

Lanchester Parish Council

November 2016

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

Terry Deary

(Best-selling author & television personality)

with children from

Lanchester EP Primary School and
Lanchester All Saints RC Primary School

**Saturday 26 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 ~ lucky dip

please join us



Lanchester Neighbourhood Plan

Work continues to progress the Lanchester Neighbourhood Plan.

The public consultations in 2015 and 2016 produced a great deal of information. The next step is to bring together all the information and evidence to prepare a topic paper for each objective / area which will produce options to achieve the objectives of the plan. A grant of £5000 was secured from 'Locality'. This money was used to engage a consultant to produce a 'Housing' topic paper. In addition the Parish Council appointed the North of England Civic Trust to produce a 'Historic Environment' topic paper. These two topic papers were produced during August and September and were presented to the working group in October. The next stage is to produce policy statements for the plan. There is also a need to produce topic papers for the other areas of the Neighbourhood Plan and members of the working group will be working on these in the coming months.



The final draft of the Heritage Audit is currently being checked. The North of England Civic Trust have assisted volunteers in producing the audit which has involved surveying and recording over 200 heritage assets. Twenty volunteers were involved in the surveying and recording which took over 6 months to complete. We look forward to presenting the Heritage Audit to the community.

The Parish Council thank all the volunteers who have been involved in the Neighbourhood Plan, Heritage Audit and Conservation Area Appraisal

The Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Working Group await the release of Durham County Councils Preferred Options County Plan. As the Neighbourhood Plan has to broadly conform with the County Plan we look forward with great interest to the publication of the document which is expected at the end of November.

Grants

Lanchester Parish Council is able to make small grants to community groups and charities. If your group wishes to be considered for a grant, an application form must be completed and returned before the end of February. Application forms and guidance notes can be obtained from the Clerk on 01207 520146. The Council considers all requests at its meeting in March.



Lanchester Parish Councillors

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Peter Richardson	Linden Lodge, Cadger Bank	521741
Philip Richardson	Linden Lodge, Cadger Bank	521741
Staff 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 10 January
6.30 pm - 7.00pm**