



November/December 2015

TABLEY NEWSLETTER



Tabley Parish Council

Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of Tabley Parish Council will be held **TUESDAY 10th November** at Mere Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Please note the new date and venue. All residents are very welcome to come along and ask questions or simply see what is being discussed at any Parish Council meeting.

A556 Update

As many of you will have noticed, the old Parish Hall has now been demolished as part of the ongoing work to provide the new A556 Knutsford to Bowden link.



The underpass at Old Hall Lane has now been completed and this will provide access beneath the new A556 for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders.

A total of 290m3 of structural concrete has been used to build the underpass in Tabley which connects Old Hall Lane to Chester Rd.

A copy of the latest newsletter from Highways England is available on the Parish Council's website.

Tabley Parish Hall and Mere Club

After some legal technicalities were overcome, our Parish Hall was demolished on Tuesday 20th October. Sixty three years of service to the Tabley community disappearing with a swipe of a digger's boom. In truth, the hall was coming to the end of its useful life, so the deal agreed between Parish Hall committee, Parish Council and the Highways Agency (now Highways England) is an excellent outcome.

Regarding the plans to build a new function room at Mere, we continue to be frustrated by Cheshire East planning officials. We, the officers of Tabley and Mere, assumed that a fairly uncontroversial replacement of one community building with another of similar size, would be looked upon as pretty straight forward. Not the case apparently. We have been met with total negativity and lack of communication by the planning office. Seven months since the application was lodged, with support of Tabley and Mere Parish Councils, appeals to George Osborne and the efforts of our ward councillor, Olivia Hunter, the Planning Office stubbornly still shows little sign of forward movement.



We are however determined to continue our efforts on behalf of the residents of Tabley and Mere, and we will get consent to build an excellent facility at Mere which I hope will be made great use of by the two parishes residents.

I must pay tribute to the trustees, officers and committee members, past and present of the Parish Hall who gave their time and effort in the running of the hall during its lifetime. Also, my thanks to Tabley resident, Roger Thorp, who is Mere Club's Treasurer, for all his work dealing with planning issues and Tabley Hall's closure during the summer months.

As the third generation of Greenways at Manor Farm, Lyn and I have retired and will shortly be moving to Wincham. We will remain however, heavily involved in Tabley life, and as officers of Mere Club, hope to see plenty of the community enjoying the facility.

Councillor Alan Greenway.

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT
PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING IS**

**TUESDAY 10TH
NOVEMBER 2015
AT
MERE PARISH HALL**

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Superfast Broadband—Councillor Graham Bowen

The Connecting Cheshire project have published the latest details of the proposed upgrade of Superfast Broadband. It shows that most of Tabley should have access to the upgrade by Summer 2017. Visit www.connectingcheshire.org.uk/connecting-cheshire-deployment-maps for details of the program including maps.

The remaining area of Tabley is under evaluation for upgrade subject to securing further funding.

Holly Grove Play Area

Following the two information sessions held at Holly Grove in July with residents of Holly Grove, Tabley Parish Council were able to contact Pentagon who are providing the play equipment with all the ideas and suggestions. A grant is being applied for to ensure that the best equipment is provided for this area.

News on the success of the grant will be available soon and as soon as we know the results progress can be made on the installation of the equipment.



St Pauls Church

We are pleased to announce that agreement has been reached for the Revd Philip Robinson currently Vicar of Rosetherne & Little Bollington to also be licensed as Priest in Charge for St John, High Legh & St Pauls, Over Tabley. The Revd Trish Cope will also be licensed as Associate Priest for all three parishes at the same time.

The Licensing service will be on Wednesday 2nd December 2015 at 7.30pm at St Johns, High Legh.

It would be nice if as many people as possible could attend this service.

We are hoping for more services at St Pauls but for the time being it will remain as services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11.00 am.

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It was with great sadness that we heard of Vera Whittaker's death last week. She passed away aged 95, peacefully at home surrounded by her family who were so important to her life. Our thoughts and prayers are very much with all the family and friends at this sad time. All who new Vera will be saddened by her passing but will hold many wonderful memories of a very remarkable lady.

Service of Thanksgiving at St Pauls Tabley Wednesday 4th November.

What's On in the area

Events at Tabley House



This years Christmas Carol Concert will be held on Thursday 10th December at 7.30pm in St. Peter's Chapel at Tabley House. Seats are available at £14 (£12 Friends of Tabley House and volunteers). To book a seat contact Christopher Tetlow, email: christophertetlow@hotmail.co.uk or phone 0161 928 2137.

Arley Hall 25th Christmas Shopping Spectacular

Please join us to celebrate the **25th anniversary** of the Arley Hall Christmas Shopping Spectacular!

The Shopping Spectacular brings together over 70 handpicked stalls selling a wonderful and unique selection of gifts and treats for all of the family and is held entirely in aid of the Seashell Trust, a local charity for profoundly disabled children from all over Cheshire and the North West.

For this special anniversary event we are introducing the 'Men's Den' sponsored by **Querkity Presents for Men** where the Tudor Barn will be transformed into an area dedicated specifically to helping you find a gift for the man in your life who has everything!

The event can be enjoyed on the evening on Monday 9th November with a glass of champagne from the **Piccolino's Champagne bar** and early bird canapes provided by **Avalanche Restaurant** in Manchester, or on the day of Tuesday 10th November for a day of shopping and musical entertainment.

Monday 9th November 6.00pm – 10.00pm (£12 in advance, £15 on the door)

Tuesday 10th November 9.30am – 5.00pm (£7.50 on the door only or free with an evening ticket).

Knutsford Community Police

PCSO Lindsey Whitehead will be holding three Police Surgeries in the near future. These surgeries give residents the opportunity to speak in private with PCSO Whitehead about any issues they may have living in rural areas.



Surgery Dates for November

Tuesday 10th November at 10am: Plantation Garden Centre Café, Plumley

Thursday 19th November at 10am: High Legh Garden Centre café

Friday 27th November at 10am: Fryers Roses Café.