



Beetham Parish Council

Welcome to the new look Beetham Parish Council (BPC) newsletter. We hope you find it informative; please let us know what you would like to see included

Website: www.beetham-pc.gov.uk
Contact: Parish Clerk at clerk@beetham-pc.gov.uk or councillors, details page 4.

In the West Ward:
Storth Sandside and Carr Bank
In the East Ward:
Beetham, Hale, Farleton, Elmsfield, Whassett, Slackhead and Haverbrack



The Parish Council is responsible for a number of items around the area. The photos above are a small representation of what we have. Photo on the left is the 'Smiley SID' the Speed Indication Display on Park Road Sandside. The photo in the centre is the newly repaired convex mirror at the bottom of Storth Road. It was repaired as previously it blew round in the wind, making it really difficult to see traffic coming from the left. This has made the junction safer. The photo on the right shows 2 benches, a litter bin and information panel by the memorial in Storth, all are owned by BPC. The information panel has recently been refurbished and map replaced by one of our councillors and local resident.

In total BPC is responsible for 18 benches, 7 info panels, 6 notice boards, 3 bus shelters, 2 defibrillators, 2 convex mirrors, 1 litter bin, 2 silhouette soldiers, 1 picnic table, 1 Smiley SID.

We noticed that the benches at the triangle at the end of Storth Road and next to the bus shelter at the end of Green Lane were both in a poor state of repair, they are prone to flooding when the tide is high, so we are replacing them with recycled plastic ones which are harder wearing.



Contact us if you are interested in attending a CPR course.

There are a number of websites that will give you expert information:

Resuscitation Council UK

www.resus.org.uk

St John Ambulance

www.sja.org.uk

British Heart Foundation

www.bhf.or.uk

Could you save a life?

What would you do if a friend, loved one or someone walking in front of you suddenly collapses? A very scary situation for most of us.

Did you know that there are 9 defibrillators in our area? 6 in the west and 3 in the east. The 2 in old phone boxes are BPC's, the others have been sourced by other community organisations or even individuals.

So, what do you do? Firstly, get someone to ring 999 for help, you check their breathing and pulse - signs of cardiac arrest. Send someone for the nearest defibrillator. But in the meantime start CPR. This is incredibly important as without CPR or defibrillator the person's chances of survival decreases by 10% every minute.

Find out the nearest defibrillator to you:

West:

Hérons Quay, Sandside

Storth Village Hall

Storth Primary School

Storth Church

Carr Bank phone box

New Acre Carr Bank

East:

Phone box Stanley St , Beetham

Old Cottage, Hale

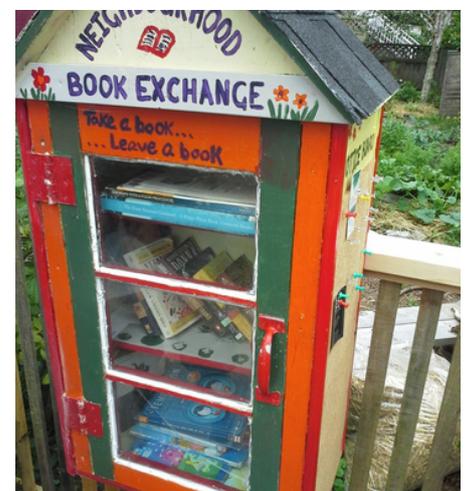
Beetham Caravan Park

A Couple of New projects

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Happy to Chat Benches



Book Swap Boxes



Book Swap Boxes

We are proposing to have 'adult' and 'children' book swap boxes at the top of Green Lane in Storth next to the benches. Once agreed we will be looking for a local creative woodworker to bring the project to life with quirky yet practical boxes

The first Little Free Library was built in 2009 in Wisconsin in USA. There are now over 200,00 in 115 countries.

There are many benefits of a book swap scheme:

- lowers barriers to reading
- makes a variety of books accessible
- brings communities together

Let us have your ideas and other possible sites in your village/community.

Little Free Library website:
www.littlefreelibrary.org



Chat Benches

Happy to Chat Benches began 6 years ago in 2019 by a woman who noticed that people often sat on benches on their own and no-one knew if it was OK to start a conversation.

It has been acknowledged that Happy to Chat Benches help with loneliness, social isolation and making new friends.

We are looking to designate a bench at the top of Green Lane in Storth (next to Book Swap Boxes) and one at Four Lane Ends as Happy to Chat Benches initially.

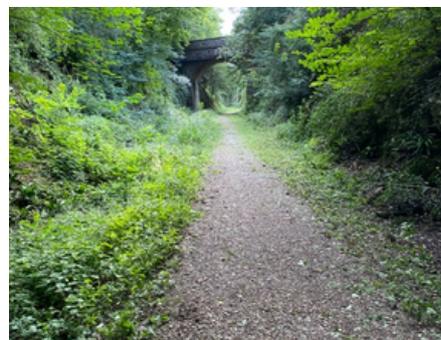
The cost to BPC will be minimal, just a colourful sign to attach to the benches - design to be decided.

If you think there are other benches in other parts of the area that would benefit the community, and visitors, by being Chat Benches please let us know.

For our next edition we will be focussing on what's happening in the East Ward: *Beetham, Hale, Farleton, Elmsfield, Whassett, Slackhead and Haverbrack* as well as across the area.



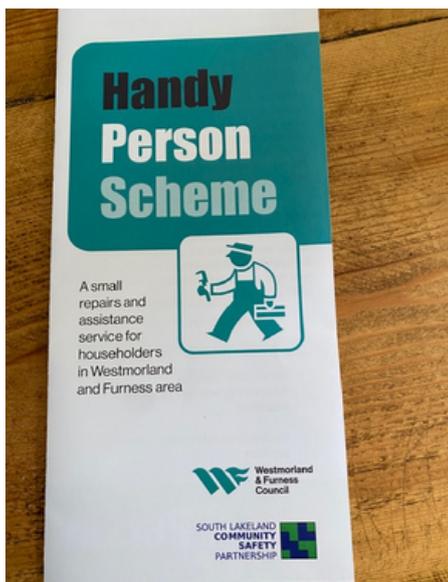
Newly cleaned memorial
Beetham



The Cutting in Storth cleared annually by Arnside & Silverdale National Landscape volunteers



Repaired Stocks Beetham



Handy Person Scheme

Do you ever think it would be useful to have someone who can help with those small jobs around the house that you just can't manage any more? Well, the Handy Person Scheme could be what you've been looking for. If you are unable to undertake the task yourself and have no-one available to help you, you will be eligible if you are:

- aged 65 or over; or
- have a disability/are vulnerable; or
- being or have recently been discharged from hospital; or
- at high risk of falling due to a medical condition

For more information and to request a Handy Person:

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Clerk

Are you interested in joining us as a councillor?

We currently have a couple of councillor vacancies in the East Ward.

Do you have the desire to be involved in your local community and make sure residents' voices are heard? Are you passionate about positive change and improvements to your community? Have you got vision to contribute and influence the parish long-term developments and plans?

If this is you, please contact Jessica our clerk - see above. We look forward to meeting you!

Handy websites:

- **road works/problems**
- **street lighting**

www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/parking-streets-and-transport

- **planning**

www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control

- **bins & recycling**

www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-street-cleaning