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## Chairman's Column



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

Once again an invitation was sent to the Parish Council from the Committee at "Careline" to attend their AGM and enjoy their afternoon tea with both helpers and clients.

Cllr Marilyn Bamber joined me for the 3rd year running along with our Clerk, Debra Platt. After the tea, which again was delicious, I had the pleasure of handing over an Euxton Star Award to Mr Michael Thompson in recognition of all his work both at Careline but also at "Shopmobility" in Chorley, (Michael was put forward for this Award by Cllr Tony Reed who also attended). It was a great surprise and nice to be able to give the framed Award with both his co-Committee Members there as well as the ladies and gentlemen who offer their services and the people that use them.

I also had the pleasure of giving another Star Award to Dianne Williams who for some time has volunteered at Euxton Library, providing not only her time but in some instances also the art equipment required for the Craft sessions used by the children. This handing over was done at the end of the ELF's meeting at the Library, again Dianne was most surprised but pleased to accept. Kath at the Library nominated Dianne for the Award in recognition of the time and effort providing these sessions throughout the year.

There is a wide range of articles inside including pictures of the above two events plus updates on Euxton Community Bowls Club, Electoral Boundary Review, two Councillor profiles, Skate Park lighting planning application, new Defibrillator and last but not least, new Dog Bag Dispensers.

Hopefully, I and the other Parish Councillors will meet some of you at the both the Remembrance Service and the Christmas Carol singsong around the Christmas Tree.

All Council meeting dates are displayed on the notice boards around the Village, in this newsletter and on our Website so please come along with any ideas you may wish the Council to take on and any problems you may need help with.

**Councillor Katrina Reed**  
Chairman



## Chorley Council Electoral Review


Find out what The Local Government Boundary Commission for England suggests our Chorley electoral Boundaries should look like, page 3.

## Local Plan Call For Sites

The process for the submission of sites to the Review process of the Local Plan ended on 9 November.



Parish Councillors leafleted much of the village about this process and the danger to our Green Belt areas, see report on page 3.



**Christmas**

**Carol Singing**

**Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**7pm at the Christmas Tree**

Euxton Parish Council Chairman and Councillors  
would like to invite everyone to Carol singing  
around the Christmas Tree -  
then inside the hall afterwards for warm mince  
pies and a hot drink

Musical accompaniment  
By Coppull & Standish Brass Band

**Dress festively or wear  
festive hats and jumpers**





Photo: Left to Right. Cllrs Chris Jones, John Bamber, Tony Reed, Chris Greenslade - Hospital Director, Chairman Cllr Katrina Reed, Debbie Throup - Operations Manager, Caroline McGarrie - PA to the Hospital Director and Cllr Eric Jones

Jumping at the prospect of this community project, the local council, hospital and nursing home all got together to provide a life-saving public defibrillator site in Euxton.

The Millennium Green, run by Euxton Council, is a popular public park in Euxton, fronting Euxton Hall Hospital, with Euxton Park Care Home just behind it.

The park welcomes walkers all year round with it having a good perimeter path to walk on in all weathers. Its many visitors include residents of the care home, visitors to the hospital, residents, dog walkers, wheelchair users and many others just enjoying the attractive site. Euxton Council has provided a number of the 'defibs' at key locations around the village and knew the Millennium Green was another crucial site to give access to vital life-saving equipment.

Euxton Council sourced the box, defib and electrics, the Euxton Park Care Home supplied the electricity feed and Euxton Hall Hospital contributed to the whole project.

Thank you to the three Euxton organisations for working together to provide this new site.

## Increasing Community Groups and Support

Euxton has seen a steep increase in its size over the last 20+ years from a population of approx 7850 in the 90's to the census figure of 9,993 in 2011 to now nearer 14,000 (see article on page 4 for more about this).

Over those years the Council has upgraded existing and added new amenities to the village where it could, such as the Millennium Green, skate park, bowling green and will continue, where it can find land to create new items.

Another aspect of village life which the Council helps with is local groups or projects. More residents has, over the years, increased the number of local groups such as scouting groups, meeting groups and organisations which help some of our residents in need such as Careline (see page 6), war memorial group, Euxtonomy, these are/were all supported through the Council's grant scheme.

The Council will be increasing its Grant budget to continue to help groups but also to assist people to set up new schemes or groups to serve our community. New ideas, inventive projects, groups to reach people normally considered as unreachable - Council wants to see projects coming forward which it can assist with. If you have an idea for a much needed project in the village - contact us.



## Anti Dog Fouling Campaign

The dog bag dispensers so far installed are proving very popular, with two more awaiting installation.

We are still trialling the 'home-made' dispensers in suggested locations to see if they warrant a permanent fixed version.

The dispensers hold over 200 specially designed bags which are extra thick with a two ply pouch ensuring that you do not become over familiar with the poop. They are quick and easy to refill with new bag supplies.

The first dispensers installed are at:

- Millennium Green
- Princessway

and the last two to go in are to be at:

- Greenside pitches and • Euxton Lane close to Bay Horse junction/bus stop

Any feedback about this project, or others, please let the Council know.



## JOB VACANCY Village Caretaker

Part-time flexible position for 20 hours per week, £8.50 per hour (may include Saturday morning cover) required to start by the new year

A hard working local person with a responsible attitude, willing to turn out in all weather is required to take on caretaker tasks all around the village working in a team but sometimes alone

Routine repairs and checks, gardening, new projects, tidying, litter picking, maintaining council facilities etc

Job description and application form available on request from:

Euxton Parish Council  
Tel: 01257 234004  
Email: [clerk@euxtoncouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@euxtoncouncil.org.uk)

## Chorley Council Electoral Review

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) received submissions to its consultation on electoral boundaries for Chorley up until early September and published its proposed map on 6 November. Euxton Parish Council's response was printed in the last newsletter and a number of elements from it were reflected by the LGBCE in its report and new warding proposal.

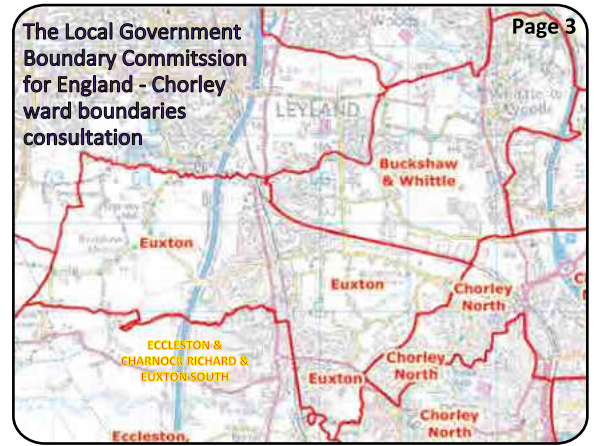
This map is now out for consultation until 14 January 2019. You can view the report and map, and respond to the consultation online.

From the submission made by Chorley Council, the LGBCE has changed the Euxton boundaries again and renamed one ward, which some Euxton residents will fall in to, adding 'Euxton South' to the title.

### Will the Electoral boundaries affect the Euxton Village Boundary?

The houses which fall out of the main 'Euxton electoral ward' and in to the next door wards of 'Eccleston & Charnock Richard & Euxton South' or 'Buckshaw & Whittle' still remain in the village of Euxton. They will continue to be covered by Euxton Parish Council - this review is purely to re-size the wards to a more even number for Chorley Councillors covering those wards. The subject of Euxton Parish Councillor numbers is covered at the bottom of page 4.

**Where can I find out more information about my street?** A listing of streets and which wards they come under will be posted on the Euxton Council website, so you can look up your address.



**What do I do next?** If you are satisfied/or not satisfied with the Boundary maps suggested by the LGBCE you need to submit a response to the consultation through the link supplied above. Often responses are only submitted by residents unhappy with a proposal and this may not represent the full feeling of the village who may like the proposals. So, submit your response, whichever way you feel about the ward boundaries.

## Local Plan Call For Sites

The process for the submission of sites to the Review process of the Local Plan ended on 9 November.



Parish Councillors leafleted much of the village about this process as it only came to light after the September newsletter was published.

Since the closing date for the 'Call for Sites' process the Parish Council has heard that this process may well be re-opened again in January. When these dates are available the Council will publish them on the website and Social Media.

The Council leafleted and advertised on the website and social media to encourage residents to submit to the process areas which they wanted to see protected - such as green belt fields, which are all around the housing of the village.

The 'Call for Sites' process is open to anyone including land agencies, builders and developers to suggest ANY area of land to be re-classified for 'housing land'. Because of the numbers of houses approved under the

current Chorley Local Plan, allocated land for building being carried forward to the new plan will be low so, for this Local Plan Review process, more areas within Chorley (as a whole) WILL need to be identified for housing.

**This puts Euxton's Green belt at risk.** Euxton is an attractive place for house building (as you are witnessing) because it has many amenities and local facilities many other villages outside of Chorley don't - such as, excellent access to two major motorways, two railway stations, buses, shops, schools, doctors, dentist, community facilities and the list goes on.

But being so appealing sometimes attracts the wrong sort of attention which you may feel we can do without, such as even more housing projects. And if there are no more plots left the Green belt fields may be next to be assessed in the sites investigation process.

**What can you do...** Go to the 'Call For Sites' website, choose a piece of Green belt you would like to see protected and remain Green belt and complete the form then, tell your neighbour to do the same.

Central Lancashire, Call for Sites consultation form: [www.centrallocalplan.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.centrallocalplan.lancashire.gov.uk)

## CIL - what to do with it?

CIL, if you haven't heard of it, stands for 'Community Infrastructure Levy'.

*"The Community Infrastructure Levy came into force in April 2010 and allows local authorities to raise funds from owners or developers of land undertaking new building projects in their area, to help fund infrastructure." Chorley Council adopted a CIL system on all applications receiving planning permission on or after 1 September 2013*

An example in Euxton which is CIL liable is the housing site on Euxton Lane for 140 homes. Chorley Council collected £1,076,939.05 in CIL monies from this site for infrastructure projects and from these monies it keeps 85% and 15% is given to the Parish Council (where the site is located), so Euxton received £161,540.85.

CIL is not a 'compensation' for the housing coming and the changes a site will cause such as more traffic, school places issues etc, these are dealt with in different ways with payments towards school places and road schemes allocated directly to those sources.

CIL, for a village, such as ours, does offer an opportunity for the renovation or creation of new amenities such as more play or recreation sites.

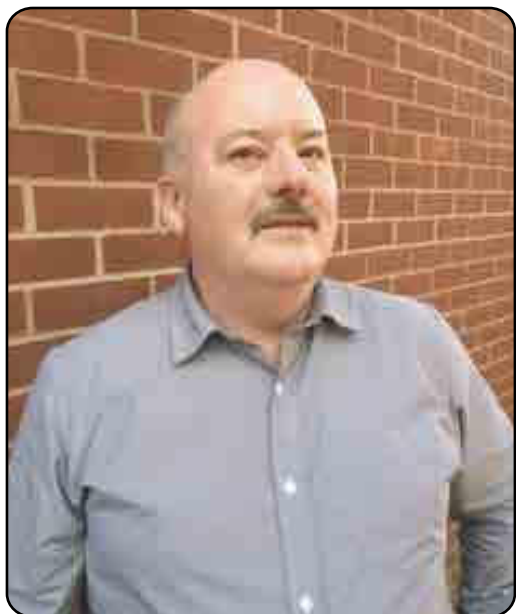
In the pipeline, Euxton Council has a planning application in presently for a scheme of flood lights for the skate park on Southport Road. Also, the installation of a 20 metre square all weather surface for Greenside - both suggestions received from our young people.

**Now what we need are YOUR suggestions for what the village needs with a plan of where to put it.**





Cllr Chris Jones is the Chairman of the All Purposes Committee



## Councillor Dez Rigg

Dez was elected to the Parish Council in May 2018.

I was born in Preston and I have lived in Euxton all my life, over 60 years (so far). 25 years in Euxton Northwest and 35 years in Euxton South.

I worked for the Fire & Rescue Service in Lancashire for 38 years serving at Skelmersdale, Chorley, Leyland, Preston and the Headquarters at Fulwood. My last 5 years of service were at Washington Hall here in Euxton working for the Northwest regional fire services to deliver enforcement fire safety training. I semi-retired 2 years ago but still deliver fire safety training on a part-time basis to fire and rescue authorities and other commercial clients, now working for myself.

I am currently an 'out of trade member' of the Fire Brigades Union.

My focus for Euxton is public safety. Fire safety is my speciality; however, other safety critical aspects of living are a principal concern. I would be happy to talk to any resident of Euxton to endeavour to reduce their risk profile.

**Councillor Dez Rigg**

## Councillor Chris Jones

Chris joined the Council in October 2011 and was subsequently elected in May 2014 and 2018.

I have lived in Euxton for getting on for 40 years; for most of that time work took me out of the area – Manchester, Birmingham, and finally as far away as Essex. Retirement from working on communications systems designs, operations and maintenance was something of a relief if only on the basis that the need for daily or weekly commuting became completely unnecessary.

Retirement has given me the opportunity to develop a greater interest in the area in which I live – Euxton and its surroundings. That greater interest led me to joining Euxton Parish Council just over 6 years ago; working with others to make sure that Euxton residents have the best environment in which to live that together we can reasonably achieve is rewarding and on occasions a little challenging. It is by working through those challenges that the best that can be achieved is achieved.

Perhaps the greatest challenge that faces Euxton is the ever growing demand for new housing and I welcome the opportunity to work with other Councillors in the hope of minimising any adverse impact on Euxton as a village with its own identity and character. I am particularly concerned about the increase in traffic in and through the village, along with the parking problems that that traffic often generates. It is a source of considerable frustration to me that there seems to be little that we can do to slow the trend or mitigate the impact that this traffic has.

**Councillor Chris Jones**

## Your Parish Council

Euxton Parish Council has 18 elected members. They are all listed, with photos, on the Councillor section of the Council's website [www.euxtoncouncil.org.uk](http://www.euxtoncouncil.org.uk) and included in every newsletter on the back page, if you wish to contact them.



The Parish of Euxton is currently divided into 3 wards - North East, North West and South, served by a total of 18 parish councillors - see below.

The population of Euxton, taken from the 2011 census was 9,993, but this has grown and now may well exceed 13,000 people.

The electorate for the village is 11,096, as at 1 November 2018 - these are residents of 18 years and over who are registered on the voters role here.

Euxton covers an acreage of 2,915, which is 1,177 hectares.

There were, at the last count, 5,583 properties in Euxton, and this is constantly rising due to the building and completing of new homes in the village.

Euxton NW - electorate of around 4,012 and 8 Parish Councillors

Euxton NE - electorate of around 3,559 and 2 Parish Councillors.

Euxton South - electorate of around 3,525 and 8 Parish Councillors.

As you can see there is some disparity in numbers of Councillors covering the three wards, with Euxton NE only having 2 when it's size is comparable to the other two wards.

This is proposed to be addressed when the Chorley electoral boundary review process concludes, and this subject was covered in the last newsletter, and followed up in an article on page 1 for the Chorley electoral boundaries.

The Parish Councillor proposals from the LGBCE are for their newly proposed ward boundaries of:

Euxton North and East 11 Parish Councillors, Euxton South 2 Parish Councillors and the Buckshaw Village ward 5 Parish Councillors.





## Friends of Euxton Library

The Friends of Euxton Library have just held their second coffee morning fundraiser as the group looks to continue growing its membership and set its plans for the coming year.

Chairman of Friends of Euxton Library and Euxton, Buckshaw & Astley County Councillor Aidy Riggott commented, "I have been involved with the group since its formation and it has been in existence for approaching two years. It began as an Euxton Parish Council Working Group that was looking at all options when the county's Libraries were been closed and placed under threat of closure, and earlier this year we became a Lancashire County Council constituted 'Friends of Library Group'."

County Councillor Aidy Riggott, who is also Lead Member for Cultural Services at LCC and is leading on the development of a network of library friends within Lancashire, explained "Library friends groups are open to any individuals who want to get involved and support their library, and successful friends groups can help in a number of areas from supporting and promoting their local library and the services it offers to enhancing the programme of library events and activities held in their library."

Secretary of Friends of Euxton Library Lindsey Heaton added "We have now held two successful coffee mornings and have been supporting events in our library whilst actively recruiting new members as we grow and establish ourselves. I must add that the cakes that Trish, one of our members has baked, have been absolutely fantastic and have sold really really well!"

Anne Caughey who has become the groups Vice Chairman, also wanted to thank Tesco and their Community Champion Helen Tune who have been instrumental in supporting the Friends Coffee Mornings with donations of tea and coffee. Anne commented "Helen has been a great help and has really enabled us to get going with our coffee mornings and we are really appreciative of the support."

The Friends of Euxton Library are holding their next Coffee, Tea and Cake Morning on Saturday 24th of November to coincide with a visit from Chorley & District Model Railway Club and their "Christmas Show with Thomas". A Mince Pie and Hot Chocolate morning is planned for Saturday 8th December at 10am. Two events not to be missed!



## Friends of Euxton Library

The Friends of Euxton Library are a Lancashire County Council constituted Friends Group and our key aims and objectives are to:

- Support and promote Euxton library and the services it offers
- Raise money by fundraising and applying for grant funding
- Enhance the programme of library events and activities



The Friends of Euxton Library are a friendly bunch and the Management Committee meets up every 4-6 weeks to discuss and plan our events for the coming months. The named Officers for the group are listed below and alongside them we have a number of other Committee Members who lead on a variety of functions like event planning and delivery.

Chairman - Aidy Riggott  
Vice-Chairman - Anne Caughey  
Treasurer - Katrina Reed  
Secretary - Lindsey Heaton

We have held a couple of low key coffee mornings whilst we find our feet and we will be building on this as we move forward into next year. We are due to hold our first AGM early next year and all Friends will be contacted in advance of the date. Thanks to grant funding gratefully received from Euxton Parish Council, we have been able to supply some new tables in the library as well as board games, cards and craft activities.

If you would like to become a Friend or get involved you can email the group at [FriendsofEuxtonLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofEuxtonLibrary@gmail.com) or if you want to just follow our progress, give us a Like at [Facebook.com/FriendsOfEuxtonLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfEuxtonLibrary).

Our next events are listed just above, and we hope to see you then!

**Aidy Riggott**  
Chairman - Friends of  
Euxton Library



## Star Award for Michael Thompson

Michael Thompson was nominated for an Euxton Star Award by Cllr Tony Reed after getting to know Michael through volunteering as a Careline driver.

Michael came to Euxton 1976 and joined St Mary's congregation, in 1994 he became a Committee member Churches Together, he is now the Treasurer

Through Churches Together, Careline was formed in 1996 to give a door to door service for needy residents, supplied by Euxton residents, Michael is Treasurer. From 2010 he became sole co-ordinator arranged by phone on a Friday the necessary rides that the 17 volunteers provide to 30 Euxton residents in need, for appointments such as hospital, doctor, day care, shopping, bingo, community centres etc.

All this and a full time job at the Mobility Centre in Chorley. Michael's contribution to Euxton and its elderly and infirm residents truly make him out for a role as one of our 'Star Men'



Chairman Cllr Katrina Reed presenting Michael Thompson with his Euxton Star Award at the recent Careline AGM

## Life at Buckshaw Village Scouts

When was the last time you went outside of your comfort zone?!

I've been in Scouting since I was 8 and joined Buckshaw Scouts a year ago. In that time I've enjoyed all the adventures I've been on. I've been involved in many activities and no one is ever left out. We go on lots of camps and you make new friends all the time!

A couple of weeks ago we had an Open Evening (17th Oct 18). Our activities included axe and saw skills, fire lighting, cooking s'mores (Marshmallows) over an open fire, archery, constructing towers out of marshmallows and spaghetti and making chairs out of balloons and sellotape - "oh, we asked the leaders to test the balloon chairs!"

This week we're off on a night hike up to Healey Nab. Head torches, maps and compasses are ready. We have learnt how to navigate using maps and compasses - more reliable when your phone runs out of charge. One of our new Scouts will be invested on the walk!

Over the last few weeks our activities included:

- Remembrance Day - a chance to think about the soldiers who died a hundred years ago and all those since then
- Bike maintenance and a night ride around Buckshaw - make sure you have a helmet and lights!
- A visit to a care home to make bird feeders and to do Christmas crafts with the people who live there.
- Ice skating and hopefully watch a game of ice hockey.

After Christmas we have a Homeless Camp. For this camp we will collect cardboard boxes and plastic bags to build shelters similar to those slept in by homeless people.

We will sleep in our shelters for a night. Our leaders will be close by so we don't have to worry about being robbed, mugged or even worse. We can also go inside to warm up - makes you realise how lucky we are.

The skills we learn as Scouts are useful for life. As we learn these skills we earn badges and make new friends. I have just earned my Chief Scout Gold Award which was a lot of hard work and a loads of fun! Don't think that these adventures are just for boys; I'm a girl!

So, If you're a boy or girl aged 10 ½ to 14 and you're interested in joining us, you can contact our leaders at [join@buckshawscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@buckshawscouts.org.uk)

## 'Lights On' Service

I attended a poignant "Lights On" Service at the Methodist Church recently. There was an exhibition in the hall of both WWI and WW2 artefacts and a history of both the old and new War Memorials within Euxton. Cllr Tony Reed came with me and Cllr Danny Gee was there to. It was organised by Lydia Goodliffe and Stuart Clewlow and Euxton Churches Together. Commemorating the 100th Anniversary when the Light of Peace was re lit with the Signing of the Armistice on 11th November 1918. Names on Euxton Roll of Honour were read out. This was a follow up to the Lights Out Service held in August 2014, which I also attended with Tony and arranged by Stuart and Lydia.

Cllr Katrina Reed



## Churches Together in Euxton Careline

*Do you live in Euxton?*

*Do you have difficulty getting to appointments or shopping?*



**CARELINE** *Could Help You*

*We are a friendly team of volunteers who are here to help with your transport problems. There is no charge, but some customers make a donation, which helps with general expenses*

Phone our friendly coordinator  
Michael Thompson on 07766 066094



## Star Awards

Dianne Williams volunteers at the Library and many residents will recognise her but not know the full extent of what she does for the Library.

Kath Deakin speaks highly of Dianne and says, "Dianne helps at the weekly Baby Bounce & Rhyme sessions and monthly Coffee Morning events.

She helps and delivers craft sessions and is a member of the Euxton Library Friends Group and helps at Euxton Gala Day on the Library stand.

Dianne makes herself available to help at any Library event and is an essential part of our team. She is a familiar face to the children at both Baby Bounce and the craft sessions and goes out of her way to meet and greet new mums, dads, grandmas and grandads to introduce them to other members of the group.

Also a member of the Euxton WI reading group she collects reading group books from the library on behalf of the group."



Chairman Cllr Katrina Reed presenting Dianne Williams with the Euxton Star Award at a recent Euxton Library Friends meeting



Buckshaw Village WI are moving to Euxton Cricket Club for their meetings.

We're a thriving (young and dynamic!) group meeting every second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm and have a packed programme for 2019 including Guide Dogs, Blood Bikes, the history of soap, Trading Standards and the importance of Wills and LPAs.

In 2018 we have enjoyed talks and activities including Suffragettes and Suffragists, seen cheese being made (and sampled lots more), made some upcycled tea light holders and learned more about reducing our environmental impact by choosing alternative beauty products. Plus we have a book club and craft group that our members enjoy each month.

Why not come along and see what we're all about? Or have a peep at our Facebook page.

**Sue Thwaites**  
President 2018



Supporting the Derian House Winter Sparkle



**Five Acres Farm**  
Garden Centre

Nordmann Christmas Trees  
Door Wreaths,  
Holly Pots,  
Grave Pots  
and Wreaths

Dawbers Lane, Euxton, PR7 6EE  
**01257 261307**

### 'Euxton Star' Scheme

There are so many people who do 'unsung' work, volunteering, helping, keeping things running - most go unnoticed, unrecognised but the Council would like to change this, if only in a small way.

If you know of a stalwart helper, community volunteer or someone you admire for their work in the community - let us know.

Maybe they run a club, do all the background work, or work selflessly to improve the local environment.

Write in to the Council with your nominee to let us know as much as we will need to know to understand their contribution. It is the Council's intention to award an Euxton Star Award to local 'stars' and report on them for the newsletter so the recipient must be prepared for this. See Council's website for details.



## Euxton Library Events

**Coffee Mornings:** 1st Thursday of every month from 10:30-11:30am

January None

February 7th Paul Robinson "Compost"

March 7th Ian Bagshaw "Royal Mail: the secret language of postcards"

April 4th Elaine Taylor "Astley: a picturesque park"

### Other Events

Wednesday 12th December Introduction to Family History 10:30 - 12:00

Friday 14th December Primrose Hill School Choir 11:45am

Wednesday 19th December St Mary's School Choir 2:00pm

Friday 4th January 2019 Christmas Crafts\* 2:30 - 4:00

\*£1 per child up to a maximum of £2 per family" - suitable from age 4 and upwards

Saturday 26th January Family History 10:30 - 12:00



LEGO Robotics September

### Regular Groups: (\*Term Time Only)

Card Games Club every Monday 2:00pm - 4:00pm

\*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 Thursdays 10.30 am to 12 noon

Lancashire Dialect Reading Circle with Sid Calderbank Monday 10:30 am-11:30 am

Health Walks 4th Monday of the month meet at Euxton Library at 10.00 am.

Euxton Art & Craft Group meet 2nd & 4th Wednesday in the month - 1:30-3:30 pm

\*Toddler Time, sing-along songs and rhymes, movements and actions, meet and chat with other parents, just drop in no need to book - Friday 10:00 - 10:30 am



Halloween Crafts



Lancashire Dialect Group in October

### New Opening Hours

Library Opening times  
Monday 9am to 7pm  
Tuesday closed all day  
Wednesday 9am to 5pm  
Thursday 9am to 1pm  
Friday 9am to 5pm  
Saturday 9am to 1pm



Willow at Halloween Storytime



Ollie, Alfie & Daisy Feeney, completing the Summer Reading Challenge



Storytime in October



## Euxton Community Bowls Club

At the Club AGM on 16th October 2018, John Bamber stepped aside as Chairman of the Committee having fulfilled the Parish Council's obligation in assisting to create an Euxton bowls club - thanks for all the hard work taking the lead to establish everything involved in setting up a new club - he will remain on the Committee. The New Chairman of the Club is David Fincham.

Members gathered together at the Bowling Green restaurant on 25th October 2018 for an end of season meal, which was very enjoyable, and there was an unexpected surprise award to one member.

Quite some time ago, John and myself were approached by Lydia Goodliffe, with the kind offer for the Club of a donation of a tankard from Mrs Mona Edge, a lady whom she helped via the Careline organisation. The unused tankard (still boxed) had been a gift to Mrs Edge's late husband Alan, and as he had an interest in crown green bowling (mainly at St Peters in Chorley), it was decided to present it to the 'most improved bowler'.

The tankard was suitably engraved, including acknowledging the kind donation by Mrs Edge, and was presented to (a very surprised) Anne Caughey, who was a complete novice to bowling 12 months ago. Hopefully the award will continue on an annual basis - next year it could be you!

If you are interested in becoming a member, whether a complete novice or established bowler, please contact Membership Secretary - Mike Marshall on 01772 466287.

**LADIES** - If you would like to join a Ladies (Social bowling) team, please contact Anne Caughey on 01257 232570 - this would be a gentle way to be introduced to friendly competitive bowling without any pressure, and coaching can be offered.

Looking forward to the 2019 season, the members are hoping to have a team accepted in yet another Chorley League to build on the pleasing successes of the 2018 teams.

**Cllr Marilyn Bamber**  
ECBC member

Anne Caughey,  
winner of the  
'Most Improved  
Bowler' Award'  
pictured with her  
tankard



**EUXTON COMMUNITY BOWLS CLUB** will be open for bowling at Greenside from April 2019



New members are most welcome to join

Please contact Mike Marshall 01257 466287 for details

Any ladies who are interested in joining the Ladies Team, please contact Anne Caughey 01257 232570

## Community Working

Back in September the Cubs were out and about in the community cleaning up and planting bulbs ready for next spring.

They planted Spring bulbs in the grass and borrowed Euxton Council's volunteer litter picking kit to do some litter picking.

Euxton Methodist Scout Group



The Volunteer Litter Picking kit is available for loan from the Euxton Council - just ring to book in.



Left, litter picking with the Euxton Council's Volunteer litter kit

Above, planting bulbs in the grass

## Busy Bodies Nursery and Big Kids Club

Wigan Road, Euxton, Lancashire  
**01257 241119**

Email: [busybodieseuxton@btconnect.com](mailto:busybodieseuxton@btconnect.com)

An individual setting that is very well established and highly regarded throughout the local and extended community.

Fully qualified early years practitioners and excellent facilities

Achievers of the...

Fabulous freeflow outdoor area

Lancashire Quality Award  
For excellent early years provision

Variable fees according to age



An Outstanding Ofsted Report 2015

- Open 50 weeks of the year 8am-6pm
- Flexible sessions no minimum attendance required 8-1pm, 1-6pm, 9-4pm, 8-6pm
- Provider of the Early Years Education Funding for children aged 2+, 3 and 4 years (\* subject to meeting specified criteria)
- Weekly swimming, Dance, Football and Library Sessions

## Busy Bodies Nursery and Big Kids Club

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## Euxton WI

Well after a very busy few months Euxton WI seem to go from strength to strength! After our successful "Get Together" at the end of July we continued into the Autumn months with a variety of speakers including Pinny's which included a demonstration of how to decorate our own plant pots and an informative talk by Michael Southworth on the importance of making a will. Very different topics I am sure you will agree!

We helped Euxton Library celebrate Open Libraries Week by putting on our own display which included photographs from our scrapbooks which date back from 1922 when Euxton WI was formed! Also I am so pleased that Dianne Williams who is a member of Euxton WI has recently been awarded an Euxton Star for her outstanding work with the toddler's group and craft work at the Library.

We held our AGM at the beginning of November and Karen Hartley was voted in as our President for a fifth year and the current Committee will also stand with the addition of Gill Armer who has been elected to join the committee for the coming year. As usual we began our AGM with a warming "Hotpot Lunch". Our thanks go to the Catering Crew led by Angela Holmes for their help and the

wonderful display of chutney and preserves that were on sale made by them.

We look forward to our trip to Leeds and our Christmas lunch which will be at the beginning of December at Charnock Farm and we are grateful to Ann Francis for arranging them for us.

We meet each month on the first Wednesday at Euxton PC Community Centre on Wigan Road, next to Papa Luigis at 2pm. If you want further information please ring Val Hough on 01257 270874.

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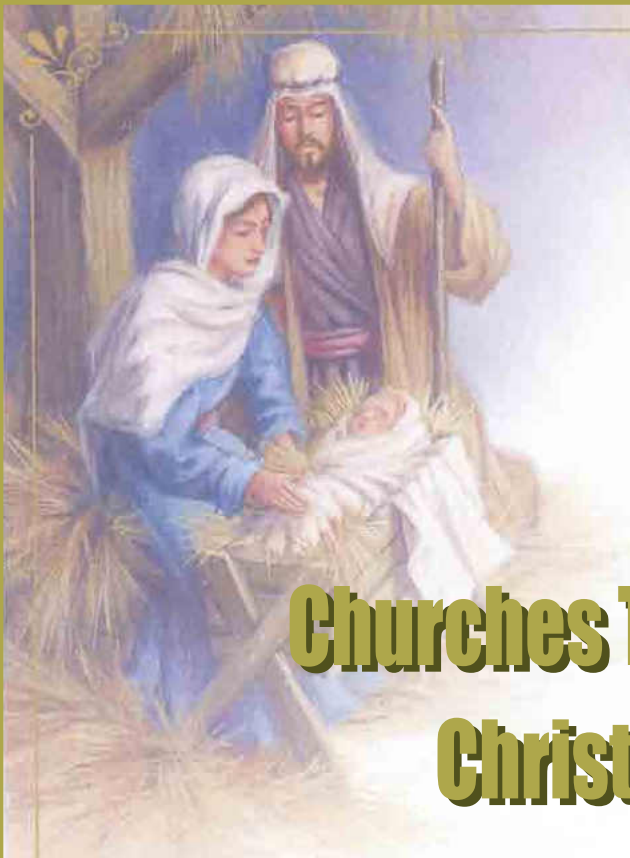
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Events which we currently offer Time Credits for are the Litter Picking volunteering events, and Community Improvement events. Look out for events on noticeboards or on the website.







## St Mary's RC Church

Christmas Eve

Monday 24th December

Carols at 5.30pm followed by  
Christmas Vigil Mass at 6 pm

Christmas Day

Tuesday 25th December

12 am Midnight Mass

10.30 am Christmas Day Mass

# Churches Together in Euxton Christmas Services 2018

## Euxton Methodist Church

Sunday 16th December

10.30 am - Church Service & Messy  
Sunday and Christingle in the Church  
Hall - Everyone most welcome to these  
services and are open to all, church or  
non church children.

The children will parade into Church the  
Christingles they have made.

Sunday 23rd December

10.30 am Nativity Children's Service  
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6.15 pm Family Carol Service

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Christmas Day

Tuesday 25th December

10.30 am Christmas Celebration

Half-hour family friendly, Christmas  
Celebration

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## Euxton CofE Parish Church

Sunday 23rd December

5.00 pm Carol Service

Monday 24th December

3.00 pm Crib Service

11.15 pm Midnight Holy Communion

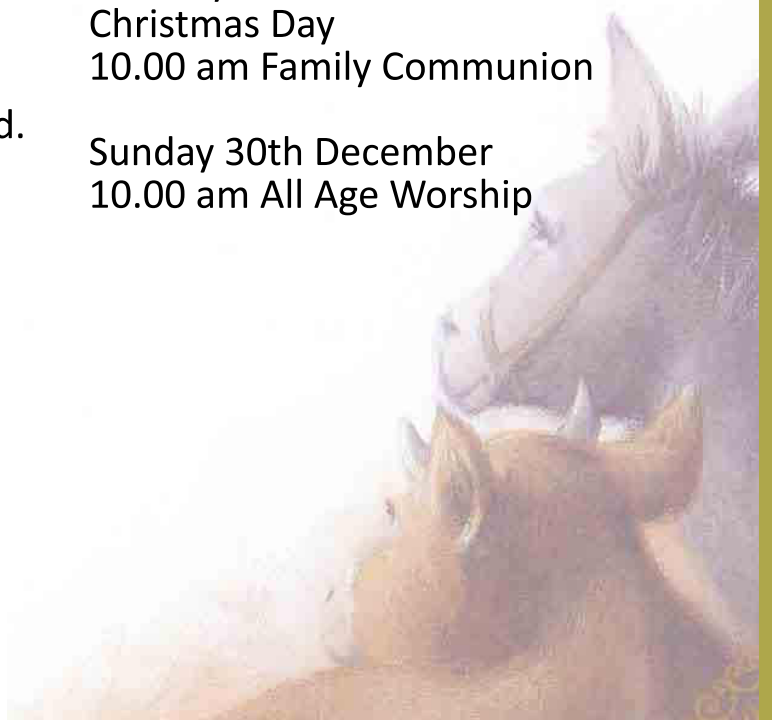
Tuesday 25th December

Christmas Day

10.00 am Family Communion

Sunday 30th December

10.00 am All Age Worship





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## Council Meetings

Council meetings are normally the 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:

20 December 2018

2019 17 January, 21 February, 21 March, 18 April

## Noticeboard Locations

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