

BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL
NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2012

Bawtry Library

DMBC Cabinet met and re-affirmed its decision. Therefore the library closures are continuing as planned. Arrangements for the Bawtry Community Library project are well advanced, and the legalities and small print are currently being discussed in readiness for the takeover date of the 1st April, 2012. Several people have already volunteered their services and a stage one training session on basics has already taken place. More volunteers are required and will be welcomed, as will donations from any source for the future running of the library in Bawtry. Coffee Mornings will take place on a monthly basis, the first of which took place at the beginning of December and raised £60. **It will be your Community Library and we hope you will support it.**

The Bawtry Group is currently looking to 'test the water' on the recruitment of 'front of house' volunteers, and also grounds maintenance volunteers. Persons interested should provide their details to the Volunteer Co-ordinator, Mrs Lesley Gilfedder on 01302 711256 or email: lgilfedder06@aol.com.

The Business Sub Committee headed by Michael Maguire is also working towards a viable Business Plan and possibilities of outside funding both from local business and other sources.

Interim contact for this project is via Mr. George Spencer (Chairman-Bawtry Town Council) not the Clerk to the Council. (Details at the end of this newsletter)

School Crossing Patrol – Station Road

Efforts will again be made in the New Year to try and fill the vacancy on Station Road. Great effort took place in ensuring that this vital role was not lost – however if no one comes forward to fill the vacancy then it may fall by the wayside.

Please do not let that happen.

If you can help please contact Mr George Spencer (Chairman – Bawtry Town Council) who will ensure your details are passed to DMBC.

Highway Issues

Damaged street furniture (ie lighting columns, traffic lights, seating etc) should be reported to DMBC for action. Please remember that the Customer Service Centre at Bawtry Library is still the point for you personally to report any matters that concern you to DMBC, the highway authority, or by telephoning Doncaster Council on 736000.

Christmas 2011

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in the Christmas Carols arrangements, and you the public for supporting the event year on year. Bawtry Retail Association (via members) has agreed to provide refreshments this year, for which we are very grateful.

Window Dressing Competition

Due to the earlier publication of Bawtry Today due to Christmas the result of the competition is not yet known and will be reported on in the next issue. It is however noticeable that several business premises have very attractive displays and so the judging may be difficult this year.

Thanks go to Craig Dowie of the Crown Hotel for his usual hospitality with regards this event.

Airport & Tunnel Tech Complaints

Can we remind all residents that complaints should be referred to the telephone numbers/email addresses at the end of this newsletter, so that the complaints can be logged by the appropriate authority. The new contact email for Tunnel Tech complaints is: Amy.Ogden@bassetlaw.gov.uk

It is very important that residents lodge their complaints, so that accurate records may be kept by the authorities concerned, for possible future use.

NEW YEAR - 2012

On behalf of Bawtry Town Council, Members and Clerk, may we take this opportunity to wish you a very happy, healthy and prosperous new year. At the December council meeting the council will have voted on next year's precept, currently £26k, on a recommendation that it remains static for the 8th year running.