

HARDEN VOICE

The newsletter of Harden Parish Council

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Memorial Hall special

Community asset - 100 years on

Harden Memorial Hall has figured in almost all the Parish Council newsletters. It is also in the Parish Plan because the village survey showed that residents were concerned about its future.

But the hall is underused and needs more repairs and maintenance than Bradford Council looks likely to be able to afford.

The History of Harden Memorial Hall

In 1921, the Memorial Hall and the Memorial Garden was conveyed by members of the local Haggas family to a charitable trust

In memory of the inhabitants of the parish, township or village of Harden who have died or suffered in the war with Germany and her allies of 1914-19.

The objects of the charity were "playing grounds or gardens, reading, writing or recreation rooms, or other purposes of a similar nature for the benefit and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the parish township or village of Harden".

Older residents of the village remember when the Hall was a hive of activity. Now there is just the Pre-school, the JSC Afterschool Club, the youth club (one night a week) and the Parish Council.



The Memorial Hall Needs 'Friends'

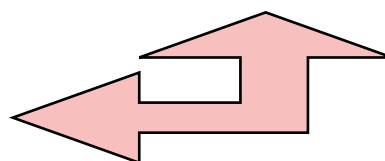
In order to secure the future of the Hall as a community asset almost 100 years after the start of the First World War the Parish Council wants to promote a ' Friends ' organisation of local residents and users to develop a way of improving the Hall and extending its usage.

Do your children attend the Pre-School, the Afterschool Club or the Youth Club? Are you concerned that a valuable asset is not being properly maintained and cared for?



If so, would you join a group supported by the Parish Council to work on this project?

***Be a Friend of
Harden Memorial Hall
Contact the Parish Clerk on
01274 408472***



News from your Parish Council



Lucy Gore, Molly Peel and Snuggy delivering the last Parish Council newsletter

Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of every month and are open to the public. They are normally held in the Memorial Hall at 7.15pm.

The agenda will be put on the notice boards at least 3 days before each meeting. The minutes are posted in the same place. Copies may be found on the website

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March 14th. April 11th. May 9th (AGM). June 13th. July 11th.

Parish Council Precept

The Parish Council precept is the amount collected from each household in the village in a year. The amount you pay depends upon the council tax band of your home.

Band @	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
5.56	6.67	7.78	8.89	10.00	12.22	14.44	16.67	20.00

The Parish Council collects a total of £7,600 a year from the precept but has cash in reserve as well. Key items of spending next year include:

	£
Litter & Dog Fouling	300
Bulbs & Trees	1200
Newsletter	600
Anti - crime	100
Harden Park	150
Youth Project	1000
Christmas Lights	500
Memorial Hall	2000
Website	200

Full details of the budget are available from the Parish Clerk

Local news

Following complaints by parish councillors,

- The rubbish bin at the Wilsden Road bus stop has been replaced
- The mini-roundabout and the arrows have been repainted
- The road surface at the mini roundabout which was damaged by bad weather immediately it was laid, will be repaired.

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