

BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2010

BTC wishes residents and businesses all the very best for the New Year.

Market Hill Pay & Display

Council has decided that, from the 2nd January, 2010, the charging period will be extended to 8pm each night (excluding Sunday), but that there will be no changes to the current tariff charges, which have not been changed in six years.

This decision was not taken lightly. It referred back to the business community's submission to council in 2007 in which they requested a charge until 8pm. This was not actioned at that time. The maximum a user will be charged from the current 6pm period will be £1, and the minimum will of course remain at 20p. This is in accordance with the standard charges currently in place,

Gainsborough Road Toilets

Negotiations are currently in place, which are looking promising, so that very soon we could see the re-opening of the toilets by Bawtry Town Council. Obviously there are some costs involved but nevertheless, following a very large petition once again submitted to Doncaster MBC, it was felt by Bawtry Town Council that the benefit to Bawtry and the business community was, and always has been, more important. Watch this space for further information!

War Memorial

Discussions are currently taking place with regards to the relocation of the current war memorial to a possible new site. The site being considered is the New Hall Grounds, unless of course **YOU** have an alternative site you would wish to be considered?

Precept

For those unsure, the precept is the amount which you and I pay in addition to the Council Tax, and which is paid to Bawtry Town Council for local council work. Once again for the 7th year running the precept remains at its current level of £26k.

Window Dressing & Christmas Festivities

Because of deadlines for the magazine, we are not yet able to announce the winner of this year's Excel Shield and runners up; this information will appear in the next issue.

Special thanks this year must go to the organisers from the business community who put in extra effort with regard to the festive spirit for Bawtry. The town council also contributed £1k towards the venture. Thanks must also go to everyone involved in making Christmas 2009 so enjoyable.

Additional tendered **Sunday** morning journey on Stagecoach East Midlands, Service 25

Following the town council's request to South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive, the bus company has agreed to an additional tender service on Sunday morning, commencing from Harworth. We have been advised that this service will run for as long as there is sufficient demand.

The service will commence on Sunday 3 January 2010 and will arrive in Bawtry at High Street/Market Place at 0919 hrs. Arrival time at Frenchgate Centre, Doncaster is 0945 hrs.

Policing

Following the departure of PC Mark Sowerby to elsewhere in the force, we have a new Beat Manager – PC John Venables – with support from the PCSO. Inspector Mark Payling took promotion and has now been replaced by Inspector Andrea Cowling.

USEFUL NUMBERS

Robin Hood Airport – to report severe aircraft noise 01302 623499. Leave name, address, telephone number, time of flight, whether taking off or landing, and airline if possible

Doncaster Council Main Switchboard – 01302 734444

Faulty Street Lights, DMBC, 01302 735111, quote number of lighting column

Neighbourhood Team, DMBC - 01302 736000

Anti litter and dumped cars, DMBC - 01302 736050

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