

Eggleston Parish Community Newsletter

SUMMER 2020

A letter from the Chairman of the Parish Council

Dear Parishioner

What a strange Spring we have had. I would like to say a big **thank you** to your Focal Points, Andrew, Anita, Dee, Harry & Rachel, Jill, Lynne, Neil & Sheila, Nicky, Marcus, Michael, Richard, Sally and Tracey. They cheerfully volunteered to support people living in their area to ensure we all had someone to turn to when needed. Thanks to Ruth for helping with the organisation back in March. Thank you to all the medical staff, carers, police fire fighters and those working in service industries living in our parish. They have continued to do such a wonderful job— they are always appreciated. It is sad, but a sensible decision, that the June Carnival and the Church Fayre have been cancelled this year. The Eggleston Show has also been cancelled. The Village Hall Committee have closed the hall until they receive assurances that it is safe to have groups meeting again indoors—distancing.

The Royal British Legion have decided that the May VE Day 75th celebrations will now be combined with VJ Day celebrations on 15th August.

In May it is usual to hold the Parish Council AGM and Village Meeting. This year Government, through NALC, have agreed that meetings can move to June. Your Parish Council have agreed that we will hold the meetings on Wednesday 3rd June in the Recreation Park at 8pm and 8.15pm. As usual all parishioners are welcome—bring a chair!

We have had some problems with people who, 'let out' of lock down have been very antisocial on Eggleston Fell. I am not sure why people need to set fires on open ground and encourage their dogs to chase sheep. Our usual visitors don't do these things. Do phone the police if you see anything unusual. Unfortunately this is not limited to our fell or dale.

Please keep safe—and continue to consider those around you.

Wendy Greenfield

Any dates given in this newsletter rest with decisions made by the Government .

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SERVICES

Services are on line for the foreseeable months.
We intend to restart our cafe style services on the
2nd Sunday in the month
in the village hall
as soon as legislation allows.



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

People News

We have said goodbye to —

**David Caig
and
Maureen Watson**

**Both in their time served this parish
well.**

Welcome to -

Delighted parents Michelle & Johnny have
introduced
Leah Grace Swinbank to the parish
A little sister to Charlie.

STRESS Texting **NO** talking

Do you find life stressful?
Do you suffer from stress?
Do you hate to actually talk about it?
TEXT 07725 909 090
Professionally Trained Help via text
- no talking face to face or over the
telephone.
Whatever your age they are there for you.
Maybe you know someone who would
appreciate this information.

Post Office Services

Post office services are available in **UTASS**
on **TUESDAY** 1.45pm—3pm
And **FRIDAY** 1.45pm—3pm

Social distancing is in operation.
Timings may vary slightly.

Barclays Bank in Middleton
Timings are 9.30am—to noon
On Mondays & Fridays

If you usually support ..

**the Carnival and/or the Church Fayre
please consider giving them a
donation, (*however you like*) as both
these community organisations need
funds to continue their excellent
work.**

Contacts are:

Carnival Committee — Geff Herbert
Cheques to Eggleston Carnival Committee

Holy Trinity — Jayne Holmes
Cheques to Holy Trinity PCC

The newsletter is available on the
Eggleston Parish Council website.
www.egglestonparishcouncil.org
If you have news for us please contact
the Parish Clerk,
 **07817 214 754**
 egglestonclerk@gmail.com
**Next issue is due in early
SEPTEMBER 2020**

VJ DAY 75



SATURDAY

15th AUGUST

3pm to 5pm

Recreation Park

Bring your picnic

Bring & Share with others if you feel able

Music from the 40s

Sing songs! Words will be provided.

See friends and neighbours

Dress in your best 1940s get up!

KEEP social Distancing if this is still the need

If you need **Independent FINANCIAL** advice:

Citizens Advice Call 03444 111 444
www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Step Change Call 0800 13811 11
www.stepchange.org

National Debtline Call 0808 808 4000
www.nationaldebtline.org

If you have unwanted

Furniture .. Don't throw it away, think of DISC Furniture Scheme. A non-profit service. Sales of items cover their operating costs. White goods & children's prams accepted. Collection can be arranged throughout Co Durham.

Contact:

01325 731 160 or
furniture@disc-vol.org.uk

If you are still in lock-down & need things to do

- Metal detect your garden.
- Look up your family tree
- Read a classic
- Memorise trivial pursuit cards
- Play chess -
- Colour code your books
- Play boules / Petanque
- Grow some lettuce/ radishes/garlic
- Put your CDs DVDs in reverse alphabetical order
- Enjoy the view

PS—The Tip IS Open!

Small business grant funding scheme

In response to COVID-19, the government announced there would be support for small businesses, and businesses in the retail, hospitality and leisure sectors. This support will take the form of two grant funding schemes, the Small Business Grant Fund and the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund. The schemes will be delivered via DCC – if you are eligible, DCC should have been in touch with you to arrange payment. If you have heard nothing—**get in touch with them.**