

FRAMWELLGATE MOOR

PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER – 2014

Welcome to our 2014 Newsletter

Stop Press!!!!

The Parish Council are delighted to announce the creation of its own unique website which can be found at : -

www.framwellgatemoorparishcouncil.co.uk

Please take a look at it and let us know what you think of it via the “Have Your Say” section under the “Contact Us” tab / “Your Suggestions”.

It includes full details of activities and projects taking place in the Parish together with some interesting articles on the history of the Parish

The Parish Council are particularly thankful to Daykin & Storey Ltd who developed the website and to Peter Dawson who is our own local historian and has a wealth of knowledge about the history of the Parish

Other “One Off” Projects

Various Improvement works are in progress or planned for all four of the playing fields within parish, with a possible future addition in the Brasside area.

The current playing fields are located at:

King George V, Front St., Framwellgate Moor

College Field, rear of Durham & Newcastle Terrace Framwellgate Moor

Hudspeth Terrace, Pity Me

Abbey Rd, Pity Me

The King George V Playing Field itself has been completely revamped in recent years where we have developed the children’s play area improvements and provisions for tennis, 5 aside football and basketball and these activities have been well received and are well used since their completion in 2012

Future developments to football playing field area and bowling green area are in the early stages of consideration and we are currently in the process of constructing new steps down to the football field for easy access together with proposals concerning the tree line which forms the boundary of football field, for the trees to be cut back, so grass cutting can be carried out right up to fence line providing better spectators area. There are also other development works to be discussed in near future.

In addition energy saving installations have been recently completed in the Pavilion building to add to already installed solar p.v. panels, together with new UPVC windows with double glazing, cavity wall insulation, loft insulation and installation of new lighting.

There are also plans to install new heating in the Pavilion for first time with electric fan convector heaters fitted with timing and thermostatic controls kindly donated by adjoining community centre. These heating improvements are to be monitored over next winter period for proficiency with a view to fitting more energy efficient system in future.

New external lighting is also to be installed to Pavilion and Vehicle storage area to facilitate any activities during the dark winter period

College Field

This area at moment is not maintained and is indeed needing attention to reclaim back into full use where recent inspections and observations have been made and reported back to Parish Council for discussion. The immediate requirement is to that of access to area with large grass cutting equipment so area can be returned to use and the stopping of use for dogs as this is a designated Playing Field Area. Proposals will be considered in the future by the Parish Council

Hudspeth Avenue

This is an adopted playing field area with children's play equipment and cut grass area, which is well maintained but is requiring some improvements to keep it up to date.

Abbey Road

This is a large area with children's playing equipment and cut grass areas with five-a-side goal posts, a well used area which requires some improvements and updating. Future development for this area is under discussion at moment, with the first agreed work to be new parish notice board including location address and a new parish logo.

Festive lighting

Xmas tree illuminations are planned for this year to 35ft conifer at the entrance to King George V playing field, Front St Framwellgate Moor which should be switched on for the 2014 Xmas and New Year period, it is hoped the effect of illuminating the tree will provide some colour and a positive community feeling. A new parish notice board is to also be fitted to exterior of park adjacent to Xmas tree and this will have a location sign with the new parish logo, hopefully this also will have illuminated Xmas message

Many thanks to everyone who has assisted / and is still assisting the Parish Council with these projects.

We really hope you notice the projects being developed in your area.

Please let us know what you think of the projects, by posting comments on our new website, when you see them.

In addition the Parish Council would welcome any other thoughts/ideas you may have for future one off projects which they will consider, subject to the availability of finance.

Durham Area Action Partnership (AAP)

This organisation has various grants regimes and full details of allocations during 2013-14 and 2014-15 can be found on the website as follows :

www.durham.gov.uk/durhamaap
or contact the AAP team on 0191 301 8871

Framwellgate Moor Primary School

This school has its own comprehensive website and fuller details of their activities can be found on their website as follows:

www.framprimary.durham.sch.uk

Update on Framwellgate Moor Community Centre

There has been a lot of activity and developments in connection with the running of the centre and future plans to develop the building together with the management of the centre Fuller details on this can be found on their website at:

www.facebook.com/FramwellgateMoorCC

Football Facilities 2014 /2015 Season

King George V Playing Field

The Parish Council have agreed to hire the facilities to local teams, both male and female, who have matches on a Saturday and Sunday during the football season

Games are usually played at a weekend if you want to go along and support them.

The three teams currently using the field are:

Framwellgate Moor WMC, The Jovial Monk and the Framwellgate Moor under 14 girls

Finally

Some sad news:

This concerns the recent death, this year, of a community stalwart, Mr Derek Pratt.

Derek had been involved in our community within the sport of football starting out in 1965 managing Durham Athletic football club, known to us all in recent times as The Victoria Bridge

In the intervening years he had helped run many other senior Saturday and Sunday teams within our area including coaching of children at Finchale Primary school and even managed to get his refereeing qualifications

At the age of 63 Derek was presented with a long service award for giving 30 yrs service to administration of football by Durham County F.A.

He continued his service to football as manager of Framwellgate Working Men's Club and working tirelessly and willingly for any local team requiring help

In October 2013 Derek was invited to Buckingham Palace to receive award for having given over 50 years to grassroots' football.

This was to mark the F.A.s 150th anniversary at which Derek was presented with a medal and certificate from Prince William and his name listed into the Local Heroes Booklet marking the anniversary

After illness Derek passed away peacefully on May 11th 2014 at home, age 73.

In respect and remembrance of his service to local football a memorial football match is to be held each year on local King George V Playing Field as last game of season with the presentation of Memorial Cup

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2014

Meetings are held in the Community Centre in Front Street, Framwellgate Moor, on the first Wednesday of each month at 6.30pm, and there is a designated agenda item for public matters to be raised. Next meetings this calendar year are:

September 3rd 2014

October 1st 2014

November 5th 2014

December 3rd 2014

Councillors can be contacted, as shown above, at any time on Parish Matters

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED
PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCIL**

If you would like to advertise in this newsletter, the next one will be produced during 2015. Please email any details of events to :
The Parish Clerk :

framwellgatemoorparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk

Please note that this Newsletter and all future newsletters will be will incorporated in our new website but we will also ensure that some paper copies will always be left in various outlets throughout the Parish

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