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ISSUE FOR FEBRUARY 2020

PARISH COUNCIL

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TRAFFIC ON QUERNMORE ROAD - The January Parish Council heard about residents' concerns about the traffic on Quernmore Road - the amount of vehicles and the speed at which they travel. The number of cars and lorries has increased since the Bay Gateway opened. Many pay no attention to the 30mph limit. The Parish Clerk will contact Lancashire Highways to ask about reducing the speed limit, or at least enforcing the existing limit. Councillors will deploy the Speed Indicating Device (SpID) on Quernmore Road to alert drivers to their speed.

INFORMATION BOARD - There is an information board about the villages on the wall by the post box at the mini roundabout in Caton. Some of the information on the board is out-of-date. Would you volunteer to have a fresh look at this board and suggest how it could be improved? Several people - or a group - could work on it together to come up with new wording and graphics. The Parish Council could then help find grants to have a new board created and put up. Please contact Jenny Walmsley in the first instance on 771299.

SYCAMORE ROAD - Lancashire Highways and the developers are looking at resurfacing work needed now the housing development is nearing completion.

DRAINS AND ROADS - Lancashire Highways have been working on Littledale Road, where some resurfacing has been done, and on Moorside Road, where they have tackled a blocked culvert.

PARISH PRECEPT - We all pay towards the work of the Parish Council, through our local rates. Most of the spending goes on supporting the Victoria Institute, parish maintenance (including the Play Park, bus shelters, benches, War Memorial and the car parks), insurance and paying the Parish Clerk. This year we are increasing the precept by 4%, which is about £1.20 extra a year for a typical Band D property. The full budget will be added to the village website, or you can ask the Parish Clerk for a copy. We will continue to pressurise Lancaster City Council and Lancashire County Council to do what they should to keep our streets and pavements in good order, and to clean the Millennium Way. However we can all help keep the villages and the surrounding countryside tidy - simple things like picking up litter and clearing weeds outside your home really do make a difference.

EXTENSION OF THE MILLENNIUM WAY - Sustrans are working on proposals to extend the Millennium Way towards Claughton and ultimately to Wray. You can see a copy of their ideas in a document which we have left at the Victoria Institute. We'll let you know what develops.

VANDALISM AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR in the villages continues to cause problems for many of us. Please do report everything to the police. The Parish Council hopes to have a police representative at the Annual Parish Meeting in May.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday 11 February at 7.15pm in the Victoria Institute. There is an Open Forum at the start of the meeting where residents are welcome to raise matters of local concern.

CATON GALA

Caton Gala 2020 will take place on Saturday the 13th June 2020. The theme will be "The Circus".

By now the forms for the drawing competition (for the cover of the program etc.) and for Gala Queen, Attendant or Pageboy will have been delivered to local schools (Caton Community Primary School and Caton St. Paul's School). The age categories for the drawing competition are: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 and 10-11. As previously stated, the theme for this year as Gala is "The Circus". The bolder and more colourful the drawings for the better! If your child is of primary school age and lives in the local area but does not attend one of the local schools, they can still enter the competitions and you can collect a form from Mr Phil Rawsthorne, 9, Kirkbeck Close, Brookhouse.

We would love to welcome new members to the organising committee, if you can assist in any way, please contact Wendy Strickland (07855 590004) or Rosemary Horner (01524 770036). They can, as can all committee members, also be contacted by e-mail at "catongala.co.uk" or via our Facebook page.

The next meeting will be held at 8:00 PM on Monday the 3rd February 2020 at the Station Hotel in Caton. All are welcome.

LOCAL NEWS OF CATON & BROOKHOUSE

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Baptist Church Artlebeck Bridge

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6.30 pm: *Evening Service*

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7.00 pm: *Evening Service*

Caton Methodist Brookhouse Road

10.30 am:

*Morning Service and
Junior Church*

Catholic Church Station Yard

Holy Mass

Saturday Evening 6.00pm

Holydays of Obligation

*Mass on eve of Holyday at
6.00pm*

St Paul's C of E Brookhouse

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Service 9.30am*

*All Age Worship, read
and led by children – 1st
Sunday of the month*

*Sunday Club in the Church
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Sundays except 1st
Sunday of month*

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CATON AND BROOKHOUSE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

A happy new year to all our members.
Our A.G.M was held on the 16th of January to late for this edition. If you were unable to attend information and new programmes can be obtained by calling the secretary. The annual fee is now £5.00. We have organised monthly day trips from April to October cost £10.00 for members and £13.00 for non members.

There will not be a meeting in February. Do not miss our meeting on the 19th of March 2pm in the Victoria Institute. Kitty Brown's of Carnforth will be giving us a preview of their Spring/Summer clothes in a fashion show. Entrance fee £3.00 pay at the door, all welcome.
Further information can be obtained by calling Benita on 01524 771943.

CATON LEISURE CLUB

The very popular chair exercises continue with Norma, Mondays 9.00-10.00 in the main hall. Leisure Club membership is required at £5.00pa with weekly class fees of £2.00 per session. Then why not pop next door to the Thomas Storey Room to hear one of the speakers and of course a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit.

3rd - Graham Kemp "The Lovelife of John O' Gaunt" Graham is Assistant Museum Manager at Lancaster Castle in charge of records. His very popular talk today is about the three wives of John O' Gaunt. He has also written a book on Lancaster that is shortly due to be published.

10th:- Barbara Broadbent "Kaleidoscope" Barbara choses her favourite selection of slides highlighting her love of the natural environment.

17th:- Christine Workman "Lancaster Suffragists & Suffragettes". Christine started researching Selina Martin for her history lessons to give the students a local interest. She's been researching women's history ever since. Her talk today is about three Lancastrian women who took part in the campaign for the vote for women: Annie Croft Helme, Selina Martin and Mary Redhead. It looks at what they did in the campaign, as well as giving the bigger picture of the campaign as a whole.

24th:- Tim Foreman 'Anecdotes of an Ordinary Gentleman' It was once said that Tim would be out of his depth in a car park puddle. The stories that follow are all based on things that have happened to him along life's journey. His wife and the mirror, the credit crunch and saving money, the lighthouse, flying aeroplanes, trying to play golf, watching his family grow and what to do when all else fails. Simple, funny and true.

Caton Short Mat Bowls meets on Thursdays at the Victoria Institute 10.00-12.00. during the Winter months (October - April), in the Main Hall. New members welcome. If you would like to join us then contact David on 01524 812342 or just turn up.

For further information call Susan on 01524 771862 or check out the website <http://www.catonvillage.org.uk/caton-leisure-club>

CATON THEATRE INTEREST GROUP

I cannot find the words to describe our theatre trip to the pantomime Peter Pan. WOW might cover it. Super, fantastic the best ever, we were buzzing when we left the theatre. The coach was waiting for us and the trip down the prom with all the Christmas lights on made the perfect end to our day.

Our next outing is on the 2nd May 2020. A matinee performance of the powerful and moving story of 'Evita' told in a musical. Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and words by Tim Rice, at the Theatre by the Lake in Keswick. Cost £32.00 for coach and a seat at the front of the balcony. All our tickets have been reserved and we have started a waiting list for cancellations. Payment required on or before the 7th March to confirm your booking. Pick up as usual 10am at the Victoria Institute then on to pick up in Brookhouse. Pick up in Ingleton, Melling and Hornby can be arranged.

To book or for further information call Benita on 01524 771943 or Jean on 01524 770980

CATON AND BROOKHOUSE GARDENING CLUB

We hope January passed in a flash for you all and you are now enjoying longer days again. By the time our next event takes place we will be experiencing over 9 1/2 hours of sun up. This is on Thursday 13th February at 7.30pm in the Victoria Institute. The speaker on this occasion will be our very own Barbara Broadbent, well known to many of us. Barbara gives talks to many local organisations so it is about time we welcomed her to our society. She will be talking about alpenes, a subject that hasn't been covered for us before as far as we can remember and highly appropriate for the huge variety of garden size we have round here. If you need a lift do ring Graham on 770919.

Then in March we will have the head gardener of Sizergh Castle gardens coming to speak. Lucky us!

ST PAUL'S CHURCHYARD

In order to maintain a tidy and attractive churchyard, families are kindly asked to remove Christmas wreaths from graves by the end of February. It would also be appreciated if dead flowers could be removed from graves too. Thank you.

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INVITATION - If you are new to the village, (or have never been inside the Institute), and would be interested to look around and see what the Victoria Institute offers, please call in and see Peter (our Community Support Worker).

The Council of Management meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1.30 pm, there is an open forum when anyone is welcome to come along, to meet Trustees, and make comments/suggestions about the Institute.

FLOODSAX FOR SALE - Floodsax are available for sale from the Victoria Institute. The cost is £5.50 per sack, £27.50 for a pack of five. The recommendation is for 5 floodsax per property, two each for the front and back door and one for use in the toilet. Please contact Peter for more information.**BUSINESSES, TRADES & SERVICES** - The Victoria Institute has allocated a display board for businesses, trades and services to promote themselves. Please leave your A5 poster, business cards etc. with Peter at the Institute.**FREE TO ADVERTISE 'FOR SALE' BOARD** - People are selling items for free on the notice board in the Victoria Institute. Collect a form from Peter in the Library/IT Room to advertise your items.**EMERGENCY CENTRE** - The Victoria Institute is our village's Emergency Centre. If there are problems such as flooding, long periods without mains water, or power cuts, the Victoria Institute will be staffed and you'll be able to get practical help and information.**ROOM HIRE** - Have your party, meeting or special event at the Victoria Institute.

We have a modern, fully equipped kitchen including a six ring gas hob stove, dishwasher and hot cupboard. We also have information on Caterers for your convenience.

With a choice of rooms, we have everything you need to make your event a great success. Call in, Peter will be happy to show you around or get in touch with him

Special rates are available for extended functions (8 or more hours, booking two or more large rooms) and multi room events.

DROP IN SERVICES LIBRARY & IT ROOM - The Library and IT Room is open 9.30am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday and has a good range of books. There are a small number of jigsaws that can also be borrowed.

We have 5 computers with Internet access and a 'multi-function' printer which also serves as a photocopier and scanner. Paper sizes A4 and A3 can be printed or copied in mono and full colour. You also can bring along your laptop or tablet and connect to our Wi-Fi (for the same IT costs). We have a paper shredder to dispose of your confidential and unwanted documents.

FAIRTRADE TEA & COFFEE - The Cottam Room is open Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 3.00pm.

A mug of Fairtrade tea or coffee and a biscuit is only 80p, local newspapers are available.

HERE TO HELP - Peter Collins, our Community Support Worker is here to help. Peter will help with a variety of admin tasks and on-line services.**GET IN TOUCH** - For all queries, including hiring the Victoria Institute please contact: -

Peter Collins the Community Support Worker at the Institute on 01524 771733

We are open between 9.30am and 3.00pm, Monday to Friday; there is a telephone answering service out of hours, holiday closure dates displayed on our website: You can email us on: admin@victoria-institute.org.uk: Further information can be found at our website: www.victoria-institute.org.uk: Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/victoria.institute.caton/>**VE DAY 75 CELEBRATIONS**

Friday 8th May 2020 @ Victoria Institute, Caton.

The Victoria Institute is celebrating the 75th anniversary of VE Day on this May Day Bank Holiday. Come with us on a journey back in time to 8th May 1945, VE Day. Everyone rejoicing because this is the end of 6 long years of war. Union flag flying, an abundance of bunting, everyone wearing period costume, music from the era, singing and dancing. We intend to have something for everyone young or old on the day. A great party atmosphere as everyone celebrates.

But we need your help. Do you have a story to tell, photographs or films of your memories or even family stories of VE day celebrations. We would love to hear from you so that we can share all these stories. If you can contribute in any way please contact Peter at The Institute or call Susan 01524 771862.

VILLAGE LUNCH CLUB

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ROTARY CLUB OF LUNESDALE

On Saturday 28th March 7.30pm at Queen Elizabeth School the Rotary Club Will Present "The Defenders"

Tickets are available from the Tourist Information shop in Kirkby Lonsdale from 1st February priced £12.50 or tel Nigel Pullen 015242 732873. Cheques to be made payable to "The Rotary Club of Lunesdale" please. We look forward to welcoming you to a great evening with this very popular and talented Group, their fabulous music of The Rock & Roll years and of course some dancing. Tickets are limited so please purchase yours early to avoid disappointment. All the money raised by the concert will be donated to the NW Air Ambulance. The Rotary Club is grateful to Kirkby Lonsdale Brewery for sponsorship support for the concert.

On behalf of President Dave a big thank to the Rotary members their family and friends who helped prior to Christmas to transport Father Christmas, in his sleigh, to visit villages in the Lune Valley braving the weather which on some evenings was really not very kind! Also to everyone who put a donation in the collection boxes a big thank you. The money raised will go to deserving local causes.

MOVIES IN THE PEWS

The next 3 months dates for Movies In The Pews 2020 are, February 14th and March 13th. For further information please contact Sue or Helen by email on moviesinthepews@gmail.com

TWINNING ASSOCIATION

The Socx Twinning Group has invited us all to visit them from 2-5 July – we will be travelling by coach on Thursday, home hosted, fed, entertained and truly spoilt for 3 nights returning on Sunday. Children will have the opportunity to visit school on their last day of the French Summer term. Everyone welcome – I can guarantee you will make new friends, from this village and theirs! If you are interested – get it in your diary and let me know. tricia@marybankfarm.uk

CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

The new year got off to a great start with our Health Week when the children learnt how to keep their minds and bodies healthy. Highlights of the week had to be our cookery day when the children created and made their own healthy recipes and our whole-school walk at Beacon Fell. Fortunately, the sun shone for us and the children had a wonderful day, completing a team nature hunt, orienteering, den building and making art in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. The week also included a visit from the NSPCC who informed the children about Childline.

On 16th January, we hosted a Key Stage 1 multisports event in our sports hall, with over 100 pupils from Lune Valley schools taking part. It was a superb afternoon and all the children enjoyed making new friends from other schools.

Our sports hall and meeting room are available to hire - please contact Tracey Howarth in the school office for further information.

THE CENTRE @ HALTON

Roller Disco is on 29th February 2020 with four sessions!

Sessions 1,2 and 3 are at 1.30, 3.30 & 5.30pm – plus a 4th session from 7.30pm to 9pm for age 14 + only. Tickets are £6 for sessions 1,2 and 3, for all ages (children under 12 years must be accompanied by an adult) and include roller skates (size 8 juniors to 13 adults) and safety equipment.

Tickets for the 4th session at 7.30pm are £8.00 (includes roller skates and safety equipment). Numbers are limited to 30 people for this session.

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HORNBY PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Can It Really Be February Already? Yes, folks, it really is AGM time again: 7pm on Tuesday, 11th February, in Hornby Institute. As well as our (hopefully) short business meeting, the evening will include 2020 membership enrolment, the new trips programme and a Jacob's Join Supper, for which members are invited to bring a contribution (sweet or savoury). We look forward to seeing old & new members there.

Games Evenings: This month our Whist & Dominoes evenings in Hornby Institute will be on Saturdays 8th & 22nd February. Admission including light refreshments & 2 free raffle tickets costs £2. Play starts at 7pm prompt, and EVERYBODY IS VERY WELCOME TO COME ALONG.

HORNBY SWIMMING POOL

Happy, healthy new year wishes from LVCS Hornby Swimming pool.

2019 was a very busy year for the LVCS community pool, proving very popular with more than a dozen schools, along with specialist clubs, societies and voluntary organisations and a growing number of public swimmers taking full advantage of a range of activities from aqua-fit to lane swim and family fun days. It's been a challenging time since re-opening and at the AGM chairman Bob McGachie resigned for personal reasons and Phil Mugford took over with immediate effect along with a new board of trustees to take the pool forward.

The small family-friendly pool is doing very well but still affected by some inherited technical problems impacting on profitability. A new business plan is currently being drafted and the new management team is confident that 2020 will see improved viability to ensure a bright long term future for this valuable community resource. The trustees would like to thank Lune Valley residents for all the initial support and encouragement. - it's your pool so why not make it a new year resolution to come along and let us know what you think. We'd love to hear from you.

Please call in anytime or check our website and Facebook as follows;- www.lunevalleypool.com
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JAZZ IN HORNBY

Happy New Year! Our first gig is on Saturday 15th February, the welcome return of the Tim Kliphuis Trio, Tim on violin plus Nigel Clark, guitar; and Roy Percy double bass.

Usual venue: The Village Institute, Main Street, (A683) Hornby, LA2 8JR. Doors and bar open at 7.30 p.m. music from 8 p.m. Tickets £15, on the door or ring 015242 22227

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HORNBY INSTITUTE

Sunday 1st March : Concert: Members of the Haffner Orchestra will perform a variety of music in Hornby Institute at 3.00pm - 4.30pm - entrance by donation.

This will be followed by afternoon tea - admission by ticket only: Book now to avoid disappointment. Tickets £8.00 available from reception at Hornby Institute. This is a fund raising event in aid of our roof.

Saturday 22nd February The Hornby Singers Concert: Around the World in 80 songs (give or take a few). Come and enjoy songs from across the globe. Admission by donation. Tea & biscuits plus a raffle. This is a fund raising event in aid of our roof.

Saturday 29th February 'A Wedding Fayre' on Leap Year's Day: There will be all the businesses needed to make a wedding perfect - florists; dresses, photographers; caterers and more - come and talk to them for ideas to make yours a truly personal day. Look forward to seeing you at Hornby Institute on 29th February 11am to 3pm. With a Pre-Loved element!

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Weekdays...see Parish Newsletter (Copy in Church porch)

Confessions: Before Masses & at St. Peter's Cathedral - Saturday 11.00 - 12 noon 5.45 pm - 6.15pm Children's Liturgy - Each Sunday during 11.00am Mass except 1st Sunday of the month.

ST PAUL'S CHURCH BROOKHOUSE COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be at the Parish Hall on the 5th of February 2020 at 10.30.

As usual there will be a raffle, a quiz, as well as a number of stalls displaying a range of produce at reasonable prices. It will give people the opportunity to meet friends and neighbours for a chat. You are most welcome to join us for a coffee, tea or cold drink as well as biscuits.

CRAFTY TOTS

Crafty Tots is a fortnightly toddler group held in Caton Baptist church.

Sessions start at 9:30am until 10:30am and are open to pre school children from the age of 18 months +. Come and join us for crafts, stories and singing with a brew for the mums (and dads or grandparents)

To book a place email catoncraftytots@gmail.com or contact Laura on 01524 771371. The cost will be £2:50. The dates for February are 12th and 26th.

SATURDAY SOCCER AND NETBALL

Saturday soccer and netball will now be running monthly rather than weekly, the first Saturday of each month. If you have never been before we meet at Caton Community School playing field/Sports Hall 10 - 12 noon. Football is for children aged 7 - 14 years and netballers aged 9 - 13 years.

Please make sure you have the correct foot wear. A drink and biscuit will be provided, cost is £1. The date for February is the 1st Please come along and join in the fun!

OASIS CAFE

Oasis Café is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.00am to 2.00pm at Brookhouse Methodist Church. If you need a place to relax and meet others over a coffee and cake or a light lunch you will be welcome here. Toys are available if you want to bring young children.

LUNE VALLEY SWIFTS

Last summer the group put in over 100 volunteer hours to identify at least 30 different swift nest sites in Caton and Brookhouse, showing that the area is still a stronghold for swifts. Our mission is to protect these amazing birds by raising awareness and putting up more swift nest boxes. Swifts are only with us for about three months each summer. At the moment they will be enjoying the warmth of east Africa having migrated there in August/September! They will return to us to breed in May and need plenty of nest sites to arrive back to.

In 2020, with the help of a grant from Champion Bowland, we'll be putting up demonstration swift boxes on community buildings in the parish and trying to encourage as many residents as possible to do the same.

Our next meeting is at 7.30pm on 12th February at The Station, Caton. Look out for more info about our meetings and events this year in the LINK.

If you think you may have swifts nesting in your property it is very important to protect any existing nest sites - they may have been used by the same pair of birds for many years. This is particularly important if you are having any work done on your house. We can provide advice to help you. Or would you like to instal a swift nest box ready for the nesting season? Or just join our friendly group to help out and be part of something positive to help wildlife? Everyone is welcome - just come along to a meeting or get in touch by emailing us lunevalleyswifts@gmail.com or following us on Facebook.

There is also lots of information about swifts and how to help them on the Swift Conservation website: www.swift-conservation.org

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Alpha Course - the next Alpha Course at St Paul's will be held on Thursday evenings, starting on 27th February at 19:30pm at the Vicarage. Lasts 11 weeks with a break over Easter, light refreshments provided.. Alpha is an opportunity to explore the fundamentals of the Christian faith in a relaxed, open environment. All welcome, contact revpaulboulter@gmail.com, see www.alpha.org.

CATON BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Alan Wadsworth. 01524 771371.

Please check out our church website. There will be more details of activities and up to date news of our church - www.catonbaptist.org.

Our Sunday services:- 10:30am and 6:30pm. A warm welcome to everyone.. Children's Church is for children 3 - 14 and runs during the morning service. An all age family service is every second Sunday of the month at 10:30am.

Sunday 9th February:- Youth Service at 6-30pm followed by tea/coffee/hot chocolate and doughnuts. All welcome.

Ladies Meeting:- Our ladies meeting is held fortnightly on a Wednesday, in the Sunday School room at 2pm. After the service light refreshments are served when you can enjoy a chat over your cup of tea. This is such a friendly group and a very warm welcome is extended to all. If you haven't been before and would like a lift please contact Judith on 01524 770872.

The dates for February are -

5th - Mr Mike Wajdner, a representative from SASRA - The Soldiers and Airmen Scripture Readers Association who will talk about his work sharing Gods word among H M forces.

19th - Mrs Lynda Bovenizer from Preston. Lynda and her husband James work for the Faith Mission in the North West.

Alf Club:- (All about Life and Faith) is a group for primary aged children which is held in the Sunday School room from 6 - 7pm every Thursday (term time only) The hour is packed full of games, DVDs, stories, refreshments, crafts and lots of fun. Come along and bring your friends. We are back again 16th January.

Bridge Cafe:- Open on the first Friday of each month. - 10:30 to 12 noon. Come and enjoy a toasted teacake with your tea/coffee. Come and go as you please or stay the whole morning and enjoy catching up with your friends. All welcome.

The date for this month will be **Friday 7th February**

CATON METHODIST CHAPEL

Weekly Sunday Service:- 10:30am With Sunday School and coffee

All Age Worship:- Sunday 2nd February 10:30am. With Dave and Lyn Allen. With coffee and biscuits

Saturday Soup :- Saturday 8th February 12:30pm. Enjoy soup - and homemade cakes with Friends. Everyone welcome £3.00 per person.

Bible Study:- 10th and 24th February at 7pm With Rev Andrew Champley. Finishing with Hot Chocolate.

Crafts @ Caton:- Change of day to Thursdays - Thursday 27th February 10-12

Come with your knitting and crocheting and enjoy a chat over a coffee

BROOKHOUSE METHODIST CHURCH

Our Sunday services are at 10.45am and 7pm.

Please come and join us - everyone welcome. Junior Church, which is for children from 3 to 14, is during the morning service and finishes at approximately 12.15pm. There is also a creche for the under 3s.

Tiddlywinks - Every Thursday morning from 10 to 11.30am and is £1 per family. 0-4 year olds please bring a responsible adult with you!

Meet to Eat - Hot meal followed by pudding and a cup of tea at a cost of £5.00 per person. This will be on Friday 7th and Friday 21st February, then every two weeks thereafter at 12:30pm. If you would like to come but need a lift please call Tom Mason on 770257.

BMC YOUTHCLUB

BMC Youth club" every **Friday 7pm to 9pm**. at Brookhouse Methodist Church, aimed at 11 to 16 year olds, games, fun and tuck shop, free entry, all welcome. For any further info contact plegg822@gmail.com

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Our meetings is held on the second Thursday of each month in the Black Bull at 7.30 pm. *Our next two meetings will be on Thursday 13th February and Thursday 12th March.*

During January further digging progressed the route on the north Side of Brookhouse Road toward Artle Beck. In February and March we aim to complete that work and also start to progress toward Chestnut Avenue and Sycamore Road. Over 90% of the properties on the new Sycamore development are now live with B4RN. Thank you to all volunteers who have continued to support the project and help to get individual properties connected.

If you would like the B4RN service register your details at b4rn.org.uk/postcode-checker/ and enter your postcode. There are islands in the village that are surrounded by roads who, without a significant number of householders registering their interest, may never be able to access a B4RN service. If you are on such an island, talk to your neighbours and generate interest!

Caton news - GOOD NEWS! Caton has its first, future proof, world beating hyper-fast fibre broadband connection! CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL IS NOW LIVE! They have a full Gigabyte (1000mb) upload and download connection, and it is completely FREE!

Provisional plans are in place to make real progress connecting other properties this spring, however, they are dependent on a crucial permission being given to cross one property! If this is not forthcoming, we will be back to the drawing board.

Next meeting, Monday 10th February 8.00pm, The Station Hotel

PAINTING GROUP

The painting group meets again on Friday 14th & 28th February at Brookhouse Methodist Church from 1.30-3.30pm. We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome whatever their level of skill.

We just ask for a £1 donation to cover the cost of heating etc. We also have a cup of tea or coffee. For more information contact Ruth 01524 770605.

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