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LOCAL CHRISTMAS EVENTS CATFORTH VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET An indoor Christmas Market is being held on **Saturday 19th November** from **12pm to 4pm** at Catforth Village Hall. There will be a variety of stalls, raffle and refreshments.



Come and join the festive fun and start your Christmas shopping early.



The Christmas Carol Service will return to Catforth Village Hall this year, having previously been cancelled due to Covid. Residents are warmly invited to attend on Weds 14th December at 7pm. As in previous years the refreshments will be sponsored by the Parish Council.

Carols around the Christmas Tree' will still take place outdoors in **Woodplumpton Community Garden** on **Thurs 15th December at 7.00pm.** Plans are being made to adjourn to the Wheatsheaf in the event of adverse weather conditions. Mince pies will be provided by the Parish Council.

Woodplumpton St Anne's Church Service dates are as follows

Sunday 18th Dec 6.30 pm - Carols by Candlelight Mulled Wine and Mince pies after the service.

Saturday 24th Dec 4.00pm - Crib service, 6.30pm - Bethlehem Mass

Sunday 25th December 10.30 am - Christmas Day Service. Bring a present from Father Christmas.



Please contact the Church for more information.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Parish Council meetings are being held in the library of **St Anne's Primary School** in Woodplumpton usually at 7.00pm on the 3rd Monday of the month. All of the meetings are open to the public and have a period set aside for public participation. To assist with seating arrangements please contact the Clerk in advance of the meeting. You can access meeting dates, Minutes, Agenda, Community news and updates on our website <u>www.woodplumptonparish.org</u>

This Newsletter is also on the Parish Council website so all the weblinks can easily be accessed online.

TRAFFIC CALMING / ROAD WORKS

Work is finally progressing on the long awaited Woodplumpton traffic calming scheme which started on the 24th October. The Parish Council appreciates the **temporary** disruption the scheme may cause, but once the work is complete, motorists should be deterred from using the village as a rat-run, making the village a **safer place** for residents, pedestrians and cyclists.

In addition to the calming works, the maximum speed through the village will be reduced from 30 to **20mph** and the approach roads will be reduced from 60mph to **30mph** allowing a longer period for motorists to slow down before entering the village.

A separate scheme for the Catforth area is being finalised and it is hoped works will commence shortly after the completion of the Woodplumpton Scheme.

Both of the above schemes are being financed from the 15% of the **Community Infrastructure Levy** which is paid to the Parish Council to help with the demands of additional traffic and people generated by the new housing developments.

Unfortunately, **where local roads are damaged** by construction vehicles or **need altering** to accommodate the new development, the responsibility lies with the developers and the County Council.

Modelling is carried out to ensure the local roads can 'cope' with the additional traffic and the County Council is **reluctant** to introduce new calming measures or improve road surfaces whilst HGV's are still working in the immediate vicinity. In addition many roads are closed and diverted whilst new utility services are installed.

Parish Councillors share the **local frustrations** that these road works cause, particularly as the Parish Council is not always informed of the closures in advance and even when we are, dates and times are changed depending on workforce availability and surface conditions.

To ensure better co-ordination of diversions and road works please report any problems to <u>charles.edwards@lancashire.gov.uk</u> Cabinet Member for Highways. Mobile - 07891 813640

You can use this link to check for <u>diversions and roadworks</u>. In addition, if you have a smartphone, you can report issues and send photos with GPS location using LCC's **Love Clean Streets App.** Visit our website news page for more details www.woodplumptonparish.org

WINTER WEATHER AND FLOODING

Lancashire County Council covers the gritting of roads. Full details of routes covered and road closures can be found at <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/winter</u>.



It is essential that all flooding incidents are reported so

that problem areas can be identified. Lancashire County Council's website has advice and useful contact numbers regarding flooding <u>https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/flooding/</u>

If flooding is from sewers or a burst water main, contact United Utilities on 0345 6723 723.

NW PRESTON INFRASTRUCTURE

Our summer edition of the Newsletter - available on our website - included a comprehensive summary regarding the provision of schools and community facilities.

Not much has changed since then, however the planning application to approve the internal access roads to the **proposed community facilities** was approved by the planning authority - despite the roads appearing to serve housing rather than the much needed community facilities. The Parish Council is continuing to monitor the situation.

DEFIBRILLATOR DEVICE

Due to the delays in re-opening the Post Office and reconnecting the electric supply, the Parish Council's defibrillator device has been moved to the Maxy Farm / Ashbridge Nursery site where it can be accessed by the public in the event of an emergency.

DANIELS AND HOUGHTON CHARITY

The Parish Council appoints Councillors to assist other agencies and charity organisations and is represented on the Daniels & Houghton Charity. The Charity is an amalgamation of two charities created in 1649 and 1734 and provides relief to Lancashire residents in conditions of need, hardship or distress.

Relief is in the form of facilities, services and grants and can be provided to other charities or individuals and smaller organisations.

The maximum request considered is £5,000, unless the request is from an organisation or fellow charitable trust with a particular need. All applications must be made via the charity website. If you know of an individual, or run a community organisation that may be able to benefit from their funds please visit their website www.danielsandhoughtonscharity.org