

Lanchester Parish Council

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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.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacon Event



On Thursday 2 June, Lanchester Parish Council and Burnhope Parish Council organised a beacon lighting at Burnhope picnic area as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Several hundred people attended to listen to the music and watch the beacon.

Over 2000 beacons were lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories. The Parish Councils were proud to be part of this

momentous celebration, marking this unique milestone in history.

The event commenced at 9.30pm with a short speech from Councillor Derek Coates, the Chair of Burnhope Parish Council and Councillor Keith Harrison, the Chair of Lanchester Parish Council which included some words sent by the Lord Lieutenant, Mrs Sue Snowdon.



Piper John Stafford from the 102 Bn REME Pipes and Drums played 'Diu Regnare' a unique tune specially written for the occasion. This was followed by cornet player Mark Draper from Lanchester Brass Band who played a specially written bugle call entitled 'Majesty'.

As the beacon was lit at 9.45pm, Lanchester Choral Society sang 'Song for the Commonwealth' which had been written for the occasion.

Many thanks to all the performers and the volunteers who made the event such a special occasion.



Heritage 100 Walks

The Heritage 100 Walks is a project co-ordinated by the Walk and Talk Trust, founded for the public benefit, to promote the physical and mental health benefits associated with regular healthy exercise, specifically walking. The project aims to create 100 circular heritage walks across County Durham over the next few years. Each walk will tell a story about the heritage of the area. A heritage walk in Lanchester is to be included as part of the project. The walk has been developed and the County Council are currently considering the route. Once approved, the posts and waymarks will be ordered and the walk installed. There will then be a community launch of the new walk.

Manor Grange Play Area

Work on the new play area commenced at the end of May. HAGS SMP Ltd have been awarded the contract to install the play area which will provide a more accessible and greatly improved play facility for children aged under 12.



The play area will be completed in July.

An event to open the Play Area is being organised.

Saturday 30 July
11.00am

Please come and join us

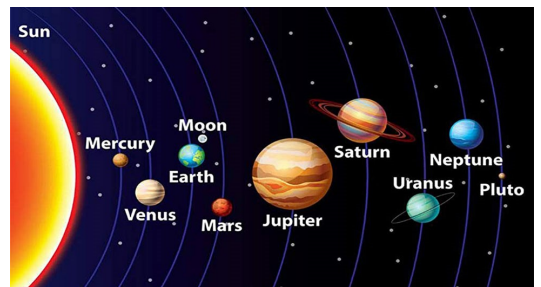


Solar Planet Walk

Lanchester Parish Council is working on an exciting project to install a Solar Planet Walk along the Lanchester Valley Walk. The project will provide a scaled version of the planets from the sun to pluto. The sun will be located in the village and the 9 planets will be spaced out to scale along the valley walk towards Consett. Each planet site will have interpretation and information.

We are currently seeking advice from the County Council and starting to progress grant applications to fund the project. A working group is meeting to progress the project.

It is hoped that this will become a popular and well loved walk and cycle route providing opportunities for recreation, education and improved health benefits



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