# NEWSLETTER

# Belmont Parish Council



# **AUTUMN 2016**

# SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY AND PANTOMIME



The Senior Citizens' Christmas Party will be held on
Thursday 8th December 2016

at Belmont Community School
Receiving guests from 12:45pm for a performance of
"Aladdin"

Once again the school has kindly offered to do the catering, a real treat to look forward to, but please let us know if you are going!

**Everyone welcome** 

If you would like to attend, please telephone the Parish Office on **0191 386 0664** 

At the time of booking please notify of any special dietary requirements.

Transport is available on request to the Parish Office

Buses to pick up from 12:15pm

# REMEMBRANCE SERVICES AT BELMONT WAR MEMORIAL

Remembrance Sunday 13th November 2016

A Remembrance Day Service will be held at 10:00am at St Mary Magdalene Church. An Act of Remembrance will commence at 10:40am at Belmont War Memorial.

# **Everyone welcome**

Light refreshments will be available in Belmont Parish Hall following the Act of Remembrance.

After the service, remembrance tags will be hung on trees in the church graveyard,

in memory of those who died in 1916.

# Please do join us on Friday 11th November

There will be a short schools' service prior to the 11 o'clock silence - gathering at the memorial at 10:45am.

Members of the public are very welcome.

# Belmont Community Association. Their War - Our History Programme. "Belmont Anthem"

An especially commissioned anthem for Remembrance Sundays will be premiered at Belmont Parish Hall on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 4:00pm, during a concert of songs on the themes of loss, remembrance and hope, by Durham Scratch Choir, conducted by Andy Jackson.

Free admission.

Please book your seat by contacting Erika Denholm on 07808 842205

On Remembrance Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016, the anthem will be sung by members of the Belmont Community School Choir at the 10:00am Remembrance Day Service at St. Mary Magdalene Church.

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# **CARRVILLE & BELMONT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

Enjoy a trip to York or visit McArthur Glen (York Designer Outlet)

# Saturday 26th November

Leaving from Broomside Lane Communal Hall at 9:00am Returning from McArthur Glen at 3:45pm and then from York at 4:00pm.

### Tickets £12

Available from Belmont Library or Eric Mavin Tel: 0191 386 9031

## FREE for 8 weeks!

At Belmont Community Centre, from NHS Wellbeing For Life "Eat Wise to Drop a Size" 1:30pm until 3:00pm from 13<sup>th</sup> October. "Tea and Tango" with dance teacher 1:30pm until 3:30pm Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October

## PLANNING DEVELOPMENTS

#### ASDA

Former Mono containers site
Application DM/14 01511/FPA
Regrettably, this application has been WITHDRAWN which will be a disappointment to many.

## **UNITS ADJOINING B & Q**

Application DM/16/01505/FPA

Modifications are underway for 2 units in the B&Q block, to be occupied by "The Range" - a general store, and "Go Outdoors" - specialising in equipment for camping and outdoor activities.

### **MANDALE PARK**

Former Philips Components site, Belmont industrial Estate.

Application DM/16/02335/FPA

Seeks to extend the range of use to allow light industrial units and a distribution centre, as well as the present business enterprises. Outcome is PENDING DCC Committee decision at time of writing.

#### **GRANGE FOUNDRY SITE**

Gilesgate

Application DM/16/02977/FPA

Application has been made for 8 apartments; 6 being on storeys 1 & 2, and 2 more above with dormer windows.

Outcome is PENDING DCC Delegated decision at time of writing.

# **AREA ACTION PARTNERSHIP (AAP)**

In broad terms this is a body which provides, as the title suggests, an opportunity for organisations to "work together", these include the County Council, Police, Fire Service, University, Voluntary Services, Parish Councils, Durham Cathedral and more importantly The Public.

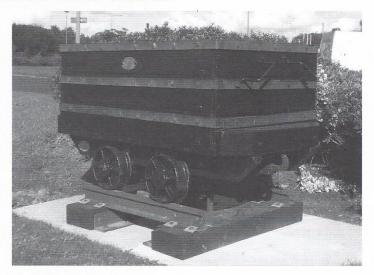
The AAP for Durham City area consists of Board Members and Forum Members who collectively contribute to decisions, often of a funding nature, for the benefit of the public.

The above is just a taste of AAPs if you would like to know more or better still, get involved, please contact the Parish Office.

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# **KEPIER GRANGE COLLIERY TUB FINDS NEW HOME**

Belmont Parish Council was delighted when local resident and craftsman, Graham Robson, offered to donate the coal tub he had lovingly rebuilt and restored using the original axles and wheels he'd salvaged from the river Wear in Kepier Woods. The coal tub is the last remaining example of those used at the Kepier Grange Colliery which closed in 1925. As the colliery shafts ran underneath Carrville High Street it seemed appropriate that the coal tub should be sited in the area. It is now installed on the verge near to the petrol station giving residents and visitors alike an excellent view of a very important piece of our local history.



## **PARISH IN BLOOM**

Belmont Parish Council is proud to announce that we have obtained Silver Gilt in this year's Northumbria in Bloom competition. We have retained our Best in Category title in the Urban Communities section and our winner's plaque is to be displayed in the Parish Office. In respect of Special Award categories, Belmont Allotments and Ramside Hall won Gold and the Scrambles and Belmont Cemetery were awarded Silver.

In the Beautiful Durham competition, congratulations go to the children, staff and helpers of Durham Gilesgate Primary School on receiving an Order of Merit for their Horticultural Project, to Mr Alan Rowell of Belmont for Orders of Merit in Best Small Garden and Best Kitchen Garden categories and also winner of the Best Patio Garden, and to Mr Philip Wall of Belmont for Order of Merit for Best Medium Garden and being awarded the Best New Entry Special Award.

Thanks to all who help keep our parish in attractive colourful bloom and the environment clean and tidy.



Winners of the 2016 "Belmont in Bloom" children's art competition with Mayor of Durham Cllr Edward Bell and Cllr Jennifer Bell.

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# **Dates for Parish Council Meetings**

held in Belmont Community Centre at 6:30pm

(first Thursday of the month, excluding August)

3rd November 2016 1st December 2016 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

### **USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Durham County Council General enquiries

03000 260 000

Highways, Lighting and Streetscene

03000 261 000

## **Community Police Officer**

Can be contacted on the police non-emergency number 0345 606 0365

County Council Help Desk

03000 123 7070

# **Parish Councillors**

Belmont Area		<u>Carrville Area</u>		Gilesgate Moor Area	
Eric Mavin	386 9031	Barbara Howarth	384 2224	Sydney Inglis	384 6023
Beatrijs Muylaert	375 7844	Katy Corrigan	03000 268700	Dennis Southwell	386 4838
Arthur Walker	384 6282	Tom Charlton	386 8557	Patrick Conway	03000 268698
Rosemary Murphy	07747 077690	Joe Knight	3862902	June Corrigan	659 1014
Graham Robinson-Lundy	07598 960649	Lesley Mavin	3869031	Diane Waggott	386 3701

Parish Clerk Mrs S. Overton

0191 386 0664

# **CHRISTMAS EVENTS to note and enjoy:**

# **Belmont Community School Christmas Market**

Saturday 3rd December 11:00am to 2:00pm Stalls can be booked on Friends of Belmont Facebook page

## **Carrville Methodist Church Christmas Fair**

Saturday 3rd December 10:00am to 1:00pm Stalls, activities and café

## **Friends Of Belmont Library Christmas Coffee Morning**

Saturday 10th December 10:00am to 12:00 noon Activities for all and Christmas Hamper draw

## **PARISH HALL EVENTS**

Support our local events

#### Piano Recitals £7

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2:30pm (Doors open 2:00pm) Thursday 8th December 2:30pm (Doors open 2:00pm)

## **Carols by Candlelight**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 7:30pm (Doors open 7:00pm) Tickets in advance £4, under 12's free. Interval with refreshments

Note: The Luncheon Club ("The Table") celebrated it's 10th Anniversary earlier this year and we hope to include more details in a future edition.

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