Lancashire Constabulary

As the warmer weather approaches we'd like to remind everyone to make sure cars, homes and sheds are all kept locked as opportunist thieves will take advantage of anything left open.

Residents witnessing any suspicious activity are asked to contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team on the new non - emergency reporting number, **101**, or via email at:

Police Sergeant Pauline Appleton pauline.appleton@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

Community Beat Manager Mark Etheridge mark.etheridge@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

PCSO Michelle Appleton michelle.appleton@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

PCSO Michael Jones michael.jones@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

Come and Talk to Us

We would like to remind residents there is a public participation section at all meetings of the Parish Council.

If there are any issues you would like to bring up please come along and let the Councillors know about them. If you're unable to attend please raise your issues with the Councillors or the Clerk (contact details overleaf).

Christmas Lights Correction

In the Spring newsletter we reported a home on Millbrook Close received one of the prizes. The prize was, in fact, awarded to a home on Blackbrook Close.

Houghton Weavers

The Houghton Weavers will be appearing at Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall on Saturday 28 September 2013 at 7:30pm.

Tickets priced at £15.00 are on sale at Wheelton Village Post Office and The Grape and Grain.

For further details contact 01257 264362.

Best Kept Village Competition

The village has been entered in the Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition 2013.

Any assistance residents may be able to provide by keeping the area tidy will be of great help.

Garden Competition

Chorley Council has joined forces with Birkacre Nurseries and Chorley & District Gardening Society to find the best kept front gardens in the borough.

You can nominate your own garden, a neighbour's garden or a garden you have seen in the borough but you must have the homeowners permission first.

Gardens and displays can be of any design or size but MUST be visible from the road or pavement.

The will be 9 prizes of vouchers to the value of £80, £50 and £30 for the three categories of small, medium and large gardens.

Closing date for entries is Friday 26 July.

For an entry form call Chorley Council on 01257 515151.

White Coppice Cricket Club

At the start of June our First Team was top of the Moore and Smalley Palace Shield Division 1, with our 2nd Team holding its own in a strong Division 3. Any local players who would like to join us in the push for promotion please contact Club Captain Kyle Dixon on 07841 629871

If you would like to watch cricket on one of the most picturesque grounds in the North West come along - there will be a match every Saturday until mid September. Refreshments, teas and ice cream available.

Our Annual Sportsman's Dinner takes place on Friday 27 September 2013 at St Peter's Parish Club, Eaves Lane, Chorley. Devon Malcolm (ex Derbyshire and England) is Guest Speaker and the Comedian is Max Pressure. Tickets, at £30 each, are available from Geoff Haydock on 01257 274241.

Dog Fouling (again!)

It seems that every newsletter carries an appeal for inconsiderate dog owners to act responsibly and this edition is no exception.

The latest complaints revolve around dog owners actually taking the trouble to pick up and bag their dog's waste but then, unbelievably, hanging the bags from convenient tree branches.

Once again, the Parish Council would like to reiterate that it appreciates the vast majority of dog owners are responsible but these mindless few are giving the majority a bad name. If you spot someone not cleaning up after their dog or leaving bags in trees or on the ground please notify the Clerk, with a description of both the dog and its owner.

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Annual Report

The cost of the Parish Precept to residents for 2012 - 2013 was held at the previous year's level and the Precept for 2013 - 2014t was again set with no increase. The cost of the Parish Precept to residents is virtually the same now as it was in 2006!

The Council continued with its support of our local amenities, with contributions being made towards the upkeep of the War Memorial, and the play area. The Ryes Tenants Association was given assistance with a project. The Christmas Tree at the entrance to Heapey Chase again attracted many positive comments. and this year a competition for the best Christmas Lights Display was arranged.

The Diamond Jubilee of HM the Queen was commemorated with the planting of an Oak tree Blackburn Road verge.

The contract for strimming of the verges in White Coppice was renewed and the bollards by the picnic table were replaced. In response to several complaints from residents the Parish Council arranged for the surface of the informal car park area by the picnic table to be scraped and filled.

During the year we said goodbye to Cllr Julia Berry and we would like to offer thanks for Julia for her service to the village.

Vacancy

A vacancy exists on the Council which is to be filled by co-option. If you are interested in joining the Council please contact the Clerk on 01257 234003 or email to heapeypc@btinternet.com for further information.

Parish Councillors

Chairman

Margaret Osborne 01257 264446

Vice Chairman

Colin Grunstein 01257 277840

Councillors

Malcolm Allen 01257 264362

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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 with Hollin Lane, the entrance to Heapey Chase and the War Memorial Grounds for details.

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

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Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2013

Opening Ralance

Opening Balance		11869
Income Parish Present	0000	
Parish Precept	8990	
Interest	8	
VAT reclaimed	233	
Total Income		
Sub Total		9231
		21100
Expenditure		
Staff Costs	2783	
Administration	473	
Insurance	325	
Audit Fees	170	
Donations	680	
Grounds Maintenance	705	
War Memorial	1097	
Christmas	427	
Play Area	811	
Sundries	769	
VAT	395	
Total		8635
Closing Balance		12465