

***** Public Meeting Tuesday 14th March 7.30pm *****

HOTHERSALL PARISH NEWS

Spring 2017

This is our first newsletter since the Annual Assembly in the autumn. It was lovely to see so many people attending including a number of new residents who were warmly welcomed. Looking ahead, our next formal event will be the AGM to be held on 8th May 2017 at 6pm in the Pavilion, Hothersall Lodge. Details will be posted on the notice board at the top of the lane and on our new web site:

www.e-voice.org.uk/hothersall

It was looking as though spring had come early to Hothersall last week, with two visitors taking an early morning swim. Cathy Thompson took this photo whilst out dog walking – a favourite activity on the Lane.



U3A Longridge – Geology and Geography Group Mike Pearson runs this group, meeting at the Corporation Arms on the second Monday of the Month at 10.30am. Exceptionally next month the meeting is being held on March 6th. See web site for details

Daffodil Walk

2nd April 2017 2pm



Another of our very popular parish walks is being planned and led once again by Lynda Bateman. This circular walk will begin and end at the Corporation Arms, taking in the beautiful daffodils on display along the Lane. This approx. 6 mile stroll will culminate with a Corporation Arms specialty Hot Pot supper costing £7. We need to know numbers ahead of time so please contact Lynda on 07894424036 or lynda.bateman@hotmail.co.uk with your details and dietary requirements.

Non walkers are welcome to join us just for the Supper!

Council Vacancies

Two of our longstanding Councilors will be standing down in May. If you are interested in becoming more involved in your community then please contact the Clerk hothersallpc@gmail.com

Potential Planning Development

At the recent meeting of the Parish Council, Mr Brian Walker talked through the proposed plans being submitted to Ribble Valley Council next week by BKW Development Ltd, details of which will be on the noticeboard and parish website after submission. The following images show the site of the proposed development.



The proposal is for the erection of nine blocks for office/ industrial/warehouse use. Access to the site will be from the north on the Blackburn Road. This is a major proposed development and we understand many residents will want to have a chance to put forward their point of view.



In response to residents' comments already received and once the plans have been submitted a public meeting will be held at the Pavilion, Hothersall Lodge on Tuesday 14th March at 7.30pm.

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Superfast Broadband coming to Hothersall? Sadly not yet. BT Openreach has connected fibre to the cabinet at the top of the Lane but this has not yet been enabled and there are no plans currently to do so. If we have enough interested households we can register for a **Community Fibre Partnership**, where we work with BT to install fibre along the Lane. Please register your interest on hothersallpc@gmail.com The more people involved the cheaper the exercise will be. We are also investigating B4RN (Broadband for the Rural North Ltd). <https://b4rn.org.uk>

Clerk to the Council Cathy Thompson took on the responsibility of clerk on the understanding that it would be for a limited time only. That period will be up next year and she would ideally like to help the new clerk settle in. If there is anyone interested in this paid position then please contact the clerk. hothersallpc@gmail.com

We are always looking for speakers for our Annual Assembly in the autumn. If you have an interesting or unusual job/hobby and would like to share it with your neighbours then we would love to hear from you.

The Bungalow, Hothersall Lodge has been refurbished recently and is available for overnight accommodation. Please contact Caroline at the Lodge on 01254878422