

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

There are many regular events which take place every week at the Welfare Hall which are detailed below:

<b>Monday</b> .....	Smoking Cessation	3:30pm - 4:30pm
	Rainbow Guides	5pm - 6pm
	Brownies	5pm - 6:30pm
	Dancing School	5:30pm - 6:30pm
	Weight Watchers	6pm - 8pm
<b>Tuesday</b> .....	Citizens Advice Bureau	9.30am - 12.30pm
	Dancing School	6:00pm - 8:00pm
<b>Thursday</b> .....	CISWD Club	1:00pm - 3:00pm
	Girl Guides	6:00pm - 8:00pm
	Patchwork	7:00pm - 9:00pm
<b>Friday</b> .....	Mechanics	6.30pm - 11.00pm

If you're interested in attending any of the above and want any more information then contact the Parish Council Offices for further contact details.

<b>Wednesday</b>	5th May 2010	6pm, Annual Assembly of Electors, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	13th May 2010	6pm, Parish Council Meeting, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	20th May 2010	12 Noon, Social Welfare Centre Sub-Committee, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	3rd June 2010	6pm, Parish Council Meeting, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	24th June 2010	12 Noon, Social Welfare Centre Sub-Committee, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	1st July 2010	6pm, Parish Council Meeting, Social Welfare Centre.
<b>Thursday</b>	22nd July 2010	12 Noon, Social Welfare Centre Sub-Committee, Social Welfare Centre.

### Free MicroChips

Free micro chips for your dog at Stray Aid Rescue Kennels, East Pasture Farm, Cornforth Lane, Coxhoe, Durham, DH6 4EJ. Tel: 0191 377 2415.

Use the above number to arrange an appointment or alternatively without an appointment take your dog to the kennels for 2pm every weekday.

To qualify for free micro-chipping you must take a utility bill to prove residency of Durham County to the

kennels, (microchip will only be registered to the address on bill)

On inspection the kennel reserve the right to refuse to microchip dogs for free which may need to be assessed by a vet.

### Girl Guiding Centenary

1st Horden Brownie Guides meet in Horden Social Welfare Centre on a Monday evening 5.00pm to 6.30pm.

The age range for brownies is 7-10 years old.

2010 is the centenary year of Girl Guiding and we would like to hear from any former brownies who



have memories they could share. The brownie principles remain the same as when Horden Brownies started in 1946 and our present brownies would like to hear of past guiding memories.

Please contact Dawn on 0191 518 1116 or Jennie on 0191 586 1049 or leave your details with the Office at the Social Welfare Centre and we will get back to you.

### Have Your Say...

Have you ever wanted to tell the Parish Council what you think of the services that are provided? Wanted to make a complaint but didn't know who to write to or where to send a letter? There are many ways that you can contact us:

You can phone us on **0191 518 0823** during office hours, or leave a message on our answerphone after hours.

We can be contacted by email at [hordencouncil@btconnect.com](mailto:hordencouncil@btconnect.com).

Our fax number is **0191 518 0385**, if you prefer to fax us.

Letters of enquiry, compliment or complaint can be sent to the Clerk - Mr Paul Davison, Horden Parish Council, Social Welfare Centre, Seventh Street, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham, SR8 4LX.

You can call into the Social Welfare Centre during office hours. If you wish to speak to the Clerk, you may need to make an appointment. This can be arranged by telephoning the office in advance.

If you are interested in finding out how the Parish Council makes decisions, you are entitled to attend meetings of the Parish Council to observe the proceedings. Meetings of the Parish Council, Parks & Cemetery Committee and Finance & General Purposes Committee are held the first Thursday of the month (except August) in the Training Room at the Social Welfare Centre from 6pm. The agenda for the meeting (which details what is to be discussed) is placed on the noticeboard in the foyer of the Social Welfare Centre on the Friday before the meeting.

If you wish to speak at the meeting, all you need to do is contact the Clerk before the meeting. You would be able to speak at the Public Participation section of the meeting. A maximum of 20 minutes is allowed for the public. To find out more, please contact the Clerk.

# Newsletter

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Peterlee Neighbourhood Police Team can now be found on Facebook. PC Dave Thompson urges people to take a look on the site where you can find out what's happening in your neighbourhood.



Parks and Cemetery Chairman, Councillor Terry Jones, with Cemetery staff in the new wildlife area based in the Thorpe Road Cemetery



Members of 1st Horden Brownie Girl Guides who are celebrating their Centenary this year.



Edna Connor, Councillor of Snowdrops Support Group for Breast Cancer.

### Hi folks,

This is the start of a new year and I hope everyone had a great festive season. Once again I have attended many charity events including Macmillan nurses and other worthy causes on behalf of the Parish Council.

I had the honour to be invited to the signing of the Local Council's Charter at County Hall, Durham on Saturday 16th January. The Council Charter is an agreement between Durham County Council and 127 Town and Parish Councils in County Durham. The Charter is aimed at enhancing and strengthening the working relationship between local councils and the unitary council so that they can work more effectively together.

I would like to thank PC Dave Thompson our community Police Officer for organising the Durham Constabulary Brass Band concert at the Social Welfare Centre in February. This excellent band comprises of serving officers and members of the public who



all give their time freely to provide such concerts. This event was well received by the community to such an extent that members of the audience wanted to show their appreciation and it was suggested that a collection was made and donated to Help our Heroes. Subsequently, a collection was undertaken on the evening and raised £125.94.

Jimmy Bush, Parks and Cemetery Manager is currently compiling the programme of events for the summer which will be published in the next

newsletter, the Parish Council's Website [hordenparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://hordenparishcouncil.gov.uk), and in the Noticeboards in the parks.

I would like to thank some community spirited children; two girls who replaced some poppy wreaths on the war memorial and two boys who contacted me to advise they had seen some needles, which enable me to ensure that the needles were removed safely. So well done!

The Community plan has been successful with a 12% return rate on the adult surveys and excellent return rates from the youth and children's surveys too. We will be reporting at a later date on the findings of the surveys.

Horden War Memorial Group has recently been established and it is looking at holding an Armed Forces Day in June and it is looking at ways of improving the Remembrance Sunday Event.

Chairman

Jean White

### You can contact Horden Parish Council Office direct:

**Chairman: Jean White**

#### Councillors:

- Mr R. Brown**  
19 Naisbett Avenue, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4BW
- Ms J. Clark**  
73 Cotstord Park Estate, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4TA
- Mrs M. Clark**  
89 Cotstord Park Estate, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4TA
- Mrs E. M. Connor**  
2 Cedar Street, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4HD
- Mr W. Hill**  
6 Sunderland Avenue, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4BH
- Mr G. Jones**  
12 Smillie Road, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4AH
- Mr T. Jones**  
18 Handley Street, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4NW

- Mr G. Lavery**  
9 Park Terrace, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4JG
  - Mr D. Maddison**  
4 Langthorne Avenue, Horden, Co Durham SR8 4HL
  - Mr G. Patterson**  
7 Hope Avenue, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4ER
  - Mrs G. Phillips**  
13 Marbeth Walk, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4HU
  - Mrs M Robinson**  
19 Shotton Road, Horden, Peterlee Co Durham SR8 4RB
  - Mr W. Smith**  
22 Alder Road, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4HQ
  - Mrs J. White**  
23 Blackhills Terrace, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4LJ
  - Mrs E. Wood**  
12 Roseby Road, Horden, Peterlee, Co Durham SR8 4RJ
- All Councillors can also be contacted via the Parish Council Office

**Clerk to the Council:** Paul Davison  
**Assistant Clerk:** Gaynor Crute  
**Admin & Finance Officer:** Gemma Rowe

**Office opening hours now:**  
Monday - Thursday 9am - 5.00pm  
Friday 9am - 4.30pm  
(Social Welfare Centre open Monday to 6.30pm, Tuesday to 8pm, Wednesday to 5pm, Thursday to 9pm)

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### New Wildlife Area

I would like to draw your attention to the Parish Council's new wildlife section in the Thorpe Road Cemetery. Rock piles, logs, ant boxes and bird boxes have been placed to encourage wild life to a previously unusable area of the cemetery. When I visited I saw the bird boxes occupied, squirrels scurrying around and a variety of weird and wonderful creatures and insects in the area. It provides a peaceful place to sit and reflect; well worth a visit next time you're in the cemetery. Alongside the wildlife area there are plans to have a Garden of Remembrance.

Well done to Jimmy, Tommy, Keith, Colin and the rest of the Cemetery Staff for their hard work in making this area look

so good. It is the intention that Schools will be invited to visit the area to see what wildlife we have on our doorstep.

Regards  
Terry Jones  
Chairman Parks and Cemetery



Please remember the Horden Social Welfare Centre is your centre, if you would like to see how we can help you with an event, celebration or meeting room hire, please just get in touch.





## Hornden Heritage Society with Parish Council staff outside the new base for the Heritage Centre

### Our Heritage On the Move

Hornden Colliery Heritage Centre is on the move. Established in 2008 with a small amount of memorabilia including photographs, colliery equipment and various other items of a historical nature. The first Centre was based in Hornden Social Welfare Centre and was well attended by members of the public which saw an increase in items donated. With the expansion of it's collection the Group needed to secure a larger venue to display their items. The Group managed to secure a permanent base

within Hornden Welfare Park based above the Green Leaf Café with the assistance of Hornden Parish Council. The new Centre will be opened at the beginning of April with opening times to be advertised in the Welfare Park Noticeboards.

The Group is particularly interested in acquiring a mannequin to enable them to display mining outfits. If you are interested in finding out more about the Heritage Centre, or if you have any memorabilia to donate then contact Edna Connor, Secretary of the Society on **0191 586 4486**.

### WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT



### East Durham Snowdrops

East Durham Snowdrops is a Breast Cancer awareness and support group open to fellow sufferers at all stages of this condition. A monthly meeting is held the second Monday of each month. The group meet up at the Macmillan Cancer Support & Information Centre based above Boots the Chemist at Peterlee. The Committee meet prior at 12.30p.m. followed by all members in attendance at 1.00p.m. We welcome new members and each one receives a free 'Pamper Cosmetic Bag' containing information leaflets and toiletries. At these sessions support and

advice is given, with members often discussing their own personal experiences of surgery, including reconstruction. Support is also given to each other both physically and emotionally, as some stages of Breast Cancer can be very exhausting, but as we say not everyone has the same experiences. If you require any information on your treatment or medication the Centre management staff and volunteers are always willing to help. If needed the Centre staff can also offer counselling if and when required.

Our next meeting on Monday 12th April 2010 will be held at the Healthworks Centre in Easington, due to the Peterlee Centre refurbishment. (Watch this space for future new services offered at the Centre) there is a special guest speaker arranged for that date, Jeanne Everett, who is a Lymphoedema Specialist Nurse. Jeanne is very informative and will answer any questions or discuss concerns about Lymphoedema.

Below are examples of future events

held at the Peterlee Centre:

- May 12th 2010 - Relaxation Session
  - June 14th 2010 - The Get Active Team
  - July 12th 2010 - Welfare Rights Update
  - November 8th 2010 - Pamper Session
- If you require more information on the above my details are as follows:  
**Edna Connor** my phone number is **0191 586 4486**.



Chairman of Durham County Council, Councillor B Myers, with Chairman and Clerks of County Durham's Town and Parish Councils, at the signing of the Local Councils Charter. Hornden Parish Council Chairman, Councillor J White (front row third from left)



### Hornden Denes Project

If you haven't visited the Beach Banks for a while, now is a good time to explore.

This route is just over a mile in length. It offers fantastic views of Durham's coastline giving the welcome opportunity to sit and rest and enjoy the coast. Improvements include a surfaced circular 'easy access' route that incorporates part of the coastal footpath with seating on the cliff top path and artwork installations.

Local school children and community groups worked with David Burrma from Mor imagination PLB, Cornwall, to develop designs for installations which included a way finder, frames for interpretation panels and the main sculpture. Influence for the main sculpture was taken from the Little Terns which use Durham's coastline for feeding and nesting. The final pieces were fabricated by companies in Annfield Plain and Washington and were installed November 2009.

Over the next couple of years, improvement works will continue to the north of Limekiln Gill at Warren House. The Coal Authority is installing a mine-water treatment plant with reed-beds and Durham Heritage Coast Partnership will be responsible for designing new paths and interpretation for this area. As with all Durham Heritage Coast Partnership projects, a public consultation exercise will make sure the site meets the needs of local people.

All these and future improvements within the Hornden Denes Project are possible thanks to funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Durham County Council, the Urban Rural Renaissance project, The Coal Authority and the Heritage Coast Partnership.

### Hornden War Memorial Group

February 2010 saw the first meeting of Hornden War Memorial Group. The group is represented by several different organisations such as St. Mary's Church, Hornden Army Cadets, The DurhamLight Infantry Association, Hornden Heritage Group and local residents associations as well as the Parish Council.

Amongst the things being discussed was the annual Remembrance Sunday Event, and how to improve it, which will include arranging a band to play on the day, arranging more publicity and highlighting the post event church service at St. Mary's. There will also be a post event function at Hornden Social Welfare Centre for those requiring refreshment!

Hornden Parish Council are also considering holding an event for Armed Forces Day in June to honour those past and present who have served their country in times of conflict.

Future meetings will consider the inscription on the war memorial in the park and how it may be updated to reflect all conflicts past and future.

If you are interested in attending future meetings of the group or wish to become further involved, please contact Paul Davison, Clerk to the Council at the Parish Offices for further details.

### Bored? Then Come On Board

Are you at a loose end on Wednesday evenings? If so, then come along to the

Centrefield Pavilion on Sunderland Road where an exciting community project is underway.

"Bored for Board" sessions are being held at the pavilion to provide a safe and accessible place for young and old to attend in order to increase their understanding of each other and challenge the perceptions that people have of the old and young alike.

Activities include electronic and board games, arts and crafts and an opportunity to relax in a friendly and comfortable atmosphere. The project is being jointly run by Hornden Parish Council, the Safe Durham Partnership and the Centrefield Pavilion, so if you want to try your hand at some bowling on the Wii or teach youngsters a thing or two and grab a bite to eat then come on down and you will be most welcome.

Sessions are held on Wednesdays every two weeks and run from 6pm-8pm. For more details please contact Paul Davison, Clerk to the Council on **0191 518 0823**.



### Families First - Helping families into Work

**A**re you finding it hard to provide for you family because you are out of work? Too many bills and household costs? If so, why not contact "Families First" the new initiative programme that is aiming to put families into work. Our aim is to work with families and try to identify any concerns that may be obstructing you from earning that weekly wage.

Whether it is because you don't have the qualifications, the necessary

training, or maybe you have drug/ alcohol issues, long terms health problems, housing issues or just need confidence building skills. Don't worry because we can help. Our team of advisors will offer free helpful tips in getting you back on your feet and into employment. So why not contact us to find out more or even join us at our free monthly coffee morning and fun days for the kids.

**FREEPHONE: 0808 178 0111**