

HATFIELD HERALD

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APOLOGIES

The Town Council would like to apologise to any resident who did not receive a copy of the Winter 2013 edition of the newsletter. This was due to problems with the distributor who was unable to complete the distribution. A new distributor has now been found and normal service is being resumed.

TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT 2014/15

At the Town Council meeting held on 13 January 2014, it was resolved to set a precept of £162920 for the financial year 2014/15.

This is the amount levied on Doncaster MBC and is collected from local residents through their Council Tax bills. For a Band D property this will mean a rise of £2.38 per year or 4.6p per week.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF LAND OFF DONCASTER ROAD, DUNSCROFT/DUNSVILLE

The Town Council has objected to the above proposed development, has spoken to the local Drainage Board and requested feedback on the consultation from Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners. In addition, it has requested a traffic survey be carried out on Doncaster Road, as it was felt that the road was already up to capacity and would not be able to cope with the expected increased traffic load. A copy of the 2008 survey has been received and it is hoped that more information will be available in April when a representative of Nathaniel Lichfield's will be attending the Town Council meeting.



TWO TOWN CLERKS!

Duncan Wright the retiring Town Clerk welcoming Clare McRoy the newly appointed Town Clerk to Hatfield Town Council.

Clare joins the Town Council from Rotherham MBC Rights of Way Section where she worked for 7 years. She is looking forward to the new challenges this role will provide. Clare lives in Hatfield Woodhouse and is, therefore, familiar with the Town Council area.



Town Mayor, Councillor James Hart (on the right) making a presentation to Duncan Wright at his last Town Council meeting before his retirement on 31 March 2014. The Town Council thanked Duncan for his many years of dedicated service.



HARGREAVES LORRIES

The Town Council has received a number of complaints regarding the slurry left on roads by Hargreaves lorries. In response a request has been sent to Hargreaves requesting that they make arrangements to have the roads swept on a regular basis to try to rectify the situation. Hargreaves have stated that they have appropriate vehicle cleaning on site which means that there should be no problems on the roads. The situation will continue to be monitored.

SPIDER ALLEY

As a result of the Inquiry held on 21/22 January 2014, the Inspector's decision was—"I confirm the Order subject to the following modifications: - Delete the reference to '35 metres' in the descriptions contained in Parts I and II of the Order Schedule and insert 'approximately 30 metres.'" In other words the "claimed route" can be added to the definitive map.

APPRENTICE JOINS HATFIELD COUNCIL

The Town Council have provided, in conjunction with DART Training, a full-time apprenticeship in horticulture for one young local resident. Lee commenced his apprenticeship on 13 January 2014 and will be with us for a year. During this time he will be, amongst other things, taking care of and improving Hatfield Cemetery Peace Garden

LOCALISM ACT—RIGHT TO BID HATFIELD LIBRARY

Under the Localism Act, it is possible for Parish & Town Councils to apply to Doncaster MBC to register community assets, in order to protect them from being sold without local agreement. The Town Council has put forward Hatfield Library to be included on the list and has received an acknowledgement. Nick Stopforth, Head of Libraries attended the recent Town Council meeting and gave an update on the situation as far as he is concerned. The Town Council are taking part in various discussions in order to support the retention of the library in its present form.

ANNUAL TOWNS MEETING

The Annual Town's Meeting
is to be held on
Monday 28 April 2014

in the Auditorium at
Ash Hill Academy, Hatfield

commencing at 7 p.m.

EVERYONE WELCOME

If you have any items for the Agenda, please
forward them to the Town Clerk by
Wednesday 16 April 2014

WALKS IN THE DONCASTER AREA

SPROTBOROUGH AND THE RIVER DON



Information

Parking—Small car park by the lock.
Distance 3.11 miles/5.01 Km

1. Sprotborough Lock—leave the car park heading west, away from Sprotborough Lock, with the navigation on your left. Pass the Boat Inn on your right and you will soon be walking on a narrow piece of land between the River Don and Sprotborough Flash. There are bird hides along this path overlooking the Flash. Next go through a double gate across the path. Beyond is a junction, ignore the gate to your right and follow the path left, staying beside the river. You are following part of the Trans Pennine Trail. Go under a railway bridge and you will see the dramatic Conisbrough Viaduct ahead of you, crossing the valley on a series of high arches, through which you can see the town of Conisbrough. **2. Sprotborough Viaduct**—when you reach the viaduct, turn and retrace your steps along the path until you reach a right-hand turn. Go through a gate straight ahead into the Sprotborough Flash & Woodland Nature Reserve. **3. Entrance to nature reserve**—through the gate you are entering a Site of Special Scientific Interest where all the wildlife is protected by law. The path goes through an area of woods, up a small flight of steps and out into a meadow. At the top of the field is a seat where you can sit and admire the views. Behind here you go up another small flight of steps and turn right, again in woodland. Smaller paths lead off the main one up into the woods but for this walk stay on the main path. The Sprotborough Flash will soon appear below you on your right. Then, you come out of the woods through a gate, pass a row of cottages and re-join the river beside the Boat Inn. Carry on with the river on your right to return to the car park.



FRIENDS OF QUARRY PARK

“HOLD A FISH & CHIP SUPPER TO HELP SPINAL CORD INJURED PEOPLE REBUILD LIVES AFTER INJURY”

Want to eat fish and chips whilst raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 16 May 2014 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's vital services.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre. SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. In 2014 SIA is celebrating its 40th Anniversary so we want to make the batter matter and raise £25000. Last year we raised £12500 from the suppers.

For more information or to request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk or visit www.siafishandchips.co.uk

'Friends of Quarry Park' were originally set up over 16 years ago, with the aim of working alongside the Local Authority to improve and promote the Quarry Park at Dunsville. Following a successful Consultation Event held last summer, the 'Friends' have been re-launched and are helping to develop the park as an important recreation area for the benefit of residents of all ages from Dunscroft, Dunsville, Hatfield, Barnby Dun and surrounding areas.

Responses from the consultation have been collated and taken into account in deciding priorities to be included in DMBC's Management Plan for the park. The 'Friends' would like to thank all those who completed questionnaires and took part in the event, especially those who have offered ongoing support.

A group of volunteers from the 'Friends' are working on the park, along with a member of Doncaster MBC's Countryside Team, to carry out environmental works such as litter picking, cutting back brambles, clearing paths and gateways. They meet on the last Friday of each month at St Mary's Road Car Park at 10.30 a.m. until 12.30. If you are willing to help please come along and you will be made welcome.

Friends of quarry Park would like to thank Hatfield Town Council for the grant of £150, which is helping to buy equipment to use for the environmental work. **To find out more about Friends of Quarry Park please email:** thequarrypark@gmail.com

HATFIELD BAND

Hatfield Brass Band hit the right note to qualify for a prestigious competition, just months after the death of their beloved conductor. This is the first time, in 10 years, that the Band have made it to the National Brass Band Championship Finals in Cheltenham, after success at the Yorkshire Regional Championships. Band Secretary Margaret Curran said, "Graham was with the band for over 20 years and we had tremendous success and good times with him. The band played out of their skins and this was our first contest since Graham passed away, so it was very emotional. Everyone is absolutely over the moon."

The band's flugel player Stan Lippeatt has taken up the baton following Graham O'Connor's death.

Once again, many congratulations to the Band on this recent success. Long may it continue



BYELAWS

PLEASURE GROUNDS, PUBLIC WALKS AND OPEN SPACES

Byelaws made by the Hatfield Town Council under Section 164 of the Public Health Act 1875 and Sections 12 and 15 of the Open Spaces Act 1906 with respect to recreation grounds.

Horses

5. No person shall, except in the exercise of any lawful right or privilege, ride a horse in the ground.

Grazing

11. No person shall, without the consent of the Council, turn out or permit any animal to graze in the ground.

Penalty

27. Any person offending against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.
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COUNTRYSIDE ON YOUR DOORSTEP



Do you love the countryside where we live. If you have any favourite photos, please let us have them for inclusion in future editions.

(Photo— Bull Moor Road, Hatfield Woodhouse in the sun—taken by C McRoy)

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS 2014

Town Council meetings normally commence at 7.00 pm. in the Town Council Offices, Cuckoo Lane, Hatfield

Policy and Resources Committee (precept meeting)	Monday 6 January 2014
Town Council	Monday 13 January 2014
Town Council	Monday 10 February 2014
Town Council	Monday 10 March 2014
Policy and Resources Committee	Monday 24 March 2014
Town Council	Monday 14 April 2014
Annual Towns Meeting – (Venue to be decided)	Monday 28 April 2014
Annual Meeting of the Town Council	Monday 12 May 2014
Burial and Recreation Committee (site visits)	Monday 19 May 2014
Burial and Recreation Committee	Tuesday 20 May 2014
Civic Service	
Town Council	Monday 9 June 2014
Town Council	Monday 14 July 2014
August Recess	
Planning Committee	Monday 11 August 2014
Town Council	Monday 8 September 2014
Policy and Resources Committee	Monday 6 October 2014
Town Council	Monday 13 October 2014
Remembrance Committee	Monday 20 October 2014
Budget Committee	Monday 3 November 2014
Town Council	Monday 10 November 2014
Town Council	Monday 8 December 2014
Burial & Recreation Committee	Monday 15 December 2014



COUNCILLORS' SURGERIES 2014

10 am to 11 am in the Town Council Offices, Cuckoo Lane, Hatfield

11 January 2014
8 February 2014
8 March 2014
12 April 2014
10 May 2014
7 June 2014
12 July 2014
6 September 2014
11 October 2014
8 November 2014
6 December 2014

Hatfield Town Council hope you find this edition of our newsletter useful. If you have any comments on the newsletter, please send them to the Council Offices, Cuckoo Lane, Hatfield DN7 6QE or tel: 01302 840347 or email - admin@hatfieldcouncil.co.uk. The Council Offices are open to the public from 10 am to 2 pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Look out for the next edition in June 2014.