# HARDEN VOICE The newsletter of Harden Parish Council Issue 9 Nov / Dec 2011

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# Christmas Lights switch on

The Parish Council, the Gala Committee and the church have got together again 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 11th at 6pm

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

This year, there will be an extra surprise with some new lights. But where?

## **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.

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

December 8th. January 12th (Precept setting) February 9th. March 8th. April 12th. May 10th ( AGM )



### Resignation

We are sorry to report that Hannah Cummins has resigned from the Parish Council. She is getting married and moving to Wilsden. <u>As a result, we</u> <u>urgently need new residents to join the Parish</u> <u>Council. If you want to know what is involved,</u> <u>please contact any of us at the numbers on the</u> <u>back page.</u>

We have also appointed a new Parish Clerk to replace Jess Mathews who has moved out of the area. Our new clerk is Eve Haskins who is also clerk to Sandy Lane Parish Council.

#### **Youth Club**

Hannah was the inspiration behind the Tuesday Youth Club which has become one of the best attended in the area and we shall miss her very much. It now has 30+ regular members attending. The Parish Council is paying for a youth club session on Friday evening but so far this is less well attended. It offers a snooker table, plasma TV games console, board games, equipment for baking and cookery lessons and career and sexual health information.

## News from your Parish Council

## Harden Parish Council

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## **Vehicle Activated Sign**

Bradford Council is planning to install a Vehicle Activated sign on Harden Road in an attempt to slow traffic coming into the village. Traffic speed is a problem identified bv residents in the parish survey.

The sign is being paid for from the casualty reduction budget and should be in place by the end of March

> West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service is West Yorkshire pleased to be working with your Parish Council, Fire & Rescue Service in a new joint venture aimed at making West Yorkshire a safer place to live. As well as

attending incidents we also work in the community to promote fire and road safety education and prevent fires and incidents occurring. Factors that increase the risk of you being injured in a fire in the home may include no working smoke detectors, having a smoker in the household, your age or someone with physical impairment.

If you would like further information, you can either visit our website www.westyorksfire.gov.uk or contact your local fire station.

## **Memorial Hall**

The three Bradford Councillors for Bingley Rural have decided to use some of their allocation of ward money to pay for feasibility studies into the future uses of Harden Memorial Hall and Denholme Mechanics Institute.

The Memorial Hall is a key building in the village but we know already that it needs a lot of money spending on it to bring it up to standard.

## We want to hear from you

It is four years since the Parish Council conducted its survey of the village which resulted in the Parish Plan. Now we want to hear from you again about things you think we should be doing. Please use this cut off slip to let us know.

You can return it via the box in the Post Office. All replies will be treated as confidential

Your name ..... Your address..... Phone.....

E mail .....

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