



# *One Voice*

*Latest News from Kirkburton Parish Council*

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## **Lepton leads the Council**

The new Council year started with the elections of Cllr John Hirst as Chairman and Cllr Sharon Dunford as Vice Chairman at the Annual Meeting. Both represent Lepton ward and were first elected to Council in 2007. Cllr Hirst said it was a great honour to be elected Chairman, and was looking forward to progressing existing projects including providing an assured future & stability for Shelley Village Hall and the continued upgrade and repairs of Kirkheaton Churchyard and Grange Moor allotments. He was also keen to attain Quality status for the Council and hoped to stage the first Council farmers market in the parish. "I look forward to a positive, busy and fruitful year ahead," said John.



## **Environment Fayre / Sunflower Judging**

**11am to 4 pm on Saturday, 18 September at The Hub, Kirkburton**

Following on last year's success, there is to be another Environment Fayre. The event will be held at The Hub in Kirkburton. It is hoped that the Kirklees Mayor, Cllr Andrew Palfreeman, will open the event. The child from each school with the widest flowerhead will receive a £20 Waterstones voucher and every child who brings their sunflower will receive a small prize for taking part. There will also be art & craft activities to keep the children amused & exhibits by local community organisations showing examples of their work, as well as refreshments to name but a few of the attractions available on the day. If your organisation is interested in taking part, please contact the Clerk.

## **More Public Seats**

We are continuing with our programme to renew public seats throughout the Parish. We are now looking for suitable sites for new three seats - one in Flockton and 2 in Grange Moor. It has been suggested that The Triangle in Grange Moor would be a good location. What do you think? Have you any ideas? If so, do send them into the Clerk and we'll look at the possibility.

## Summary of Annual Report

The full report is on the website & available from public sites around the Parish & on request from the Clerk.

<b>Summary of Accounts 2009-10</b>	<b>£</b>
Precept	127,000
Refund of VAT	3,464
Shelley Village Hall Rent	4,500
Other	190
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>135,154</b>
<b>General Running Costs:</b>	<b>37,695</b>
Administration including authorised travel costs, employment, insurance, office equipment, postage, stationery, telephone/internet.	
<b>Rent and VAT</b> (to be reclaimed in full) & donation in memory of the late Cllr Russell	<b>7,180</b>
<b>Civic Governance:</b>	<b>*7,791</b>
Audit, conferences, chains of office, civic functions, elections, legal/professional advice and fees, subscriptions, training.	
<b>Public Information:</b>	<b>2,463</b>
Advertisements, annual report, newsletter, noticeboards, Emley & Honley Shows	
<b>Grants:</b>	<b>46,087</b>
Annual small grants to 55 non-profit organisations within the Parish; community projects, environment and special grants.	
<b>Village Projects:</b>	<b>33,236</b>
Shelley Village Hall	6,626
Kirkheaton Churchyard	9,465
Hanging baskets, Christmas trees and poppy wreaths.	7,990
Environment Projects inc sunflower competition, environment fayre, trees for schools, water butts, walks, etc	7,395
Allotments	1,760
<b>Total Expenditure:</b>	<b>134,452</b>
<b>Funds for agreed projects currently in progress:</b>	<b>61,435</b>
<b>General Reserve:</b>	<b>38,105</b>

The general reserve figure is at the lower end of the range legally required to be maintained by Parish Councils under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2007. The full accounts can be viewed on the website.

\* Because of the timing of the accounts meetings, this figure also includes some costs for next year as well.



Cllr Barraclough was pleased to be invited to Kirkheaton Luncheon Club's Christmas Dinner

**Grants:** The various grant schemes have proved even more popular this year with the total representing an all-time record for the Council.



*Lepton Methodist Church: Improvements to the kitchen & also to the entrance*

The schemes are designed to meet practically every eventuality and fill in the gaps left by the schemes provided by other organisations. Almost 100 groups benefitted in one way or another. The full breakdown can be found in the main report and photographs of some of the sponsored projects can be seen throughout the newsletter.

**Meetings:** Council (Planning/GP): 17<sup>th</sup> June & 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm  
 Council: 5<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30 pm  
 Environment Committee: 15<sup>th</sup> July at 8.15 pm. All the above are at Highburton.



The outstanding repair to Kirkheaton Churchyard wall was carried out. It came in significantly under budget, leaving us with funds to carry out further remedial work there. We have also completed a survey of the trees and hope to carry out necessary work on them over the summer when bird nesting is over.

As there is still considerable public demand for allotments, the Council has upgraded those in Grange Moor where new plots are currently being let and also carried out improvements at Shepley allotments. We are currently investigating the possibility of leasing an additional piece of land in the Parish as well as working with Kirklees to identify further sites. If you know of any, do let us know and we'll look into them.



Work starts at Grange Moor allotments



Council had stands at both Emley and Honley Shows, sharing with Denby Dale PC, the Denby Dale Centre EPIP and the Holme Valley PC. Both events provided a welcome opportunity to meet the general public and speak about the issues which are important to you. We also had a stand at Huddersfield Town Hall at the Local Democracy event.



The Environment Committee has had a busy year with the sunflower competition and the Environment Fayre being the high points. We also co-funded the parish walks project with EPIP, which will enable the leaflets for 11 different walks to be published, as well as providing furniture such as benches & fingerposts on the routes. We worked with Kirklees on projects in Shepley and Farnley Tyas and gave many grants to schools & community groups – the list is included in the full report.



We made further improvements at Shelley Village Hall with the new fencing, upgrades to the fire alarm system and improvements to the rear ramp. Shelley Community Association also received a grant for the new seat which is

already in place in the rear garden.

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Hanging baskets in Shepley



### School Trips to National Coal Mining Museum



New dry stone wall at Farnley Tyas



Noticeboard at Thurstonland



New gate and repair to wall at Shepley allotments