

# Lanchester Parish Council

February 2017

# 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.

## Village Green War Memorial

Have you ever wondered why the names of those who lost their lives during World War One, World War Two and later conflicts are not recorded on the Village Green War Memorial? When the War Memorial was erected in 1951 the names of those lost were already listed on memorial plaques/book of remembrance in the Parish Church, on the RC War Memorial and in the old Memorial Hall. (This plaque is now displayed in the entrance hall of the Community Centre). In 2018 it will be 100 years since the end of WW1 and the Parish Council are leading a project to have all the names added to the Village Green War Memorial.

At present 99 names are read out at the annual Remembrance Day Service on the Village Green. We want to ensure that the list is as complete as possible before we commission the new plaques. So we would like your help. The list of 99 names is shown below and can be viewed on the Parish Council notice board on the Village Green. If you think that you have a relative or know of someone from Lanchester Parish who died in WW1, WW2 or later conflicts and they are not on the present list of names or you think there is a spelling mistake of a name, please contact the Clerk on 01207 520146.

**World War 1** - George Anderson, John R. Bateman, Margaret A. Barrow, Francis E. Bell, Walter Bell, James Brankston, Henderson Brankston, Alexander Brankston, Thomas R. Buckham, William Britton, Albert Bulleyment, Thomas Cheston, John H. Clough, Alexander Coates, Michael Collin, Sidney Duke, Ernest Fallon, Thomas Farrey, Robert B. Farbridge, Marmaduke Featherstonhaugh, William Featherstonhaugh, Lancelot Ferguson, Joseph M. Fletcher, Alfred E. Gibson, Harry Hampton, Bertie Hampton, William Harrison, Duke Harrison, James Harwood, Frederick Hattams, James Hodgson, Eric Heatherington, William Hunter, Thomas Jackson, William Jarvis, Stephen Kelly, Vivian Lathan, George Kirtley, Lisle Lathan, George McDonald, Joseph McElhatton, John H. Myers, Thomas W. Nicholson, William O'Brien, John Pinkerton, William Pratt, Stephen Ramsay, James Richardson, William Ross, Alfred Rowe, Gerald Sadler, Arthur Sargeant, John Sargeant, Joseph Norman Scott, Luke Smith, T. Henry Smith, John H. Spence, William Spence, Harry Spence, Newton Storey, Tom Storey, J. Herbert Swain, George Tapp, Joseph H. Teasdale, P. Henry Thompson, William Thompson, Luke Thornton, Thomas Henry Turnbull, Walter Veitch, Robert Wainwright, George Wardle, Thomas Wardle, John B. Walker, Thomas Whittaker, John Wilson,

**World War 2** - William Blackett, Thomas Cheston, Edward Cowan, James Dobson, John Martin Finch, John Gamlin, George Green, William Charles Hill, George William Laykin, Michael Luxmoore, Anthony McGeary, Donald MacMillian, Vera Mace, Michael O'Brien, Robert Reay, John Wardle Scott, Percy Stoker, Robert Bell Smith, William Keith Thompson, Alan Tomlinson, John Tomlinson, Nathaniel Thornton, Robert William Tonks,

**Falklands Campaign** - Stewart Ian Laing

## Christmas Lights

On Saturday 26 November the Village Green was full of people attending the annual Christmas Light Switch On.

Lanchester Brass Band and Lanchester Choral & Operatic Society played an excellent selection of Christmas Carols. Volunteers manned a gazebo and gave away mulled wine, mince pies and cakes for the adults and juice, sweets and a lucky dip prize for the children.



The lights were formally switched on by Mr Terry Deary (best selling author and television personality) accompanied by Catherine Armstrong and Eli Densmore from Lanchester EP Primary School and Adam McCrory and Hana Madeley from Lanchester All Saints Primary School.

### Lanchester Neighbourhood Plan

Work continues on producing topic papers and developing policies for the Neighbourhood Plan

The Heritage Audit has now been completed. The North of England Civic Trust assisted volunteers in producing the audit which involved surveying and recording over 200 heritage assets. Volunteers were involved in the surveying and recording which took over 6 months to complete. It is intended to present the Heritage Audit to the community at an event in March. Please look out for details of this event.

### Precept

The Parish Council considered its precept requirement at a recent Council meeting and set the precept for 2017 / 18 at £58,078.00. The result of the increase will mean that a property in band D will see an increase of £1.40 or 3.67% in 2017 / 18. This equates to less than 3 pence per week.

The Council will continue to work hard to realise efficiencies and to develop projects for the community.

### Lanchester Community Emergency Plan

The Lanchester Community Emergency Plan was adopted in February 2016. Community volunteers worked with the Parish Council supported by the Civil Contingencies Unit and Durham County Council to develop the plan. The purpose of the plan is to respond in the event of an emergency and promote resilience in the community. Emergencies could include: flooding, serious fire or accident etc. The plan includes actions to inform key groups and organisations in the parish in the event of an emergency. Other actions may include the use of equipment from the emergency sheds and opening of a number of agreed safe rest centres.

The Plan has four volunteer co-ordinators who can be contacted if a community emergency arises.

Mike Gladstone	01207 528114	07971 972683
Eric Hepplewhite	01207 521323	07969 808958
Brian Naylor	01207 520087	07896 897680
Sally Laverick	01207 529415	01207 520146

We are always looking for more volunteers to help in the event of an emergency. Actions may include distributing aqua sacs to reduce flooding of premises or checking on vulnerable areas/people in the village. If you would like to become involved please contact Sally on 01207 520146.

### Lanchester Parish Councillors

Ossie Johnson	Stella House, Durham Road,	521937	CHAIR
Colin Burton	6 The Garths		
Ann Cook	46 Manor Grange,	529334	
Bob Glass	2 The Paddock	03000 268711	
Bill Gray	27 Foxhills Crescent,	520656	
Margaret Gray	27 Foxhills Crescent,	520656	
Keith Harrison	Colepike Home Farm,	529522	
Paul Jackson	Stonebeck, Front Street,	521208	
Kevin Leary	60 Deanery View,	521627	
Alasdair Nairn	1 St Bedes Court,	529384	
Stuart Walker	2 St Bedes Court,	520790	
Mike Wardle	8 Ornsby Hill,	521622	
Julie Richardson	Linden Lodge, Cadger Bank	521741	
Peter Richardson	Linden Lodge, Cadger Bank	521741	
Philip Richardson	Linden Lodge, Cadger Bank	521741	
<b>Staff</b> Lead Officer / Clerk	Sally Laverick	520146 / 529415	
Handyperson	David Maddox		



### Need to speak to your Councillor?

Lanchester Parish Council has introduced open sessions to allow time for residents to speak to their councillors about issues that concern or affect them. The next session will be at Lynwood House on:

**Tues 14 March  
6.30 pm - 7.00pm**