**Parish News: Spring 2016**

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The recent meeting of Londesborough Parish Council raised several points and with lots of exciting events coming up, this gives the ideal opportunity to share the information with you.

**Gritting:** though we have got away with winter quite lightly so far, the hopper was recently in use and is proving to be quite an asset. Once again, thanks are extended to Paul and his team of volunteers for keeping us moving!

**Pot holes:** we are currently experiencing the appearance of many pot holes on the lanes around the parish. These are regularly reported to East Riding of Yorkshire Council, who then prioritise the work. Residents can use the following link to report pot holes directly: <http://www2.eastriding.gov.uk/environment/roads-streets-traffic-and-parking/roads-pavements-and-traffic/maintenance-of-roads-and-pavements/>

**Quarry lorries:** we are pleased to report that, thanks to a joint effort working alongside neighbouring parishes, we have received a very supportive letter from ERYC relating to the issue of the quarry lorries. The Director of Neighbourhood Services has sent out a team to investigate the state of the verges, created by the HGV traffic and has agreed that action needs to be taken. ERYC has requested that the quarry owners make a contribution towards improving passing places along the lanes, in an attempt to alleviate the problem. In the meantime, should anyone have a specific incident to report, please contact the Clerk or one of the Parish Councillors, who will forward the information.

**Market Weighton Fire Station:** As many will be aware, Market Weighton Fire Station is under threat of losing one of its appliances, due to financial cutbacks. Humberside Fire and Rescue Services are required to find savings of 2.1 million pounds. The following link gives full details of the alternatives and an opportunity to voice your preferred course of action: <http://www.humbersidefire.gov.uk/operational-efficiency-programme-survey>

**Fracking:** ERYC has recently approved licences to Cuadrilla to carry out initial investigations into the viability of fracking in the area. It must be stressed that this is in the early assessment stage only. The Parish Council are currently working hard to gather as much impartial information on the subject as possible. We are monitoring the process closely and will endeavour to represent the community as best we can. We can only do this if we get feedback from residents, therefore if you have strong feelings either way, please let us know.

**Tour de Yorkshire:** Stage 1 of this year’s Tour will pass Londesborough roundabout on Friday 29th April. The organisers have launched a ‘Line the Route’ competition in the hope that people will get their creative thinking caps on to create land art. Any ideas?.......

**Village events:**

**Snowdrop Sundays** will be held 14th and 21st February 10.30-4pm. Refreshments available in the Reading Rooms (donations of cakes and savouries welcome.) All proceeds for the Church.

**Bank holiday** events this year will be held on March 27th/28th; May 1st/2nd; May 29th/30th and 28th/29th August. Again donations of cakes etc. are welcome, as are volunteers to help serve the refreshments.

**April 23rd at 7pm:** Arranged by The Londesborough Parochial Church Council,The Pocklington Swing Band will perform at the Concert Hall. Tickets are £12.50 (includes a hog roast and licensed bar) available by emailing londesboroughpcc@gmail.com or phoning the Heywoods on 01430 873207.

**April 29th:** Tour de Yorkshire passing Londesborough roundabout.

**Village Services:**

**Mobile Library Van:** Tuesday outside the Reading Room at 3.10pm - 3.25pm every three weeks: 16th Feb; 8th March; 29th March, etc…..

**Bus services:** (Bus stop – opposite Tree Tops and Rose Garth, near the Top Street junction.)

Londesborough-Pocklington runs on Tuesdays, collecting in Londesborough at 10:34 and arriving at 10:53. It returns from Pocklington at 1:30, arriving at 1:49.

Londesborough- Market Weighton runs on Fridays, collecting in Londesborough at 9.15, arriving at 9:24. Returns at 10:45, arriving at 10:54.

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