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What's On

Samlesbury Parish Church (Contact Grace 01772 877076).

Thurs. 6th June: The bells will be rung at 6.30.pm. to mark the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings.

Fri. 14th June: Lunch Club: Samlesbury War Memorial Hall: 12.30pm.

Sat. 29th June: Garden Party on the school field: 12.00 Noon:

BBQ: Crowning of Rose Queen, Games, sports, stalls etc.

Also a **Competition** entitled *Our Church*, to be executed in any medium, eg. paint, draw, make a model or cake representing our church. Be creative. Classes for pre-school to adults. Entries by 12.00.noon.

Fri. 9th August: Lunch Club: Samlesbury War Memorial Hall: 12.30pm.

St. Mary's Chapel

Sun. 30th June: Coffee Morning for *Derian House* after Mass.

Sun. 28th July: " " " " " " "

Samlesbury Higher Hall: 01254 812010: See website for details:

www.samlesburyhall.co.uk

Thurs. 6th June: Summer Wedding Open Evening.

Thurs. 5th Sept: Autumn Wedding Open Evening.

Weds. 20th Nov: Torch Light Tour: 8.30.pm. (Includes staircases.)

Samlesbury War Memorial Hall (Contact: Clare 07739585860).

Sat. 29th June: *Emma Bridgewater Sale*:

In aid of *Boot Out Breast Cancer*. 11.00.am – 1.30.pm.

Sat. 14th Sept: Charity Coffee Morning: 10.00.am-1.30.pm: in aid of CRY (Cardiac Arrest in the Young); NW Air Ambulance; Prostate Cancer UK.

Date of the next meeting

Thursday 25th July 2024 at 7:30pm
in the War Memorial Hall

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SAMLESBURY AND CUERDALE PARISH COUNCIL

June 2024

Notes from the Chairman

Elections at the Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Council AGM held on 23rd May:

Annual Parish Meeting Chairman: Graham Young.

" " " Vice Chairman: Glen Clayton.

Parish Council Chairman: Graham Young.

" " " Vice Chairman: Stephen Fawcett.

With the AGM of the Parish Council, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the members of the Council for their hard work and commitment that helps make my role so easy. Nor can we address all the issues that confront us without all the people who get in touch, and help us to address them. Keeping us all in order is our clerk Aimee, who we couldn't manage without. So a massive *thank you* to all involved.

- LCC has now received two reports regarding the proposed quarry at Lower Hall Farm: The first from LCC Highways, and the second from the Ecology Department. The tone of these reports must now make it difficult for the Planning Department to pass the application when there is such a weight of opposition. Let us hope they reach that decision quickly, and allow our farmers, residents and visitors to enjoy the beautiful countryside once again, with the knowledge that it will remain this way.
- The Council Tax notice that came through, advising everyone that the Parish Council represented a reduction cost of 2.7%, was welcome news. With all other elements rising by between 2% and 4.8%, this is further proof that we try to manage the Council in a cost-effective way.
- The *Pickering Farm* decision has, we are led to believe, taken the available land for housing into the 20-year category. This is obviously great news as we continue our attempts to keep our green belt and *Walmsley Fold* out of the hands of developers.

- The roads around the parish are slowly being repaired, and I look forward to the time when we can drive around with no risk of damage to our vehicles.
- The 'green' hydrogen plant alongside the brewery was passed at the South Ribble Borough Council planning meeting. This will lead to the InBev Brewery being able to produce Carbon neutral beer, and be a leader in the race for 'net zero.'
- The sad news at this time has been the closure of both of the pubs that serve our parish, (just when it looked like there was a 'green shoot' of recovery, following the bleak time during 'Covid'). But I am pleased to say that the *Nab's Head* has re-opened with a Community group to deliver what the local people ask for, and need. A consortium will run the pub for 12 months, with the option of then keeping the tenancy running for a further 5 years.

Please call in and help to keep this essential 'meeting' place open. With the constant challenge for people living in rural areas, and experiencing isolation, venues such as this can be a life-line.

- The e-mail sent to the Council from BAE Systems, regarding the 'protests' is again testament to how we are all working together to advise and help each other during problematic times.
- Police and Crime Commissioners, and Councillor Yates have worked hard to help reduce the speed limit along Roach Road and surrounding lanes to 30 mph. A questionnaire is going out to ask the views of local residents. Let's see what results are found from this.
- Councillors Fawcett and Seed have been looking at alternative warning signs on the severe bend around the bottom of *Fair View*, where there have been yet more traffic incidents.
- The light pollution at the brewery and United Utility sites are still on-going. Some lights have now been removed, and a few angled downwards, to help reduce glare. If you still feel that it is a problem, please get in touch with one of our councillors.
- At the Parish Council Meeting in March, a contingent of local residents brought to light the recurring issue of parking along *Roundacre* and *Green End*, with the conclusion that the residents would go away and find a Consultant to help them bring a plan to the Council for further discussion.
- It is great to see the **Queen's Jubilee Walk** on land at Blue Slate, Spring Lane. It has been planted by the Burns family as a lasting legacy of our late Queen and, as the trees mature they will give us something to enjoy for years to come. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for such a lovely gesture. If you get a chance, please take time to enjoy it, and watch as it matures.

But, please respect this LCC footpath and young trees. Dogs should be on a lead at all times, both on footpaths and on the childrens' playing field.

• **80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings**

- This event will be marked on 6th June, with food at the Nab's Head from 6.30.pm., followed by a walk up Hoolster Hill at 8.30.pm. Transport will be available for those who need it, and the beacon will be lit at 9.15.pm. In addition, the Parish Church bell ringers will be joining the other towers in the country, as they mark the occasion by ringing at 6.30.pm.
- The Council would like to congratulate Councillor Molyneaux for his election to the mayoralty for 2024/2025, and look forward to enjoying some of his events during the year.

Graham Young

Samlesbury School

The start of the Summer Term must be one of the best times of the year – the field is now dry enough to play on, the days are warmer and sunnier, and everyone can do more learning outside.

Our Christian value this term is *wisdom*. We are looking at what is happening in the world and helping our children to think how Christian wisdom, based on what Jesus taught, can help everyone live well.

It is also the term when our Year 6 leavers start thinking about the next exciting step on their life journey, and we know that they are ready to take this next step. Have a wonderful last term Year 6!

We have also, with the help of the *Friends of Samlesbury School*, invested in a full set of Chrome books, and a charging station. We have loved the up-grade, and it is making our computer learning even better, as well as giving the children more opportunities and skills to apply to the rest of their learning.

The after-school Science Club have recently been experimenting with paper spinners to see what impacts their flight through the air. Type and weight of the paper, and the length and width of the spinners were varied by adding paper clips or staples, followed by a competition to see whose was the speediest.

The school choir has learnt a new song to lead worship, *I've got my God Suit on*, and they have been learning the *Circle of Life* from the Lion King. Over a third of the school are now in the choir and they sound fabulous. We look forward to hearing them perform at the summer concert and other events.

There is so much going on – sports days, film nights, trips, visits and fund-raising for our *Compassion* sponsored child, as well as all the learning that takes place each day.

If you have a child starting reception and would like to look around our school, we