



Within Euxton Borders a news sheet, for residents by **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**



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Chairman's Column

Welcome once again to the "Euxton Web" which details news and events in and around Euxton.

The June 2016 issue has an article on the "Residents Meeting" held on Wednesday 11th May, regarding the "Safeguarded Land" within the boundaries of Pear Tree Lane, School Lane and The Cherries.

The meeting was called by concerned local residents after the "Consultation" held by Gladman Developers in the Community Centre in April.

There is also information reference the work Network Rail will shortly be carrying out in regards to the "flooding" Euxton Lane has suffered from over the past few years. The work should hopefully commence end of July and could well take a minimum of at least 12 weeks.

Good news as "Euxton Library" has been saved and will become a "Neighbourhood Centre", no details are available at present regarding this new role for the Library but once EPC has these they will of course be in the Euxton Web, plus the Web Site, Facebook etc.

Parish Councillor John Prayle has recently "stood down" from the Council, both my thanks and the Councils' go to John for his participation during the past years.

Last but not least the Euxton Gala takes place on Saturday 2nd July, EPC will have a stall and Councillors look forward to meeting Residents able to attend.

Details of all EPC meetings, Full and Committees are displayed on the 8 Notice boards around Euxton plus the Web Site, please come along.

Councillor Katrina Reed
Chairman

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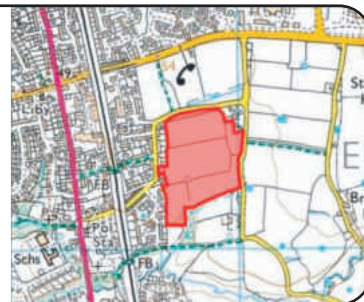
Annual Council Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Council took place on the 19th May whereupon Councillor Katrina Reed was elected to continue as the Chairman for the ensuing year.

Katrina will again be ably assisted by Councillor John Bamber as the Council's Vice Chairman.

Housing proposals for safeguarded fields

Public meeting report - see page 6



Euxton Library threats of closure

Lancashire Council Council information update, see page 7



Network Rail works to stop the flooding closure of Euxton Lane and School Lane

First the good news! In July Network Rail will start work to build a new pipeline to replace the old, broken one that has been the cause of flooding in Euxton Lane and School Lane many times before and, worst of all, in this last winter. This will solve the problem once and for all.

And so to the bad news! Throughout the works, expected to be on site from middle of July for about twelve weeks, both Euxton Lane and School Lane will be closed to traffic at the rail bridges. It certainly makes you wonder if the solution isn't worse than the problem that gave rise to it. But the work needs doing. Euxton can't go on losing one of its most important roads and another locally important one every time it rains very long and hard and, sooner or later, something was going to happen that would cause even more problems for the village and precipitate the need for these works. The Parish Council and others pressed for these works to be done and are pleased that Network Rail has bit the bullet and is going to get on with them.

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Network Rail

works... continued

Members of the Parish Council have met with Network Rail to discuss these works. We were obviously concerned about the long term road closures and about Network Rail proposals for a site compound off Wigan Road alongside Chapel Brook, in the dip to the south of the Parish Church. We questioned Network Rail on these matters and reluctantly had to accept that what was proposed was necessary if the works were to succeed. Network Rail, using a modern and specialist technique, are to install a new pipe, at some considerable depth (for example the pipe goes under a sewer in School Lane), from near Euxton Lane to Chapel Brook, in railway land and alongside the railway line.



Photo of Network Rail representatives and Parish Councillors meeting

So, for this long period, partly in school holidays but partly in term time, Euxton will have to live with these two roads closed to through traffic. Residents will remember that closure of Euxton Lane last winter caused many problems for the village not least through the use of minor roads as alternatives, primarily School Lane but also Pear Tree Lane, Whinney Lane and Washington Lane. The signed diversions, on main roads, were, in the Council's view, badly signed and although they did not use minor roads, contained no measures to discourage their use.

The Council has secured the following promises from Network Rail:

1) Euxton Lane and School Lane will only be closed to traffic under the bridges and for a minimal necessary distance beyond. It will be possible to access all properties on, or served by the two roads, but only from one end. There will be no through traffic.

2) a footpath connection will be retained through the bridges. So pedestrians, including pupils going to and from the various schools, will be able to follow their normal routes

The Council has also pressed both Network Rail and Lancashire County Council (who will have to agree all the proposed road closures, diversion routes, traffic signing etc) to ensure that the signing is of a much better order than last winter and that measures are taken to discourage the use of minor roads by traffic ignoring the signed diversion and looking for alternatives.

In one respect, the closure of School Lane as well as Euxton Lane is advantageous in that School Lane will not, this time, be the alternative route that many motorists use when ignoring the signed diversions. This will prevent the much too high volumes of traffic from using School Lane and conflicting with the many pedestrians who also use it. However, there the advantage ends, if traffic insists on diverting off Euxton Lane and on to Pear Tree Lane only to find that School Lane is closed. Where does it go then - turn around in a narrow country lane or find a way along Pear Tree Lane to Washington Lane. The prospect of too many vehicles meeting on the bad bends along Pear Tree Lane is worrying.

The Parish Council will be watching the works for you as they progress and will contact Network Rail and/or Lancashire County Council if necessary. No matter how well Network Rail conduct the works, this will be a difficult time for the village. Can we ask you to be patient, follow the signed diversion routes, do not use the minor lanes and help each other find ways around the difficulties that will inevitably arise.

Councillor Mervyn Thornhill

Parish Council Vacancy

At the May meeting of the Council it was reported that John Prayle had resigned from the Council. The Council thanked John for over five years of volunteer service on the Parish Council, first coming on the Council in February 2011.

This resignation leaves a casual vacancy on the Council which the Election Officer at the borough council will advertise in the ward, so residents are given the option of exercising their rights to call for a by election.

If a by election is not called within the timescales, the Parish Council can fill the vacancy by co-option and applications from interested residents will be invited through notices on the noticeboards and on the Council's website.



Volunteering Days

Following on from the huge success of the litter picks that Euxton Parish Council organised back in March, new dates have been confirmed for more litter picks in the coming months.

Each event starts at 10.30am and we are meeting at Tesco Buckshaw Village car park. The events are being led by Cllr Aidy Riggott and all equipment will be provided.

Saturday 25th June

Saturday 23rd July

Saturday 20th August

Saturday 17th September

I would like to thank everybody who helped out last time at both the events and I would like to invite you to join us on the dates above.

The Guides have also got involved, see page 8.

Cllr Aidy Riggott

Chairman All Purposes Committee

The two photos are of the two 'Clean for the Queen' events in March



Euxton Gala

I am sure you are all looking forward to Euxton Gala on Saturday, 2nd July as much as we are.

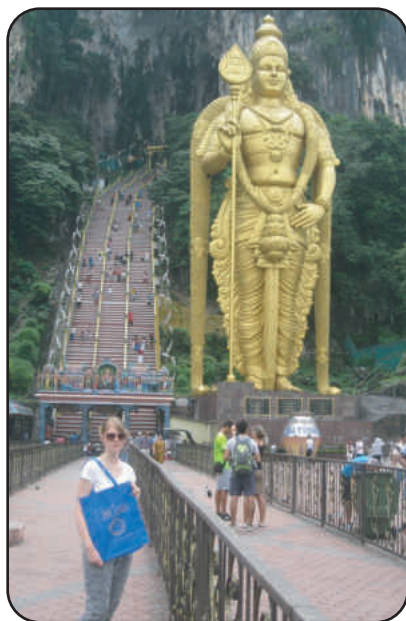
It is a great event and Euxton Parish Council will be there as usual with our stand, so do stop by for a chat.

We are always interested to hear how well you think the Council is doing in representing you and the Parish and whether there is anything we could help or look into for you.

Whilst you are chatting with us you might be able to get the latest Euxton Council bag, this years colour has a touch of Silver to it! These are always hugely popular so don't leave it too late to stop by!

Once again this year we are running the popular 'Bag Yourself a Prize' competition. All you have to do is submit a photo of an 'I love Euxton' bag from the farthest flung or most unusual position your bag gets into!

Last years winning entry was in Malaysia and recently I, along with Council Chairman Katrina Reed, met up with the winner to handover the prize.



Malaysia, outside of the Batu Caves (Kuala Lumpur) with our I Love Euxton bag

This years winning prize is either a £25 One4All Gift Card or a £25 Gift Voucher towards a meal at Papa Luigis so get sending those photographs in to the Council email, on Facebook at Facebook.com/Euxton Council or on Twitter at @EuxtonCouncil.

We look forward to seeing your entries!

Cllr Aidy Riggott
Chairman All Purposes Committee

See article on page 8 from the Euxton Gala Day Committee for more details of other attractions on the day.



Mrs Bibby (centre) of Washington Lane receiving the prize token from Chairman Cllr Katrina Reed and Cllr Aidy Riggott Chair of the All Purposes Committee

Defibrillators

Thank you to everybody who responded with advice and offers to help with our defibrillator project, it was really pleasing to see such enthusiasm for this project.



Recently, at the Neighbourhood Priorities Meeting at Chorley Council a project for the Euxton, Astley and Buckshaw area was approved to develop a scheme to provide defibrillators and training and awareness for their use.

This development will provide welcome support to Euxton Parish Councils defibrillator project. At present the All Purposes Committee are reviewing the offers of help and options open to us with valuable advice on offer from Cllr Mark Jarnell, who in his spare time volunteers as part of Community First Responder.

The committee are really keen to draw on Cllr Jarnells experience and contacts whilst working on this project.

We will continue to keep you informed of progress and stay in touch with those who have offered their advice and experience.

Cllr Aidy Riggott
Chairman All Purposes Committee

Village Competitions entered

The Chorley Civic Society bi-annual Awards are to be held this year.

In 2014 the Parish Council won two awards for the creation of Euxton Skate Park and also, the Greenside outdoor gym recreation area.



This year the Parish Council has entered on behalf of the village the creation of a new Euxton War Memorial for Euxton and, the new extension to the Runshaw College building on Euxton Lane.

The Council is also entering again the Britain In Bloom, North West In Bloom competition.

Last year the village was awarded a Silver Gilt and we are hoping for improved marks this year.

The judges will be visiting the village on July the 6th, and they will be guided round areas of the village to show the diverse work and improvements the village has benefitted from since last year.

Debra Platt
Clerk

HM Queen Elizabeth II 90th Birthday gift

Euxton Parish Council is making a gift of a tree to each of our five primary schools in Euxton.

Our five schools have been asked for their choice of tree to commemorate the Queens 90th Birthday so they can dedicate it when they plant it on the school grounds.

All the Schools have now responded with the tree choice and the trees will be on their way soon.

Debra Platt
Clerk



Councillor Profile - Patricia Fellows

I have lived in Lancashire for a good part of my life and have lived in Euxton for the past 51 years. Retirement from my Civil Service employment gave me the opportunity to become more involved in the life of the village through being a member of the Parish Council and I was co-opted onto the Council in June 2014.

Since retiring I have continued my interest in complementary medicine, as I had already qualified as a Reflexologist, before retiring from my full time job. I have enjoyed being able to obtain further qualifications in other holistic areas, such as Aromatherapy etc.

My hobbies are upholstery (currently re-upholstering my daughter's chaise longue!), reading and photography.

I enjoy walking our dog around Euxton's lanes, which I do every day and there is a wonderful variety of wildlife you can see - including deer!

With the vast expansion of the residential areas in recent years within Euxton Parish boundaries, including large parts of Buckshaw Village, it is important that our green spaces are retained. I hope that Euxton can fight off the pursuit of ever-increasing need for more houses as I believe Euxton has absorbed enough new builds already.

Councillor Patricia Fellows



Neighbourhood Priority Project on Safety

In the recent selection round for Neighbourhood Projects the Parish Council was successful this year to have this safety project taken forward.

The Neighbourhood Working group consists of Councillors from the Parish Council with Borough Councillors who consider all the projects submitted and choose three for each Neighbourhood area to carry out in that year. Our

Neighbourhood area consists of Euxton, Buckshaw Village and Astley Village.

Because of concerns that cars coming off Southport Road into the side street leading to the Yarrow Valley Car Park where the skate park is located, are travelling quite fast and may be unaware of the pedestrians often using this area.

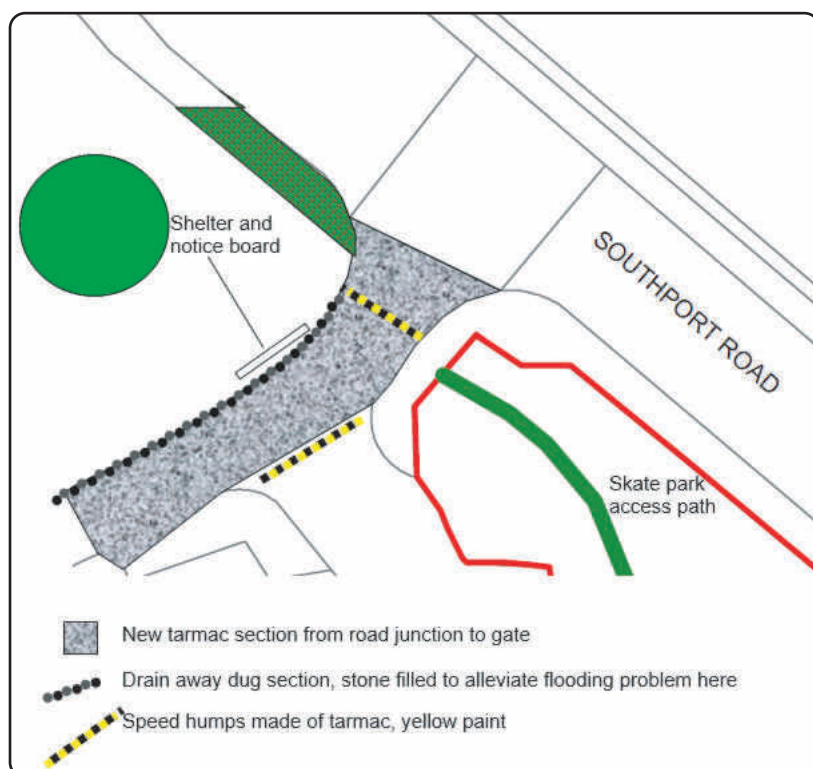
As this is the entrance to a number of areas such as the skate park, the Yarrow Valley walk and the cricket club there are often residents, many of them younger residents, walking in this area.

To help bring this to the attention of vehicles, there will be bumps installed. Also, the first section of this road is to be resurfaced, with a drain installed down the side to prevent the large puddling which occurs and fill the potholes so vehicles do not have to drive around these obstacles.

All these measures are to create a safer environment for visitors using this area.

This work is programmed to take place in late May and, all being well, will cause little disruption for the residents and users of the area. Whilst the work is taking place some of the large holes on the Chorley car park for the Yarrow Valley Country Park will be filled with the spoil shaved off the tarmac road surface, 'recycling and re-using at its best!'

Debra Platt
Clerk



The Millennium Green is a beautiful place and one of the Euxton Parish Council's (EPC) most treasured assets - a lovely natural looking area of mixed trees and open grassland with a woodland background. There is a pond and some wet areas, a path around the perimeter and seating provided at several locations both on and off the path. The Green is close to and accessible from large parts of the Parish on foot and from the whole Parish by car. It is a very pleasant place for residents (and their dogs) to go for relaxation and for gentle exercise.

EPC holds the Green on a long term lease from Chorley Borough Council (CBC) and, when it took over the Green, EPC planted lots of young trees, laid the perimeter path and provided the seating. EPC is responsible for the upkeep of the Green (residents should not be confused by the fact that CBC cut the grass on the Green under contract to EPC). However the terms of the lease restrict the manner in which EPC can use the land. It has to be used as public open space and has many restrictions so that, for example, it cannot be used for trade or camping or keeping animals. No buildings, permanent or temporary, can be erected.

Not that the EPC wishes to make any radical changes to the Green or to change the way it is used. It wants the Green to remain an attractive, peaceful place for residents and others to enjoy relaxation and gentle exercise. However, EPC would like to see more residents use and enjoy the facilities offered by the Green and is considering how to achieve this. At present the vast majority of users of the Green are dog walkers (and very welcome they are too, provided they clear up any mess) and the EPC feels that it could be used much more by residents with or without dogs.

A proposal for improvements to the Green will be put forward to the EPC for consideration at their June meeting. The objective of the improvements will be simply to increase the use of the Green for casual recreation and exercise without significantly altering its character. They are expected to have the following elements:

- 1) improvements to the existing path to make it more walkable in all weathers and conditions (it gets rather muddy and dirty because the water cannot drain away)
- 2) a new path across the middle of the Green, passing between mature trees, through one of the areas of young trees and across some of the marshy areas. This will give users of the green more alternatives and more variations in their choice of walks
- 3) more of a feature to be made of the pond. This virtually dries out in summer but floods extensively in winter and wet weather. Perhaps its permanent size could be increased and some of the banks made generally accessible. An area of decking and a link to the main path would make it accessible for all, including wheelchair users, at all times of the year
- 4) creation of new and extension of existing natural habitats (including the pond) to create visual interest and more opportunities for animals, birds, plants, insects etc
- 5) a review of management practices to see if they can be changed to assist with the above improvements. For example a different grass cutting programme might be more helpful to areas of wildflower planting.

Future editions of this newsletter and the Council's website will keep you up to date with the Improvements. However, if you wish to know more about them or to comment on them please contact Parish Councillor Vyn Thornhill or the Clerk (www.euxtoncouncil.org.uk).

Councillor Mervyn Thornhill



The extent to which the pond in Winter reached when it flooded the grass around it



Above (small) was an area which required repairing last year due to flooding and parts of the path washing away (main) after the repair work took place



The Green has many features, large trees, open spaces, flowers wild and planted, perimeter path, picnic benches and seating and its own car park - it is very well used and with this new work could be used more



Housing proposals for safeguarded fields

A residents' meeting took place on Wednesday 11th May at St Mary's Social Club to discuss opposition to the proposed extensive development of green fields between Euxton Lane/ School Lane/ Pear Tree Lane.

Around 70 residents attended the meeting, along with Chorley Borough Councillors and Parish Councillors. Everyone agreed that the whole village need to be aware of how the proposed development of 300+ houses will impact on our village amenities and highways.

Residents kindly donated over £100 towards erecting visible banners and printing leaflets to raise awareness.

Since the meeting, notice of a planning application has been submitted for Pear Tree Greens, this is the green fields between Euxton Lane and School Lane.

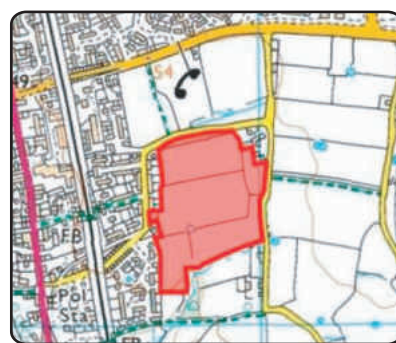
The application can be viewed and written comments submitted to Chorley Borough Council by 31 May 2016. Ref. 16/00380/OUTMAJ.

Whilst development to Pear Tree Greens is allowed within the Local Plan, as this was approved by the Government Inspector only after extensive consultation; residents were united in the belief that this development is not needed at this time, as the village lacks the infrastructure to absorb the current commitment to housing development in the local area.

Only written comments, submitted to the Council, will shape the decisions made for development of this area.



There is also vigorous opposition to Gladman's housing development consultation for the area of green fields between Pear Tree Lane and School Lane because Chorley Borough Council have safeguarded this land, within the Local Plan until beyond 2026. Many local people enjoy the Lanes and will want to keep Euxton's green and pleasant lands.



In principle opposition to development of Pear Tree Lane/School Lane can also be registered now, in writing or online with Chorley Borough Council.

Residents volunteered to form a committee to organise an Euxton wide campaign, bring together key facts and ensure all residents are informed about proposed developments. Many people volunteered to help by sharing news of this development and submitting their comments.

Residents agreed that a point of contact was needed, so people know where to go for more detailed information. If you require or can provide more detailed information, for now, please contact euxtonlanes@virginmedia.com or keep an eye out for further information posted through your letterbox.

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Deer are often seen in the fields off School Lane, they roam through the green corridors of the village such as the Yarrow Valley, School Lane, Dawbers Lane



Exton Girls Football Club

Exton girls ran two school tournaments recently, one for primary schools and one for high schools.

Both were well supported by local schools - in the primary school tournament our very own Exton C of E won age group 3/4 and Anderton St Josephs won age group 5/6.



In the high school tournament, St Michaels won the year 7/8 and Parklands won the 9/10.

In the two nights over 240 girls took part.

Exton Girls Football Club are now looking for players for next season 2016/17 and girls from 5 to 16 are invited to come along and take part, For further information about training nights and times contact Dennis Winn on 07595541404 or dswinn@live.co.uk

Dennis Winn
EGFC

Threat to Exton Library

Recently around the village and in the last newsletter it was brought to residents' attention that Lancashire County Council (LCC) was consulting on the future of the county library service and, that might put Exton's library under threat.

The first phase of consultation on library service design, need and use took place during January across Lancashire. The consultation resulted in 10,566 questionnaires being returned comprising of 4,607 paper-based and 5,959 online.

LCC's latest position is: "Changes to where we provide your services - LCC provides local communities with a wide range of different services, based in hundreds of buildings across the county. We are planning some changes to how and where many of these services are provided the cabinet considered reports about this in early May and a 12 week consultation begins from Wednesday 18 May to 14 August.

The services that will be mainly affected are:

- Libraries
- Wellbeing, prevention and early help services (incorporating children's centres and young people's centres)
- Registration offices (births, marriages and deaths)
- Children's services
- Youth offending teams
- Adult disability day services
- Older people's daytime support services
- Welfare rights services"

The main changes LCC are planning to consult about are:

- To reduce the number of different buildings where these services are available, while still ensuring services are available at locations across the county.
- To create a network of 'Neighbourhood Centres' through which we will deliver services

LCC says, "We know how important these services are to the people who use them and will be keen to hear your views."

All the consultation information and response feedback, the new consultation and research information is available at local libraries, also online under 'consultations' at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/get-involved.aspx

It appears at the moment Exton Library is not on the list for closure but this is still subject to change from consultation results so please respond to the consultation to keep up the fight to save Exton Library.

Debra Platt, Clerk



Trustee Vacancy

Trustee's are being sought for Villages in Partnership.

The role of a Trustee is a voluntary role. They would be required to attend Board meetings, once a month, usually held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, in the evening.

For further details about the role could they please contact the VIP office at vip@villagesinpartnership.co.uk

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A colorful advertisement for Exton Pre-School. At the top left is the logo 'Exton Pre-School Est. 1968' with two children. To the right is a cloud with the text 'Learn Play Grow'. Below the logo, it says 'NEW OPENING HOURS from 8am - 6pm Monday - Friday 51 weeks a year.' A pink banner across the middle says 'Excellent value at £33 a day for 3 & 4 year olds and £36 a day for 2 year olds!'. On the left, it says 'Free places for 2*, 3 & 4 year olds available.' and 'Established for over 45 years'. In the center, a starburst says 'Best value in the area'. On the right, a box says 'FREE 3hr TASTER SESSION*'. At the bottom, it says '*One voucher per child; call to book.' and the website 'www.euxtonpreschool.com'.

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Community Action for the Challenge Badge

Third Euxton Guides took part in some community action in the form of volunteer litter picking as part of their Challenge Badge.

When the Guides met for one of their May meetings they used the Council's new Volunteer Kit and Chairman Katrina Reed helped Guide

leaders with distributing the equipment.

The Guides were suited up with hi-vis, gloves and equipped themselves with bags and pickers and got out there to pick litter.

Well done Guides.

GALA DAY

The annual celebration of village life, Euxton Gala Day, will be held on Saturday July 2nd 2016. The event takes place on the playing fields behind Euxton C of E Primary School, off Wigan Road in Euxton, and will open at 1pm.

Gala Day is a much-loved day on Euxton's calendar, when families and friends gather to enjoy traditional fun and games, with any luck, under the glorious summer sun.

This year, old favourites will return, like an inflatable assault course, fairground rides, 'Chuck A Welly', 'Pillow Fights' and entertainers in the central arena. Other attractions include face painting, a birds of prey display, Shetland ponies and an ice cream van. Refreshments will be available to purchase and there will be a range of stalls at the event.

Euxton Gala Day, which has been an annual fixture on the calendar for four decades, is organised and run by a dedicated group of volunteers who

aim to create a fun, friendly event while raising funds for Euxton Methodist Church and Euxton Church of England Church.

Chair of Euxton Gala Day Committee, Robert Sage, said: "We're looking forward to another great Euxton Gala Day this year and we welcome everyone from the village and the surrounding areas to come along and have fun on the day."

In the event of poor weather, Euxton Gala Day may be cancelled. The committee will make a decision in the event of inclement weather and will endeavour to notify the public in advance of the event.

Please check Euxton Gala Day's Facebook page for updates and information

www.facebook.com/Euxton-Gala-Day

For more information, please contact Victoria Jayne at on the email at victoriajjayne@hotmail.com

Victoria Jayne
Euxton Gala Day Committee



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Euxton Library Events



Dianne (Library Volunteer) & Reading Hacks (Sophie, Emma, Mara & Ella) decorated a Bicycle for the "Chorley Grand Prix"



Jameela Waqar-Uddin – won the Easter Competition



Bike Marking Session 13th April - Ray with Zach Warrington



Euxton Methodist Scouts – research for their "Library Badge"

Euxton Library is still under threat of closure

Take part in the consultation, see page 7



Seb Holbert – Lancashire Reading Trail Gold Award – read 50 books

Euxton Library Events

Library Openings

Monday	09:30-12:30	13:30-19:00
Tuesday	Closed	Closed
Wednesday	09:30-12:30	13:30-17:00
Thursday	09:30-12:30	13:30-17:00
Friday	Closed	13:30-19:00
Saturday	09:30-12:30	Closed

Coffee Mornings:

June 2nd Deacon Kathy Lamb: "Prison Chaplain at Wymott"
 July 7th Colin Penny: "Hadrian & Anitnous"
 August 4th Deborah Cornwell: "Mountaineering to the Paralympics"
 September 1st Ian Bagshaw: "Chorley Hotpot"

Other Activities:

Wednesday 1st June Police Children's Fun Day: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Thursday 11th August "Summer Crafts": 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Regular Groups: (*Term Time Only)

*Baby Bounce & Rhyme Thursday 9:30am-10:00am

*Storytime Monday 2:00pm-2:30pm

'Knit and Natter' Friday 2:00pm-4:00pm

'Learn My Way' Computer Classes Monday 10:00 am-12:00 noon

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'Health Walks' 4th Friday of the month meet at Euxton Library at 2pm.

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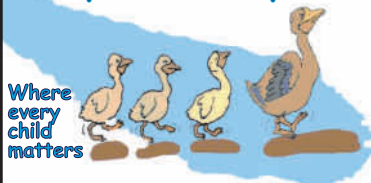
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The year is whizzing by and Euxton WI have as usual been busy! We have just had our Spring Lunch with proceeds going to our charity for the year Galloway's Society for the Blind. The food was super as usual.

Sadly one of our members Eunice Hall died recently, she had been a member since 1988 and a long standing member of our committee and will be very sadly missed by us all.

We have had some interesting speakers including the last one on Route 66. We are looking forward to our trip to John Ruskin's home in the Lakes in July and another planned Afternoon Tea at Martin Mere in September.



We currently have a membership of nearly 80 ladies but always welcome newcomers. If you wish to have more details please telephone Val Hough 01257 270874.

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New members are
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other Thursday
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Community
Centre
from 2pm until 4pm

Next meetings are:

9 & 23 June; 7 July

18 August

1, 15 & 29 September

We get excellent speakers, go on arranged trips and more besides call Sheila Ball on 01772 432037 or pop along to have a look.



The clubhouse boasts a well-appointed Function room with a well stocked bar which is available for hire and suits any occasion

Regular social events diary, this summer Euxton CC will play host to a range of music acts to suit all tastes and other events planned include Comedy Nights, wine tasting, camping weekend and a cricket festival for social and occasional participants.

Follow us on social media for ALL the details:- Facebook - Euxton CC

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For more details on any of the above please contact me at any of the above.

Andrew Stringfellow
Chairman

The Battle of the Somme

The centenary of the Battle of the Somme will be recognised nationally in July and Chorley has as much reason as anywhere to commemorate the anniversary. Many stories have been told about the men of the Chorley Pals but it is the Battle of the Somme which binds them together.

Chorley boroughs band of brothers trained and served together and went into Battle on 1st July and suffered terrible casualties.

To mark the centenary the Chorley Pals Memorial have been working hard to develop a series of commemorative events. The full programme has yet to be announced but local Historian and Trustee of the group, Stuart Clewlow has shared details of one special arrangement.

"Chorley Pals Memorial are proud to present Leyland Band at Chorley Town Hall with a very special concert 'Pals on Parade', a selection of World War One era and military music.

We are particularly excited to be hosting the debut playing in Chorley of "The Pals March". The piece was composed in 1914 and has been specially reworked for us to be performed by a brass band."

"In a poignant act of solidarity Chorley Council and South Ribble Borough Council have both sponsored the event and will be represented by the Mayors and their consorts.

A number of Chorley Pals before and after the war, had various connections to the communities making up today's neighbouring boroughs and so it is a credit to both authorities for acknowledging the poignancy of the occasion."

The concert is expected to be extremely well received and people are encouraged to react quickly and contact either Chorley Pals Memorial or Leyland Band to purchase their tickets. As a further form of tribute, those attending are encouraged to wear self earned medals or those awarded to their relatives.

Many men from Euxton were involved in the Battle of the Somme and the newly erected war memorial near the Community Centre, includes the name of Frederick Sydney Harding. He lived at Sunnymede on Wigan Road and whilst serving with the "City Pals" Manchester Regiment, he was killed in action on 1st July.

Richard Barrow also lived on Wigan Road and served with the Chorley Pals. He was badly injured during the Battle of the Somme but survived the war and lived until he was 93 and one of the last surviving Chorley Pals.



Chorley Pal from Euxton, Dickie Barrow

He was buried in St Mary's Church yard along with his crucifix which he had worn whilst serving in the trenches.

Stuart Clewlow
Local Historian

CHORLEY PALS MEMORIAL
Battle of the Somme Centenary Concert *

'PALS on PARADE'

Performed by **Leyland BAND**
Sponsored by **Chorley Council** and **SOUTH RIBBLE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Saturday, 2nd July
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We have had 3 recent thefts of high-value vehicles in Euxton where the offender has obtained the vehicle keys from inside the properties using "hook & cane" method through an open cat flap and also entered the property through an insecure front door whilst the occupant was in bed.

Opportunist offenders do operate looking for insecure properties.

Don't become a victim of crime - If you have security then use it!

PCSO's Ray Chadwick & Lee Reed
Euxton Neighbourhood Policing

Neighbourhood Policing Team:

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Sergeant Matt Moon 4057
PC 3252 Mike Payne
PCSO 7696 Ray Chadwick
PCSO 7776 Lee Reed

Chorley Police Station 01257 269021
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PACT Dates – Euxton

Euxton Library: 6pm - 7pm
Monday 4th July; Monday 15th August
Monday 26th September
Monday 7th November
Monday 19th December

Police Surgeries: Euxton Library
Wednesday 8th June, 4pm - 5pm
Friday 8th July, 4pm - 5pm
Wednesday 10th August, 4pm - 5pm
Friday 30th September, 4pm - 5pm

PACT Meetings for Buckshaw Village
Ravensthorpe Lounge, off Merefield in
Astley Village 7pm - no dates tbc

Councillors...

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Council Meetings

Council meetings are normally each third Thursday of the month at 7.15 pm.

The meeting venue is mainly the Annexe at Euxton PC Community Centre, Wigan Road, Euxton. Please check the website or noticeboards for the dates and venues.

Members of the public are very welcome to attend meetings:

Thursday, 16 June Thursday, 21 July

Thursday, 15 September Thursday, 20 October

The meeting date of 18 August is a provisional date in case there is necessary business to be transacted.

Noticeboard Locations

Runshaw Lane shops; Highways Avenue shops; Wigan Road opposite Euxton Mills; Wigan Road at St Mary's car park; Euxton Lane junction with Wentworth Drive; Southport Road by the Skate Park; Euxton Buckshaw Village behind the Hub adjacent to play area; Euxton Buckshaw Village Barnes Wallis Way behind Tesco.

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