

7 March 2017

You can contact me either by

Email: Chairman@greenmountvillage.org.uk

Letter: Suggestion Box in the porch at the Old School

Greenmount Community Group

A précis of our last meeting held on Monday 7 March in Greenmount Church starting at 8.00pm. The meeting opened with 97 people in attendance (5 apologists).

Cyber Crime PowerPoint Presentation by the Police

Prevention is better than cure. You are encouraged to protect yourself.

Everyone received a Cybercrime Advice Sheet – attached to this email with links to access and also available on our web site,

Main advice –switch off when not in use /update antivirus regularly /do not open attachments unless you trust them /beware of phishing emails /look for the padlock symbol following <https://>/ do not use public sites for banking /do not disclose personal data / use privacy settings on Facebook to be safe on line / use Facebook wisely “I am 21 today” tells reader your birth date.

- Q&A session followed the presentation
- Do not click links on texts / BT and BT antivirus good match / Beware of pop-ups to take premium package / Android phones may not always roll out new systems quickly / Apple computers now becoming so popular that anti virus software may be needed soon /Is Norton Anti-virus is worth keeping / changing passwords , perhaps better to set up a very strong password and stick with it.
- Home security and generally – if your suspicions are aroused dial 101 to report to the Police

An email will be sent out to asking those who attended the meeting to follow the link to a Survey which we ask you to kindly complete

Greenheys land

- The Council are proposing via an advert in the Bury Times 2/3/17 to dispose of 14 parcels of land. One of these (two plots) adjoin Greenheys Crescent. One reason for the disposal is so the Council no longer needs to maintain the site by cutting the grass etc.
- Chris Rogan of the Greenheys Residents Group communicated the current situation and will continue to give feedback, returning to the community for decisions as the situation progresses.
- Councillor James Daly reported that it is likely that a further meeting with the Council will follow when views/submissions from local people have been received.
- A further advert will appear in the Bury Times for 9/3/17 and people can send in their comments/objections individually to the Council Solicitor, Town Hall, Bury, BL9 0SW no later than the 3rd April 2017
- To learn more contact Chris Rogan at chrisrogan@businessmindset.co.uk

GM Spatial Framework and Bury Plan

- GM Spatial Framework will be looked at again in the autumn following the White Paper and Election of the Manchester Mayor.
- Bury Local Plan “**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PREPARE THE BURY LOCAL PLAN AND INVITATION TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS ON WHAT THE LOCAL PLAN SHOULD CONTAIN. Etc.** The Chairman sent out an email last week to the community with all the details on
- Responses are required before Monday 17 April 2017. Again Individual responses are required, not a petition
- Email/contact Alistair if you would like a village meeting to discuss this issue

Toby Carvery Car Park

- A few further comments were made.

BRIF Meeting in Tottington Library Thursday 9 March at 2 pm

A key point for discussion will be traffic problems in our villages. If you are interested go in by side entrance and go upstairs to meeting room.

Finance

- Figures displayed included £6000 received from TESCO to be used for the Village Green Project.
- Meeting agreed to renewal cost £413.12 of Insurance due in March.

Greenmount Village Green - update

- Application for funding going ahead supported by more than ten letters from Community leaders and representatives. Map of proposals displayed. Hope to complete project before April 2018.
- Possible Willow features for the children to play on and maybe built in a community workshop event.

Greenmount Village Party – Bank Holiday Monday 1 May 1.30pm -4.30 pm

- Usual format involving activities: In the Church/The Old School/On the Village Green / Cricket Club
- Brandleholme Road Closure
- If you wish to have a stall contact chairman@greenmountvillage.org.uk
- Meeting consented to purchase of new shelters

150th Anniversary of Greenmount Church and Greenmount Cricket Club in 2017

- Cricket Club Events– see website <http://greenmountcc.leaguerepublic.com/index.html>. Please join as a social member as you will receive details.

- To have a large marquee on the Village Green for 3 days in July 13-15th.. One night to host The Lashings Cricket Team made up of celebrity West Indian Cricketers and hosted by none other than Henry Bloufield of Test Match Special. Another night will be a Sing a Long to Mama Mia organized by Tony & Carolyn Tickle.
- Church Events – At the 1 May 'Decorate a shoe'- this links with the walker "Ralph Rooney" (Church has a supply of shoes/trainers etc you can use).
- 1 May Everyone in the community is invited to embroider a cross in memory/celebration of a person/ event.
- 26 May Concert by Tutti Flutti and Square Street Singers
- Mid-September Display Marking 150 years ago /100 years ago /50 years ago /today

Greenmount Helpers

- A group of six people have agreed to work together in creating the Helpers initiative
- A meeting is scheduled for Thurs 23 March to develop initial ideas
- Feedback will be presented to this audience in due course
- The group are very conscious that we do not want a false start

D-CaFF Award

- The D-CaFF has been nominated for an award in the Made in Bury Community Awards 2017
- Please vote at www.theburydirectory.co.uk/mibawards by 14 April 2017. There may be other categories there that interest you.

Woodland Management

- This group normally meets for 2 hours once a month. Activities-planting trees/creating brush fencing/logging
- Following storm Doris we will increase this to two or three times a month to clear fallen trees. The Council no longer has the resources to clear them.
- As part of this group you are able to work on Council land. You must be **supervised and qualified** to work on Council land

Village Spruce-up day Saturday 25 March 10 am until noon

- Meet at the rear of the Old School at 10am
- Jobs and tools will be allocated at that time
- ALL are Welcome. Everyone who comes will be given a suitable job e.g. litter picking/weed clearance etc

Future Events – everyone welcome – see website/noticeboards

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| • Wed 8 Mar 8pm | Old School | Wildlife in the Garden & Smithills Update |
| • Thurs 9 Mar 2pm | Tottington Library | Topic- Traffic Problems in our villages |
| • Fri 10 Mar 1.15-3.15pm | Cricket Club | D-CaFF café |
| • Fri 24 Mar 10am | Island Lodge | Woodland Management |
| • Sat 25 Mar 10am | Old School | Village Spruce Up |
| • Sun 26 Mar KO 2pm | Gigg Lane - fund raising football match | Hollyoaks V Tottington High School for Alison Turner |
| • Tue 28 Mar 10-Noon | Canon Lewis Hall | W.I. Coffee morning for the D-CaFF |
| • Sat 1 Apr | Old School | Horticultural Society Spring Show |
| • There will be no April Drop-In | | |
| • Sat/Sun 8/9 April | Hollymount Orchard | Help build a toilet |
| • Mon 10 Apr 4pm | Old School | Jumble Sale |
| • Mon 1 May 1.30 – 4.30 | Village Party | |

A.O.B

1. Please start collecting and donating Tombola prizes for the GVC stall at the Village Party on May 1. These can be dropped off at the Jon Simon Estate Agent office in Greenmount prior to the party

Date of the Next Meeting To be decided.

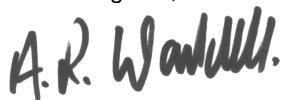
Website

Visit our site now at www.greenmountvillage.org.uk

Pictures are free access. You are welcome to printout pictures from the site.

Our webmaster is doing a wonderful job in keeping our site up to date. If you are running an event, or need something advertising, please contact our webmaster@greenmountvillage.org.uk to have it placed (or linked) on our web site.

Kindest regards,



Alistair Waddell – Chairman