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Peover Superior Parish Newsletter

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Keep Over Peover Tidy.

Please pick up any litter you find and dispose of it in one of the four bins around the parish, or take it home!

Parish Council News

So much has happened since our last newsletter. Please see the details in the newsletter of events happening over the summer months. There is as always lots going on and things to get involved in!

The Parish Council and the Mothers and Toddler Group have purchased a new picnic bench for the parish field. It is hoped that new play equipment will soon join it once funds have been secured.

The Parish Council along with local residents worked hard to fight for the No 27 bus and the Parish Council and others are trying to gain a better timetable for the parish.

The Parish Council would like to extend its congratulations to Over Peover Methodist Church, celebrating 100 years of the Church Building. The Church itself was worshiping for a number of years before the building itself was built and many of the founding names can still be found in or linked with the



The Parish Council would also like to congratulate the Cheshire Game and Angling Fair held at Peover Hall on its 30th Year. This event, held this year on Sunday 4th August (gates open at 9am), donates money raised to local charities and is a great day out! If you visit www.cheshiregameandanglingfair.com you can take advantage of 20% off the entry fee.

It's that time of year when the judging of the 'best kept village' competition takes place. Please can everyone do their bit and help to keep our parish tidy! Let's see if we can get a placing this year!

Over Peover Village Show 2013 Saturday 7th September 2.15pm - 4pm

Theme is 'All things Bright and Beautiful'

Entry forms are available from the Parish Clerk or Judy Wienholdt. For all those gardeners, cooks and artists and those who just like to have a go! Come along and take part in this bi-annual village event!



CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

We are now 2 years into the current Parish Council's term and I thank my fellow councillors for their on-going support as we've all settled into our roles. As ever your council has pushed for change in many areas.

Highways - The review of the A50 took place and the council was very vocal in its representations. The highway department's recommendation was for the A50 from Toft to Free Green Lane having a reduced speed limit of 50 mph. Cheshire West and Chester Council has now indicated they wish to extend this for the full length of the road to Holmes Chapel. We now await the amalgamation of these works and have been informed they will be completed in the next financial year 2013 /14.

The Council has made many representations on the state of the roads in and around the village and some remedial works have been completed. Chelford Lane remains a particular concern. The Council is keen to encourage parishioners to report pot holes on the Cheshire East Council website as these appear to be dealt with relatively promptly when reported.

Barclay's at Radbroke Hall very generously provided three flashing speed signs for the village to help enforce the 30mph speed limit around the school. Early observations are that this has helped reduce speeding in the village however some still continue to ignore the limit. The Council are working with the police on plans for further enforcement.

Barclays continue to engage with the Council with a view to offering services to local residents. In the year they have made a drive through cash point available to residents, continue to offer gym membership and are in talks over possible bus route provision.

Parish Field - The Parish Field became a Queen Elizabeth II Field as part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. This has ensured that the field is protected as a recreational space for future generations. A commemorative plaque has been placed by the gate.

The football team continue to play, with some success on the Parish Field.

The Parish Council hold some funds for play equipment for the under 5's and will continue to work to increase these to a level which will afford quality equipment. All donations gratefully received.

Village Hall - The Village Hall's own management committee continue battling to maintain the Hall which is showing signs of its age.

The Parish Council has explored a number of possible solutions to this deteriorating asset with the support of both the Church and the WI. As yet no clear path forward has been identified. All ideas are welcome.

Broadband - Kathy Doyle continues to battle tirelessly for the provision of a decent broadband provision. A recent speech she gave was remarked as one of the best in the country.

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations - despite the inclement weather it was heart-warming to see so many pull together to put on a memorable event at the cricket club which was very well attended. The event raised money for the village school, cricket club and for the proposed play equipment for the Village field.

The Village Show - The Village show will be held in September. It was a very well attended and successful event in 2011. I would encourage residents to get involved in this great community event by entering one of the rich variety of categories from baking to flowers, fruit and veg or photography to one of the many children's categories or simply by attending.

Christmas Carols - Once again the Parish Council would like to thank Kate Wadsworth for organising Christmas Carols in the village which is now establishing as a much loved tradition, this year enhanced by the provision of a Village Christmas tree.

The parish council continues to push for improvements in all areas of parish life.

If you have a suggestion for the parish council or would like to volunteer with any matter please contact either the Clerk or a member of the council. All the contact details can be found on the notice board by the playing field, on the newsletter or on the village website.

Once again it has been a great pleasure to Chair the Parish Council.

Chris Hurst

Chairman

HS2 - update

Many of you will be aware that following the publication of the phase 2 proposed preferred route there have been a number of meetings in and around the area.

At one of these meetings an 'alternative route', which would affect Over Peover, was suggested to the meeting. This route was, as far as the Parish Council can ascertain one of the 5 suggested routes originally investigated. Of these 5 routes the preferred proposed route was chosen.

As you would suspect the Parish Council strongly objects to any potential route that may impinge the Parish Boundary and intends to make representations to this effect. The Parish Council would actively encourage you to make similar individual representations to your MP George Osborne (George.osborne.mp@parliament.uk) and Michael Jones leader of Cheshire East Council (michael.e.jones@cheshireeast.gov.uk).

The Parish Council will continue to monitor the situation but should you wish to take part in the consultations or for more information please go to www.hs2.org.uk.

Toddle Waddle

Following the success of last years Toddle Waddle Peover's Mums and Tots are having another go! This year's course will include some dressing up and a few obstacles.

All toddlers welcome!

Where :parish field When: 11th July

Time: 10 am start

Coffee and cake afterwards of course.

Make a donation on the day to Barnardo's. MBarnardo's



Village Hall

Available for parties and events at £20 for the first hour then £10 per hour after. If you would like to book the village hall, please contact Liz McGrath on 01565 722762 or email

opvillagehall@btinternet.com



Garden Party

Saturday 13th July at Peover Hall from 2pm, by kind permission of

Mr and Mrs Brooks. All welcome!



Drive through ATM at Radbroke Hall.

With the recent spate of thefts from ATM's in Knutsford and surrounding towns why not use the ATM at Barclays? It's safe and secure and you don't have to leave your car!

Access to the ATM is via the Stocks Lane entrance, and the actual site is near the Main Reception lodge. Drivers simply have to come to the barrier and talk to the security officer, or use the intercom if the barrier is not staffed. They should say they have come to use the ATM, and will then be pointed in the right direction. There will be no need to leave the comfort of the car, and after using the ATM, drivers will simply follow the exit route off site.

Peak arrival times to site should be avoided e.g. 08.00 - 09.30, to help speed the flow of traffic on to site.

Welcome to Over Peover Leaflet

The parish has an information leaflet with useful numbers and contacts for the area.



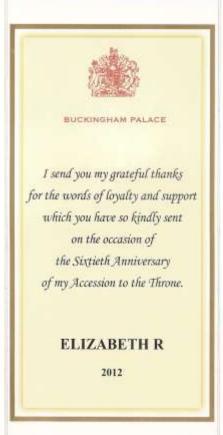
This leaflet is available to all but is aimed at those who have recently moved in to the area.

If you would like a copy, or know of someone who would find it useful please contact a member of the Parish Council or the Parish Clerk and we will get a copy to you.

Letter to the Parish from HRH Queen Elizabeth

Webmaster











We are looking to change the parish website from Joomla to Word Press. We have a temporary site set up and just need someone who would be willing to help set it up. If you are interested please contact the parish clerk asap.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND IS COMING TO OVER PEOVER - OFFICIAL!

The project to bring Superfast Broadband to Cheshire was officially launched at an event held on 3rd June at Oulton Park.

The target is to bring Superfast Broadband to 96% of the community. The areas not included in the project, around 1,200 premises, are: Burleydam, Wincle, Huxley and Arley. Connecting Cheshire is assisting these villages to obtain additional funding to meet their specific needs. Therefore Over Peover will benefit from this £28.5 million development!

Currently BT is carrying out a detailed survey of the whole of Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester, Halton and Warrington (the area covered by the Connecting Cheshire consortium) and expects to have completed this and drawn up a timetable for installation of the fibre-optic infrastructure by December 2013, with a completion date of December 2015.

The fibre-optic broadband supplied by BT is a wholesale product. Individual customers will have a choice of ISPs (Internet Service Providers) as they do at present. It is anticipated that the cost of obtaining Superfast Broadband in rural areas such as Over Peover will be no different from that of obtaining the same level of service in a town. The funding has been supplied to put rural areas in the same position as other more densely populated communities where it has been economic for the infrastructure to be installed without a subsidy.

Connecting Cheshire will be holding local events to encourage more people to become involved and to learn about the internet and the benefits which it can bring. If you would like to find out more about the superfast broadband roll-out all the information from the event at Oulton Park and much more is available on the Connecting Cheshire website at http://www.connectingcheshire.org.uk/. For the presentation slides click on News and scroll down.

If you have anything you would like to go in a future edition of the newsletter or would like to help by distributing the newsletter, please contact the clerk, Liz McGrath (contact details on front page).