



NEWSLETTER

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Following the government announcement on Monday 22nd February the PCA will be carefully looking at the guidance for the safe opening of the Village Hall. Several of our groups will not be able to return yet due to the ongoing social distancing rules. Over the last few months, the PCA and Parish Council have replaced the heating system in the Main hall with underfloor heating and a ventilation system. Making our hall suitable for most activities and concerts.

Step 2 - 11th April at the earliest sees the "opening of gyms and community centres" which gives us great hope for some classes to resume. This of course is subject to there not being an exponentially higher rate of infection.

The PCA have kept the hall up to a high standard and are ready to open when given the guidance to do so, more information will be in the April newsletter. We hope to welcome you all back soon.

Mobile phones, foreign coins and notes, old coins, unwanted jewellery, watches, stamps of any kind, postcard collections, games consoles, Nintendo / Game Boy games and cameras

We have all had lots of time to clear out our drawers and cupboards during the strange times we are experiencing. So, a reminder about our ongoing collection and the fact that our collecting box is still at the Do-It-Yourself Centre, Parbold. Many thanks to them for their ongoing support. If you have any of the above items and would like to donate them to a very worthy local cause, please take them into the DIY shop. All of these items are recycled, and the funds raised go towards the running costs of The Hut-on-the-Hill (home to all of Parbold's Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers).

If you are unable to get to the collecting box, please contact Sandy Smith 01257 463407 to arrange collection.

Thank you for your wonderful support to date.

PARBOLD DOUGLAS *Music* LANCASHIRE

We are hoping to have a launch matinee concert in June, when we will announce our proposed 2021/2022 season with major international concert stars.

Please send information for the APRIL issue by **March 16th**, to Clare Gillard 5, Fairhurst Drive, Parbold, WN8 7DJ. Tel: 464533 e-mail: claregillard5@talktalk.net

PARBOLD WI NEWS

The next meeting for WI members will take place on **Tuesday 2 March at 7.15 pm** (please note earlier start). Debbie Grayson (former pharmacist in Parbold) will be presenting a **Question and Answer session**. After Debbie's session we will be holding our **Annual Meeting** and we are hoping that as many members as possible will join us.

The Afternoon Tea sessions continue every Wednesday afternoon at 2.00 pm and are proving very entertaining with Joanna mixing up the content week on week. Both of these meetings will be held via Zoom and Joanna will send an email with a link enabling you to access these approximately 15 minutes before the scheduled start time.

The WI Hall is still closed during this lockdown and we are unable to accept bookings for parties and social gatherings. However, if you are thinking about starting a regular tutor led class in the future please contact **Joanna on (07766406761) or Sylvia at (sylvia.iwright@btinternet.com)**.

Parbold Myth-makers

Many thanks to all those people who came to their doorsteps on Sunday 20th December to cheer on our brightly lit festival artworks and pre-recorded music/singing performed by numerous local people.

Parading through the streets on the back of a decorated flatbed van (kindly provided by Almonds fruit and veg merchants) it was a joy to see much of Parbold enjoying the large-scale mobile artwork from the safety of their homes and gardens.

Thanks also to Joel Penn local professional photographer and filmmaker, for the social media video that he created on the night.

The response to artwork from people was truly heart-warming and we hope that it brought you some festive joy.

Our next * 'Art in a bag' activity is now available for reservation and collection.

This activity will be centred around the art of **drawing**, in which you will receive a small sketch book, pen and printed instructions to help you get started on this engrossing art form.

* subject to availability

To reserve your activity bag please contact us at either mythmakersparbold@gmail.com or text Sharon – 07458 359552 where we will provide you with the details regarding availability and a collection point.

And finally, a huge thank you to all at Parbold Library for their assistance in helping us to distribute the 'Art in a bag' activities in a Covid safe and accommodating manner.

Best wishes from the Parbold Myth makers team.

Parbold Flood Group. Thank you to Parbold Parish Council for paying the annual fee for the cameras on the railway, these play a big part in flood prevention. Flood Warning 20th January: thank you to Sue Halton & the Village Hall for their help and support, and to the Wardens and Volunteers who braved the dark, cold and pouring rain to knock on doors and warn our residents, I received a number of thank you calls on your behalf.

COVID 19, if there is a flood warning Wardens/Volunteers will knock on your door, wait for an answer, and then walk away. For those vulnerable residents on our residents needing help list you will be dealt with as in the past. We would remind you of the following contacts:- to receive flood warnings: www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings and enter your Post Code or Parbold. Cameras adjacent to the railway line www.vision-link.co.uk/parbold/ the pairing code is 462909. The Flood Hub www.thefloodhub.co.uk contains a wealth of information to help improve your flood resilience, please see their 'Landscapes to Lifescapes' section. WLBC, do not let your hedge trimmings/garden waste enter the brooks you could block the culverts and cause flooding, please dispose of them responsibly. In flood conditions the water has nowhere to go if the gullies are blocked, help to keep all property safe and dry. Please clear the gullies outside your home and put all leaves in your garden waste bin. Ros Wess parboldfloodgroup@outlook.com

Brownie Uniform

Have any of you got any Brownie uniform that you could donate to our Brownie Unit? We are desperately short of second-hand uniform and many new parents really appreciate being able to mix and match second-hand stuff with buying some new items. It's also a great help for parents of children who have outgrown their uniforms. Please ring Sandy Smith 01257 463407 to organise collection. Thank you.

Parbold Parish Council Notes

Clerk: Mrs Elizabeth-Anne Broad JP, LLB (Hons), MA, CiLCA

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Parbold Parish Council meetings are continuing on the first Friday of each month starting at 7:30pm using Zoom conferencing. If you wish to join a virtual meeting you can do so by emailing the clerk in advance for the agenda and the meeting ID and password to join. Members of the public do not take part in Parish Council meetings but there is an item towards the beginning of the meeting where the public may raise issues or make comment. Each person may talk for up to four minutes and whilst it may not be possible to discuss the issue further, Councillors will address it at a later meeting if appropriate.

The budget has now been finalised and it has been decided not to increase the precept in respect of the parish council this year. Council Members are only too aware how difficult this past year has been on household finances so, whilst there are increased council costs, the reserves will be used to meet any overspend.

The Parish Council has requested LCC Highways to provide more grit bins in the parish. In return, LCC ask us to highlight that the grit is to be used for public highway and not for private driveways. We attempted to get more roads included on the gritting schedule, specifically Brandreth Drive and the Burnside estate. However, LCC cannot do these areas as they are not priority routes or routes with a gradient steep enough to warrant it. The Common and Lancaster Lane are gritted when conditions apply.

Installation of CCTV at Bramble Way carpark has assisted in supporting security there, particularly after dark. This remains a popular area with dog walkers so remember dogs must be on leads if on the playing fields, because priority here is for children's play which is incompatible with off-leash dogs and dog fouling. It is sensible to keep on lead around this area as there was a dog sadly killed on the railway track here, and one had to be rescued from the water at the leachate tank. More recently suspicions of rat poison on the car park suggest you should keep your pet under close supervision if choosing to exercise your dog here.

Help shape the future of your local health services.

Health leaders in West Lancashire want to hear your views and experiences of local health care, under the new Shaping Care Together programme which is designed to improve health services.

Views are being sought on what currently works well at Southport and Ormskirk hospitals as well as in primary and community healthcare services. They are particularly looking at what steps should be taken to improve the following:

- frail and elderly care
- urgent or emergency care
- services for children (including those who have complex needs)
- services for pregnant women and new-born babies
- gynaecology
- sexual health services
- planned care, such as follow-up outpatient and/or subsequent admissions as part of ongoing treatment.

No decisions have yet been made and they are seeking views which will inform their thinking and proposals for change.

- Fill in the survey via the website: <https://yoursayshapingcaretogether.co.uk/shaping-care-together1>
(this takes you directly to the survey)

If you would prefer a paper copy of the questionnaire, please call 01695 588025.

There are some **online events** to share your views:

If you live in the **Tarleton, Burscough and Parbold area** and wish to share your views about health and care services in that area join the meeting on **Thursday 4 March 2021** at either 2pm or 6.30pm. Go to Eventbrite and search 'Shaping Care Together'.

For more information, go to www.wlcvs.org/help-shape-the-future-of-your-local-health-services/

**Parbold library is open 10 – 12 & 2 – 4 on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday,
and 10 – 12 on Wednesday and Saturday.**

These services are being offered:

Six of the Best collection of books at the door

Collection of reservations at the door

Use of computers for people who have no internet access

To order Six of the Best collection

On the website www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries

By asking staff during the hours above

By phoning 0300 123 6703 Monday to Friday 9 – 5

The new guidelines mean that the library might be open mid April

A request from Our Lady and All Saints R.C. Church

The tranquility of the Church grounds and the ability to use the permissive footpaths are valued by many people. But in recent months, some concerns have been raised over their misuse. This is consecrated, holy ground and we are appealing to everyone who visits to help in preserving this place of peace and remembrance. Since 1884 it has been the resting place of many who lived and worked in Parbold, Hilldale and Newburgh and whose families still live in the village.

Please help children to understand that it is not a recreation ground, but a place for quiet reflection. The graves and the statue of Our Lady – a memorial to a young man– should be treated with great respect. Dog owners should keep their dogs on a lead and remove any fouling, as requested in the notice at the gates (this does not always happen!) and cyclists and walkers should remain on the paths. The grounds are maintained by a team of hard-working volunteers, who with the Church community appreciate the efforts of everyone to care for this lovely place. We hope that it will remain a precious amenity for the village for many years to come. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

If you are a regular visitor and would like to donate towards the upkeep of the grounds, you can do so by text as follows: Text OLAS to 70450 to donate £3; 70460 to donate £5; or 70470 to donate £10.

Organisation contacts

Please inform the editor of any changes

Alzheimer's Society		01772 788700	Parbold Dog Training	Val Thompson	462800
Baby Sensory	Lorraine MacArthur	07786 530570	Parbold Douglas Nursery	Nicola Mawdsley	462199
Badminton	Chris Hiley	464134	Parbold Picture House	Clare Gillard	464533
Beavers		parboldbeavers@hotmail.co.uk	Parbold Ramblers	Carole Fishwick	472329
Boot Camp Fitness	Michaela	07812 062220	Parbold & Dist. Flower Club	Eileen Martin	01704 893124
Brownies (Wed)	Sandy Smith	463407	Par. New. & Dist. Garden Soc	David Pennington	01704 821984
Christchurch Parbold	General Enquiries	07399 146281	Parbold Surgery		514000
Community Cars (West Lancs Dial a Ride)		01704 893373	Parbold Wildlife Group	Margaret Abel	462909
Cubs		parboldcubs@gmail.com	Parish Council Clerk	Mrs Elizabeth-Anne Broad	
Douglas Music Parbold	Glenys Baulsh	01772 386682		parboldpc.clerk@yahoo.com	
Douglas Music Parbold	Box Office	498452	PCA Secretary	Clare Gillard	464533
Douglas Valley Lions Club	Keith Rudd	462459	Pharmacy		462277
Douglas Valley Outreach	Janet Decamp	07845 493389	Pilates	Trish	07896 359175
Drama Group	Sandra Jerath	07502 210975	Police		01772 614444
Embroiderers		parbolditrep@embroiderersquild.co.uk	P.W.I. Hall Bookings Line		07984 274802
Explorer scouts	Steph Broadbent	eclipse@ormskirkscouts.org.uk	Rainbows (Wed)	Julie Munro	462532
First Responders	Alan Rudge	462167	Rainbows (Tue)	Julie Jones	464247
Flea Markets. Stall bookings	Steve Morgan	463772	Red Lion Railway Circle	John Sloane	462641
Folk Club	Mark/Maggi	464215	Richard Durnings Playgroup	Gill Lomax	462968
Friends of Parbold Library	Joanna Cast	joannacast@hotmail.co.uk	Richard Durnings Pre-School	Nicola Foley	462968
Funeral Director	David Massam	462222	Rock & Learn	Harriet Gore	07815 051235
Guides	Becky Tilley	01695 371249	Scouts	Kevin Santi	07815 871982
Hut on the Hill	Charles Bithell	464878	Seated Exercise Group	Chris Burrows	427038
Karate (Village Hall)	Roy	01695 735502	SING4FUN!	Jo MacRae	07753 628752
Karate T.S.K.S Parbold	Dave	07437 590450	Slimming World	Carol Littler	07854 252501
Knit and Natter	Anne Pryer	462176	Swallows and Amazons Youth Adventure Group		07912 300821
Luncheon Club (PWI)	Daphne Gelder	462716	Tai Chi	Heather Reade	07450954900
Macmillan Information & Support Service		01695 656533	Talking Pictures	Tessa Rowe	463493
Mawdesley Cricket Club	Chris Hiley	464134	U3A	Val Little	01772 300407
Newburgh Morris Dancing	Barbara Barclay	436615	Village Hall	answer phone	463878
Noah's Ark Playgroup		christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.com	Village Hall, Bookings	Sue Halton	463703
OL&AS Nursey	Shaun Kearon	462466	Well-being sessions	Peter Reece	07531 234704
OL&AS Toddler Group	Susan McClusky	07730 701614	Wid1's Sunday Socials	Jo Wild	07834 594517
Over 50's Keep Fit	Daphne Gelder	462716	Yoga	Dawn Mercer	07841 520999