

# Within Euxton Borders a news sheet for residents by





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#### Chairman's Column

Welcome to the June 2024 issue of the 'Euxton Web' which details both news and events in and around Euxton.

Firstly it is with sadness that I have to inform you of the unexpected death of Parish Councillor Richard Hoyle who we all knew as "Sam".



We will miss his presence and contributions at all our meetings.

At the Annual Full Council Meeting held on 16th May both myself and Cllr Eric Jones were elected as Chair and Vice Chair for another year. We also co-opted a new Parish Councillor Mr Geoff Vickers who lives on the new estate behind School Lane. Welcome Geoff. There are still vacancies on the Council so if anyone is interested - see page 2.

Both Debra and I were invited to the Euxton WI Spring Luncheon held on the Community Centre, thanks must go to the 'catering ladies'. What a spread! they put on and to the 'entertainment' a good time was enjoyed by everyone - see page 7 for a photo.

Friends of Euxton Library 'Bavarian Evening' was a great success , article page 6. The Craft Fair was also busy, hopefully another one will be held nearer to the end of the year.

I was invited to Afternoon Tea at the Library a couple of weeks ago held by the local Chorley dementia group. Again lovely eats, a quiz and a singsong, wonderful, thanks to everyone who organised it. Keep a look out in the library as they hope to have another one again later in the year.

The AGM of The Friends of Euxton Library was held on the 1st June. We are always looking for new members, interested, speak to Kath and she will give you all the details.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Gala Day, most Councillors will be about some part of the day at our stall, let's hope for some good weather at least a little less wind than last year!

Euxton Parish have employed a new member of staff, an apprentice village caretaker. We wish Ryan all the best with his apprentice studies, small allotment plot and his duties around the areas of Euxton.

Cllr Katrina Reed Chairman



## Euxton's Gala Day Saturday July 6th 2024

on the playing fields behind

Euxton C of E Primary School, off Wigan Road
in Euxton from 1pm to 4pm

See page 3 for more information

#### **Remembering Sam**



Councillor Sam Hoyle passed away whilst in office on the 27th April. Councillors remembered Sam at the May meeting while holding a minutes silence at the start of

its Annual meeting. Sam was elected to Council in May 2022.

Love and wishes to Sam's wife Lyndsey and the family.

## What's happening at Euxton Villa?

See details on page 4.





#### Village Calendar

be a part of it!
 See details on page 3.

#### Dog bag dispensers go 'Green'

A recurring response from residents in two previous village surveys mentioned dog mess - so the Council committed CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) monies to buy dog bag dispensers.

Since the original introduction of the dog bag dispensers in late 2019 resident feedback has been positive and dog mess reports seem to have gone down where they are available.

Whilst the Committee was routinely reviewing this service for residents and following up on a query at Council regarding the type of plastic the bags were made of - the Committee dug deeper.

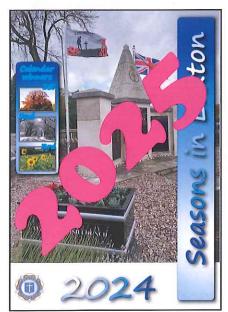
The previous bags supplied, although were made from a type of degradable plastic which fragmented into smaller pieces the Committee found another 'greener' supply of bags that are eco-safe, environmentally-friendly, had no plastic content and are 100% Certified compostable.

The previous supply came in packs which hung on two internal pins and were perforated which left behind waste pack tops, whereas, the new supply tear away, one by one, and leave no waste in the dispensers.

The new bags first went in to the dispensers at the end of April and it has been noted as the bags are now not perforated they take a stronger pull to realease a single bag - and this has had a beneficial effect that people are taking one bag at once rather than a supply of a few and so making supplies in the boxes last longer and less likely to empty the dispensers over a busy weekend of dog walking.

The dispensers are placed as an emergency bag supply for any dog walkers caught out and it is the belief that responsible dog owners do always carry bags with them.

It is an emergency supply for residents and not a free supply and not for business use. If the dispensers are abused they are removed from the area.







## 2025 calendar theme is 'Sights of Euxton'

The successful Calendar project will run again this year so now is the time to get your photos in.

We are asking for residents to send in photos of sights around Euxton, whether that is your favourite view, building, or an unexpected encounter with wildlife, as long as it was in Euxton.

Email in or Whatsapp to 07484 538376, calendars will be available from late October through the Council or through local groups in the village.

**All Purposes Committee** 



The new bags are printed up and ask for user feedback and many of you have done this. Use this QR code to feedback to us on this project.



#### **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### Councillor Vacancies in



Presently there is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor on the Council.

Applications are invited and any person wishing to serve as a Councillor should write to the Clerk giving details of interests, experience and reasons for wishing to serve. If an election is not called this will be filled via co-option.

To qualify, a person must be a British subject or citizen of the Irish Republic, over 18 years of age and an elector, must reside within the parish of Euxton, or within 3 miles of it, or occupy as owner or tenant any land or premises therein, or have their principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor (details from the Clerk).

Further details of eligibility, procedures of a vacancy, guidance of being a Parish Councillor for Euxton are all available on request from the Clerk or linked on the Council's website to the vacancy notice.

clerk@euxtoncouncil.org.uk www.euxtoncouncil.org.uk



## Euxton's Gala Day Saturday July 6th 2024 2022

on the playing fields behind Euxton C of E Primary School, off Wigan Road in Euxton from 1pm to 4pm

We're planning to bring most of the regular elements of Gala Day, including smaller rides, entertainment, food and refreshments.

## Put the date in your diary - we can't wait to see you all again!

Could you spare a few hours to help organise Euxton Gala Day in the run up, or on the day itself?

The organising committee is a small group of volunteers who meet once a month in the run up to Gala Day, and organise the day itself.

We're always looking for more people to help with the planning, and to set up/take down on the day.

If you could volunteer email Kate - k.sage74@btinternet.com We'd love to hear from you!



Euxton Council has had a stand at the Euxton Gala Day since 2010 and every year Councillors look forward to manning the stand, meeting residents, chatting and giving out information and a shopping bag! Looking forward to seeing you in July 2024.

There are a limited number of Hedgehog Highway surrounds left, email to request - first come, first served.

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What is a Hedgehog Highway?

A Hedgehog Highway is a 5 inch gap in a fence or wall allowing access for Hedgehogs to come and go. The surround can be attached around the hole to raise awareness to the highway and encourage others to have highways.

These gaps and highways are essential in the battle to prevent the extinction of our endangered spiky friends.





The Hedgehog Highway allows hedgehogs:

- n forage for food
- meet mates to breed
- access nesting sites

How can I get a Hedgehog Highway surround for free?

Euxton Parish C ouncil has some highway surrounds to give away, for free, to request one send an email to clerk@e\_uxtonco uncil. org.uk telling us:

- Mary Your name and full address (for delivery)
- where the highway will lead from and,
- to, when you create the passageway ready for the surround

Incentive by Euxton Parish Council, Bio-Diversity grant provided by
Lancas hire County Council [15]

Euxton Parish Council [15] O1257 234004 E: clerk@euxtoncouncil.org uk

# Skip Day improving area your local area

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024 9.00am – 12.00pm

skip will be sited on

#### **Greenside Playing Fields hard-standing**

Greenside, Euxton, PR7 6BL

Event run by Euxton Parish Council, supported by Chorley Council, this community clean-up will focus on helping residents dispose of unwanted household items to help keep your local area clean and safe. Just bring your items to the skip location above.

<u>Please note</u> the skip cannot accept - trade waste, any hazardous materials such as paint tins containing paint and rubber tyres. You will need to make alternative arrangements for the removal of these types of items.

For those <u>vulnerable residents</u> who may struggle to get items to the skip, please contact below to discuss possible options of how we can support you; as we may be able to help in some circumstances. Please note this must be done at least 3 working days before the event to the contact below.

Email: clerk@euxtoncouncil.org.uk
Telephone: 01257 234004



#### **Euxton Villa Football Club**

In September 2021 Euxton Villa Football Club embarked on an exciting journey to transform one of their pitches at the Jim Fowler Memorial Playing Fields on Runshaw Hall Lane, Euxton.

Supported by Football Foundation, Chorley Council, Euxton Parish Council, W Howard Group, Porsche Centre Preston and the Harris Trust the club has managed to raise enough money for the £1.1 million project to install an Artificial Grass Pitch.

Work started at the end of March and planned to be completed by mid-July, just before the season starts in August.

If on time an opening ceremony is planned on Friday 19th July, followed by a pre-season match with Chorley FC the next day and everyone is welcome.

The new pitch will be state of the art and provide fantastic outdoor facilities for many grassroots clubs, junior football leagues and local organisations.

For more details email Graham Keyte, Chair Euxton Villa FC, hello@euxtonvillafc.com

**Graham Keyte** 





Photographs, top to bottom:

First dig removing old pitch, excess soil removed and made level

Stones added prior to tarmac being laid Shock pad added onto tarmac and artificial grass starting to be laid onto shock pad

We rely on many things we buy to make our lives easier, to help us and support our wellbeing. But not all products you buy new or second-hand may be made well or meet required safety standards that you would expect.

Taking the time to do some simple checks before making a purchase from a shop or online can avoid accidents and injuries to you, your family and friends.

#### What you should look for

Here are some simple things you can do before buying products:

- Does the product have safety markings or warnings?
- · Are there any instructions and are they easy to understand?
- Can you see the address of the manufacturer or seller?

things on the packaging or the

item, it may mean that the product you are buying is not safe to use or hasn't been tested by the manufacturer to make sure it meets safety standards.

#### **Buying second-hand**

If you're thinking of purchasing something second-hand, consider how old it is and if anything might have happened to it during its lifetime - can you see any obvious damage which could make it unsafe to use?

#### Register your products

Many household products, especially electrical ones, come with the option to register them with the Are you sure your drains are not polluting? manufacturer. Registering your product means that you can then be directly informed if there is a safety issue with it and get any repairs done as soon as possible. If it is recalled, a refund or replacement may be available.

If you are a part of local group and are interested in helping to keep your community safe by taking part in an online presentation or a visit to your group, please contact Lancashire County Council scientificservices@lancashire.gov.uk or call us on 01772 721600 lancashire.gov.uk/consumer-product-safety





#### **EUXTON WAR MEMORIAL CLUB**

Live Entertainment every Saturday evening

\*\*\* Cash Bingo \*\*\*

Sunday & Monday evenings eyes down at 8.30pm

Snooker, free Pool, Darts, **Dominoes and more** SKY & TNT Live Sports, Big screen plus TVs





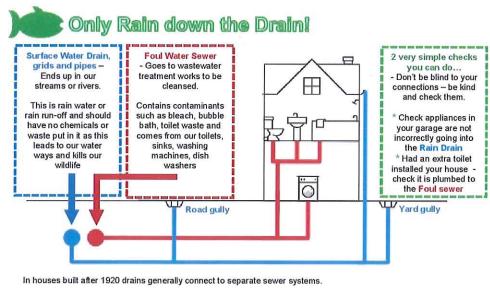
**Function room bookings** Birthdays, Weddings, Christenings, Funeral receptions etc

195 Wigan Road A49, PR7 6JG Email: theinsti@gmail.com For details 01257 228043 (after 5.30pm) Membership available (£10 life)

If you have ever had any alterations done to your home such as a new kitchen, changed the garage in to a room, an extension, washer in your garage, downstairs toilet why not just check where your drains are plumbed in to.

Check the waste pipes drain are NTO in to the rain gutter drain which pollutes the rivers with water containing washing chemicals.

All these little mis-connects add up to pollution of our brooks, streams and rivers. Take a little time to check your connections.



Surface water: For clean rainwater from roofs and ground runoff Foul water: For dirty water from toilets, sinks, washing machines etc



to rivers and streams to the treatment works

#### **Library Opening Hours**

Monday 9 am to 7 pm Tuesday closed all day Wednesday\* 9 am to 5 pm Thursday 9 am to 1 pm Friday 9 am to 5 pm Saturday 9 am to 1 pm

\*2nd Wednesday of the month, closed 9-10am for staff training

#### **Euxton Library**

#### **Future Events:**

Saturday 20th July 10:30 - 12:00 Story & Activity: Children's Author Dom Conlon, Theme: Space

Friday 9th August 10:30 - 12:00 Children's Crafts - "Fabulous Fish" \*for children ages

Thursday 13th August 10:30 -12:00 Author Event - Children's Author: James Lettice

Wednesday 25th September 10:30 - 12:00 Talk: Colin Penny -"The Life and Films of Errol Flynn"

Thursday 26th September Time: TBC. Friends of Euxton Library - Lancashire Night with Sid Calderbank & Mark Dowding # admittance by ticket only - Contact the Library for more information

#### Regular Events: Monday

Lancashire Dialect Group 10:30am - 11:30am

Card Games Group 2:00pm - 3:00pm

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

#### Wednesday

Family History Group 10.30am - 12.00 #

Craft Group 1:30 - 3:00pm \$

#### **Thursday**

Baby, Bounce and Rhyme 9:30am - 10:00am\* Get Online at Your Library

10.30am - 12.00 #

#### Friday

Toddler Time 10:00am -10:30am\* Knit and Natter 2:00pm -4:00pm

#### Saturday

Quiet Hour 9:00am - 10:00am first Saturday of each month

\*Term Time only; # Booking



#### **Bavarian Night**

The Friends of Euxton Library hosted a Bavarian Supper Night on the 20th April at the Community Centre in Euxton.

The evening was in two parts, with music of the World being provided by the fabulous Coppull & Standish Band, followed by Bavarian Music.

During the interval frankfurter hotdogs with all the trimmings were devoured by the audience of around 80.

Everyone enjoyed an entertaining night and participated in the dancing during the Bavarian Music led by some of the band in Bavarian dress.

A big thank you to the Coppull & Standish Band and to the community for supporting this event and making it a success.

Di Lambert & Sue Balshaw Friends of Euxton Library







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#### **Euxton Walks** -

Euxton has 45 public rights of way all described and mapped in the 'Walkers Guide to Euxton'. Pick one up at Euxton Library. Map display boards are at the Library, Union Place BV, Brookwood Way BV, and at the Skate Park Southport Road.





ISTD Ballet, Tap & Modern, Exams and Shows, Acrobatic Dance New class beginning soon,

New class beginning soon, Mother & Baby Ballet, call me for details

Classes held at St Mary's Social Club, Euxton

Telephone Rachel Macaree on

#### 01257 220049

www.prestigeschoolofdancing.co.uk or email

rachel@prestigeschoolofdancing.co.uk



The members of Euxton WI have a busy few months ahead.

There is a visit to Bridgewater Gardens in June and in July members will spend the day visiting two Mills -Oswaldtwistle Mills for lunch and retail therapy and Queen St. Mill in Briercliffe for an 'Inside the Factory' tour.

On 24th July there will be a 'Drop In' at the Euxton PC Community Centre from 2-00 - 3-30pm (see poster right). It is open to everyone in the village and you are welcome to join us for complimentary light refreshments; children are also welcome.

The interest groups keep busy with walks and strolls locally and further afield; the Craft group created a

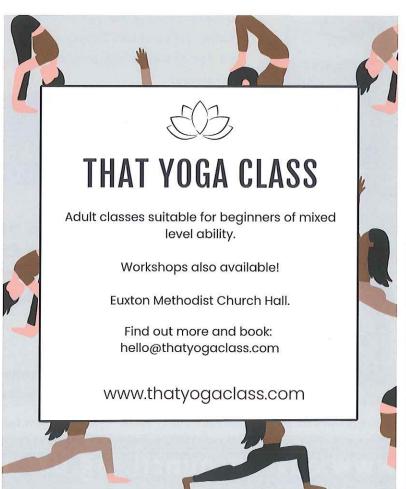
spring terrarium in April; the Reel cinema is regularly frequented by members of the Cinema group; the two book groups continue to be supported by Euxton Library and the organisers of the Gin and Bear It group are planning the next outing. The Catering Crew provided a delicious buffet at the Spring Lunch in May where the Entertainment group performed 'If I were not upon the stage'.

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month starting at 2-00pm at Euxton PC Community Centre (next to Papa Luigis) should you wish to come as a visitor please contact the President.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact the President, Ann Francis, on 01257 412013.

**Karen Hartley** 





#### **Euxton Parish Council**

All Council correspondence to: Debra Platt, Clerk. Unit 16 CBTC, East Terrace, Euxton, PR7 6TE

T: 01257 234004 M: 07484 538 376 Email: clerk@euxtoncouncil.org.uk



Council meetings are normally the third Thursday of the month at 7.15 pm and held in 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 all meetings.

#### 2024 meetings Thursdays:

18 July, 19 September, 17 October, 21 November

#### **Noticeboard Locations**

- Wigan Road, St Mary's car park
- Wigan Road opposite Euxton Mills
- Euxton Lane junction with Wentworth Drive
- Euxton Buckshaw Village behind the Hub adjacent to play area
- Euxton Buckshaw Village Barnes Wallis Way behind Tesco
- Euxton Buckshaw Village at the Lancaster Way Community Centre
- Euxton Buckshaw on Brookwood Way
- © Chancery Road opposite Chancery Fields



Highways Avenue shops

Runshaw Lane shops

Allotment site

Southport Road Skate Park

#### Councillors...

**Euxton Ward** 

Patricia Fellows 277213 Ian Hamer 267280 **Eric Jones** 265013 Paul Morton 07771 848604 Andy Oddy 07717 895242 Rebecca Peers 277821 Dez Rigg 273986 Helen Tune 411711 Steve Walker 07766 695316 **Barry Williamson** 460168 Joan Williamson 460168

#### **Euxton Buckshaw Ward**

Barrie Duckworth 07580 247222 Geoff Vickers tbc Vacancy Katrina Reed 271199 Aidy Riggott 07585 633025

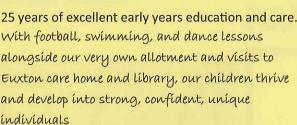
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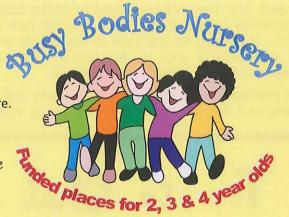
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