

HARDEN VOICE

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Christmas lights switch on

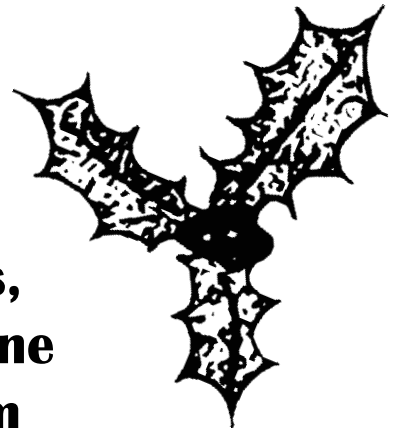


The Parish Council, the Gala Committee and the church have got together for the first time for a grand ceremony to switch on the Christmas lights in Harden. -

The Gala Committee will be providing the tree and the lights as usual and the Parish Council has bought lights for the two trees behind the War Memorial. The switch on will be performed by the Vicar. You are invited to join us on:

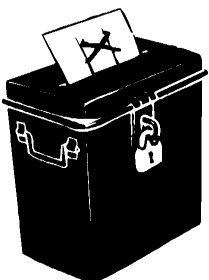
Sunday December 5th
6pm

by the War Memorial
followed by warm mince pies,
tea, coffee, soft drinks and wine
in St Saviour's Family Room



Parish Council Elections in 2011

The four-yearly elections for the Parish Council will take place on Thursday May 5th 2011. There will be seven vacancies to be filled. If you would like to know more, please contact the chairman.



Volunteer Drivers

Volunteer Drivers are still needed for this scheme which helps people get to the doctors, dentist and the hospital. Recently some people who asked for lifts were unable to have them. There is no rota or standby commitment. If you can help, please contact Colin Booth on 272404 .



Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are at 7.30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of every month and are open to the public. They are normally held in the Memorial Hall.

The Planning Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month if required.

The agendas will be put on the new notice boards at least 3 days before each meeting. The minutes are posted in the same place.

Or you can get them from the website

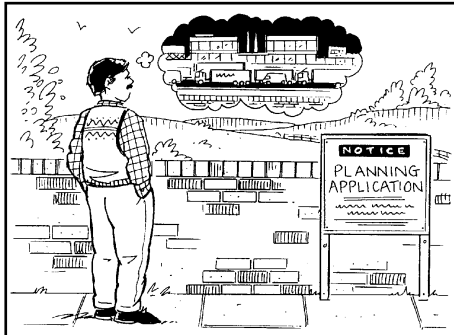
News from your Parish Council

What does a Parish Council do?

Parish Councils have a surprisingly wide range of powers including:

Being consulted on planning applications

The Parish Council has a statutory right to be consulted about all planning applications in the parish area.



The Planning Committee then has three weeks to express its view to Bradford Council who are responsible for making the decision. The Parish Council does not make planning decisions itself.

Harden youth project update

We would like to welcome our newest youth leader Miss Kully Kaur. Kully is an experienced youth worker who has brought lots of new and exciting initiatives to our project!

Our new opening hours are 6:30p.m until 8:30pm every Tuesday evening in the Memorial Hall. If you are aged between 13 and 19 come along and join in the fun!! We offer games, cooking, arts and crafts, music and a choice of trips to various locations including ice rinks, lazer zone and theme parks

Police in the Park

Following an increase in complaints of anti-social behaviour from residents your local team have been conducting extra patrols in and around Harden Park and Memorial Hall.



Over the years this area has been used by young people as a place to gather and meet friends. Unfortunately some of these individuals have not been using the place responsibly and as a result there has been increased noise and litter.

Working with the Council the team conducted a visual audit before the recent day of action and saw that the Park needed a clean up which was carried out.

Recently the team also conducted an operation in the Park and spoke to sixteen young people who were there. These individuals have been warned about their behaviour and advised that anyone behaving irresponsibly will be subject to the anti-social behaviour process.

This process is a formal way of warning individuals about their conduct. If behaviour does not improve then the process is taken to the next level which can ultimately result in an anti-social behaviour order which places restrictions on their lives.

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