

NEWSLETTER *Spring 2018*
HAYFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
WORKING FOR OUR LOCAL
COMMUNITY



TWO MAJOR COUNCIL INITIATIVES ARE NOW REACHING COMPLETION:

1. **The BMX Pump Track** is technically complete—however we have been unable to open it formally because of the severe weather, which has left the track in need of further attention from the construction company. The track passed its safety inspection but **we would urge no one to use it until it has been formally opened. We would also remind everyone using it once it is opened to remember:**

ALWAYS CYCLE SAFELY WEARING APPROPRIATE SAFETY GEAR AND ESPECIALLY ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET.

With that in mind, it is proposed to set up a cycling club for the young people who will be the main users of the track—if anyone is interested in helping to set up and run the club, please contact one of our clerks: clerk@hayfield-pc.gov.uk



2. **Bank Vale Football Pitch.** As we go to press, it appears that outstanding complications regarding the lease of the ground have now been resolved so thanks to everyone who has been active in bringing this to a conclusion—the Parish Council, Church Parochial Council and the Football Club representatives. Hopefully we can now proceed to develop the village teams and club



infrastructure to the benefit of the whole village.

30 IS PLENTY. Traffic is always an issue with modern roads running through our villages. So,

do you think the traffic on our roads is going too fast through Little Hayfield? Do you feel it is unsafe at times? Will you help with the Nationwide Community Speedwatch Initiative which is supported by the local police?

All it takes is 1-2 hours per month to check and record the speed of vehicles. A short training session is give by the Police. If you want to help in Little Hayfield, please give your details to the Clerk, who will forward them to CPSO Lee Willows.





May Queen 2018

The annual May Queen event is one of our oldest and most important village celebrations and is great fun for adults and children alike. The good news is that the organising committee are well ahead with arrangements for 2018, with their efforts boosted by a grant of £1,500 from the Parish Council .

The parade will be on

SATURDAY 12th MAY

For further information, please contact Councillor Bevins:
lisa.bevins@hayfield-pc.gov.uk

HAYFIELD PRO LOCO ART COMPETITION SATURDAY 30th JUNE 2018

Once again the Civic Trust are organising their Pro Loco competition, which challenges artists of all ages to *'create a picture within the parish that captures the essence of Hayfield as seen on the day'*

Register in St Matthew's Church Hall, Hayfield, between 8.30 am and 11.00 am and return your work by 3.45. pm. The first prize is £250 donated by the Parish council
Public viewing and voting 4.00pm to 5.00 pm followed by the prize-giving. (Refreshments available)

For further information including rules and conditions go to:

www.hayfield-civic-trust.org.uk/pro_loco or call 01663 743592/741776

See previous entries on www.facebook.com/Hayfield-Civic-Trust

Village Clean UP Saturday 14th April 2018

Last year's clean up was really successful (see photo), with lots of people, young and old, giving up a few hours to improve our village environment. In terms of casual litter in the street, many residents have commented that the village looks extremely clean and tidy, in no small part due to the efforts of our Maintenance Assistant, Anthony Bardsley. However, we can never be complacent and so this year's Clean Up, organised by the Parish Council, Civic Trust and Sustainable Hayfield, will target very specific locations that are in particular need of 'sprucing up'.

So please come and join in and help us all working to keep this wonderful village of ours in great shape! Registration and equipment in the Village Hall 10.00 am onwards



Phone boxes.

The Council have now acquired two Phone Boxes and will be fitting defibrillators in both of them (Kinder Road and the village box near the Council Offices). The Kinder Road box is in very good condition and will be the first to be equipped. The village centre box needs restoration work doing to it before it will become operational. Training will be offered to villagers who wish to volunteer.

Event notice etiquette

We're delighted that there is so much going on in our village, as you can see from this Newsletter — and we want all Hayfield events to be successful. However, we'd like to repeat our Autumn appeal to event organisers:

– so if you put up posters to advertise an event please remove them after the event has taken place. Thanks.

Telecom Mast Developments

In July 2017, the Parish Council led and coordinated a very effective campaign against the siting of a telecom mast which would have been in a completely inappropriate site near the crossing into the village from the bus station. However, we were also aware that Hayfield would benefit from improvements in its access to strong and reliable telecom services — so it is interesting to note that the Church of England has recently reached an agreement to use some church towers / steeples to host newly designed unobtrusive masts. Which means we might yet see improvements without the need for the old style masts which we opposed.



NEW COUNCIL PROJECTS

The Council recently agreed to allocate substantial resources to two major projects over the next financial year:

1. To build a new bridge giving safe access to the Pump Park area. It was brought to our notice during the construction of the Pump Park that the condition of the bridge had deteriorated over the years. It is perfectly safe for pedestrian access but needed propping during construction work so we have decided to replace it.
2. To invest in a new playground area in Little Hayfield. Much of the equipment there at the moment will need mending or replacing very soon, so we are going to consult with Little Hayfield Advisory Group with a view to designing a new playground from scratch.

We are also investigating the possibility of building a boules court in the village.

FROM RAIL TO TRAIL - Reflecting Hayfield's long history of its relationship with walkers from nearby urban conurbations, arriving here in the past by train, **Project eARTh and Hayfield Primary School** invite you to the unveiling and celebration of two steel sculptures for Hayfield:

From Rail to Trail - designed by Project eARTh participants with artist Tracey Cartledge. This project was funded by the Big Lottery.

Queen Bee - Designed by the Hayfield Primary School pupils with artist Tracey Cartledge. Funded by Tesco Bags of Help / Groundwork and the Big Lottery

Thursday 12th April. Hayfield Countryside Centre and Bus Turnaround.

See the sculptures and photos from the project and enjoy refreshments.

For more information call Alison on 01663 744516 or email alison@highpeakarts.org

Arden quarry – can you smell the quarry?

The Parish Council works closely with individuals and groups including DDC and High Peak Borough Councils in monitoring Arden Quarry.

If you smell the distinctive and foul odour or have any other problems from the Arden / Birch Vale Quarry. Oven Hill. Birch Vale. SK22 1BY, please report it to the Environment Agency immediately on: 0800 807060. If we don't complain, the quarry owners won't have to do anything about it.

If you do report an incident, please log the date, time and your location—and copy us into the complaint—clerk@hayfield-pc.gov.uk

Street Lighting Update

Derbyshire County Council have begun installing the new street lights mentioned in our autumn issue. New LED lights, with a life of around 25 years will replace the old orange sodium bulbs, which lasted about 4 years, saving £1.2 million per year. However, some residents have raised concerns about the brightness of the lights and also that there seem to be more new lamp posts than there were previously. **If you have concerns, please contact DCC directly** and copy in our clerks: clerk@hayfield-pc.gov.uk

FOOD BANK

Food Banks support people who have reached a crisis point. Contributions of non-perishable food, e.g. tinned food, dried food, and cereals can make a big difference. Two or three days of extra food can help people get through a week. Can you spare a little?

Drop-off points are located at Hayfield Surgery and Sett Valley Medical Centre. Please note these are for drop-off only and they cannot give food out from here.

Financial contributions to the Food Bank are also appreciated as this will enable them to balance and vary the food bag contents.

Contact helpinghandsnewmills@gmail.com

CONTACTING OUR CLERKS: As you may be aware, the Parish Council have two clerks, Keith Bevins and Julie Gough. Both will be able to help residents with general enquiries but they also have lead responsibilities for particular initiatives: in the coming year, Julie will be responsible for developments with Little Hayfield Playground facilities; Keith will lead on the Pump Park and the proposed new bridge (see page 2).

Julie is in the office on Mondays, Keith on Thursdays, (both normally 11.00 am-1 pm although they may be out for some of the time on site visits. It is always best to phone to check)

On Wednesday they are both in the office from 10.30 am until 11.30 am

The office phone number is 01663 744550. Their joint email address is

And finally, we've been asked to remind everyone that this is the time of year that toads are on the move to their breeding ponds, so please slow down and take care where you can.