

# Pilling News

Spring, 2014

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Cover in Spring Green!!

QUALITY  
PARISH  
COUNCIL

## **FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

Here we are just in 2014 and already Christmas seems in the distant past. It was marked in Pilling by a series of events and celebrations, not the least of which was the Annual Senior Citizens Christmas Party. We hope those of you who were able to attend enjoyed as much as we enjoyed putting it on.

So far the weather has been relatively mild and we have escaped the floods suffered by other areas of the country. However, the amount of rain has had an effect on road surfaces and we have seen a gradual deterioration on many roads in the parish. The Parish Council will continue to press for quality repairs to be effected on such roads.

Also concerning transport, we as a body (and individually as parishioners), have responded to Lancashire County Council's plans to axe bus services to rural areas in the evenings and at weekends. We are fully aware of the use to which these services are put and object most strongly to the proposed cuts.

John Savage  
Chairman, Pilling Parish Council

# **Annual Parish Meeting**

Will be held on

Wednesday  
**9<sup>th</sup> April, 2014.**

at 7.00 pm

in The Comrades Room,  
Pilling Memorial Hall,

Taylor's Lane

**ALL Residents welcome**

# Pilling Parish Precept

Each year a sum of money called the parish precept is collected through your council tax. In simple terms this is calculated by subtracting what the Parish Council will receive in income: from the amount it needs to spend in the Parish. This money is invested back into your neighbourhood by the Parish Council to improve facilities and services for you and your neighbours. The Parish Council also applies for grants and devolved services from the principal authorities.

The itemised precept for the year 2014 - 2015 is;

Estimated Income	2014 - 2015		Estimated Payments
Estimated Income	£2,000.00	£38,126.74	Employment Costs
		£1,200.00	Insurance/Subscriptions
		£1,400.00	Administration
		£360.00	Audit
		£2,000.00	Parish Maintenance and Equipment
		£280.00	Training
		£100.00	Environmental Projects
		£750.00	Donations/Section 137
		£600	Parish Newsletter
		£30.00	Advertising
		£300.00	Christmas Tree
		£200.00	Pilling in Bloom
		£500.00	Capital Equipment
		£2,292.34	Contingencies
	£2,000.00	£48,139.08	

Estimated Income           £ 2,000.00  
 Estimated Payments       £48,139.08  
**Precept                       -£46,139.08 (Rounded to £46,000)**

There are a number of issues out of the control of the Parish Council which have a direct influence on the setting of the precept for the coming financial year.

Wyre Council has cut the grant given to the rural parishes of Wyre and are not going to pass on to the Parishes their part of the Localised Council Tax Support Grant from the Government. This will significantly alter the tax base used to calculate banding rates paid by householders and even though there is a slight increase in the number of households, due to the cuts, the amount calculated by Wyre is increased.

A household in band D will pay about £61.07 per year or £1.14 per week, Pilling Parish Council has kept the increase down to 3pence per week.

# Pilling Jubilee Silver Band



Cordially invite you to their

## Spring Concert

At Pilling St. John the Baptist  
Church

15<sup>th</sup> March 2014- 7.30PM

Tickets £5- Available on the door,  
Hambleton Post Office and Redmans  
Insurance Knott End  
Refreshments Included



**PACT Meetings are held in Knott End Library on the first Tuesday afternoon of the month, when residents can discuss Police matters with the new Community Beat Manager P C Gary Cross and the PCSO's, responsible for Pilling.**



**Garstang Police 607834**

**Non emergency call 101**

## **PILLING PARISH COUNCIL**

Meetings of Pilling Parish Council are held in the Comrades Room, Pilling Memorial Hall, Taylors Lane at 7.00 pm. on the second Wednesday of every month.

Future meetings will be held on

Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2014,

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2014, following the Annual Parish Meeting and Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2014, this is the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

## **Pilling In Bloom**



Royal  
Horticultural  
Society

This year sees the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Royal Horticultural Society and to mark this occasion the planting in Pilling will include gold as a prominent theme. Pilling in Bloom is looking for residents able to spare the time to plant up, weed or water the many floral displays through the Village, which bring a sense of pride to residents and visitors alike.

If you would like to be part of the 'In Bloomers' please contact the clerk on **01995 600689.**

**The Environment Agency Customer service line**

**03708 506 506**

**Incident hotline 0800 80 70 60**



Environment  
Agency

**Floodline 0845 988 1188**

If you own land in which there is a dyke, w there to drain the surrounding land, then it is YOUR responsibility to ensure it is cleared and water runs freely.

**Don't allow Pilling to flood!**

## **PILLING PARISH COUNCILLORS**

### ***Mr. John C. Savage, Chairman***

Rivendell, Taylors Lane, Pilling PR3 6AB Tel. 790707

### ***Mrs. Elizabeth Cookson***

Wyndale, Lancaster Road, Pilling PR3 6AE Tel. 790537

### ***Mr. Graham C. Curwen,***

Carr Holm, Fluke Hall Lane, Pilling PR3 6HA Tel. 790502

### ***Mr. John Edmondson,***

The Olde Ship, School Lane, Pilling PR3 6HB Tel. 790946

### ***Mr. Donald W Lawrenson***

Bonds Farm, Duck Street, Pilling, PR3 6HN Tel. 790409

### ***Mr. Edward Moorat***

1, Stakepool Drive, Pilling. PR3 6BU Tel. 790464

### ***Mr. Stewart Morley***

Barn House, Morley Lane, Pilling. PR3 6BY Tel. 799124

### ***Mr. Graham G. Morris***

The Swallows, Smallwood Hey Road, PR3 6HJ Tel. 790029

### ***Mrs. Brenda Schofield***

Shawlands, Shaws Lane, Pilling. PR3 6SA Tel. 790747

### ***Mr. William Whiteside***

The Golden Ball, School Lane, Pilling PR3 6AA Tel. 790212

## **WYRE BOROUGH COUNCILLOR FOR PILLING AND WINMARLEIGH**

### ***Mr. D. W. Lawrenson***

Bonds Farm, Duck Street, Pilling. PR6 6HN Tel. 790409

## **LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR FOR WYRESIDE**

### ***Miss V. Taylor***

Fairway, Hackensall Road, Preesall. Tel. 810234

## **MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR LANCASTER AND WYRE**

### ***Mr. E. Ollerenshaw,***

C/o Constituency Office, Great Eccleston Village Centre,  
59, High Street, Great Eccleston, PR3 0YB Tel: 01995 672977

The Parish Council can be contacted through any of the Councillors or residents may wish to contact the Parish Clerk:

Gillian Benson,

57, Hamers Wood Drive, Catterall, Garstang, Preston  
PR3 1YN

Telephone 01995 600689

Residents Surgeries are held on

Monday afternoons between 1 and 4pm and

Wednesday mornings between 9am and noon

at Pilling Memorial Hall.



**It's the Pottery Jim, but not as we know it.**

### **New Shop and Café opening at Easter**

You may have noticed a hole appeared in School Lane, which has now been refilled by a much nicer looking building, complete with a Pilling made block paving forecourt.

Vi and Jim started this business back in 1968 and the time had come for a new roof and when it came down to it, the walls were not that good either. So, Adrian and Dylan, who now run the family business, decided on a rebuild.

We now have a lovely new shop area, into which we hope to put our studio pottery ware, named beakers, table and garden ware, house signs, etc. A range of our kilns and pottery supplies will also be displayed. We have asked our kiln customers, who are great artists and some world class ceramists, if they would allow us to display some of their unique items. So, we intend a rolling programme of great art, taking our shop to more of a gallery space, with items from one pound upwards.



With Jane retiring from the café across the way, it has left room for us to add a cafe/coffee shop at our place.

We hope this will give you somewhere to rest and refresh a while, whilst viewing and admiring the unique displays of ceramics.

**We plan to open fully at Easter.**

Visit us at [www.pillingpottery.com](http://www.pillingpottery.com) and [www.northernkilns.com](http://www.northernkilns.com)



More pictures on line at  
[www.pillingparish.org.uk](http://www.pillingparish.org.uk)