



CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER



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Councillor Rosanne Hayes — New Chairman



I've lived in Cronton for 19 years now and although it is not my original home I have raised my family here and have fully in-

involved myself in the community for a long time. I enjoy the varied work on the Parish Council and mostly I enjoy helping the community to try to make Cronton a pleasant place to live. I aim to work alongside our borough council and other organisations to look after our village and residents, and since joining the Parish Council over 2 years ago I have been involved in many projects such as making the cross-roads path more accessible for wheelchair/

buggy users, helping to set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and the updating of the Pasture and play area. As a Parish Council we would like to encourage more engagement with our residents and community groups and we welcome you to our meetings, or to contact us to ask questions or provide feedback via our website and Facebook group.

Councillor Rosanne Hayes

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Our Sympathies

We were saddened to hear the news that one of our former Parish Councillors- Ian Watson, sadly passed away recently. Our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

Past Chairman David Rostance

Since our last newsletter our Chairman David Rostance after 30 Years of invaluable service has retired from Cronton Parish Council



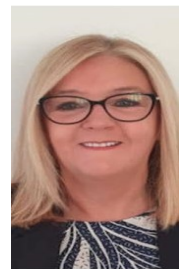
David was a tremendous contributor and will be greatly missed but we wish him well in all that he plans to do.

Councillor R Hayes

PARISH CLERK Karen Newton

After the retirement of Vitti, in late summer 2022, we recruited our new Parish Clerk Karen Newton.

Karen is a great asset to the team and brings a wealth of experience and skills from previous and current roles. We hope that Karen enjoys her role supporting the Parish Council and continues to help us to do good work for the village and the community.



Councillor R Fielding

Cronton Gala News



This Year's Gala & Music Fest '23' will return on Saturday 9th September and the committee are busy planning for this event, so save the date in your diaries! There are lots of

stalls and activities booked in and we and have some exciting music acts in place to provide the backdrop to the day. If you have a business which can provide a raffle prize please also get in touch – crontongala@aol.com.

It is some while ago now but on Good Friday we held our annual children's Easter Event, which included free crafts and refreshments and a picture trail around the Pasture with the children receiving a chocolate egg upon completion. We also had the Easter Bunny who came to surprise the children.



On Friday 5th May we joined up with Natalie Dignam Theatre School to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. This was held in the Community Centre with a range of stalls and children's crafts, music and refreshments including cream teas.

Last year the gala committee also helped to raise funds of over £1,000 for various charities – firstly by sending money raised through a coffee morning to Ukraine via the Disasters Emergency Committee, this raised £692.50 including gift aid. And following our Santa event held around the village last December we also managed to raise donations of around £360. These were split between The Whitechapel Centre, Evolving Mindset and Age Concern to help local groups with issues such as homelessness, mental health and loneliness.

VOLUNTEER



The gala committee are looking for new volunteers who can offer their time to help at events, this can be anything from a couple of hours to as much time as you have! Without volunteers our events may not

be able to go ahead in future years – please consider lending a hand. We would like to ensure that the gala and other events can continue for many years to come. If you would like further information on how you could help us please email crontongala@aol.com or visit our Facebook page and send us a message.

Councillor R Hayes

Pasture Master Plan

As many people will have seen, work has been completed on the Pasture to provide a perimeter path around the area This will hopefully allow extended use of the Pasture in the winter months and provide an outdoor walking space within the village which everyone should be able to benefit from. The children's play area is also being renewed with new equipment. We also recently had a Green Flag visit to the Pasture, with the judges confirming that we have retained the Green Flag award status.

Any further information on the Pasture works will be updated on the Parish Council website and Facebook page when available.

Councillor R Hayes

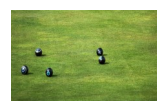


Cronton Parish Council - Information Website — WWW.Cronton.org
Facebook — Cronton Parish Council where you can find information on issues affecting our village along with details of our Parish Council meetings.

The public are welcome to attend meetings to raise any issues of concern or interest. The meeting schedule is available on our website and Facebook page.

Councillor R Hayes

Cronton Village Bowling Club



You may have seen that work is being put in at the Bowling Club behind the Community Centre to attempt to get this up and running again. They are looking for new members - see the Facebook group Cronton Village Bowling Club or contact Ste Polhill on 07718 661227 for more info.

Great British Spring Clean – 1 April 2023

As part of the above event, a group of volunteers - led by Gordon Lavender from Knowsley Council Green Space Rangers - worked on a tidy up of the Pasture. A large number of bags of litter were collected. Following on from this many of the volunteers chose to continue their clean up throughout the village in areas including Penny/Tue Lane, where a large amount of litter was collected.

A big thank you to everyone who took part – some of whom are in the pictures.

Anyone who would like to litter pick individually can request a litter picker and bags, either via the website or leaving a note through the Parish Council office door.





On the 09th May 2023 before our Annual Parish Council Meeting, we held a celebration to show our gratitude for three of our members who have retired in the last year after many years of service. These being Shaun Cooper, David Rostance, who both held the position of Chairman before retiring and Vitti Osborne, Parish Council Clerk . The celebration was open to members of the community and was attended by parish and ward councillors past and present. We wish Shaun, David and Vitti all the best for their retirement and thank them for all they have done for our community.



Proposed Taylor Wimpey Development

At the time of writing, as you should be aware, 2 planning applications have been submitted regarding the proposed housing development to the east of Chapel Lane. One to Knowsley Met. Borough Council and one to Halton Borough Council. Cronton Parish Council have circulated our objections to these planning applications to households in the village, with the opportunity for parishioners to either object online or via the objection letter. All the objection letters have been photocopied and one sent to Knowsley and one to Halton Borough councils. The Parish Council, would like to thank everybody who has responded. We will keep you informed, of any future developments, as and when there are any.

Councillor G McGann

Social Bridge Group

A resident is looking to hold a social Bridge Group in the village, if you would like to get involved please put a note through the Parish Council door, with your name and contact details.



St Anne's Well and Coronation Garden's

If anyone is passing these two Cronton Landmark's , you cant help but to notice how well they are both looking. A large part of this is due to the ongoing work done by local resident , Ken Beavan who has devoted much of his spare time to planting flowers, and the thankless task of weeding along with the help from Steve from Cronton Garden Centre who have provided plants and replacing the Holly bushes. Well Done Ken and Thankyou! Cllr John Foran

CRONTON VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Cronton has its own small group of Merseyside Police vetted Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators and we are looking for residents to join our scheme. We also need more vetted co-ordinators to assist in various parts of the village.

The safety of the community is one of the main reasons people join Neighbourhood Watch. Together we can report suspicious behaviour, crimes and scams to the appropriate partner agencies and encourage engagement with our neighbours.

Through our Facebook group we have been able to make the community aware of recent incidents of anti-social behaviour around Pex Hill. Following a recent meeting between several organisations, including United Utilities, the Police as well as Pex Hill climbers and residents, and a more pro-active approach to policing in the area, incidents so far have reduced.

We intend to hold further meetings with Knowsley Police and other organisations to continue to communicate any issues and attempt to reduce crime and ASB. Ways to join us:

*Online; become a member Ourwatch.org.uk. Login, enter your postcode and select Cronton Village Neighbourhood Watch. You will then receive stickers and crime prevention information as well as email alerts.

*Social Media; you can find us on Facebook and join our group Cronton Village Neighbourhood Watch.

*Parish Council website; use the contact us form.

*Parish Council office; drop a note in the post-box.

You could also set up WhatsApp groups with your neighbours to communicate local issues and to look out for each other. We want to hear about what matters to YOU. Rosanne Hayes, Julia Pullan & Alison Glover.

CRONTON GARDEN CENTRE

You may have noticed that the planters by the shops and on the railings opposite the Community Centre have been replanted with fresh blooms and look splendid This has been generously donated by Cronton Garden Centre to whom we are extremely grateful.
Cllr J Foran

WARD COUNCILLORS (Whiston and Cronton)

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BOOK CLUB

Cllr R Hayes

This is being run at present each **Monday in the Parish Council office, by members of the Gala Committee - between 11am and 1pm**. There are a huge range of books of all genres, new and old, fiction and non-fiction, even some children's books. There are even a few jigsaws that can be borrowed. Everyone is welcome to call in and take/borrow a book and have a cup of tea or coffee. Any changes to these times will be put on Facebook - The Cronton Gala.

Meeting notices will be posted on the notice board and on www.cronton.org

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

CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL Coming Meetings

Parish Council Office,
7 Hampton Drive, Cronton
at 7.00pm



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