

Lanchester Parish Council

November 2014

Newsletter

Welcome to Lanchester Parish Council's newsletter. This newsletter is produced quarterly to provide the community with information on the services and activities that the Council provides.



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The big Christmas light switch on will be by
Mrs Judith Lund MBE Deputy Lieutenant
and school children on
Saturday 29 November
on the Village Green

Refreshments & Christmas Carols from 5.30pm
Lights to be switched on at 6.00pm

Christmas Carols from Lanchester Brass Band and
Lanchester Choral & Operatic Society

mulled wine ~ sweets ~ cakes ~ mince pies

please join us

We have moved!

The Lanchester Parish Council office has moved.

The new details are:

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Lanchester Neighbourhood Plan

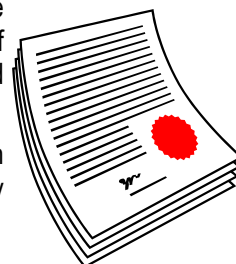
Lanchester Parish Council are preparing a Neighbourhood Plan which will be a community-led framework for guiding development, regeneration and conservation over future years. The plan will set out the views of the local community in terms of planning issues such as how much and what type of new housing may be required, and whether there is a need for new shops, offices, workshops and leisure facilities etc. It can also look at things like green open spaces, play facilities, surgeries, schools and parking – as well as measures to address the heritage assets in the Parish.

Once adopted Durham County Council will have to consult the Neighbourhood Plan as well as the Durham County Plan when making planning decisions in our Parish. It will have legal force that previous village documents like the Village Design Statement did not have and will be very influential in shaping the way Lanchester and the Parish might look in the future.

To begin the process the Parish Council would like to find out from you some of your ideas, concerns, likes and dislikes about living or working in the Parish. A working group consisting of representatives of the community have designed a short questionnaire which will be distributed and available throughout the Parish during January. The questionnaire will ask some very general questions. The answers will help us to begin the process of drafting a Neighbourhood Plan. This early community engagement aims to identify key themes and issues that can be used to inform the vision and aims for the plan.

The questionnaire will be available from key village locations, to be published in the Village Voice or can be requested from the Parish Council. The working group also aims to approach many community groups within the Parish to seek their views.

Please look out for the questionnaire in January. We look forward to receiving your responses.



Following the banner celebration event in the village on 27 June many children have written to tell us about their favourite parts of the project. Here is what they said.

I felt special, it was unbelievable how many people came to watch'

'My dad is very proud of me in the parade'

'I liked marching with the band'

'I loved parading through the streets'

'I loved the Maypole and Rapper dancing'

'I think all the banners were magnificent'

'I felt proud to be in the parade because it was amazing'

'Thank you for the miners' pack'

'Friday has never felt better'

'The miners' banners were officially amazing'

'Thank you for the wonderful celebration'

'I found out a lot about mining and the banner'

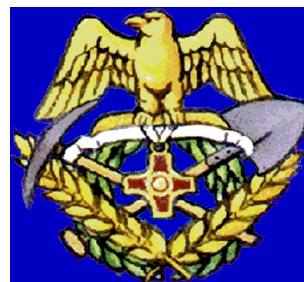
'My granddad Jimmy would be very proud (he was a miner)'



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