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KETLEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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COUNCILLOR PAULINE PICKEN

Councillor Pauline Picken passed away after a short illness in November. Ketley Parish Council would like to record their appreciation for all the hard work, over many years, which Pauline carried out for local residents. She will be greatly missed by her friends and colleagues and our thoughts are with her husband Roy at this difficult time.

KETLEY PARISH PLAN

Ketley Parish Council is looking to plan its priorities for the future with the people of Ketley. A Parish Plan will be compiled in the coming weeks. A Parish Planning week has been arranged. There will be opportunities throughout the week to feed in your ideas:-

- on **Tuesday 9th February** there will be a board for you to post-it ideas and comments and it will be accessible whenever the centre is open (generally 10.00 in the morning until dusk).
- an **Open Day**, on **Thursday 11th February** from 10.00 until 7.00 pm.
- and a **Public Meeting** will be held on **Thursday 11th February 2010 at 7.00pm**. You will be most welcome to attend and have your say.
- there will be opportunities to talk to members of the Parish Council
- and there will be a **Photo Wall** so if you have photos (or copies of photos) of 'old' Ketley or picturing what is happening today, bring them along to the Community Centre before or during the event.

The parish is looking for your contribution in some or all of the following areas; Environment /Green space; Housing; Transport and Access; Prosperity / Employment / Economy; Health and Social Care; Learning / Education / Training; Community Safety; Culture / Sport / Leisure / Play

The overall aim of a Parish Plan is to contribute to improving of the quality of life for the residents of Ketley.

PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE YOUR SAY

THE KETLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Parish Council is aware that the Community Centre is important to a large number of different people and realise that for it to be truly successful it has to get as many different groups involved in looking after it as possible. With this in mind the Parish Council is debating whether to start a 'FRIENDS OF THE CENTRE' group. This could include residents (including young people), parish councillors, ward councillors, user groups, representatives from other bodies such as the police and perhaps representation from T&W council. A meeting will be held on February 11th at 6.30 pm. at the community centre - prior to the Parish Plan meeting at 7.00 pm..

THANKS

The Parish Council would like to thank those individual residents who have gone out of their way to support the people of the Parish. This is done by many people in different ways including the;

- donation of items to the youth clubs
- donation of their time for running youth clubs
- donation of their time to run the Ketley Kafé

and we would also like to thank the people running courses and activities because without them this centre could not exist.

POLICE SURGERIES

The Police will be holding a monthly surgery at Ketley Community Centre, Holyhead Road from January 2010. The first one will be held on Wednesday 20th January between 11.30 and 1.30 pm. There will be further surgeries on Wednesday 24th February and Wednesday 24th March. There will also be a PACT meeting on Thursday 18th February and Thursday 8th April both at 6.30 pm. It is an opportunity to discuss with the experienced Police Officers any local community problems e.g. parking, burglaries, anti-social behaviour. They are there to listen to your concerns and where necessary take remedial action. Therefore, come along to the meetings and surgeries and air your views.

KETLEY YOUTH CLUB

The 12-16 club (Mondays 7.00 till 9.00 pm) and the 16-19 drop-in (Wednesdays 7.00 till 9.30 pm) still need more young people from Ketley to make them really successful. So why not come along and have a look to see what you can do (snooker, pool, table tennis, table football, Wii, cooking, art, football, television, chatting, eight internet connected computers and in the spring, gardening – all for 50p a night. The Friday Night Social Club has a great atmosphere with the ages of people attending ranging at the moment from 16 to 76. It's warm, cosy and with our kitchen now fully operational, possible to have a range of refreshments. Take part in a range of activities or just have a real good chat. So why not come and take a look between 7.30 and 10.00 pm every Friday. £1 per night.

The Ketley Youth Committee wishes to thank everyone that donated prizes and bought raffle tickets on Voucher day. We made a grand total of £230.00 for all our youth clubs, there is a list of the winners on the notice board at the Community Centre, we thank you all again for your support. Our three youth clubs are going from strength to strength, but we are still looking for more volunteers to help out if you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk on 01952 612035.

NEW HELP FOR FIRST TIME PARENTS.

A useful website has been set up by the NHS offering information, tips and advice for parents and carers of young babies. NHS Baby LifeCheck provides information to help support you and your baby's development from around 3 to 10 months old. The seven topics include Sleep Routines, Talking and Playing and Keeping Your Baby Safe. The site also offers interesting videos, further links and a personalised goals section. Telford & Wrekin libraries, who offer free internet access to all, are inviting parents and carers to complete an NHS Baby LifeCheck at www.telford.gov.uk/babylifecheck.

Anyone who has been on the site can enter a free prize draw to win a fantastic selection of books to enjoy with their baby. Look out for Bounce and Rhyme sessions at your local library next year, full of singing, rhymes and bouncing fun. For more information please contact Elly Willoughby at Eleanor.Willoughby@telford.gov.uk.



LET US KNOW WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON

If you have any community events coming up in Ketley let us know and if space permits we will put it in our newsletter for you. Our next newsletter will be out in the spring, so get in touch.

Classes at Ketley Community Centre

WEA and TCAT are running a range of classes at the centre including Spanish, Tai Chi, Drawing and Painting, Working in the Classroom, a Beginners Guide to the Internet and other Computer classes. If you would like to enroll or need further information about the courses being offered at the Community Centre please call the centre on 01952 612035 or TCAT's Community Outreach Workers; Cathy Addison on 07887 661847 or Susan Wilkins on 07717 508831 .N.B If you are in receipt of income based benefits e.g. job seekers allowance, income support or pension credit you may be entitled to a free course.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Salsa	Mon	7.00 pm
Telford Stamps and Cards	Mon (mthly)	7.00 pm
Telford Academy of Performing Arts	Tues, Wed and Fri	4.30 pm
Slimming World	Tues	6.00 pm
Belly Dancing - The Fifth Element	Tues	6.45 pm
Good Companions	Wed	1.00 pm
Feel the Beat	Wed and Thurs	7.15 pm
Shorthand class	Thurs	6.00 pm
Age Concern Creative Dancing Class	Thurs	11.00 am
British Badge Collectors Association	Last Friday in the month	7.30 pm

Please ring 01952 612035 or look on the website for more details

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Please contact the above with feedback on the newsletter or any concerns you have in the Parish. For example blocked footpaths, potholes in the road or streetlights not working.