

Silverdale Parish Council

NEWS

Pepper Street/Scot Hay Road Mini roundabout

The Parish Council believe the mini roundabout by Heritage Park has been poorly designed, which results in vehicles cutting in front of approaching cars to turn right, or just not stopping when they should. There have been several road traffic accidents and near misses since its installation, most of which go unreported to the Police. Of greater concern though is the number of near misses involving children walking to/from school, reported by the parents and lollipop lady. Shocking evidence has been gathered over recent months which supports this. This has now been presented to Staffordshire County Council. County Councillor David Jones has now instructed a traffic survey of the area, which will monitor the speed and use of the roundabout. The findings will be used to assess what is required. The Parish Council will continue pressing Staffordshire County Council to make it safer for all.

Budget News 2018/19

Last year the Parish Council was faced with the difficult decision to increase the Precept (annual charge paid to the Parish Council via the Council Tax) by approx. 13p per week per property. The Parish Council are now consulting on the draft Budget for 2018/19, which will be approved at the 11th January 2018 meeting. Parishioners are welcome to attend any meeting of the Parish council to voice their opinions. Please see noticeboards or website for dates of the next meeting, and also the budget proposals.



WINTER 2017



The Miners' Wheel

One of the main projects this year has been to raise the funds needed to refurbish and relocate the pit wheel at the entrance to the Silverdale Country Park (former Silverdale Colliery site). Since planning permission was granted, we have received funding through the Tesco 'Bags of Help' fund and have just received the successful outcome of bid to Red Industries. Meanwhile, firms have been approached to tender for the work. Now the final amount has been raised, the wheel will be refurbished and put in its final resting place during the early part of 2018.

Miners' Tribute

Another big project undertaken by the Parish Council includes the refurbishment of the tribute – which was installed 20 years ago when the Colliery closed. Unfortunately, the tribute needs TLC and requires a substantial amount of money to bring it back to its prime. The Parish Council are working on a funding application to the Heritage Lottery Fund to fund the work and also a community event celebrating the history of the Colliery. This will take a lot of time and resource to put the bid in, but if it is successful it will be well worth it.

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Story Time!

Come on an adventure at Silverdale Library with our **FREE** Story Time sessions from 10.30am - 11am. Suitable for all pre-school children!

Every Tuesday - 10.30am to 11am

LIBRARY



Silverdale Library **Every Thursday** **10.30am**

Bring along your baby and have a sing-along to your favourite nursery rhymes every Thursday at Silverdale Library!

Room Bookings - Silverdale Library has two small or one large room for hire. The large room costs £40 while the small room costs £20.

Art Corner - Got a budding artist that is looking to flex their creative muscles? Then come down to the art corner in the children's area of the library and they could win a prize for their work!



Job Club - Come and get support to find a job between 10am and 12pm every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

Volunteers! We are always on the look out for volunteers to help deliver the vital service that the library provides for the community in Silverdale. There are no minimum time commitments and full training on library equipment will be provided.

For more information pop into the library and speak to one of the team

Email: gemmah@enterprisesupport.org or call 01782 297 444

ASPIRE HOUSING

SURGERY EVERY FRIDAY 10-12PM CORNERSTONES
FOR ANY CUSTOMER RELATED MATTERS OR TENANCY ISSUES

The Silverdale '**Get Together**' at the end of September proved to be another great success. 12 bin bags of rubbish and litter was picked on the day around the Parade and other areas. A further 2.1 tonnes of bulky waste was also collected (including a microwave). Around 270 leaflets were given to people to advertise the Aspire Housing Money Advice Service and Employment & Skills Service. As a result, money advice referrals were made - as well as on the spot benefits advice and the completion of loan shark questionnaires. The event was supported by the Police, Fire Service, Parish Council, Newcastle Borough Council, Silverdale Library, St Lukes Primary school, Silverdale Academy and the Co-op. A huge thanks to all that contributed to the day.

A letter to You

I have become old since I saw you last and a few changes have come in my life.

Frankly I have become a frivolous old woman!!

I am seeing 6 gentlemen a day!

As soon as I awake

Will Power gets me out of bed.

Then I go to see Jimmy Riddle.

Then it's time for breakfast with Mr Kellogg,
followed closely by the refreshing company of Mr Tetley

or my other friend who I only know by his initials PG

Then here is somebody I don't like Arthur It is.

He knows he's not welcome, but insists on being here
and what's more, he stays for the rest of the day.

Even then he does not like to stay in one place.

So he takes me from joint to joint.

After such a hectic day,

I am glad to go to bed with Jonny Walker too !!

Oh what a hectic life

O yes I am now flirting with Al Zheimer!

The vicar came to call the other day and said that at my age I should be thinking about the hereafter, so I told him I did that all the time, for no matter where I am, the bedroom the kitchen or the living room or the garden I ask myself what am I here after?

Well I must close now and hope that Will Power is your constant companion too.

But do make sure that his friend Emma Royd does not creep up on you from Behind!!!

And watch for the crafty one Gerry Atric.

Love from me *Mrs J Price*

Ilkley Place Play Area, Parksites

Phase One of Ilkley Place Play Area in Parksites has been completed. The project was developed through the Partnership of Western Communities LAP of which Silverdale Parish Council is a key partner.

Two thirds of the funding for this came from a Police & Crime Commissioner's Proceeds of Crime grant, with the balance coming from Western Power and Newcastle Borough Council.

The Borough Council's Landscape Team have co-ordinated the implementation of the project.

Funding for further equipment to complete the project is currently being sought.

If there are any queries please contact **Robin Wiles**, Partnerships Locality Officer, at Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council on **01782 742493**

Growing Old: What Senior Citizens are worth

By Mrs J Price

Did you know we old folk are worth a fortune?

We have silver in our hair

Gold in our teeth

Stones in our kidneys

Lead in our feet

And gas in our stomachs



Christmas at Silverdale Parade

Friday 8th December

3:30pm - 9pm

This year's event is bigger than ever!!
Join us for stalls, games, activities,
fair rides, bouncy castles and slides. Giant raffle!
A special visit from Santa for the little ones too.
Helping raise funds for the Respiratory and Breast Care
Departments of the University Hospital of North Midlands.

At 5pm join the local schools and Churches for the annual
switching on of the lights service and carol singing with free
mince pies and mulled wine.

Many thanks to everyone who has helped make this event
happen. To book a stall please see Michelle Welsh in Sun
Daze Tanning Salon, or Sandra Forrester in The Hair Lounge.



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