

KIRKLAND NEWS

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Chairman's Report

I hope you all had a wonderful time over Christmas and the New Year. I am sure you will all agree that our Christmas tree looked beautiful this year. Many people attended the Christmas tree switch on, despite the cold weather; we sang carols and then drank a mulled wine or two at the church, it was lovely. Thank you to Francis Towers for generously donating the tree to the village.

Our winter so far has been relatively mild and snow free compared to other parts of the country, much to the dismay of my children who have been waiting, sledges at the ready, for a few flurries! There may still be time before the warmer weather approaches – we are hopeful.

I have noticed the daffodils are starting to open up already and will hopefully provide us with an amazing display. Along the Avenue, in particular, we have planted many extra bulbs this year with money kindly donated by Dewlay. The parish council are very grateful for this donation.

The children's Whitsun and Patronal festival is scheduled for the 23rd of May. As this is an important event for Churchtown we ask that you please support the fundraisers in any way you can. Donations of any kind would be welcomed and would ensure that this festival continue, full information on page 3.

Many thanks, Sam Gilling, Chairman

Defibrillator for Churchtown

The Parish Council is looking to provide a defibrillator in the village. We may be just off the A6 but those few vital minutes it takes for the emergency services to arrive could be used to maintain life with the use of a defibrillator.



Kirkland Parish Council

The Parish Council meets bi-monthly and residents are more than welcome to attend, Public participation is encouraged. Meetings are held in Kirkland Memorial Hall, The Avenue, at 7.30pm. The next meetings are: 10th March, and 12th May, 2015

Kirkland Parish Meeting

**To be held on
Tuesday 10th March, 2015
At 7.00pm
In Kirkland Memorial Hall
Everyone welcome**

Flooding Issues in Churchtown

As part of their ongoing responsibility to manage water, Lancashire County Council has implemented a capital drainage scheme for highway flood prevention at Ainspool Lane.



Vacancy in the office of Parish Councillor

Can you make a difference to your community? Kirkland Parish Council is seeking a resident to become a councillor. Councillors are not employees; they are elected or co-opted representatives who volunteer their time for free to work on behalf of their communities. As a Councillor you will engage with the local community and keep up to date with issues of local concern, provide a voice for all section of the community, mediate between individuals and organisations, campaigning on behalf of the Parish Council and residents and manage public funds, whilst seeking best value. There is a legal requirement to attend Parish Council meeting and abide by the Code of Conduct.

If this is you please contact a Parish Councillor or the clerk.

Kirkland Parish Council

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**Churchtown Festival Week 2015 and
Patronal Flower Festival at
St. Helen's Church Churchtown**

'It's a Work of Art'

16th – 20th May 2015

Sat 16th May 10.30 a.m. 'Blessing of the Exhibits'
Church & Tea Room open 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Sun 17th May 11.00 a.m. Festival Eucharist
Preacher Canon Ron Greenall
Church & Tea Room open 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
6.30 p.m. Festival Songs of Praise

Mon 18th May Church & Tea room

Tues 19th May open 10.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Wed 20th May 7.00 p.m. Concert by 'One Voice Community
Choir'

Tickets £7.00 – including a glass of wine

Refreshments each day in the Parish Room.

Free admission and Free Parking

Festival Details and concert tickets from 01995 602914 &
606560

Churchtown & District Children's Whitsuntide Festival
Saturday 23rd May
Procession Starts 1.00 p.m.
From Kirkland Memorial Hall, The Avenue, Churchtown

DAFFODILS ON THE avenue



Thanks to the funding provided by Dewlay, the Traditional

Cheesemakers, through their Go Green Fund daffodils were planted in the grass verge from the Horns Inn towards Ainspool Lane. The bulbs are now flowering and will produce a Spring display to brighten up the outlook under the canopy of the trees.

However! Residents, who go to view the flowers, are warned to be aware of the dog fouling which is a persistent problem on both the grass verge and the pavement. Getting it on your shoes is disgusting and the smell can follow you for days.

DOG OWNERS YOU MUST CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET

Dog fouling should be reported to Wyre Council on
01253 891000 or

www.wyre.gov.uk/reportdogfouling

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