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# Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 9.30am - 12noon, in the Parish Hall

The Parish Council is holding a Community Fair which will bring together Voluntary Groups, Clubs and Interest Groups, and local residents who have a bit of time on their hands to get involved in;

Local activities such as Gardening Club, History Group, Table Tennis Group or Self-help groups such as the Parish Hall, Arboretum, Recreation Ground or

Community Service Groups such as the Parish Council, Church, School.

The idea is that the Groups, Clubs, Associations will be provided with a table to display their literature and talk to prospective enquirers about what their group does and why they should consider participation.

The prospective helpers or members can look around at the various opportunities and select those that best suit their interests, aspirations and experience.

#### The Fair will be free to all.

The Parish Hall Committee has agreed to host the event without charge. They will cover their costs by providing chargeable teas and refreshments. The Community Fair will be well publicised starting with the Parish Council newsletter delivered to all households in December, articles in the February

and March Newton Wonder and mentions on Facebook. Ideally the participating groups will mention it in their publicity too.

The Community Fair will take place on the morning of Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at the Parish Hall in Newton St Cyres from 9.30am to 12noon.

If your group is interested in having a free space please contact Jim Enright, Chairman, NSC Parish Council by email at <a href="mailto:limenright@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.org">limenright@newtonstcyres-pc.gov.org</a> or by phone 01392 851859.

# Newton St Cyres Parish Council



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## Message from the Parish Council Chairman

Dear Parishioner

Since the last Council Annual Report issued in May there has been a lot of Parish Council work going on. The New School has been opened and is delighting the pupils and teachers alike. The flashing lights will be moved at some stage down towards the village centre to help aid the Lollipop Man with seeing the children safely across the busy road.

The Parish Council are in discussions regarding making Station Road safer for the children and parents alike but it is no longer DCC or national policy to restrict traffic passing schools to 20mph unless a high risk of accident is shown to exist.

With more development planned in Crediton (around 700 dwellings) and beyond the A377 is getting busier year after year and will continue to do so. A link to the A30 from north of Crediton has been mooted for some decades and will no doubt continue to be a dream for more decades to come.

The Parish Council has progressed discussions with Devon County Council regarding mitigating the effect of the busy A377 through the village and definite progress has been made.

In the short term we are very likely to see the introduction of Average Speed Cameras through the village which will undoubtedly encourage traffic to keep to 30mph or less 24 hours a day. We expect to see these installed before the end of 2019.

We have also made progress with plans for the installation of a Pedestrian Crossing. Unfortunately the initial drawings submitted by DCC Highways failed a safety audit so new plans are required. This may need to utilise a part of the village green which of course is not ideal. However before anything is decided a full local consultation will take place.

The money to fund a crossing is not presently available and so the project is some years away.

The Old School site is owned by Devon County Council and will shortly be put on the market to seek development interest. Once it is sold the new owner will need to apply for Planning Permission from Mid Devon District Council in the usual way. At this stage the Parish Council will be consulted and we will ensure that the local community is kept fully informed and a local consultation and display will be arranged.

Meanwhile DCC are considering allowing the local police to make use of the site for training of police dogs conducting searches of the field and/or building as part of the training of new dogs/handlers – and refresher training.

As always your Parish Council is working in the best interest of our community.

Local Elections will be taking place next May and if you might be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please note that we will be holding a number of information events nearer the time. Or why not come along to a monthly PC meeting or let the Parish Clerk know of your interest.

Yes there is quite a bit of work involved, all on a voluntary basis, but you do get the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping your community.

Jim Enright, Chairman, Newton St Cyres Parish Council.

### **ALLOTMENTS**

The Parish Council still have a number of its allotments to rent and these are available at £20 per year.

The allotments are situated next to the old school site and opposite Tytheing Close.

Anyone interested in renting an allotments should contact the Parish Clerk on

nsc\_pc@outlook.com or on 851148

A site visit can be arranged and the vacant allotments identified.

# VOLUNTARY SERVICE TO TO COMMUNITY

The Parish Council have agreed to recognise the standing contributions that some parishioners make to this community. A Roll of I will be kept and the individual will receive a framed certificate.

The Parish Council are aware that there are a number of people in the parish who make a significant contribution to the life of the parish. Nominees must live within the Parish or within t miles of the Parish boundary and must have mad nificant contribution to the Parish.

Nominations are being sought and must be submitted with details of the contribution they had to the community. Nominations need to be the Parish Clerk by the 1st February each year. Notions will be considered at the March meeting of Parish Council and the winner announced at the Parish Meeting in May.

Please let the Clerk have your nominations for th by the 1st February 2019

## PARISH COUNCIL SURGERII

All the Councillors on Newton St Cyres Parish Cou take turns in looking after the Council display at t monthly Coffee Mornings. They are happy to anso questions, note any queries to take to Parish Cou meetings and hand out relevant leaflets.

The Surgery is always held in conjunction with the Morning held on the first Saturday of every mont (10.30 am to 12.00 noon)

Please come along and meet your Councillors wit queries and enjoy the social and friendly Coffee N ing, meeting friends in a relaxed atmosphere.