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Simply visit www.westyorkshire.police.uk/report-it and select the correct type of crime that you wish to report. The information is sent directly to your local policing team. You can also call 101 for all non-emergencies. It is really important that you report all incidents as it helps the police build up a picture of what is happening in the area and they can then respond by increasing patrols and taking other action. Always dial 999 in an emergency! You can also sign up to receive crime prevention advice and local investigation updates at www.wypcommunityalert.co.uk.

Contact Us

All meetings of the Council are open to members of the public. Dates and times of all meetings can be found on our website: www.burleyparishcouncil.co.uk.

The Parish Council office is based in the Queens Hall on Main Street but is not currently open to the public. All staff are working from home wherever possible in line with government advice.

You can contact the Parish Council on 07376 320999 or email clerk@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk. For Councillor contact details please visit our website.

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Burley Parish Council Newsletter

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Chairman's Introduction

Here we are in the lead up to Christmas of a very unusual year. The Parish Council would like to celebrate the warmth, strength and ingenuity the folk in the village have shown throughout the pandemic. There are so many good news stories about groups and individuals working together for the benefit of all I am not going to attempt to cover them but we are including a selection of articles featuring things to look forward to and back on. The Parish Council wishes everyone a safe and happy festive season. Keep looking after yourselves and each other.

Would you be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor? We have one vacancy to fill by co-option. The December full Council meeting will be held on Zoom Thursday 10th December at 19.30, we suggest you join the meeting to get a flavour of the work. If you are interested please contact either Jan Lepley 07711 329809 Jan.lepley@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk or Clare Smith Clerk@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk. The closing date for applications is 1st January 2021. Applicants will be invited to make a short presentation to Full Council on 12th January 2021.
Cllr Jan Lepley, Chairman

Subscribe to our E-Newsletter

The Parish Council produces an e-newsletter every month with updates from the village as well as Parish Council news. If you have an article you would like us to add please get in touch with Jan.lepley@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk. To subscribe to the e newsletter please email admin@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk.



Sunday 13th December
5pm - 6pm - Burley Grange

Wednesday 16th December
From 6pm - Sun Lane, Mansfield Rd, Wrexham Rd, Greenhow, Hall Dr, Southfield Rd, Copse, Langford Rd, West View, Aireville

Thursday 17th December
From 6pm - Midgley Rd, Manse Rd, Station Rd, Long Meadows Estate, Main St, Wellfield

Friday 18th December
6pm - 7pm - Scalebor Sq

Sunday 20th December
From 4pm - Endor Cr, Holme Grove, Hill Cr, Sandholme Dr, Prospect Rd, St Michaels Way, Hasley Rd, St Philips, Fenton St, Lawn Ave, Grangefield Terr

Charities

Any donations will be given to Scouts and Guides and local charities

Ways to Donate

We will have a bucket for cash donations, but due to Covid we would prefer you to donate by text or online

- Text **BURLEYSANTA to 70450 to donate £2**
Texts cost £2 plus one standard rate message
- Scan the QR code for the link to our Virgin Money Giving page
- Please gift aid if you can



COVID 19

We want to make sure that you and Santa stay as safe as possible. Therefore, please observe the following advice:

- Stay at least 2 metres from the sleigh and Santa's helpers
- Maintain social distance from other family groups
- When Santa is touring the village, please stay on the pavement and wave, Santa will be wearing gloves and will throw sweets to little ones
- Try to avoid forming crowds. If it's busy watch from a distance, wait further along the route or come back later

Wharfedale Greenway Update

The Parish Council has been in partnership since 2013 with Pool, Menston and Otley Parish Councils, plus Bradford and Leeds District Councils to develop a Wharfedale Greenway from Pool to Burley, with plans to extend to Ilkley and Addingham.

Phase 1 (Otley to Burley) is at the final stage of discussion. The Parish Council in June 2018 authorised purchase of land for the Bradford Road to Menston Old Lane stretch and this has been completed. Land between Menston Old Lane and Heather Rise has been purchased from Bradford Council. The Parish Council has also agreed to purchase land from Otley Golf Club which we hope will be completed soon.

We have now received feedback on our planning application for the Burley to Otley stretch of the Greenway and will look to respond shortly to Bradford MDC on the points raised. We were pleased to hear that Otley Town Council has received Planning Permission (subject to conditions) for the Otley stretch of the Greenway. We hope that similar good news will be forthcoming for the Burley stretch once we have responded to Bradford MDC on the points raised.



Dementia Support in Burley

We are still here! Throughout the pandemic we have kept in touch with all our existing friends and supporters online, by telephone and, when the regulations have allowed, by visiting. We are looking forward to restarting our twice monthly face to face meetings just as soon as it is safe to do so. Meanwhile, we are responding to enquiries from new people who would like to join us or would welcome support during these difficult times. We have a wide range of useful resources, so do please contact us if we can help in any way.

Living with dementia at any time can be tough. Covid 19 is making daily life much harder. Are you able to help Burley's Dementia Action Group create a climate of kindness and understanding so that everyone affected by dementia feels part of, not apart from, our community? You, your organisation or business can find out more about what it's like to live with dementia and become a Dementia Friend by joining a free online Information Session. Please email dementiafriendlyburley@gmail.com or telephone 01943 864424.



News from Burley & Woodhead CE School

The whole staff team at Burley Woodhead School have worked very hard to create a safe and happy learning environment for our pupils in the first term back at school. Our parents have been brilliant adapting to new pick up times, routes into school and uniform requirements.

We are very excited that building work on a mini MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) will commence mid-November on part of the school field that becomes very boggy during wet weather. This will give us much needed additional playground space and provide more PE opportunities year-round.

Covid can't stop Christmas and our preparations continue for remote advent candle lighting, zoom hosted Nativity performances and socially distanced support for Christingle. The children are looking forward to individual class Christmas party celebrations, with games, party food and Christmas crackers. We will even manage to serve Christmas lunch, albeit over 2 days!

Love Burley

Love Burley has continued through 'lockdown 1' towards 'lockdown 2' and everything in between to support our elderly and vulnerable residents. We now have around 200 people being supported throughout the village by our lovely volunteers. As we move into 'lockdown 2', we may find an increased need for support so if you feel you're able to volunteer, please contact Robert (07802 800016) or Becky (07874 226690) with your details. Love Burley are also coordinating a whole load of Christmas activities with the local churches. Lots of exciting things will be happening where we'll be sharing the joy and hope of Christmas with the village. All the details will appear on the Love Burley Website (<https://www.loveburley.org/>) so keep an eye out for more info. We'll be keeping you updated by Facebook too so you don't miss out on the excitement.



Library News

Burley Library hopes to reopen for order and collect and returns on Thursday 3 December. It is completely closed to the public and customers during the month of National Lockdown to protect the safety of our customers and volunteers. During this time, the volunteers are making contactless home deliveries. If the lockdown continues or is resumed at any point, we hope to continue this service. If circumstances and regulations allow, we will reopen on Monday and Saturday mornings, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. Only the foyer will be open to the public for the collection of pre-orders and returns.

We will be closed for Christmas between Weds 23rd December and Friday 1st January apart from Tuesday 29th December when it will be open 2pm - 5pm. It will reopen on Saturday 2nd January 2021 10am to 1pm. Maddie continues Tuneful Tuesdays/Story Bees on Zoom at 9.30 am term time only. The session lasts 30 minutes and is suitable for new-borns to pre-schoolers and even slightly older home-schooled children. It includes interactive singing and rhymes, a story and a simple craft. If you would like to attend please email the library on burleylibrary@gmail.com for the codes.

We look forward to seeing you back at the library when it is safe!



Tree Planting Project

A lovely, muddy Wednesday afternoon was spent planting about 60 native trees at Ghyll Royd. Next Wednesday we will be planting at Burley Woodhead. I have been very impressed by the knowledge - and enthusiasm of the children from Burley Woodhead (yr3) and Ghyll Royd (yr6). Answers to the question 'why do we need trees' varied from the imaginative to the scientific. Burley Oaks are also planting trees this Autumn. The Burley Trees Project is growing!



Burley in Wharfedale Community Trust

Despite present challenges, Burley in Wharfedale Community Trust is determined that this year's village Christmas lights should still shine out with as many light installations as possible around the village. Thank you to Tom Sumner and the team of carefully distanced volunteers. As there won't be a switching-on ceremony or any Christmas markets, the Trust is working on two new elements: A family quiz on the main village lights to be launched online and in print on Saturday 28th November and a Christmas Trail, with a map showing the locations of the displays at homes and organisations in the village.

To register for the trail, please use this link <http://bit.ly/bwctTrail> or go to the new Facebook page called Burley Christmas Trail. We are delighted that the churches are involved and are encouraging a nativity theme. Unfortunately, the opportunities to fundraise for the lights is somewhat limited this year and the village does not get any funding from Bradford Council. The lights are paid for in the main by the Trust, the Parish Council and public donations. So the Trust is planning to set up contactless payments and a giving page. In the meantime, you can donate by bank transfer. The Trust's bank account details are: Yorkshire Bank, Sort Code 05-05-30, account number 35007477, and account name Burley in Wharfedale Community Trust. Please reference your payment as 'Burley Lights'. If you need a Gift Aid form (for donations over £30), please email bwctmembership@gmail.com. If you would like to join the Trust, please let us know as new members are always welcome to support the many projects we undertake throughout the year, not just at Christmas time.



Grange Park Surgery

The surgery remains open but due to Covid we need to deliver services in a different way. To ensure patient and staff safety, we now triage all patients and offer them the most appropriate type of appointment which may not be face-to-face. Social distancing and increased cleaning mean that some services cannot resume for the time being.

We now use new several forms of new technology which include 'E-Consult' where you can email us through our practice website - www.grangeparksurgery.co.uk. A text messaging service and a video call facility. You can also use the 'Push Dr' video service. Our outside hours service remains available during evenings and weekends. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have health concerns, we always deal with emergency problems and make referrals when and where necessary.

The staff at the surgery are quite exhausted and we are also suffering from some staff shortages. Some staff have to self-isolate and others have their own health problems, so are unable to see patients they may have seen before. We thank you for all the support you have always given us in the past.

Walkers are Welcome "Walking with Wheels Project"



Walkers are Welcome has been working on a new walking leaflet to add to the first three Rambles from the Roundhouse leaflets. The focus will be on short routes suitable for the less mobile that go through the village then out into the countryside. We aim for them to be accessible for anyone who relies on wheels to get around, such as wheelchairs and motorised scooters, as well as for families with buggies, scooters or balance bikes.

We have also been working with the Parish Council and Community Trust to look at where improvements such as repairs to surfaces, pavements and kerbs could make sure the routes are as safe and accessible as possible.

If you have any ideas or suggestions to improve access in the village or would like to try out some of the proposed routes, contact Ann Greenhough at burleywalkersarewelcome@gmail.com or 07789 771240.