

Wylam Parish Council INTERIM NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2000

MORE HELP NEEDED FOR VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN AND LITTER PICK

More help from adults, as well as children, will be welcome for the village's annual spring clean and litter pick which will take place (weather permitting) on

SATURDAY 1st APRIL

If you can spare an hour or two, to help tidy up the village and make it more attractive, your support will be much appreciated.

The Parish Council will make a small donation to a local organisation or society for each person taking part, so village groups can benefit from their members supporting the litter pick. Please assemble in the War Memorial Car Park for Wear 10 am. old clothes. gloves and stout shoes or boots. Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

NEW PARISH CLERK APPOINTED

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that Karen Webster of 23 Dene Road will take over from David Petrie as Clerk to the Council on 17th April.

Karen is well-known to many residents as a member of St. Oswin's, a former Brownie/Guide Leader, and the present secretary to the Institute. She can be contacted by phone at home on 853619.

Please alter your Village Information Card to include Karen's address and telephone number, instead of David Petrie's.

INTERESTED IN THE VILLAGE? COME TO THE INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 9th MAY

This year's Annual Parish Meeting, is to be held on Tuesday 9th May at 7.30pm. in the Institute. The Parish Council will be reporting on what has been happening in the village over the past year and plans for this year. There will be plenty of opportunity to question councillors and express vour views on any matters which affect the village.

NEW PARKING CHARGES PLANNED FOR COUNTRY PARK CAR PARK

It now seem almost certain that the County Council will introduce parking charges for motorists using the War Memorial (Country Park) car park, to raise money for improving the facilities in the Tyne Riverside Country Park.

Charges will apply to visitors parking and probably also to residents as well. The Parish Council are very worried that these could charges motorists from using the car park, and result in even more indiscriminate parking in nearby streets, Stephenson Ingham Row and around

the War Memorial, by motorists trying to avoid charges. Details of this scheme were not finalised when this newsletter went to press. For the latest information contact Peter Samsom, NCC Countryside Officer (Tel. 01670 533157) or County Councillor Paul Kelly (Tel. 835302).

PENSIONERS' TRAVEL TOKENS

Arrangements are being made for pensioners in the village to collect their travel tokens at the Post Office, from 8th May until 2nd June.

Please don't everyone try to collect them on the first day - they will be available during the rest of May.

This interim newsletter has been issued to bring to your attention several matters which require publicity before the next edition of the "Wvlam Globe" newsletter appears in early June.

Any queries or correspondence to the Clerk to the Parish Council -Mrs Karen Webster, 23 Dene Road, tel. 853619