

Community Emergency Plan

An effective response to emergencies depends upon robust preparation. An informed and prepared community is a safer community!

Emergency services will always have to prioritise those in greatest need during an emergency, especially where life is in danger. Communities may therefore need to rely on their own resources to minimise the impact of an emergency, before the emergency services arrive. Emergencies can take many forms, from small house fires through to widespread loss of electricity or flooding.

Many communities already help each other in times of need, but experience shows that those who are prepared cope better during an emergency. Communities with local knowledge, enthusiasm and information are a great asset and a Community Emergency Plan can help.

As such the Parish Council is planning to take the necessary steps to become more prepared and hopes to produce a plan in order to coordinate a local response to emergencies - similar to the recent flooding that hit the Parish.

We would work closely with North Yorkshire County Council Emergency Planning, Craven District Council, Environment Agency and Local Blue Light Services to ensure a coordinated response is achieved.

A simple Community Emergency Plan is designed to identify:

- A coordination/meeting point.
- Short-term safe refuge places for people displaced from their homes.
- Emergency volunteers.
- Useful emergency equipment (including Sandbags)
- Vulnerable people in the community and support them.
- Useful emergency contacts.

During an emergency the Community Emergency Plan would be activated with the team utilising local volunteers and resources whilst liaising with/ working with emergency responders to support those at risk and vulnerable.

If you would like to be involved in the production of our Community Emergency Plan or register as a volunteer please contact Paula Kendall on : paulaarmstrong86@gmail.com or Tel: 41272

We all have a part to play and being prepared for the unexpected can help reduce the impact an event has on us individually and as a community.

We will share (and gather) more information from you over the forthcoming months in order to start the production of our Parish Plan.

Important Note: This scheme is not intended to replace the response that would normally be provided by the emergency services and local authority. **If there is an immediate threat to life always call the emergency services first.**

Thornton in Lonsdale Newsletter

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www.thorntoninlonsdale.co.uk

**Welcome to anyone who has moved into the area recently.
We hope you will begin to feel at home and enjoy being part of our community!**

Welcome to the first Newsletter in quite sometime! We will use the Newsletter to update you on what has already taken place and what plans and projects we are working on currently. We aim to resurrect the newsletter and publish it a little more frequently, so if you have any news you would like to share or articles to contribute, please either contact Paula Kendall on 41272 or email to: paulaarmstrong86@gmail.com

Save a Life Thornton in Lonsdale

Following on from the huge success achieved by the Ingleton Save a Life team, a small fundraising team has been formed to raise monies for the installation of Defibrillators within our Parish.

A defibrillator is a computerised medical device that delivers an electrical current through the chest which aims to shock the heart back

into a normal rhythm allowing it to pump again. Portable defibrillators are designed for people with little or no medical background, its intelligent technology will only allow it to shock a 'shockable' heart rhythm. Sudden Cardiac Arrest happens around 140,000 times a year in the UK, making it one of the UK's largest killers. The potential for saving a life is dependent upon time, the faster medical help can be attained, the better the chance of survival. Clinical studies suggest you have less than 5 minutes from the event to save the life, this decreases by up to 23% per minute. In rural areas it takes time to get medical help, so Community Public Access Defibrillators (cPAD) have a very important part to play in helping save lives in rural communities. The Fundraising Team first met in

March and agreed an initial target of three Defibrillators within the Parish. The aim is to purchase the Defibrillators from monies raised through fundraising and grant applications. We need around £2000 for each Defibrillator!

A number of coffee mornings at Westhouse Chapel and a fun opening event at Meadowfalls Campsite have already raised over £600!

The next event is a Jumble Sale at Ingleton Community Centre on the 31st July at 12.00pm. Please bring any jumble to the Community Centre for 10.00am. More volunteers would be appreciated, if you can help out on the day, please contact Ann Cox on anncox55@hotmail.com

Regular updates can be found on our Facebook page - Save a Life - Thornton in Lonsdale. And donations can be made via JustGiving - link below:

<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/save-a-life-Thornton-in-Lonsdale>
If you would like to get involved please speak to Dr Sheila Hunter - 41305.



Liz Holman of Meadowfalls Campsite handing over monies raised to Parish Council Chair, Sheila Hunter.

St Oswald's Church

St Oswald's Church, Thornton in Lonsdale is now part of the new Ingleborough Team of Churches. The team includes St Mary's, Ingleton, St Leonard's, Chapel le Dale, St John's, Bentham and All Saint's, Burton in Lonsdale. The Team of clergy and lay ministers is led by the Revd Anne Russell who is Team Rector and who has special responsibility for St John's, Bentham.

A new full-time Vicar, Nick Trenholme, will have special responsibility for Ingleton and Chapel le Dale. The Revd Denis Tate is a Team Vicar with special responsibility for Thornton in Lonsdale and Burton in Lonsdale. Denis is part-time and lives in Burton.

The team will also be welcoming the Revd Tim Madeley as a curate who will serve across all the Parishes in the Team. There are also five Lay Ministers in the Team known as Readers (Carol Lupton, Sallie Bassham, Judith Johnson, Glyn Price and Sheila Hunter).

People in Thornton in Lonsdale who need to contact a member of the Clergy should contact Denis Tate (61579). If the matter is urgent and you cannot make contact with Denis then Anne Russell (61609) or Sheila Hunter (41305) should be contacted.

St Oswald's Church - Dates

23 June - Prayer for Sudan - 7.30

1-3 July - Flower Festival - 10.30-6pm each day

3 July - Flower Festival Songs of Praise with the Bishop of Ripon - 4pm

2 July - Ordination of Revd Tim Madeley at Wakefield Cathedral

14 July - Licensing of Revd Nick Trenholme at St Mary's Ingleton.

17 Sept - St Oswald's Harvest Supper

18 Sept - Harvest Festival

Sunday Service every week at 9.30am

NEW! Men's Fellowship commences September 2016. Details will be on the Noticeboards.

Community

The Parish Council continues in its endeavour to enhance our local environment and respond to those who live and work in our community. We have worked with local farmers and other organisations to try to ensure the appropriate use of the Turbury Road on our fell side; we receive regular reports from our local police officer; dog fouling is also a continuing issue and the Parish Council is in the process of producing signage reminding dog owners of their responsibilities. Signs have gone up in Westhouse to remind motorists and cyclists of the presence of pedestrians, particularly children. If this is something that other hamlets in the Parish would like to consider we would like to hear from you. After holding a public meeting the Parish Council has established a sub-committee working to install defibrillators in our Parish. Thank you to those who have volunteered for this work and helped us so far. We welcome others to join us. Following the issues arising from the unusual weather conditions last winter the Parish Council is considering whether to develop a Community Emergency Plan and have enlisted the help of Mr Robin

Derry from NYCC.

Conclusion

It has been a privilege to chair the meetings and I am grateful to my fellow Councillors for their support and encouragement and for their willing contributions to the work of the Parish Council in all its aspects. My particular thanks go to our Clerk for her efficiency and support of the Council.

Sheila Hunter

WESTHOUSE METHODIST CHAPEL

Dates for your Diary:

Strawberry Tea, Saturday 18th June at 4 Green Cottages, Lower Westhouse from 2-4pm. All welcome, donations for Air Ambulance.

Tea and Chat - held each third Tuesday, every month from 1.30-2.30pm.

Knit, Sew, Good - Craft Morning - every third Wednesday from 10-12.

Coffee Morning - every fourth Wednesday, from 10-11.30.

July 10th at 11am - Sunday School Anniversary and Prize Giving.

Regular Services are at 11am and 6.30pm every Sunday.

And our weekly prayer meeting is on a Tuesday evening at 7.30pm.

You will receive a warm welcome to any or all of these occasions.

B4RN - Broadband for the Rural North - Jack Pickup

Welcome! B4RN is something our children and grand children will talk about in years to come, and will remember that we made it happen!

Most of you will, by now, have heard about the revolution which has swept up the valley from Lancaster. The B4RN service is designed solely to deliver a world-class broadband service, using the same fibre-optic cables that link data centres and countries, all the way from the internet exchange in Manchester to your property. The B4RN service is a 1000Mbps download and 1000Mbps upload, irrespective of distance from your local B4RN cabinet. This is a 200x faster download and 2500x faster upload than our current local service. So B4RN broadband service removes the internet connection as being the bottleneck it is.

This community project and will depend on some voluntary help and understanding to get the job done.

It is already live in Lowgill, Hornby, Tunstall, parts of Bentham, Keasden, Cowan Bridge and Ireby Green. It has reached Parkfoot, Masongill and Clapham and it is heading towards our Hub.

A large green box (the Hub) will soon be sited at Ingleton Community Centre and conduits from it will spread out

around Ingleton & adjacent parishes. So as well as reaching us from Masongill, it will cross the Viaduct towards Thornton and Westhouse. So effectively we will all be linked together via network of conduits containing fibres finer than a human hair. Two fibres to each property and hey presto, a reliable internet connection at speeds that the other providers can only dream about. A lot of the digging will be done by a Moleplough attached to a tractor

However some pulling of the plastic conduits and digging under walls and hedges will have to be done by hand. We will depend on your help, in one way or another to make this happen.

In approximately 2 or 3 weeks our digging will commence from Bill Hartleys farm in Masongill and will head towards Raymond Easterby at Fellside Farm and Brian Whitfield at Westgate Farm. From there it divides in two - one arm going down towards Nick Townleys at Burnt House down to Far Westhouse and Thornton, another arm up towards Kingsdale via Mayfield. Lower Westhouse is likely to be linked in via Burton in Lonsdale. The Kingsdale arm is also likely to branch off at Twistleton Lane to supply Chapel le Dale.

And finally all of this could not have happened without the co-operation, advice and goodwill of the landowners.

If you want a connection advice, more information or to talk about the best route through your land then please contact: JACK PICKUP - 07703917496 - jackpicup@msn.com or GEOFF BURNS - 41624. (Unpaid volunteers)



You can also go to the **B4RN** website and **Register an interest** (without obligation) and have look at **FAQ's** and the **YouTube** video links so you'll become aware of what is involved and the tasks which will



generate a community spirit. A number of people on 'our patch' have already invested between £1.5K and £6K. For £1.5K you get the installation fee of £150 waived and 5% interest on that investment after 3 years and HMRC will also refund you.

There will be a COMMUNITY MEETING & presentation at Westhouse Village Hall on MONDAY 27th JUNE @ 7.00pm

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council continues to meet bi-monthly at the Village Hall. The Council is currently chaired by Dr Sheila Hunter. The meeting agenda's and minutes are posted on the Thornton in Lonsdale website and on the Parish Noticeboards - we welcome you to any of our meetings.

Here is the Chair's Report from our Annual General Meeting that was held last month:

The Parish Councillors

This is my second Chair's report since taking over the Chair of the council in 2015. The current Council comprises Councillors Hunter (Chair), Townley (Vice Chair), Lund, Ramwell and Easterby and has continued to work for the well-being of the Parish and keep abreast of recent changes and challenges in relation to local issues. I would like to pay tribute to Councillors and parishioners for their encouragement and support during the last year.

Planning

We have seen a range planning applications during this current year. Councillors have considered and commented upon all planning applications to Craven District Council

and the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, taking into account the view of parishioners in our responses. In total 17 applications were considered during the year, with 14 being passed and 3 refused.

Finance

The finances of the Parish Council have remained in a healthy state even though at local government level cutbacks have been taking place. As always we benefit from the rent from the Turbury Pasture. Our healthy financial state meant that the Council decided not to levy a precept for the current year. However, given the continuing cuts in local services, the Council may have to hold a consultation on the desirability of introducing a precept in the future. This year we have continued to support local and national charities including: The Lune Rivers Trust, The British Legion, Citizens Advice, St John's Hospice and Settle Swimming Pool.

The Council has benefitted from the expertise of Mrs Paula Kendall, our Clerk, in preparing our accounts for our meetings and for scrutiny by our Auditor. Our thanks also go to our Parish Clerk and to our Auditor, Mr Allan MacDougall in preparing our accounts for external PKF Littlejohn.