

Pilling Parish Council

Autumn, 2018



Lighting Pilling's Christmas Tree Monday 3rd December at 7.00pm on the Village Green



Families are welcome with your children to take part in this annual occasion when our village tree will be illuminated and we sing carols accompanied by Pilling Jubilee Silver Band. It is always cold at this time of year so wrap up well and perhaps Jim will be able to provide the brazier to help keep us warm. Come and celebrate this excellent start to Advent. There will be a surprise visitor especially for all of us young at heart after the lights. This year the lights will be switched-on by our own **Coffee Feast Queen - Twiga Pritchard.**

Pilling Community Hall and Field

Over the summer our field has recovered from the ground works and very wet weather - benches have been installed and the trim trail and paths have proved to be very popular. We are grateful to all our volunteers for maintaining the grounds to such a high standard, which is much appreciated by all users and is often commented upon. We have erected signs asking that users follow the simple rules for the benefit of all. Some dog owners still continue to allow dogs off leads and some fail to clean up after their dogs. We ask that they act responsibly for the benefit of all.

The community field, and the new hall when built, (next year we hope), are owned by the Trustees of Pilling Memorial Hall who are responsible for all aspects of the field and hall. The trustees have contracted the refuse collection and maintenance of the children's recreation ground to Wyre Council and Pilling Parish Council respectively but the Hall trustees are the owners and are responsible for the operation and for the management of the field and new hall. The trustees have sole responsibility and users are asked to help by reporting to the trustees any concerns they may have and any suggestions for improvements which would be of benefit to all. Our aim is to provide a safe, clean and attractive recreation area that can be shared, and respected, by all. If you feel you can help us in any way we would be keen to hear from you as our team of volunteers would welcome help.

We are making the final tweaks to the design of the new hall and hope to be ready to invite tenders this autumn. However, we are still short of funds and in particular we have to raise £3,300 in order to secure a £30,000 grant towards energy efficient under floor heating powered by air source pumps. Already we have received donations of £440 towards this and are arranging a Pig Treasure Hunt on Sept 15th in order to raise funds. If you are able to take part on Sept 15th please do so and if you can make a donation towards the amount required please let us know. Your help is very necessary to help provide and maintain the facilities we have and the new hall to be built. Many already help and we hope that more will come forward with the support that is required.

Please contact:

**Mrs Katrina Bell, 01253 790649, or
Mrs Beryl Richardson, Bell Farm, 01253 790324
bellfarm@live.co.uk**

HAVE YOU SEEN THE PILLING PIGS?

Pilling New Community Hall

**Invite you to
The 3rd Annual Walking
Treasure Hunt**

In Search of The Pilling Pigs

**Saturday 15th September at 2pm
The Community Field,
Taylors Lane, Pilling**

**Take a Stroll around the footpaths of Pilling in
search of the decorated pigs. Solve the clues and
you could win a prize**

**Individual entry £3.
Goup of 4 / Family £10
(Includes refreshments)**

***Help us raise funds for the New
Community Hall in Pilling***

**Pilling Parish Council
Working with
Travel for Life
Present:**

**Travel
for Life**

Driving for residents aged 50+ with advice on:
How to stay safe and independent whilst travelling.
The 40 minute presentation is delivered by
Lancashire Road Safety Partnership at
**St. John's Church Hall, School Lane,
On 24th October
At 7.00pm**



**This short interactive presentation is
designed to be enjoyable and includes topics
such as:**

Keeping yourself and others safe on the roads
Causes of road casualties in Lancashire
Vehicle safety – for you, your passengers and pets
Maintaining your fitness to drive
Licence renewal and informing the DVLA of medical
conditions
How does alcohol, drugs and medication affect your
ability to drive?
Have a look at life through a pair of beer goggles!
Alternatives to driving in Lancashire

Lancashire
County
Council 

Lancashire
Road Safety
Partnership

Pilling In Bloom



For the last few years the driving force behind Pilling in Bloom has been Cllr. Billy Whiteside but unfortunately he has suffered some health problems this summer which meant he has not had either the time or energy to commit to the previous year's efforts. Various local residents stepped into the gap and watered the displays throughout the drought and kept the displays around the parish vibrant. The displays were judged in July and we await the results. To retain the funding from Wyre Borough for next year we need a team of volunteers to come forward to run our effort, so if you have the time, skill or inclination to help please speak to any parish councillor so that we can support and coordinate our efforts.

Pilling Senior Citizens' Christmas Party Tuesday, 11th December, 2018 From 4pm.

Pilling Parish Council invite all residents of Pilling who are 65years old or whose spouse/partner is or was over 65years of age to attend our annual Senior Citizens' Christmas Party to be held in the Methodist Chapel. The celebrations begin at 4pm with entertainment from our two primary schools; followed by Christmas tea and presentation of prizes at 5pm. Entertainment will include the Ukulele Band.



**Start your Christmas celebrations here!
There are no formal invitations so please treat this
announcement as your golden ticket**

Reporting potholes

Lancashire County Councillor Salter reported School Lane is to be re-surfaced this year; however, the Parish Council is well aware of the state of Smallwood Hey Road and are still pushing for its re-surfacing too.

Should residents wish to report potholes, street lighting or other highway problems please use:

<http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/fault-search.aspx>

ANPR CAMERAS



The Automatic Number Plate Recognition camera was erected last year by Pilling Parish Council partly through grant funding from Grantscape. This year the Parish Council has again submitted funding bids for a second camera and is awaiting the results. ANPR cameras play a positive role in crime prevention and detection. Earlier this year fly tipping occurred on New Lane, Eagland Hill and a suspect vehicle was identified; the registered keeper was questioned by the Police and Wyre Council; but he denied any involvement. Following checks through the camera's recordings the owner was confronted with evidence and admitted the offence; he was issued with a £400 fixed penalty notice.

Pilling Parish Council

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month in St. John's Church Hall, School Lane, at 7.00pm and residents are more than welcome to attend. If you wish to raise matters between meetings the clerk holds Residents Surgeries in St. John's Church Hall on Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings, or you can contact a Pilling Councillor below;

Pilling Parish Councillors

Mr. John C. Savage (Chairman)

Rivendell, Taylors Lane,
Tel. 790707

Mrs. Elizabeth Cookson

Wyndale, Lancaster Road
Tel. 790537

Mr. Graham C. Curwen,

Carr Holm, Fluke Hall Lane
Tel. 790502

Mr. Paul McWhirter

Arndale, Wheel Lane
Tel. 790995

Mrs. Debra Schofield,

Bradshaw Lane Nurseries, Bradshaw Lane
Tel. 790046

Mr. John Barton,

Bone Hill Farm, Bone Hill Lane
Tel. 790657

Mr. Neil Cookson,

Copper Garth, Smallwood Hey Road
Tel. 790875

Mr. Edward Moorat

1, Stakepool Drive
Tel. 790464

Mrs. Brenda Schofield

Shawlands, Shaws Lane
Tel. 790747

Mr. William Whiteside

The Golden Ball, School Lane
Tel. 790212

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th October, 14th November and 5th December, 2018. Meetings start at 7.00pm in St. John's Church Hall, School Lane and all residents are welcome to attend.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As we move towards autumn, it is good to look back and to appreciate once again the wonderful weather that we experienced during the summer months. Given the glorious weather for most of the period, it was somewhat ironic that this did not last for the Pilling Coffee Feast. Amid weather that ranged from light showers to full on downpours (including hailstones), the new queen Twiga Pritchard was crowned. There had to be hasty rearrangements of venues and some activities were curtailed, but the usual Pilling spirit saw it through.

As we prepare for the winter months, it is good to note that the road repairs for at least one section of School Lane (including Broadfleet Bridge) will take place in October.



Your chance to pay your
personal and community
tribute to those millions
that gave their lives
for their country
or returned home wounded
during or after the dreadful
darkness of four years of War
1914 – 1918



March no more my soldier laddie,
There is peace where there once was war.
Sleep in peace my soldier laddie
Sleep in peace, now the battle's over.

LEST WE FORGET

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 11th November 2018

6.00am

**Lone Piper plays Lament
at War Memorial**

10.00am

**Service for Remembrance
St John's Church**

10.45am

**Parade and Act of Remembrance
War Memorial**

6.50pm

**Lighting of Beacon - Lane Ends Amenity Area
followed by
St. John's Church Bells - Ringing Out for Peace**

**BBQ - Songs & Music from 1st World War
Lane Ends Amenity Area**