To find out what's really happening in our area. receive regular crime updates, information on road closures.



information about fires and other emergencies and learn about what our local Neighbourhood Policing Team is doing 'In The Know' is the free messaging service brought to you by Lancashire Police supported by Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and Lancashire County Council where vou decide when and how you are kept informed about the issues that matter to you. To sign up, go to:

https://www.lancashire.police.uk/help-advice/ in-the-know

#### A local Charity, Central Lancs Dial A Ride Community Transport is calling on residents of Heapey, Wheelton & Withnell, ...to become volunteer drivers for their local community.

Do you like driving and volunteering at the same time? Then Central Lancs Dial A Ride Volunteer Community Car Scheme is the opportunity for you!

You would be giving your time for people in your own community who are unable to use public transport, have no regular access to a car nor can afford a taxi on a regular basis.

All you need for the car scheme is you, a car, full UK driver's license, a DBS, observed drive and you are good to go!

Any time you can afford to be available would be welcome. You will be reimbursed for your expenses at £0.40 per mile for the Car Scheme.

If you require any further information please call Tracy or Sam on; 01257 260488 (09-13.00 Mon-Thur 9.00- 12.30 Fri

We look forward to hearing from you.

Central Lancs Dial a ride Community Transport is a charity no.1097900.

## Chairman's Report 2021/22

The parish precept was, again, set with no increase. There has been no increase for over 10 years.

The Parish Council continued to support local amenities including the Christmas tree and lights at the entrance to Heapey Chase, grass cutting, fencing and notice boards and also contributed towards the cost of filling in potholes on the track in White Coppice leading to the cricket ground.

Contributions continue to be available for play area maintenance in Wheelton and War Memorial expenditure. Donations were also made to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, the Mountain Rescue Team and Victim Support.

The entry to the 'Lancashire's Best Kept Village Competition 2021' was rewarded with Heapey being chosen as runner up in Medium Sized Village Category

Councillors took part in the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial in Wheelton.

An Chorley Council Eastern Parishes' initiative funded the entrance feature to Heapey Chase and the parish council will maintain planting around it once the initial planting has been funded through the Initiative.

The Council was represented on a number of outside bodies (Chorley Council's Liaison. Eastern Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting. and Equality Forum, Heapey and Wheelton Charity Trust, Village Hall Committee and War Memorial Trust, and the Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Group).

I thank councillors for all the work and time they give to council matters. I also want to wish 'all the best' to retiring parish councillors Simon Townsend and Janet Ross-Mills for all they have done as councillors. Janet has been the longest serving parish councillor in Heapey and has made a valued contribution over her terms of office.

### **Parish Council Grants**

The Council has a small budget set aside to provide grants for local groups and organisations. To apply for a grant please contact the Clerk (contact details over the page).

## Report It on the go

You can now report the following issues to Lancashire County Council using the new Love Clean Streets app:

**Potholes** Streetlights Flooding/blocked drains Footway problems

#### Report It on the go

How it works

It's simple to use and your issues can be reported directly to the Highways Team via your mobile phone whilst you are out and about. Your report goes directly to the Highways Team and vou can keep up to date with the progress of your report via the app (please note any reports you make via then app will not be visible on LCC's Report It webpage).

#### **Download the App**

The app is free to download.

Simply search for 'Love Clean Streets'

on the App store or Google Play store on your mobile or type in this URL bit.ly/3EBN7VI on

vour browser or scan the QR code at the bottom right of the page.

Set Lancashire County Council as your home authority and you are ready to Report It on the go



Chorley.NPT@lancashire.pnn.police.uk
Crimestoppers 0800 555111

#### **Chorley Borough Council**

01257 515151 www,chorley.gov.uk

#### **Lancashire County Council**

0300 123 6701

Report highways problems (roads and pavements, including street lighting):

0300 123 6780

or report online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/roadsparking-and-travel/report-it/

#### **National Grid**

Report a gas leak 0800 111999

Report an electricity emergency 0800 40 40 90 Power Cuts: 105

#### **United Utilities (Water)**

Leakline 0800 330033 or report online at

www.unitedutilities.com/help-and-support/got -a-problem/report-a-leak/report-a-leak-form/

#### **Environment Agency**

Floodline 0345 988 1188
Environment incident hotline 0800 80 70 60

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Parish Council meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday in alternate months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov), at Heapey Parish Church, Chapel Lane, Heapey.

See the Parish Council notice boards at the junction of Blackburn Road with the A674, the junction of Coppice Lane and Hollin Lane, the entrance to Heapey Chase and the bus shelter near the Red Lion, for details.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Council meetings.

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## Heapey Parish Council Newsletter

# Welcome to our new Councillors

At the July meeting, a warm welcome was extended to our two new members Christine Egerton-Smith and Andrew Hodgson, who were co-opted to fill the vacancies left by Janet Ross-Mills and Simon Townsend, following the parish council elections in May.

Janet had served on the parish council for over 20 years and we would like to extend our best wishes to both and thank them for their service to the village.

The welcome addition of Christine and Andrew now gives us excellent coverage of the parish with two members on the Blackburn Road/ Chapel Lane side, two members on Heapey Chase, one member in White Coppice and one of our Borough Councillors

We are looking at schemes to improve the village and, following on from a planting project in the picnic area at White Coppice, we are currently liaising with Lancashire County Councils Highways Team to try to improve the verge around the bus stop on Blackburn Road up from the Red Lion.

We are also working in conjunction with Chorley Council's Streetscene Team to complete the planting around the entrance marker to Heapey Chase.