



Electoral Review of Knowsley and Boundary Changes

The Local Government Boundary Commission has commenced an electoral review of Knowsley at the request of Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council. The results of the review will not affect Cronton. All the boundary changes are internal there is no change to the external boundaries. Changes to Whiston South (Our Ward) will include some of the streets to the North of Whiston South that may result in a change to the

voting balance of the region as this area tends to vote Liberal rather than Labour and an increase in the total number of voters per Ward.

The total number of Ward Councillors will be reduced by 18 to 45 Councillors and Cronton will still be represented by 3 Ward Councillors. However, as the overall total number of Councillors has been reduced, each councillor will have to represent a greater number of voters, impacting on their work load.

The changes are motivated as a cost reducing exercise, as the reduced number of Councillors will result in a lower number of expenses and wages to KMBC.

Will Cook
Chair, Cronton Parish Council

WARD COUNCILLORS (Whiston South including Cronton)	
Terry Byron	0151 208 3281
Tony Newman	0151 292 4884
David Williams	0151 430 0607

Closure of Whiston Fire Station



Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service (MFRS) have decided to close Whiston and Huyton fire stations and build a new station at Manchester Road Prescot. The new station will have two appliances but only one of them will be staffed 24 hrs 365 days. The other will only be staffed during spate conditions using the wholetime retained system. This system of staffing relies on full time firefighters being on call during their off duty periods. They will respond from their homes

when required.

The result of this proposal is a reduction in the level of service previously provided. Should an incident occur in Cronton the nearest fire appliances will be mobilised using GPS technology. This may mean the nearest appliance may be in Belle Vale in south Liverpool.

Arrangements exist between MFRS and Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service where appliances from Widnes will attend incidents in Cronton. Widnes fire station is slightly



nearer than the new station in Prescot and the route is more direct.

We have been assured that 3 appliances will attend any house fire in Cronton and the reduction in attendance time is minimal.

MFRS offer free smoke alarms and fire safety advice. If you would like a smoke alarm or advice then contact MFRS on 0800 7315958.

Shaun Cooper, Councillor



Remembrance Sunday Service

Sunday 9th November 2014

At 10.40 am

War Memorial, Cronton

This year marks the centenary of the commencement of World War I. Please come and support this Remembrance Service which commemorates the ultimate sacrifice of those who gave their lives for us.

CRONTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

*Do you have
an hour or two to
spare?*

As a voluntary organisation in the village, we are looking for **more volunteers** to help with a number of tasks that need completing on a regular basis. For example hedge trimming, gardening and general maintenance.

If you can **HELP**, please contact the **Secretary Chris Birtwistle** on **0151 424 0693**. An answering machine is in operation.

Many
thanks



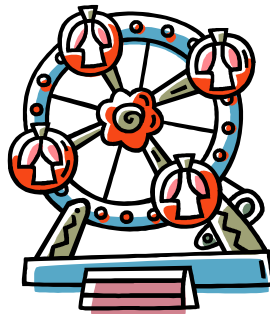
CRONTON GALA

Next year's Cronton Gala will be held on Saturday 13th June 2015

Before then there will be various supporting events and the next is the Christmas Coffee Morning at the Parish Council Office 9am to 12.00pm Saturday 6th December.

Hopefully there will also be a **Father Christmas Float** touring the village on the evening of 6th December, please give generously.

The Cronton Gala Committee is always looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help with the planning and/or operation of the Gala. Please come to one of our short and friendly informal monthly meetings at the Parish Council Office or for more information call Ian on 07770 395 599.



Cronton Village Gala - run by the community - for the community.



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH TO REMAIN OPEN

Chris Roderick

Following a long consultation process it has been announced that Holy Family Church will remain open.

There had been a proposal by the Pastoral Area Leadership Team in the Pastoral Area of St Charles Borromeo, Widnes that Holy Family should no longer be used as a place of worship.

This caused a great deal of concern and distress to many Village residents of different denominations and as a consequence a steering group was established with the aim of challenging this proposal. The steering group was chaired by Chris Roderick.

The Archbishop's Council (Liverpool Archdiocese) met to consider the Pastoral Area Leadership Team's proposal on 17th July, 2014. The Council's



decision agreed with one of the observations in the

steering group's counter proposal which questioned why Holy Family was within a Widnes Pastoral Area when geographically it is situated in Knowsley.

Consequently, as of 5th September, 2014, Holy Family RC parish is no longer part of the Pastoral Area of St Charles Borromeo (Widnes) but is now part of the Pastoral Area of St Margaret Clitheroe and is part of the parish of St Leo's, Lickers Lane, Whiston. The new Parish Priest is Fr. Michael McCormick who is resident at St. Leo's.

The steering group would like to thank everyone in the Village and also the many non-residents who were eager to support the campaign.



ronton Pathways

Autumn Clean-Up Day

Come and help **KEEP CRONTON TIDY** on our Autumn Litter-Pick

FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

10.00am-1.00pm

(or as much of that time you can spare)

Meet at **Holy Family Club** at 10.00am

Bags, gloves, litter-pickers provided



Carol Service

Tuesday

16 December 2014

Holy Family Church

Details to be announced





Mondays ~ Chair Based Exercise

Keeping mobile and agile through chair-based exercise

When ? 1.30-2.30pm every Monday (except during school holidays).

Where? HOLY FAMILY CLUB, HALL LANE

Cost? £1 per week (to cover the cost of hall hire).

Tuesdays ~ Health Walks

We offer a choice of three walks of differing levels of difficulty

When ? 1.00-2.45pm every Tuesday (except during school holidays).

Where? Start and end at HOLY FAMILY CLUB, HALL LANE

Cost? FREE OF CHARGE (a donation for refreshments is wel-

Tuesdays ~ Boccia

Indoor bowling from a seated position

When ? 1.00-2.45pm every Tuesday (except during school holidays).

Where? HOLY FAMILY CLUB, HALL LANE

Cost? FREE OF CHARGE (a donation for refreshments is welcome)

Wednesdays ~ Craft Group

Exploring/sharing a range of craft skills ~ embroidery, tapestry, quilting, knitting, crochet, lace-making etc etc etc

When ? 10.00am –12.00 noon every Wednesday

Where? THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, HAMPTON DRIVE

Cost? FREE OF CHARGE

For further information contact Pete or Bess Smith on 0151 420 6326



In an emergency call **999**.

For everything else call **101**

Knowsley Council

Reporting anti-social behaviour

Call **0151 443 2000** in confidence, Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm and Saturday 10am-12:30pm.

SSE Contracting (new street lighting)

24/7 Customer Service Line
0151 443 3100



The press and public are welcome to attend all Council meetings and will be invited to speak at the public participation session.

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Coming Council Meetings

At Cronton Parish Council Office,

commencing at 7:00

pm (Meeting notices will be posted on the notice board)

Monday 24 November 2014

Council Meeting

Monday 8 December 2014

General Purposes and Environment Committee

Finance and Policy Committee

Monday 5 January 2015

Council Meeting

Monday 19 January 2015

Committee Meetings

