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YOUR VILLAGE MAGAZINE

I'm sure you are always waiting at the front door at the beginning of each month for the delivery of the Village magazine!

To catch up with the news from the village, learn a tit-bit of information or find one of the local trades that advertise in the magazine.

But how does this come about?

The magazine is run by a small team of 5 that comes under the umbrella of the Parish Council for insurances and banking.

The magazine is paid for using the income that is generated from our advertisers, and our thanks to them for their continued support. We are not here to make a profit but to cover our printing costs which currently stand at £2025 per year.

There is also an army of unseen volunteers that distribute the magazine around the village and also a number of proof readers.

A very special thank you to all of you for your ongoing help. Without you it would become a major checking and delivery job. We have delivered the magazine without the team on a couple of occasions through lock down and it takes a while with just two people!

We are always looking for interesting articles to be included to back up our regular contributors, or a photograph for the front cover. Again, a great big thank you to all the article writers, as this makes the magazine what it is today.

So, if you would like to contribute either an article or an advert for your business, please send an email to the following:

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Front cover picture
Snowdrops in bloom

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had planned to hold an Exhibition of its work on
26th February in the Village Hall.



However, with the ongoing cases associated with
Covid, we think it would be wise to hold our
exhibition later in the year when, hopefully, the number of cases
will have declined and the days will be longer.

We have re- booked the Village Hall for Saturday 14 May 2022.
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more about the history of the village and our on-going work.

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Martin Kemp was born on 8th January 1950 at South Grange Farm, Shincliffe, County Durham and 2 years later the family moved to Carleton in Craven, then to Switchers Farm, Hellifield before settling at The Mount, Long Preston in 1959.

Martin attended Carleton School, Hellifield School and then Long Preston Endowed School and on to Settle High School, before progressing to The Liverpool College of Art where he took a diploma in The History of Art.

During and after further education, he found various roles in the East Riding of Yorkshire, one being a stint in a sugar beet factory, then in a friend's pub where he efficiently ran the bar, followed by a job in a Scunthorpe factory making fibre glass fairground rides.

Martin's technical skills set him in good stead for his career working for a double-glazing manufacturer in Scunthorpe, where he attained the role of foreman in charge of a large team.

In 2004 he took early retirement returning to Long Preston and living at The Mount and then Nook Cottage.

Martin had a sharp wit, cheeky charm and a mischievous smile, he enjoyed crosswords, books, scrabble, board and card games, and the pub quiz every Friday at The Boars Head which all made use of his amazing vocabulary, he also followed Burnley Football Club.

Martin was not materialistic, he had everything he needed and nothing that he didn't.

He was a very humble man who enjoyed living a simple life in the way he wanted to live it.

Martin passed away suddenly on 10th October 2021 at the age of 71 and he will be sorely missed by his family and friends.

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Safer Neighbourhood Team covering the Bentham, Ingleton and Settle area, PS1006 Paul Evans, PCSO 5561 Jayne Grace, PCSO3737 Gary Grieve, PC 830 Barbara Parsons & PC 188 Jane Carpenter, who will be keeping you updated on recent crimes and incidents in Long Preston and the surrounding area.

We have had 38 incidents reported between 09.11.21 to 11.01.21

Reports include – General Admin from other Police force, General Admin from other agencies, Civil Dispute, Neighbour Dispute, Abandon Calls & Natural disaster – Flooding – A65 - Moor Lane – A65 Icy Roads

08.11.21 – Concern/domestic – Joint partnership working

11.11.21 – Anti Social Behaviour Environmental – Human Excrement found in Sand Pit – Little Learners Centre

14.11.21 - Anti Social Behaviour Personal/Neighbour dispute

23.11.21 - Animal Concern – Lamb attacked by dog in field rear of Jubilee Croft

27.11.21 – Road Traffic Collision – Single vehicle – Ice – A65

06.12.21 – Suspect vehicle dumped in village – no reports

08.12.21 – Suspicious circumstances – Water leak

05.12.21 & 09.12.21 – Domestic incident

09.12.21 – Concern for welfare – In order Ambulance dealt

10.12.21 – Road Related offence – Manner of driving – checked in order

15.12.21 - Suspicious circumstances – males collecting scrap

21.12.21 – Theft of CCTV camera

02.01.22 – Road Traffic Collision – Single vehicle due to Flooding A65

05.01.22 – Suspect circumstances – 3 persons on School grounds at 3am

08.01.22 – Crime Violence

10.01.22 – Suspect Vehicles – The green - area searched no gain

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- 4 E-mail SNACraven@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

LONG PRESTON OVER 70'S

We are sorry we had to cancel our annual Christmas Lunch in January.

Due to the safety of the villagers who normally attend we thought it better to POSTPONE this event due to the Covid uncertainty we have at the moment.

We have not forgotten you all and will book a new date as soon as we can and we will be in touch

Janet. On behalf of the whole committee.

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THE RAMBLINGS OF COLONEL CURMUDGEONLY-SAGE (RETIRED)

Happy New Year to everyone, I hope you are all managing the best you can in the current, endless circumstances we and the whole world find ourselves in as Covid refuses to do the decent thing and implode on itself...so many parallels to Huxley's 'War of the Worlds'it's anyone's guess as to how this sequel will end ...and when!

On a brighter note there are the first flickerings of an early Spring starting to show themselves: tulips showing through the otherwise barren garden borders blue tits staking a claim to nest boxes with their usual business clearing out last year's detritusand the strength of the sun's rays gradually building to increase the power of the lumens on our necks and backs in direct sunlight....whilst in total contrast, the intense power of the same sun rising in the east is a continual hindrance to drivers as they are 'blinded by the light'!

Considering the accumulated positives and negatives of the above, the mood swings on our Karma and general well-being are even more intense than they usually are at this 'black cloud' time of year compounded by the credit card bills that start to drop through our letterboxes after the excesses of the festive season!.... So, in an attempt to correct this imbalance and lift the general 'joie de vivre' I thought I would dedicate the remainder of this months column to another round of Yorkshire-isms, that might raise a smile or send a titter around the room.

So, here's a few dialect ditties to test your knowledge of your home area in the glorious Dales:

I'm fair *capt.* (*capped.*) = pleasantly surprised.

She's a *wittler.* = a worrier.

He's *yonderly.* = forgetful\ not quite with it.

I'm *brussen.* = full to bursting.

It's *felted* away. = hidden.

Don't get *moithered.* = worried.

Nice *ganzy.* = pullover.

I'm *nithered*. = perishingly cold.

Pissimires. = Ants.

Firkinrobins. = Earwigs.

It's *rawky*. = Foggy.

There's been some *kallifudgin*. = deceit/ underhand practice.

..... and now a few phrases / sentences /analogies for you to work out yourselves:

Ev'ry Sunda she meks enuf Yorkshire puddings to flag a pig-oyl.

Keep t' band in t'nick. (Passed down from the wool industry)

As throng as Throp's wife.

I'm mekin shim-shams fo' meddlers and crutches fo' lame ducks.

And finallya favourite song of mine that I heard on the Crystal Set over the festive season, oft performed by Mike Harding across the hay-days of his folk singing career.

We're reight darn in't coyl oyl, where t' mud slarts on't winders,

we've used all our coyl up and there's nowt left but t' cinders,

If't 'Bum Bailiff' calls he'll not know where to find us,

Cos we're reight darn in't coyl oyl, where t' mud slarts on't winders.

Good luck with these, you might need to consult with someone over the age of 75 if you need a clue or two! Now, it's time to sign off, apart from to say whatever you do over the coming weeks aim to have a ramble or two, it will do you the power of good.

Till next time around, as Fiery Fred would say at the end of his Pub Games ITV show, 'I'll sithee'.

The Colonel.

SETTLE AREA SWIMMING POOL

POOL WORK ON SCHEDULE DESPITE ROOF DAMAGE

Redevelopment work at Settle Pool is on schedule despite substantial storm damage to the pool roof caused by storm Arwen at the start of the winter.

The damage was unrelated to the construction work as it occurred on the other side of the building, exposed to the fierce winds from the North. The presence of builders on site with their equipment did however mean that it was possible to make a quick assessment of the damage and ensure good liaison with the insurance company.

It had been hoped to keep the pool open for most of the time that building work was taking place and temporary arrangements that were working well, but with the roof damage making it impossible to keep the pool open these had to be put on hold for what could be several months until repairs can be made.

Meanwhile the outline of the new structure is now in place and work is due to be completed by early summer. The new development will include a new changing village, with improved facilities for families and disabled swimmers; an extended entrance area; and new multi-use dry side facilities.

The redevelopment work necessitated the removal of a small number of trees at the front of the building but in a move agreed with local environment campaigners and Craven District Council replacement fruit trees have now been planted on council owned land in front of Ribble Terrace on the other side of the river.

These included a number of apple trees, and appropriately enough with the planting taking place just before Christmas, some pear trees.

The pool charity shop in Duke Street and related on-line sales continue to produce a strong income for the pool.

The shop is open Tuesdays-Saturdays and donations are accepted at the containers on the carpark in front of the pool on Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30am – 12.30pm.



SETTLE AREA SWIMMING POOL

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MONTHLY GARDEN FEATURE

Spring arrives

Spring usually arrives by mid-March and the frequent sunny days provide the opportunity for an increasing range of gardening tasks. It's time to get busy preparing seed beds, sowing seed, cutting back winter shrubs and generally tidying up around the garden.

Including hedging and trees in your garden will provide a fantastic habitat for birds and insects.

Plant hedging (now stocked at Be A Garden Maker) and trees during their dormant growth in Feb/Early March. Dig a hole deep enough to leave a cup around the base of the trunk. Spread a small amount of Bone Meal or organic feed, cover with soil then put the tree ball into the hole. Fill in the hole with soil/compost mix. Stake the tree to support for the first few years of growth. During periods of dry weather during the first 6 months add a bucket of water to the roots every day.

- Prune bush and climbing roses
- Plant shallots, onion sets and early potatoes
- Plant summer-flowering bulbs
- Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials
- Top dress containers with fresh compost
- Mow the lawn on dry days (if needed)
- Cut back Cornus (dogwood) and Salix (willow) grown for colourful winter stems
- Hoe and mulch weeds to keep them under control early

Lets hope that this year brings another beautiful Spring and we can enjoy to time in our gardens

Nikki,

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ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

All services held at 11am

Feb 6 th	Canon Graham Bettridge	Holy Communion
13 th	Janet Wood	Informal Worship
20 th	Rev Ian Greenhalgh	Morning Worship
27 th	Rev Colin Blake	Informal Worship
Mar 6 th	Canon Graham Bettridge	Holy Communion

Midweek BCP Communion services are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month;

Feb 9 th	John Holford
23 rd	David Hope
Mar 9 th	David Hope

It gives me great pleasure to tell you that Rev James Rodley has been appointed Priest-in-charge of Hellifield and Long Preston. James is currently Vicar at St Mary Magdalene in Harlow, Essex. We don't yet have a start date, so watch this space!



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WHERE 2 WALK

Pen-y-Ghent & Plover Hill, the quiet way

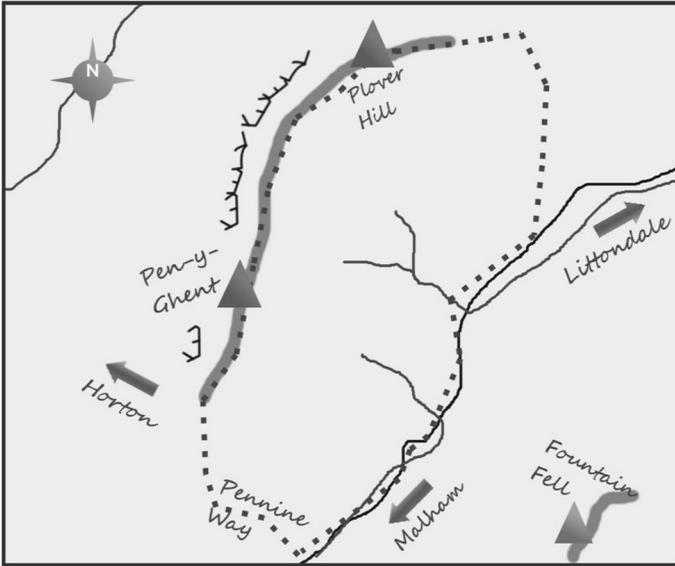
95% of those climbing Pen-y-Ghent will tackle the mountain from Horton-in-Ribblesdale. However there is an enjoyable alternative and that is to approach Pen-y-Ghent from the east. This route has the benefit of including Plover Hill more conveniently. Both mountains are part of the Dales 30.

The road between Stainforth and Halton Gill in Littondale is one of the finest in the Yorkshire Dales. Roughly midway and well above 1,000 ft it passes Dale Head Farm at a cattle grid. Start the walk here (there is parking just beyond the cattle grid).. The path to Pen-y-Ghent from Dale Head Farm is part of the Pennine Way. Follow the Pennine Way sign down a farm lane and past the farm. From the farm pass through two gates on a wide track. On arrival at Churn Milk Hole turn right and follow the path towards the steeper upper slopes of Pen-y-Ghent. The path can be muddy after wet weather, however the use of duck boards on the worst sections helps considerably.

Just before starting the steeper section two stiles on your left mark the meeting of the route up from Horton. From here the path is rocky and there is some limited scrambling. The route is obvious as the path is very well used at this point with the exposed rock offering a great contrast to what is ahead! After the steepest scramble the path pops out on an easy wide grassy ridge which is followed for a quarter of a mile to the summit of Pen-y-Ghent. The shelter and wall can be most welcome in bad conditions.

It is the wall which provides the best navigational tool in the crossing from Pen-y-Ghent to Plover Hill. Cross through a gap in the wall. The main path from the summit heads west back towards Horton but stick to the fainter, but still obvious, path which follows close by the wall heading north. The path gradually descends for half a mile to a wide and often wet col. After the ladder stile the route starts to ascend, but still gradually. Follow the wall for a further half mile as it bends in a more easterly direction until it reaches a meeting of walls at an old sheep enclosure. Cross the north wall at a stile and turn immediately right/east and follow it for 200m to a collapsed section on your right. Cross this and find the small cairn to mark the summit of Plover Hill. Plover Hill is one of the least visited of the Dales 30, the thirty mountains in the Yorkshire Dales over 2,000 feet high. The two mountains to the south are Fountain's Fell and Darnbrook.

From the summit cairn do not re-cross the wall but follow a faint path alongside the wall heading east. Keeping the wall on your left it turns sharp right/south after $\frac{3}{4}$ a mile and then a right again a little further downhill. Keeping the boundary on your left follow it back to the road through some often wet and boggy hillside. Just pick the best and hopefully driest section. It is two and a half miles back along the quiet road to the car but this can be enlivened by taking to the rough path down hill from the road. The path meanders near the road for a large part of the walk back to the start at Dale Head Farm.



Fact Box:

Distance: Roughly 8 miles

Height to Climb: 410m (1,345 feet)

Start: SD 843715. There is roadside parking just over the cattle grid at Dale Head Farm.

Difficulty: Hard. Some of the walking after Pen-y-Ghent can be wet and awkward. The wall makes a good navigational tool though.

Refreshments: There are 3 pubs and a café in Osmotherley centre.

Be Prepared:

The route description and sketch map only provide a guide to the walk. You must take out and be able to read a map (O/S Explorer OL2) and in cloudy/misty conditions a compass. You must also wear the correct clothing and footwear for the outdoors. Whilst every effort is made to provide accurate information, walkers head out at their own risk.

Please observe the Countryside Code and park sensibly.

Jonathan Smith runs Where2walk, a walking company in the Yorkshire Dales:

He has published 2 books on walks in the Dales, 'The Yorkshire 3 Peaks' and 'The Dales 30' mountains. Available direct from the Where2walk website.

Book a Navigation Training day (Beginners or Intermediates) in 2022. Dates and information on the website.

Where2walk also run Navigation weekends in the Dales and the '3 Peaks in 3 Days' guided walks. Full details also on the website

Jonathan's popular website, Where2walk.co.uk also features 100's of walks across Yorkshire and beyond, from easy strolls to harder climbs

HERITAGE GROUP ARCHIVE

“SEXTON DICKY” - The Long Preston poet

Richard Hardacre, of Long Preston, better known as “Sexton Dicky”, but who described himself as “the celebrated Ribblesdale Poet”, issued in his later years an annual sheet of “Rhymes” printed at Settle, which contain many local allusions. The following are specimen verses extracted from various issues of these “Poems”.

The cotton weavers do complain
Their wages are so low again;
And bread is now so very dear'
Is the complaint of the last year. (1828)

Unions they are a help to poor,
We never had one here before;
A few poor men they do subscribe,
A penny a week for to provide. (1829)

Times do not mend that I can see,
They are as bad as need to be;
Provisions now are quite as dear
As when I wrote for you last year. (1830)

For Trade is bad now everywhere
And some things are exceeding dear;
The Cotton-weavers do complain,
Their wages now are bad again. (1832)

There is one thing I have to tell,
Settle Town's Hall looks very well;
It sets the town out I declare,
Useful for market or for fair.

It's ornamental to the town,
Its usefulness is yet unknown;
The architect must be clever,
In planning it altogether.

It's topping, gallant, noble, fine,
And has been building two years' time;
About it now I'll say no more,
I ne'er saw such a place before. (1833)

A Poor-house built at Giggleswick',
And everything likewise made fit;
It is intended for the poor,
I thought there was plenty before.

It is designed for good ends,
As poor people have but few friends;
So then I hope that none will rue,
If all accounts I hear be true. (1834)

At Rathmell a new Church you'll find,
That old and young who hath a mind;
May find a place of worship there,
for all who choose to go next year.

At Settle, they also expect,
Quite a new Church there to erect;
It's been talk'd of many a year,
So now I think the time draws near (1835)

Settle Town's Hall looks very well,
For now they've got both clock and bell;
And the New Church will look quite grand,
The plan I do not understand. (1836)

At Skipton a New Church you'll see,
A handsome large one it will be;
At Stainforth one they do expect,
But have not begun to erect. (1837)

Settle New Church is now complete,
And it does look exceeding neat;
They have built a handsome spire,
The steeple should have been higher. (1838)

The seventh of January last,
There was an exceeding great blast;
It blew up many trees by root,
And many buildings did un-roof. (1839)

The Hardacres of Long Preston 1803 and circa 1920

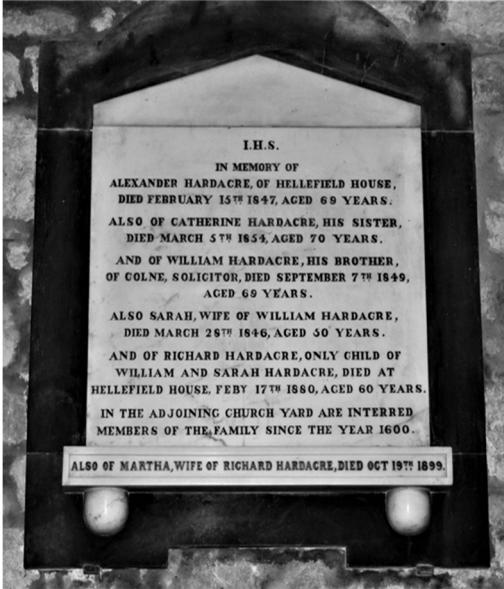
Enrolment under the Act of Parliament made and passed in 1803
listed the Hardacres living in Long Preston.

Henry Hardacre, Yeoman;
Chris Hardacre and Chris Hardacre Jnr. Cloggers;
Richard Hardacre and Robert Hardacre, Coopers;
William Hardacre Snr. Cordwainer and William Hardacre Jnr. Labourer;
Samuel Hardacre, Tailor; Richard Hardacre, Carpenter;
Thomas, Richard and John Hardacre were all weavers
handloom or possibly at the cotton mill.

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The Long Preston Tithe Apportionment Deed 1839 – 1842 records that the many Hardacre family members owned meadow and pasture land, cottages and barns, some of which were rented out to tenants. Henry Hardacre owned a Beer House and garden which he rented out to Mathew Jackman. This is the white building, now known as Pax Cottage, which can be seen immediately opposite the Post Office.



The Hardacres are commemorated in St Mary's Church in a prominent place by the entrance door. The plaque records that in the adjoining churchyard are interred members of the family since the year 1600.

Beneath the larger plaque is a smaller one in memory of William King Hardacre, the only child of Richard and Martha Hardacre. William died in 1904 at the age of 42.



A grocer's shop in the village was kept by a Hardacre until the 1920's. He was the last Hardacre to live in the village.



The Conservative Club with Hardacre's shop opposite 'the concrete', now Maypole Green. Note the lantern on the ridge, only a stump remains. Could that be a flagpole to the left of the spire? The Club and Shop were rebuilt in 1895. Photo dated circa 1912.



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NORTH CRAVEN FLOWER CLUB



January and February are good months to look at what you are going to grow in your garden in the summer. Seed catalogues are sent out at this time of year to try and tempt you into making purchases of various packets of seed ready to sow and then plant out in the early summer.

One flowering plant that you can grow easily from seed is the Cosmos. The flowers can be cut for your flower arrangements and can bloom until the first frosts.

Cosmos are daisy like flowers with a yellow centre and has petals ranging from white, pale pinks though to fiery reds and oranges. They are the birth flower for the month of October.



The most commonly grown Cosmos in the UK is an annual called *Cosmos bipinnatus*. Another name for Cosmos is Mexican aster as they are native to Mexico but they also grow wild in the southern United States, south and central America and South Africa. They are part of the daisy and sunflower (*Asteraceae*) family. Bees, butterflies and hoverflies are very attracted to cosmos so that's another good reason to grow them.

They are easily grown from seed sown in early spring in your flower beds where you want them to flower or into small pots of modules filled with free draining compost. If growing in pots, prick out the seedlings when they are large enough to handle into larger pots ready to grow on and plant out in late May/June when the danger of frosts have passed.

When the seedlings have formed 2-3 pairs of leaves, pinch out the growing tips to make them become more bushy, which should make them bear more flowers. They will also produce more flowers if you pick them and regularly deadhead those that don't get picked. If any do form seed heads, you can keep the seeds ready to sow the following season.

Once picked, the flowers can last up to 10 days in a vase. Cosmos do not need to be conditioned once picked although it is a good idea to change the water daily.

There are also some perennial Cosmos which once planted will come every year. One example is *Cosmos atrosanguineus* that is a dusky red and has a scent of vanilla and hot chocolate. A white annual variety called *Cosmos bipinnatus* 'Purity' is often used by florists in wedding arrangements and *Cosmos sulphureus* (coloured yellow) was used to make a yellow dye and a cure for malaria. It can also be used in salads as it is edible



Sadly we took the decision to cancel our January meeting due to the increased number of covid cases. We are hoping that our February meeting will take place as planned on 10th February. This will be a club night when we have asked members to bring flowers and foliage to make an arrangement that doesn't use foam. It will be interesting to see the different ideas that members produce.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOORBY

Planning

I think the planning application for the 99 lodges at the Flashes will be coming before the Planning Committee in the near future and if it does I will do my best for the people of both Long Preston and Hellfield.

Unitary Authority

Things are progressing with the plans to get the Unitary Authority in place by 1st April 2023. I am aware that a great many people are against the decision for a Unitary Authority but I'm afraid the decision has been made and we will have to do the best we can and live with the decision.

This means that I will remain the District Councillor for Long Preston and Hellfield until that date and I will do my best for you all until then.

Long Preston

In September of 2020 the members of Long Preston Parish Council were disqualified for failing to attend a meeting in a six month period. We were in the midst of the Coronavirus epidemic at the time. The Government were aware of this situation but insisted that this rule should be kept in place. As a consequence of this ruling Craven District had to set up an interim parish council. This had to be made up of a maximum of three councillor's therefore Councillor David Staveley, Councillor Carl Lis and myself volunteered and were accepted to hold these positions. I put myself forward as I am Ward Councillor for Long Preston.

Once we were in place we had to take over all the items that the previous council were dealing with including rights of way over village greens and as a result of this and the position we found ourselves in the council had no alternative but to seek legal advice. The council received the advice from the law firm, and as a responsible council we felt that we had no option but to act on the advice. To go against the advice could leave the council open to all sorts actions against it.

I can understand the frustrations felt in some quarters, but we felt that the Council had no alternative but to act in the way it did.

In October of 2021 there was a very serious breach of data protection. The council had no alternative but to inform the Information Commissioners Office and they found that this was a very serious breach but because the council reacted very quickly to mitigate the breach then the council would not incur a hefty fine.

Following this I received some intimidating and threatening emails, why I was singled out when there were other councillor's involved I don't know.

On another point about being a councillor. On December 11th 2020 I was involved in an incident outside my house regarding traffic using the roads around the Village Greens as a rat run. This resulted in a trip to Airedale Hospital where it was found that I had received a laceration to my face and my jaw suffered a double fracture / dislocation for which I have been receiving treatment until being discharged from the hospitals care late in 2021. I later found out that the other person involved is a resident of Long Preston.

In another incident. A resident asked if the Parish Council would post a copy of the council meeting minutes in the parish council noticeboard. This was duly done, but within a short space of time someone had forced the noticeboard open and removed certain sections of the minutes.

I feel very disappointed at all these actions, we as a council are only doing what we think is right for the village, but I accept that we can't please everyone.

It does make me wonder as to why anyone would like to become a local councillor, and when, after the election in May, there is not a functioning council in place I certainly will not be volunteering as a District Councillor for this role again, but I really hope that people will come forward to fill these vacancies.

This Council has done a great deal for the residents in Long Preston in the short time it has been in place.

We have got street lights repaired and new ones that have never been connected for years back working and are still in the process of replacing others.

We have installed a vehicle activated sign that can be rotated in three monthly cycles at three locations in the village to try and get the traffic to travel at 30mph.

We have had to get a new mower and purchase a secure container to store it in.

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We have got a new roof for the pavilion at the playing field, but a great deal of work needs to be done at the playing field due to lack of maintenance in the past. Volunteers are really needed and we are working with the Friends of the Playing Field to achieve this. If this village wants to keep a playing field then I feel people will have to offer some form of help.

We managed to make sure that the village had a Christmas Lights display over the last two years, in fact the turn on last December was a great success even though the weather was atrocious, everyone enjoyed themselves, and a big thank you must go to all that were involved over the last two years to make this happen, including a thank you to John Dinsdale who sponsored the tree.

I have lived in this village virtually all my life. When I was born my Mum and Dad lived at the Almshouses and that's where I started life. When I was six months old we moved to the house that my wife Janet and myself now live in. I have been a local councillor for around forty years and have seen many changes in the village, not all for the best, and I have seen some ups and downs over the years especially in 2012 that some of you may remember, but most things have gone quite well and I have been involved with a great many including:-

Getting a pedestrian crossing which took a great deal of hard work as NYCC and various others were against. It took public meetings for the residents to convince them that it was needed.

A weekend of action to get NYCC to instal a minimal amount of traffic calming.

The installation of the wooden bus shelter.

Purchasing the land for the playing field and setting up a playing fields committee that leased the land from the parish council and then looked after the field including fund raising and maintenance.

I remember the Council being involved and organizing events when it was the centenary of the parish councils in England. All the community pulled together to hold fantastic exhibitions and displays.

I have put this report together as I feel there is a need to present the current position of this parish council.

All the best,

Chris Moorby

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LONG PRESTON METHODIST CHURCH



Long Preston Methodist Church Services

**Most services start at 11.00am
unless otherwise stated.**



Please wear your face mask during the services unless you are exempt. Thank you.

Preachers:- February

- 6th February:- Mr David Allison
13th February:- Chapel Anniversary Rev Roger Fox
Soloist Pauline Wright Hellifield
20th February:- Mrs Glennis Hobbs
27th February:- Rev Dr Tracey Darling
6th March:- Richard Waller

In the meantime, if you require any help or support in any matter, or someone to chat to, do not hesitate to contact me:

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Advanced Notice



Mothering Sunday Service
will be on 27th March, led by Jane Jolly.
Everyone welcome

Methodist Church Diary (Weather & Covid permitting)

Tuesday 1.30pm – 2.30pm Strong & Steady run by Kirsten Civil
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Tuesday 2.45 pm – 3.30pm Pilates (formerly known as Bums & Tums) run by Kirsten Civil £5

Wednesday 2.30pm – 3.30pm Nordic walking run by Jo Wulf £5

Friday 10.30pm – 12.00pm Craft Therapy - Bring whatever you are currently making, knitting, sewing, patchwork, card making etc...Sharing knowledge and learning new skills over a cup of tea & biscuits.

New members are always welcome.
Please contact Annette Metcalf 840096



THE LONG PRESTON SNOOKER ROOM AND CLUB

New and existing members are invited to join the Snooker Club for 2022, located next to the village hall.

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The table can be just for an occasional social practice or a regular game. There is also a team that plays in the local league and you would have to be a member in order to represent the club.

Refurbished and redecorated in 2019 the club is a self-contained building with its own central heating, wash room and kitchen facilities. A machine taking 20p and £1 coins supplies the lighting above the table.

Access is via the new disabled entrance door with a key, the old door is to be sealed 31/01/22 when the new subscription year starts.

Please help to keep this village asset viable.

The annual subscription for 2022, is £20 with £15 for over 65's (£5 fee for key replacement).

**Membership application forms are available
from the Post Office archway.**

For more information or any enquiries at all,
please ring Robert on 07709 214450

VILLAGE HALL DIARY

FEBRUARY 2022

Thursday 3rd	Parish Council 7.30pm
Wednesday 9 th	Women's Institute 7.30pm Speaker: Mr & Mrs Sharp. Spellbound Productions - 'In The Arctic'
Thursday 10 th	Age UK Luncheon Club 11.30am for 12pm
Thursday 24 th	Coffee & Cake afternoon 1:30pm to 3:30pm
Tuesdays termtime	Guides 7pm
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Thank you to everyone who has continued to send me news for the Craven Herald. The Craven Herald are really pleased they are receiving news from the village again. I would like to encourage all the village groups to send me information of your activities, meetings, fund raising events etc. At the moment I am relying on the village magazine for events etc but I would like to hear it from yourselves.

Please message me on Facebook,
or by email at traceylambert@btconnect.com
phone 01729 840327/07751 062558
or drop me a note at 3 Ribblesdale Estate.
Looking forward to hearing from you.
Thanks Tracey Lambert

Long Preston Heritage Group

Excerpt from the Craven herald dated 16th February 1883

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT
OF
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HOUSE OF LORDS – FRIDAY, FEB. 15

A large number of Members of the House of commons were assembled round the steps of the Throne attracted, it is to be presumed, by the Motion of which Lord Grey had given notice for that evening. The Lord Chancellor having taken his seat on the Woolsack at five o'clock.

The Earl of RODEN presented Petitions, numerously signed, from Brecon, Dundee, Long Preston, in Yorkshire, and several other places, praying for the observance of the Sabbath. Good example ought to be set to the lower orders by the framers of the laws and the higher classes. There was one hardship especially to which shopkeepers and tradesmen who were desirous of decently observing the Sabbath were subject, viz., shops being kept open on Sundays by other persons, to the great injury of their trade.

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RECIPE FOR AUSTRALIAN CRUNCH

This is a recipe that I have made many times and can remember my Mum making it too. It's quite simple to do, so a good one to make with children. Also have made it using Gluten free cornflakes and Gluten free SR flour using the same quantities.

Makes 24.

Ingredients:

225g (8oz) margarine

150g (5oz) caster sugar

75g (3oz) desiccated coconut

75g (3oz) crushed cornflakes

1 x 15 ml (1tbsp) cocoa powder

150g (5oz) SR flour

100g (4oz) melted chocolate (optional)

Method:

1. Heat oven to 180°C, 350°F, Gas Mark 4. Grease and line a swiss roll tin 31 x 21 cm (12 ½ x 8 inch).
2. Melt the margarine over a low heat.
3. Stir in the sugar, coconut, cornflakes, cocoa and flour. Mix well.
4. Turn into the tin and level with a knife. Bake for 20 minutes.
5. Cover with melted chocolate if using.
6. Cut into squares or triangles.

Hope you find it tasty.

Liz Palmer



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