

## **BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2008**



[www.bawtrytowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.bawtrytowncouncil.co.uk)

### **Gainsborough Road Toilets**

A further meeting with DMBC has taken place which was to investigate the way forward. A response from DMBC is still awaited.

### **Pay & Display, Market Hill**

Work on re-lining, and assigning the block of disabled bays, has now been completed. The delay has been entirely due to the contractors not carrying out the work when promised.

### **Youth Club**

As you are probably aware the youth club, which used to be held in the Methodist Church, has been closed for some time but attempts are being made, yet again, for the facility to be resurrected, subject to interest. In the interim it is envisaged that the Youth Bus will return to Bawtry on one evening per week and once further details are known we will advise accordingly.

### **Smart Water Initiative**

A presentation was given at a town council meeting regarding this initiative which protects by marking an individual's property. We are advised that the *Smart Water* kits can be obtained via your Neighbourhood Watch Group. However, if sufficient interest is shown then it maybe possible to purchase in bulk at a large discount although we understand orders must be in excess of 10 kits. Please contact your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator in the first instance and, if you have any problems, please contact the the town council.

### **Customer Service Centre/Library Hours/Summer Play Scheme**

DMBC, in its cost cutting exercise, is currently discussing the closure of the customer service centre at Bawtry library, along with others, and having only three across the borough, ie Thorne, Doncaster Central and Mexborough. DMBC state the facility is not being used (perhaps due to a lack of adequate publicity) and it is more than likely library staff will continue to provide a similar service probably for less pay. The outcome is awaited from DMBC but it even appears that the Mayor's office is unsure what is happening because, in a written response, one paragraph states *it is being discussed* yet, in another *it has been decided*.

Currently, at the customer service centre, residents of Bawtry, Austerfield and Tickhill are able to:

- arrange to have unwanted household items collected by DMBC
- speak to an advisor about concerns in your neighbourhood
- report dumped rubbish
- purchase garden sacks at 50p each and have them collected from your garden free of charge
- appeal against DMBC penalty charge notice (parking fine) NOT A MARKET HILL PARKING FINE
- apply for a senior citizen FREE bus pass
- apply for free school meals, PLUS many others

Pick up a leaflet from the Bawtry library whilst you can, and prove that the Customer Service Centre is more beneficial to Bawtry residents than travelling into central Doncaster.

DMBC is also looking to close Bawtry library at 1pm on Saturdays. We will advise when and if this happens as it seems DMBC does not keep unpaid parish councillors in the consultation process!

We also understand that DMBC is looking to discontinue the very popular Summer Library Scheme, even though donations from parish and town councils fund the cost of performers. We await further developments on this issue.

### **Filling of casual vacancy**

The casual vacancy, created by the resignation of Mrs Sarah Hill, was filled by co-option at the town council's April meeting. Only one application was received, ie from Mr Richard Byrne of Austerfield. Contact details of all members are given below.

### USEFUL NUMBERS

**Robin Hood Airport** – to report severe aircraft noise 01302 623623. Leave name, address, telephone number, time of flight, whether taking off or landing, and airline  
**Doncaster Council Main Switchboard** – 01302 734444  
**Faulty Street Lights, DMBC**, 01302 735111, quote number of lighting column  
**Community First Team, DMBC** - 01302 736000  
**Anti litter and dumped cars, DMBC** - 01302 736050

### LIST OF TOWN COUNCILLORS

George Spencer (Town Mayor), 48 Queens Crescent, Bawtry, DN10 6PZ, Tel 711464,  
Email [Gspe878786@aol.com](mailto:Gspe878786@aol.com)

Jean Cox (Deputy Town Mayor), Bickleigh House, 32 Doncaster Road, Bawtry,  
DN10 6NF, Tel 711143,  
Email [Jean.cox@virgin.net](mailto:Jean.cox@virgin.net)

Terry Ashurst, 4 Cavendish Close, Bawtry, DN10 6SD, Tel 711759,  
Email [terryashurst@btconnect.com](mailto:terryashurst@btconnect.com)

Richard Byrne, 12 Butten Meadow, Austerfield, Doncaster DN10 6SQ Tel 711792  
Email: [rabyrne99@googlemail.com](mailto:rabyrne99@googlemail.com)

Alan Cropley, 19 Sycamore Crescent, Bawtry DN10 6LE  
Tel 710873

Terry Fisher, 4 Beaufont Gardens, Bawtry DN10 6RT Tel 719517,  
Email: [terry.fisher@virgin.net](mailto:terry.fisher@virgin.net)

Gordon Furniss, Birch House, Cockhill Close,  
Bawtry DN10 6LU Tel 710713

Martin Hall, 23 Sandbeck Court, Bawtry, DN10 6XP Tel 714240,  
Email [Martin.hall99@btinternet.com](mailto:Martin.hall99@btinternet.com)

Kevin Hill, 3 Melrose Cottages, Doncaster Road,  
Bawtry DN10 6NT Tel 711328

Martyn Leese, Langmore Lodge, Wentworth Court, Bawtry DN10 6SU Tel 710785  
Email: [martyn.leese@btopenworld.com](mailto:martyn.leese@btopenworld.com)

Mike Summers, 14 Peakes Croft, Bawtry, DN10 6RJ Tel 711651,  
Email [summers.14@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:summers.14@tiscali.co.uk)

Vivienne Wilcox, 8 South Parade, Bawtry, DN10 6JH  
Tel 711422

Les Winter, 8 High Meadow, Bawtry, DN10 6LT Tel 711714  
Email [Leswinter8@aol.com](mailto:Leswinter8@aol.com)

### CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Mrs J Worthington, 19 Norwood Avenue, Auckley DN9 3JA Tel 771244  
Email [jennifer.worthington@homecall.co.uk](mailto:jennifer.worthington@homecall.co.uk)

### YOUR WARD COUNCILLORS ARE:

- Patricia Bartlett, Tel 01302 310575, Email [patricia.bartlett@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:patricia.bartlett@doncaster.gov.uk)
- Barbara Hoyle, Tel 01302 742676, Email [Barbara.hoyle@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:Barbara.hoyle@doncaster.gov.uk)
- Bob Ford, Tel 01302 743804

### YOUR LOCAL MP – RT HON CAROLINE FLINT

Meteor House, First Avenue, Hayfield Lane, Auckley DN9 3GA. Tel: 01302 623330, Fax 01302 755099; email: [flintc@parliament.uk](mailto:flintc@parliament.uk)