visiting a friend in hospital, or travelling to an evening class) then the Dial-a-Ride service will suit your needs better. If you think Door 2 Door can help you get out and about, registering is easy and free. Just call **01709 517 100**. Once you are registered with the service, you will be able to make future bookings by phone.

Shopper Bus:

From	To	Day	Arrive	Return
Todwick	Crystal Peaks	Tuesday	10.00	12.00
Todwick	Worksop	Wednesday	11.00	13.00
Todwick	Dinnington	Friday	10.00	12.15

The Shopper bus costs just £2.00 return

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***** Father Christmas is coming to Todwick on Friday 18th December *****

RAILINGS ON THE PASTURES Your Parish Council has been in constant contact with the planning department at RMBC regarding the fencing at the junction of The Meadows and The Pastures. Whilst there is no doubt that it is unsightly we have been repeatedly advised that the land owner has not done anything which contravenes planning legislation. Essentially we are talking about private land, we have tried to use the fact that a walkway has been established, but the RMBC official responsible for rights of way was unable to help. We will continue to work towards a resolution of this issue, and ask that individuals do not take their own actions during this process.

Kiveton Park Medical Centre Patient Participation Group

The patient participation group meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 pm in the practice. The group aims to represent patients and includes people from across the area covered by the surgery and all age ranges. The group works closely with the surgery and provides support such as helping undertake patient surveys. The group is facilitating health awareness sessions and other events in 2016. We are keen to recruit new members. If you would like further information, then please contact Marsha Raynes or Becky Clowes on 01909 510103 or email marsha.raynes@gp-c87004.nhs.uk. You can also express your interest by completing a form, which is available at reception. You can find out more from the surgery web site: www.kivetonparkmedicalpractice.co.uk