



PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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SENIOR CITIZENS' LUNCH

On Sunday 23rd November over a hundred Senior Citizens from the village enjoyed a delicious chicken meal at the second annual luncheon party in the Village Hall. Afterwards there was superb entertainment provided by children from Goostrey Community Primary School and flautist Victoria Harris. Table decorations were once again made by the local Brownie group. The Parish Council would like to thank everyone involved in the organisation of this event for making it such an enjoyable occasion.

BUDGET & PRECEPT 2009/10

At the December meeting, the Parish Council approved its budget for 2009/10 resulting in a higher precept of £35,000. The precept is a small part of the council tax, set by the Parish Council, to fund Parish projects, maintenance and improvements. It has remained unchanged for the past 5 years but next year will equate to just under £37 per household for the year. Some major projects have recently been completed financed by reserves built up over the past years. The increase will allow the Council to continue with improvements to the Village Hall, traffic calming measures, sponsorship of Village events and youth organisations and deal with the effects of inflation.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Parish Council wishes all residents a Happy New Year and would like to remind you that you are more than welcome to attend all or any of its meetings.

The monthly Parish Council meetings begin and end with a Public Forum which is your opportunity to let the Council know of your views or concerns. However, if you cannot make it to a meeting please do not hesitate to contact any of the Councillors to ask them to raise a topic on your behalf.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Parish Council – Tuesday 13th January at 7.30 in the Village Hall lounge.

Finance Committee - Tuesday 20th January at 7.30 in the Committee Room.

Amenities Committee – Tuesday 27th January at 7.30 in the Committee Room.

Village Hall Management Committee – Tuesday 3rd February in the lounge.