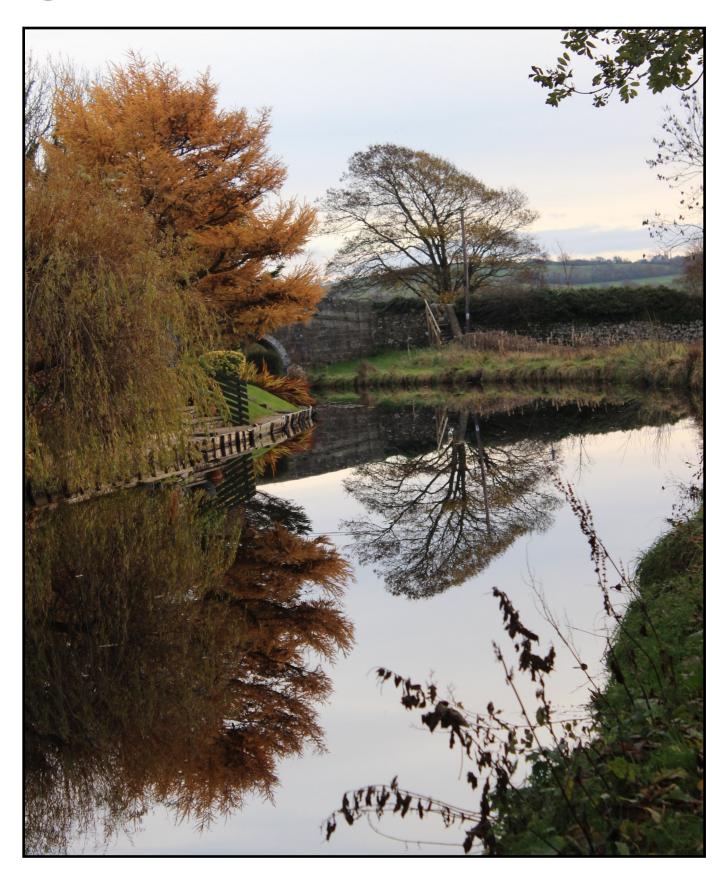
# Over Kellet View



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#### Keep a Careful Watch

We understand that there have been a number of distressing break-ins in the Capernwray and Priest Hutton areas. Whilst we believe not much property was taken, the amount of damage created by the intruders was significant. We have asked the local police for information but owing to pressure of work the PCSO has been unable to supply details before our publication deadline. We hope to have more information in our next issue.

In the meantime residents are encouraged to be vigilant and to take the following immediate, simple and regular precautions selected from the Police UK website <a href="https://www.police.uk/crime-prevention-advice/burglary/">https://www.police.uk/crime-prevention-advice/burglary/</a>

- Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, even to go into the back garden;
- Hide all keys, including car keys, out of sight and away from the letterbox;
- Get a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property;
- Leave radios or lights in your house on a timer to make the property appear occupied when you are away;
- Make sure the fences around your garden are in good condition;
- Secure bikes by locking them to an immoveable object inside a locked shed or garage;
- Keep ladders and tools stored away don't leave them outside where they could be used to break into your home;
- Ensure side gates are locked to prevent access to the rear of the property;
- Improve natural surveillance at the front of your property eg trim high hedges;
   Mark valuable items with your postcode and house number and register them free on the Immobilise website https://www.immobilise.com/;
- Remove valuables from view of ground floor windows;
   Store any high-value items (ie jewellery, passports) in a properly secured safe or bank vault.

In addition, if you are expecting anyone to leave goods for you ensure they are instructed not to leave them within clear view of the road; a package or box on the doorstep or in the porch is a clear signal to thieves that no-one is at home.

In the longer term, fitting a security system with an alarm that can be seen or heard outside the property can be an effective deterrent.

Peter Clinch



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Cover picture: The Lancaster Canal at Borwick Hall Bridge (Photo: Paul Budd)

#### LETTER FROM THE VICAR

I've found myself strangely fascinated by seeds. It's impossible to miss all of the different berries, cones and other different ways that plants and trees produce seeds at this time of year. Brightly coloured berries are the obvious example, although the sweet chestnut tree in our garden is one of the most formidable. The prickles on the outside of the case make even picking it up a dangerous business, and I've got no idea how birds or animals get close to it!

What fascinates me most is that such complex, beautiful and large plants and trees can grow from something so small. For many plants which die off over the winter, their very survival is based on the seeds falling and finding a fertile home to grow in when spring comes round again.

Jesus was very fond of using seeds, plants and trees as illustrations for his teaching about the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is like a sower who went out to sow his seed. The kingdom of God is like a farmer who sowed good seed in his field.

The story which I've found most intriguing is Jesus' parable of the mustard seed. The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, he says, which though it is the smallest of seeds, grows to be the largest of garden plants and then a tree, and the birds come and perch in its branches.

Having recently bought some mustard seeds from the supermarket, I can see what Jesus means. The seeds are truly tiny, but given moisture, sunlight, the right soil, and above all time, it's amazing what happens. From such minuscule beginnings, something truly significant and impressive can grow.

I think that the key element here is time. Almost anything of importance takes time. A work of art, the construction of a building, a great dish in cooking. And not just with creations, but with people as well. Raising children, developing character, experiencing healing. All of these take time.

I don't know exactly what Jesus had in mind when he shared this story, but with a life of faith I can think of many examples of this being true. Many people's walk with God over years and decades often started with something as small as a mustard seed. A conversation. An invitation. An act of kindness. Something which at the time may have seemed unremarkable or even unnoticeable.

But God is able to take the mustard seed and grow it into an enormous garden plant. Great things can come from small beginnings. What it often needs is faith just as big as that mustard seed to set it all going.

Rev Paul Boulter



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#### **CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS**

The Christian season of harvest is a significant festival in the life of the church, and is being celebrated at St Cuthbert's. The harvest festival service on 29<sup>th</sup> September at 11:15am at St Cuthbert's will be followed by a lunch in the village hall, enabling people of all ages from the church community and beyond to enjoy food, fun and fellowship together. A huge thanks to those people who have been providing the flowers, greenery and produce to make the church look so attractive for harvest.

With the village school we look forward to welcoming Jill Duff, Bishop of Lancaster at our harvest service on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 9am in St Cuthbert's. It's a great joy to welcome our bishops to our church and school, something which we have been blessed to do with all three bishops during the past year. The children from school are always hugely enthusiastic, and seem very at home in their services with us.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7:30pm our Christianity Explored course will be starting. Set over ten weeks, it uses engaging videos to go through the foundations of the Christian faith, looking at topics such as good news, identity, sin, the cross and resurrection. The course goes through Mark's gospel, using it as a means of exploring the life of Jesus and the implications for us today. All are welcome to come and join us on this journey, don't worry if you aren't able to make all of the sessions. Course handbooks and copies of Mark's gospel are available for free.

Our regular monthly all-age service will be on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11:15am at St Cuthbert's. We will be looking at the story of Jesus meeting the tax collector Zacchaeus from Luke's gospel. Beforehand at 10:30am in church Fish Club for primary-aged children will take place. Parents are invited to share tea, coffee and refreshments in church whilst the children enjoy their activities.

Rev Paul Boulter



#### WILSON'S ENDOWED SCHOOL NEWS

#### **New Year, New Faces!**

The new year saw us welcome sixteen new pupils into our reception class. We have also welcomed three new members of staff. Laura Marshall has become our Key Stage One teacher based in Cedars class. Joel Wilson and Susie Sampson join us as teaching assistants.

#### **Westmorland County Show**

Our stand in the 'Learning for Life' marquee was much admired by visitors. Our whole display focused on the fiftieth anniversary of the lunar landings. The children's creations included chalk drawings on black paper of the moon, 3D stars and abstract space craft art. Our large 'mission control' sculpture drew many comments. The children had painted shoe boxes black and then added junk, also painted black. The individual boxes were then put together and sprayed silver to represent a large control panel. Twinkly lights added the final touch.



#### The School Run

We are conscious that the daily school run brings extra traffic into roads near to the school. We are always keen to work with our neighbours to ensure that this has minimal impact. Since the beginning of term we have put parking information on our weekly newsletter, had a meeting with PCSO Paul Shepherd and discussed the matter with the chair of the Parish Council. Whilst roads remain the responsibility of



the highways department and the police, we would welcome any suggestions of ways in which we may work with our local community regarding this subject.

#### **Author Visit**

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils were thrilled to meet Danny Rurlander, a local author of 'Spylark'. We are very grateful to Valerie Laycock from The Book Lounge in Kirkby Lonsdale for organising this visit (<a href="https://thebooklounge.shop/">https://thebooklounge.shop/</a>). The pupils were interested to learn



about the novel. They also had plenty of questions such as what it is like to be an author and what had been Danny's inspiration? Follow this link for more information about this riveting book:

https://www.chickenhousebooks.com/books/spylark/

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#### NEWS FROM OVER KELLET PLAYGROUP

It was lovely to see our children arrive back to Playgroup at the beginning of September, eager to get stuck into all of the playing and learning that we do. We watched as last year's Pre-schoolers ventured off to school and enjoyed welcoming our new children to Playgroup.



We have enjoyed exploring our new surroundings, played lots of games, made lots of new friends and most importantly laughed and smiled a lot. Paul the Ballman came to visit in our first week and we had lots of fun, learning important listening and ball skills. Some of our new Pre-schoolers have started on a new big venture,



partaking in the Monday Preschool afternoon sessions offered by Wilson's Endowed CE School. Playgroup staff escort the children up to school and one member of staff stays with them for the first six weeks to help them settle into the new environment. This opportunity is a huge success in getting the children ready for school next September.

We are all looking forward to the adventures that this year will bring and making lots of memories together.

Lynsey Winder

#### **OVER KELLET AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY NEWS**

Thirty-one people enjoyed our trip to Arley Hall near Northwich in Cheshire in August. As well as ambling round the variety of 'gardens within a garden', several also had a tour round the grade II\* listed hall with its exhibition of television programmes that have been filmed there.

Our next event is a talk 'Mainly, but not entirely, tulips' on the morning of Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October, at 10.15 for 10.30. The speaker, Matthew Smith from Brighter Blooms near Preston, will have spring-flowering bulbs for sale. Refreshments will be available for a small charge and there will be a raffle.

Phil's famous Quiz Night is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm, with "thrilling" new sections and all overseen by Sam's IT wizardry. The major prizes will again be large variety packs of special seeds to a total value of £70, generously donated by Thompson and Morgan. Tea and coffee will be available; bring your own bottles, glasses and nibbles. As last year, the cost will be £1pp for members and £1.50pp for others. Please let Phil know your team's name and number of members (maximum six, at least four recommended) by 1<sup>st</sup> November by phone on 733549, e-mail to philhegarty@outlook.com, or pop a note in to Green Meadow, The Narrows. The booby prize will be a specially crafted dibber made by Phil's wood-turning brother-in-law, a gynaecologist. The dibber features a subtle (?) reference to his occupation – particularly politically correct participants should try not to win it!

The last event of the year will be the AGM on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm. This will be followed by cheese and biscuits, wine and nibbles, for which you may make a discretionary donation to Society funds if you wish. We are hoping for a bigger turn-out than in previous years; there will need to be more volunteers to join the Committee and/or a change to the Society's Constitution if it is to continue beyond 2020. As things are, officers can only serve for five years and then have to step down. The current ones will all reach this limit within the next couple of years.

Verity Clinch, Secretary, OKDHS

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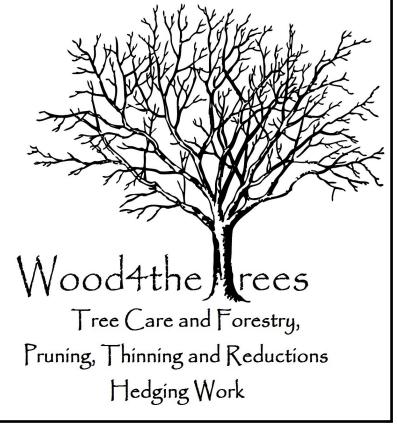
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#### Parish Council - September 2019

All five Parish Councillors, the County and City Councillors and thirteen members of the public were present.

#### Planning applications

The following **new planning application** made to Lancaster City Council was considered:

**19/01153/FUL** – creation of new field access near junction of Kirkby Lonsdale Road and the road to Swarthdale. The Parish Council (PC) was concerned about highway safety since the road is busy and traffic passes the site at speed.

The decision of Lancaster City Council was still awaited on the following applications:

**19/00545/HYB** – Hybrid application: full application for proposed alterations to land levels and access to the site and outline application for proposals for the development of up to 8,400m<sup>2</sup> of employment space and access to land between the M6 motorway and the A601(M), off Kellet Road.

**19/00673/OUT** – Erection of four, four-bed houses off Craggs Hill. Cllr Mumford will request that the Planning Committee visit the site before making a decision.

#### Lancaster City Council has approved the following application:

**18/01207/FUL** – Erection of two, two-storey houses on the site of the former chicken sheds off Kirkby Lonsdale Road. The applicant has since informed the PC that construction work has commenced and the surface of the footpath crossing the site may temporarily deteriorate.

The following applications have been withdrawn by the applicants:

**19/00602/FUL** – Construction of canal mooring, creation of an associated car park, and alterations to existing access at Kellet Lane Bridge, Kellet Lane.

**19/00753/OUT** — Outline application for the erection of two dwellings and access into a field adjacent to Woodlands View.

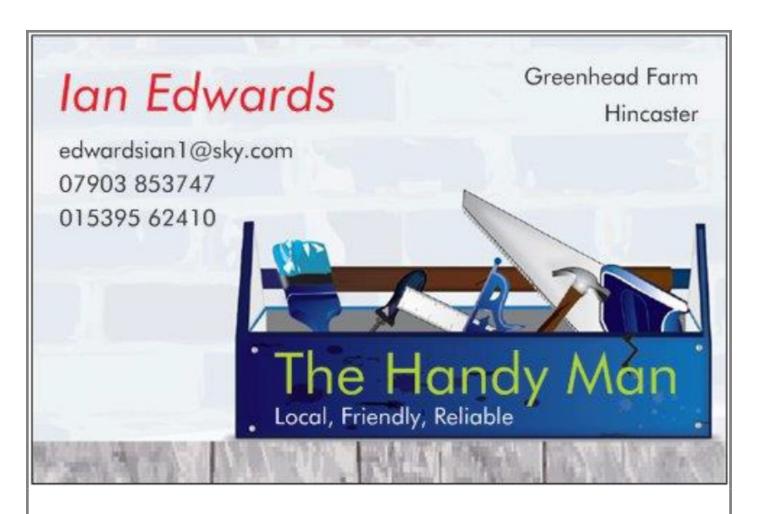
#### Other planning matters

- 1 Felling of three lime trees on Capernwray Road near the junction with Hall Garth Gardens. The Clerk reported that the City Council will be taking enforcement action against the County Council which authorised the felling of trees which were the subject of Preservation Orders. The Clerk further reported that a resident had informed him that following a private objection to County he had been told that the trees will be replaced within the next few months by semi-mature specimens.
- The PC agreed to ask the City Council to publish as a matter of course the preapplication advice it has given for all applications in the Parish once they appear on the Planning Portal <a href="https://planning.lancaster.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?">https://planning.lancaster.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?</a> action=simple&searchType=Application

#### **Parish Plan**

'Gates' at village entry points – no further progress.

Second traffic SPID – the equipment has been delivered but, since it has a solar panel and will be a fixed item and not moveable from location to location, County Highways wish to assess the suitability of the existing poles at the possible locations selected by the PC. A report is awaited.



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#### Parish Council - September 2019 (continued)

#### Roadwatch

The Clerk will clarify with the police whether training is to start. It was reported that all the volunteers from Warton had dropped out of the scheme.

#### **Best Kept Village competition**

The official announcement of the result is awaited.

#### **Suggestions from OKDHS**

- 1 proposed planting of trees on the central green area of Church Bank: the space is owned by the Housing Department of City Council and their views on the proposal are awaited.
- 2 Cllr Metcalfe to discuss with the lengthsman the feasibility of not cutting an area of the Green where the Society wish to allow orchids and other wild flowers to colonise the ground.

#### **Quarry blasts**

The Clerk has posted details of forthcoming blasts on the PC website <a href="https://overkelletpc.org/">https://overkelletpc.org/</a>. The service will be promoted to residents through a notice in OK View (see page 5).

#### Postbox on Kirkby Lonsdale Road

The Clerk is to contact Royal Mail on progress with either re-siting the box or reopening it.

#### Street lighting

A resident had contacted Cllr Metcalfe to have the intensity and duration of street lighting reduced. During discussion it was noted that responses to a question on the topic in the recent Parish Survey had been split.

#### Car parking near the school

Instances of inconsiderate car parking by parents had occurred recently. The PC agreed to write to County Highways and to PCSO Shepherd to draw attention to the problem and seek a solution.

#### **Hedge cutting**

The PC re-iterated that it was the responsibility of land owners and not the PC to keep hedges bordering public footpaths in good order.

#### Footpath survey

Cllr Metcalfe reported that the footpath between Kirkby Lonsdale Road and Craggs Hill was in a poor condition but it was thought any repair would be beyond what the lengthsman could undertake.

## Footpath between Church Bank and Greenways

A resident complained about the use of the path by cyclists and the threat of an accident. The PC agreed to replace the No Cycling sign at the Church Bank end of the path which was vandalised some years ago.

#### Plague of flies

A resident described being persistently plagued over the summer at his combined home and business by lesser house flies. He lives near Restarigg Farm, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, and placed the blame on slurry and chicken droppings at the farm wondering if other residents had suffered the problem. In discussion it was thought that this was a general problem during the summer and not solely restricted to this particular farm. However, both Cllr Mumford and the PC agreed to follow up the

complaint with City Environmental Health.

#### **Excessive water near entrance to Leapers Wood Quarry**

A resident complained about the excessive amount of water near the entrance and also limestone chippings deposited from lorries on the A601(M). The PC's Quarries Liaison Officer would take up the matters with the quarry owners.

#### Wyn Pavelin Award 2019

Judging has been completed. The winning garden is at Beech Dene, Craggs Hill.

#### **Remembrance Sunday and Christmas 2019**

The PC agreed to revert to a simple wreath-laying around 11am on Remembrance Sunday. The Christmas Tree will be erected and switched on on 7th December and taken down on 4th January.

#### **Reports by the City and County Councillors**

City Cllr Mumford said the new administration was sharing information across political party boundaries to better effect and, in addition, there was more dialogue between elected members and council officials. County Cllr Williamson said that she had been able to persuade Highways England to cover the cost of the recent re -surfacing of a section of Kellet Road in view of the imminent closure of the M6 over a number of nights in September and October [as reported in OK View last month]. She also reported that the County Library Service was seeking residents' views through Parish Councils on improvements to the routes taken and location of stops made by the mobile library service – were there parts of the Parish which ought to be better served? Any changes agreed by the County Council would be implemented in 2020.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

Peter Clinch

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**Bolton-le-Sands Surgery** 

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30 until 12, noon

**Halton Surgery** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30 until 12. noon

Dates for separate clinics for children will be published later by the Surgery

Enquire at Surgery Reception for other available clinic dates

Information obtained on 15<sup>th</sup> September from Ash Trees Surgery web site <a href="https://www.ashtreessurgery.co.uk/">

Peter Clinch

#### VANDALISM IN THE VILLAGE

There have been two instances of vandalism in the village since June, both affecting the environment and the essential character of the place. One involved the felling of trees, the other the smashing of windows.

During the first week of July tree surgeons from Westfield Tree Services felled three lime trees growing in the verge on Capernwray Road between the junction with Hall Garth Gardens and The Tithe Barn. The job took several days since the trees were mature, planted when the Hall Garth Gardens development was completed some fifty years ago. It transpires that an Inspector Lancashire Highways from County Department had considered the trees to be damaging a nearby property and ordered their removal. Each one of the trees had protection in law because Lancaster City Council had placed Tree Preservation Orders on them. Highways Inspector failed to follow established and legal procedures by not making 'application to fell' an Lancaster City Council. So, because of an ignorant and careless employee of County Highways the village has lost



three trees close to the Conservation Area. It is ironic that a month or so earlier the local Horticultural Society had made an offer to the Parish Council to plant trees in the village at its own expense. It is also ironic that the felling, which will have made a small contribution to climate change by depriving the atmosphere of three carbon sinks, comes at a time when our young people are so concerned about the future of the environment.

The Parish Council has written to the City Council urging it to make robust criticism of County Highway's failure to follow the law. Quite whether a claim for compensation will be served by one authority on the other is an open matter (for recent developments see Parish Council news page 10). It is unlikely that the stumps will be removed since it would take considerable effort and resources to grind them away, and we all know how cash-strapped local authorities are. So, villagers are going to be left with a permanent reminder of a most unfortunate lapse of protection.

This incident raises a wider issue. Were local residents aware that the trees had preservation orders? Did any resident question the tree surgeons about whose authority they were operating under? If there was more knowledge and information about the environmental assets in the village perhaps someone could have stopped the damaging work. If the Parish Council could prepare and publish a map marking the location of all Tree Preservation Orders, all listed buildings, and the location and extent of the registered green spaces, residents could refer to it when work appears

to be being undertaken affecting these treasures. The plan could be displayed on the village noticeboards and the PC's web site.

The second act of vandalism occurred in June when three windows in Old Hall Farm were smashed (two at the front and one at the back). The entire collection of farm buildings has remained unoccupied since it was sold last year in part for renovation and conservation and in part for new housing. The damaged building is Listed Grade II and probably dates from 1668, the date on the stone over the front door, though the present windows are unlikely to date from then. Other windows were left open so this building of architectural and historic interest was no longer weather-tight and therefore likely to deteriorate. So, another piece of Over Kellet history has been under threat. In



late July most windows were boarded up and access to the site closed with a high metal fence.

Peter Clinch



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# VILLAGE LISTINGS FOR OCTOBER

(FOR CHURCH SERVICES SEE PAGE 5)

Over Kellet's Village Hall (OKVH) is at LA6 1DU; Nether Kellet's at LA6 1HA; School at LA6 1BN

Badminton	Wednesdays	20.00	ОКУН
Christianity Explored	Wednesdays	19.30	ОКУН
Indoor Bowls	Mondays	13.30	ОКУН
Keep Active	Mondays	17.00	ОКУН
Mobile Library	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	13.20 13.50 14.15 15.00	The Green 47 Greenways Winder Garth Church Bank
OKDHS	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct, talk by Matthew Smith of Brighter Blooms <i>Mainly but no</i> entirely tulips		ОКУН
Parish Council	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.15	ОКУН
Playgroup 2-4 Years	Monday to Friday	08.30	OKVH
Short Tennis	Tuesdays	14.00	OKVH
Village Walk	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct, Settle	13.30	ОКУН
Walking Group	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct, Beetham	09.00	ОКУН
Women's Institute	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct, talk by Graham Agnew <i>Caribbean Odyssey (Barbados)</i>	19.30	ОКУН



# **REFUSE COLLECTION OCTOBER Grey Bin:** 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

Green Bin & Recycling Boxes: 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>



#### CHILDREN'S NEARLY NEW SALE

We are holding our next popular Children's Nearly New Sale on 12th October, from 10am to 12 noon – all tables sold out!

Previous sales have been a good way to buy quality goods, with a wide range of toys, games, books clothes, baby equipment—so put this date in your diary.



Refreshments available in the Hall and the Coffee Shop.

Donations for the raffle will be very welcome.

The Centre @ Halton, Low Road, Halton <a href="http://www.haltoncentre.org/">http://www.haltoncentre.org/</a>

#### What's coming up in October?

#### **ONE-MAN SHOWS:**

**Alan Johnson: In My Life** is at **The Grand** on Tues 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. In this highly entertaining show Alan tells his personal story with the help of some of the music that has sound-tracked his life. For more information: <a href="https://www.lancastergrand.co.uk">www.lancastergrand.co.uk</a> or Box Office: 0152464695.



Shackleton's Carpenter on Fri 11<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm at The

**Heron** is the story behind the saving of the twenty-seven men who were stranded after Shackleton's "Endurance" sank in Antarctica. **Malcolm Rennie** plays Harry McNish, the man who played a vital role in saving them, yet because he had defied Shackleton was never awarded the Polar Medal. For more information and to choose and book your seats go on line to <a href="https://www.theherontheatre.com">www.theherontheatre.com</a>

On Wed 30<sup>th</sup> at **The Grand** at 8pm you can catch **Jack Dee** for an evening of entertainment in his new stand-up tour. Contact details as above.

#### THEATRE:

From Wed 9<sup>th</sup> to Sat 12<sup>th</sup> you can catch **Gym and Tonic** performed by the **John Godber Company** who are in the middle of their UK tour. Set in a health farm featuring a couple trying to fix their ailing marriage, this is a laugh-out-loud comedy about trying to find a moment of calm in their troubled times. For performance times contact: 01524 598500 or <a href="https://www.dukes-lancaster.org">www.dukes-lancaster.org</a>

#### MUSIC:

From Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> to Mon 14<sup>th</sup> public bars and venues across the city will be banding together to host hundreds of different performances for the award-winning FREE **Lancaster Music Festival** – its 10<sup>th</sup> year! There will be music in over forty venues, all easily walkable within the city centre, including the majority of the city's wonderful pubs and bars along with cafés and coffee shops, bookshops and banks. Plus there will be music and street theatre in the city's public squares and outdoor spaces. Tap in the title to Google for specific details.

**Divers Voyces**, an excellent a cappella group, will be singing music by Dowland, Byrd, Gibbons, Parry and more on Sun 20<sup>th</sup> in St Michael's Church, Beetham. Titled **Merrie England** it starts at 3pm and there will be a retiring collection for church funds.

## LIVE BY SATELLITE:

#### OPFRA:

**The Reel Cinema, Morecambe** is showing a Royal Opera House transmission on Tues 8<sup>th</sup> at 6.45pm of Mozart's **Don Giovanni** and on Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm a new production of Donizetti's comedy of domestic drama across two generations, **Don Pasquale**, with **Bryn Terfel**.

#### DRAMA:

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Vivien E McCormick

#### HISTORIC CHANGES TO HALL GARTH AND THE GREEN

Over Kellet village has undergone several periods of quite intense and dramatic change. The date stones on lintels above the doorways of many cottages in the village indicate that between about 1650 and 1720 earlier buildings, probably of timber, were rebuilt in stone (see my article in *OK View*, July 2017 pages 16 & 17). In the fifty years after the end of the Second World War Church Bank, Greenways, Winder Garth, Hall Garth Gardens, Leapers View and Kirklands expanded the village considerably.

One short period of considerable change may be less well-known: 1826 to 1858, focused on Hall Garth and the grounds fronting it.

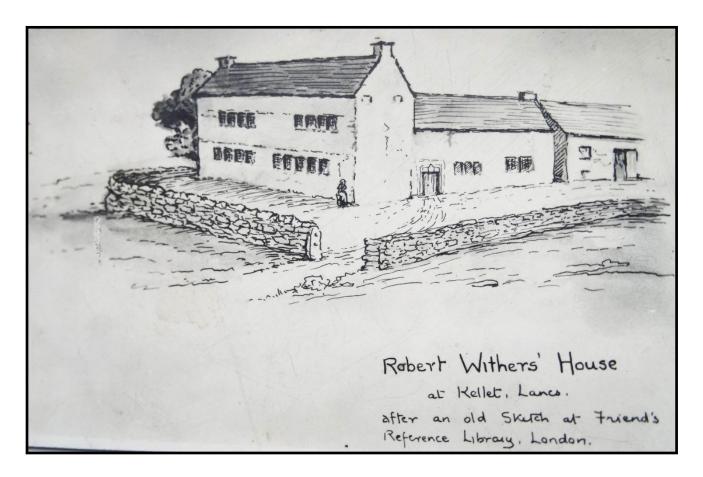
The history of Hall Garth can be traced back to the mid 16<sup>th</sup> century. In 1820 Montague Farrer Ainslie inherited the estate and prepared plans to replace the modest 17<sup>th</sup> century structure (possibly constructed of wood with a brick façade) with a building suitable for a gentleman. The property we see today dates from the mid-1820s; on the evidence of the style of the building some think that Ainslie engaged George Webster as the architect. Webster practised in Kendal and designed buildings across Westmorland (now part of Cumbria), adjacent parts of Yorkshire and north Lancashire. However, Hartwell & Pevsner (page 485) state that the designs for Hall Garth are actually signed by William Coulthard of Lancaster and dated 1826. Coulthard was also the architect for St John the Evangelist Church, Levens.

Montague Ainslie also wanted to improve the view from the front of the new house, but died in 1830 with his plans only partly executed. The estate passed to Montague's brother Henry, but he died in 1834. Dr Gilbert Ainslie (Henry's second son who was Master of Pembroke College, Cambridge from 1828 to his death in 1870) inherited Hall Garth and carried through Montague's plan so that a total of nine houses and six barns (according to my source noted in the next paragraph) were acquired and demolished to create the space in front of Hall Garth which we see today.

Much of what follows is drawn from Bob Escolme's transcription of manuscripts he found at Lancaster Reference Library amongst the papers of William Farrer, a noted historian who owned Hall Garth from 1904 to 1920. Bob published his findings in 2000 as *William Farrer on Old Over Kellet Houses* and they provide detailed descriptions of the history of sixty-two buildings in the parish, including those demolished in the 1820s to 50s.

Close to the entrance gates to Hall Garth, at the western-most end of the group which was demolished, stood Robert Withers' House which had belonged to Robert Widders (also known as Widder or Withers) who died in 1582. Records show that he also leased a field from the Hornby Estate to grow flax or hemp for weaving. The property passed down the generations to another Robert Withers who inherited in 1623 when just three or four years old. The house bears this Robert's name as he became one of the so-called Valiant Sixty, early leaders of the Society of Friends (Quakers). George Fox visited and stayed with Withers several times, and addressed an important meeting in the village in August 1652, possibly in a field in front of Yew Tree Cottage (not far from The Narrows).

Robert's son Thomas was also a Quaker and set up the Thomas Withers Charity (which operates to this day) to provide for poor apprentices. He gave the rest of the



estate to the Lancaster Meeting of Friends; successive tenants were also Quakers. The property formed part of an exchange negotiated in 1830 by Montague Farrer Ainslie, who owned Brookside Cottage which he conveyed with some land to the Society of Friends in exchange for Robert Withers' House, which he then demolished.

Bob Escolme recently drew my attention to a sketch on an old postcard owned by Joan Galloway which is believed to depict the house. I am grateful to Joan for permission to photograph the sketch, shown in the photo - the same image appears on the village web site <a href="www.overkellet.org/?Parish\_Appraisal\_1996:Page\_5">www.overkellet.org/?Parish\_Appraisal\_1996:Page\_5</a>. Joan told me that she inherited the postcard from her father but has no other information about it. On the postcard's reverse the layout and typeface are typical of those produced between the 1930s and 1950s. The note written towards the bottom right-hand side of the sketch of the house reads "Robert Withers' house at Kellet, Lancs. after an old Sketch at Friend's Reference Library, London".

In an attempt to learn more about the sketch I contacted the Society of Friends and received the following information from Lucy Saint-Smith, Library Assistant:

"Regarding the sketch, what we believe to be the original image is a print, possibly cut from a book, in the Gibson Manuscript Collection here at the library. This is five volumes of Quakeriana put together by Thomas Thompson (1775-1861) and subsequently bought and bequeathed to us by George Stacey Gibson (1818-1883). The print appears to have been stuck in to illustrate an epistle, attached to the same page, that features Widder's autograph. There is also a close up of the door frame, which has a plaque reading B R W 1650 on the top. Unfortunately there is no further information about where the image came from. As to who drew the sketch on the postcard, I'm afraid we don't know. We don't appear to have a copy of it in our collection."

#### HISTORIC CHANGES TO HALL GARTH AND THE GREEN (CONTINUED)

The sketch reveals that the house was large, a point confirmed by Bob Escolme in comments he has made on a draft of this article. He says Hearth Tax Returns for 1666 indicate it had four hearths, which was matched by only one other house in the parish, that of Sir Richard Bindloss. One property had three hearths but most properties had just one. Like the Society of Friends I have no information about the plaque reading B R W 1650 and whether it refers to Robert himself.

So, could the sketch have been made shortly before the house was demolished in the 1830s in an attempt by Quakers to preserve an image of a building associated with George Fox and a member of the Valiant Sixty?

The other properties cleared away by the Ainslies consisted of (working round from west to north-west):

- a) the Carpenters Arms and two cottages, which the Ainslies could not acquire until 1858 because in the 1820s the owner, William Allinson, ensured that his daughter would inherit and that it could only be sold on her death. Eventually, Gilbert Ainslie paid £1,040 (about £130,000 today) for this estate. In another transaction shortly before he died in 1827 William Allinson sold a strip of land to Ainslie for £20 (about £2,100) to enable him to lay pipes from the old well to the new Town Well which was done in 1829.
- b) Bell's Tenement formerly called Court House, because the Crofts of Claughton, substantial landowners in the 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> centuries, held manorial courts there in relation to their part of the manor of Over Kellet. The property included a garden and hemp land at the back. It was acquired by Ainslie for £200 (about £21,000 now).
- c) Adjoining Bell's Tenement was a public house known as the Bull Inn and later as the Golden Fleece. Thomas Rawsthorne sold the inn to Gilbert Ainslie in 1826 and presumably it was demolished shortly after. The licence was transferred to the Eagles Head an eagle's head is part of the Ainslie coat of arms. It is likely that the date of 1828 over the arch of the barn next to the Eagles Head refers to the rebuilding of both it and the adjacent house.
- So, by purchasing and then demolishing the buildings between their new gentleman's residence and The Green, the Ainslie family made a significant change to the appearance of the village especially when this side of The Green is contrasted with the other three closely built-up sides had the buildings remained, we would not now be able to enjoy the attractive open view from The Green in the direction of Hall Garth, with distant glimpses of Warton Crag.

Peter Clinch

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#### THE THOMAS WITHERS CHARITY

The residents of the Parish of Over Kellet are fortunate to be able to benefit from a very old and unusual Charity.

The Withers Trust was established in 1715 with money left by Thomas Wither in his will. The original purpose of the Trust was to help local children gain an apprenticeship to a trade, profession or occupation by giving them money toward the costs of uniform, equipment and educational costs.

In 1980 the rules of the Trust were updated to allow grants to be made to help with other educational costs, including social and physical training, to persons under the age of twenty-five who are, or whose parents are, resident in the Parish of Over Kellet. In 2019 the Trust is still operating and is able to distribute the income from its investments in the form of small grants to local children and young people to help them to meet the costs of education and training. In recent years contributions have been made toward the cost of school uniform, school and university textbooks and overseas study. In a welcome return to the original aims of the Trust, it has recently been able to give money toward the costs of tools and equipment to young adults entering into apprenticeships.

The Trustees would like to encourage all Parish residents to make use of this fantastic local resource. It is astonishing that local people are still benefiting from the generosity of a man who died more than four hundred years ago!

The Trustees meet twice a year, in June and November, and applications should be made in advance of these meetings for consideration. Application forms and more details can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees at 51 Greenways.

John Briggs





#### **OVER KELLET IN WORLD WAR TWO**

#### Part 2: On the Home Front

This is the second of three short notes looking at how World War Two changed Over Kellet, drawing on material collected by Bob Escolme and published in two of his books about fifteen years ago, and on information taken from *Yesterday's Britain* (Reader's Digest, 1998) and from other published sources. If any reader would like details of where in Bob's books I found the material please contact the Editors.

The population of the village must have risen and fallen many times over the war period, for refugees and evacuees came and went. Ann Craven's early memories of life at Hall Garth included refugees from "somewhere in Europe" staying a short while on their way to America. Joan Galloway mentioned a Jewish family of three being brought out of Germany by the Society of Friends (Quakers) and living at Hogarth House, followed later by the Jewish grandmother who went to work at Hall Garth.

Three waves of evacuees arrived in the village between 1939 and 1945, the first in the Autumn of 1939 during the 'phoney war' – families with children at St Ambrose School, Salford, who returned home in early 1940. Joan Galloway recalled her family taking in three evacuees: a teacher (Miss Chisholm) and two children. Shelia Taylor attended the village school infants' class in 1939 and also remembered evacuees at the school, raising the number of pupils from twenty-three to fifty-seven. The second wave came in winter 1940/1941 from Trafford Road School, Salford, escaping the German air raids on Manchester and Salford. Shelia remembered an evacuee teacher, Mr Pettenor, who lived with his wife and two children at Cragg View, the first house on Longton Cottages. The last wave were eight London children escaping the V1 and V2 rockets falling on London in 1944. Joan's mother took in a mother and two children. Evacuees were also taken in by Audrey Dixon's family, Mrs Main (Well House) and Mrs Gorst (Plough House).

In the first article I mentioned that Hall Garth was used as a convalescent home for injured members of the armed forces. Joan Galloway recalled three army officers, who were convalescing at Hall Garth, visiting Hogarth House some evenings for a change of scene, a chat and a chance to write letters home in relative peace and quiet.

Village societies did their bit for the war effort. Children and members of the WI collected rose hips every year for jam made at the village hall. The WI reported that in 1942 its members made 1,989lb (over 900kg) of jam using eleven hundredweight (nearly 600kg) of sugar, a surprising amount given that sugar was in the first group of foods rationed from 8<sup>th</sup> January 1940; an adult was allowed just eight ounces (227grams) weekly.

Eleanor Styles (née Pickles) recalled that the Horticultural Society was founded in 1943 and its first show was held that year with seventy-eight classes to be judged. Proceeds from the sale of show produce went to the Forces Welcome Home Fund, intended to provide financial and other support to returning troops. 'Dig for Victory' became a national slogan and householders were encouraged to use every possible piece of ground for food production. Even public parks were dug up to grow food. By 1943 nearly 1.5 million allotments were being cultivated across the country.

None of the people interviewed by Bob more than fifteen years ago mentioned the impact of rationing on family life. Perhaps this was because in a rural area people were used to growing their own food and there might be ready access to food from the farms and in hedgerows. When Bob read the draft of this article he commented that his experience of "food rationing procedures and distribution was first class. We always, without fail, got our supplies for both the shop and bakehouse [his parents ran in Lancaster]. Not once were we affected" In contrast he noted that it was probably "a very different story in the bombed cities". Lucy Casson recalled that as a Land Girl at Hall Farm she found the work hard but was fed well. "The farm grew potatoes but did not have many for sale, because a sack would be given to anyone who came and lent a hand at hay-time and harvesting. ... railway men came up from Carnforth to help at busy times, not for money, but for a change, and a bit of fresh air. Those who came regularly were given a goose at Christmas".

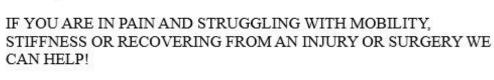
It was not just food that was rationed; clothes rationing began on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1941 and continued until 15<sup>th</sup> March 1949. Ethel Stephenson [I think - the text at this point is not clear on family names] mentioned that she, her sister Joyce and their mother patched and darned clothes and embroidered. Bob says "they also made peg rugs during winter. Old clothes were cut into short strips, and pegged onto hessian backing. These rough rugs were the only floor covering in most rooms. They were heavy, and needed shaking out, often daily".

Petrol was also rationed and Joan Galloway described how her father's car was adapted for the war with a 'gas producer'. Bob reports that it was "a miniature version of a conventional gas works. Coke was burned on a trailer behind the car, and this produced the gas, stored in a 'boiler' or pressure tank, until needed. Not



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#### **OVER KELLET IN WORLD WAR TWO (CONTINUED)**

surprisingly, Joan is rather vague how this contraption worked! The car had to be started in the usual way, with the petrol engine, and then switched over. It was laborious, not very efficient, and not without its dangers". Bob says Joan recalled that "they did have a fire in the boot of the car when Father put the poker back too quickly before it had cooled".

Even without war-time restrictions life could be hard in the village just to ensure that basic needs were met, because services we now take for granted were not available. Pedder Potts reservoir had been built in the nineteenth century to supply Carnforth and its important iron works. There was no mains water supply to Over Kellet until possibly the 1900s when demand from the iron works reduced as trade slackened off. A long quotation from one of Bob's books describes the primitive situation in detail:

"Water pressure [in the village] was poor, and did not reach up Cockle Hill. Even Hogarth House, near the bottom of the hill, compromised by having the bathroom half-way up the stairs. Most farms and some cottages did have access to a pump or well. ... Audrey Cochran recalled carrying water from their well at Oaklea to the village hall on a bogey during the 1940s. The Lewises at Brookside had a tap in the kitchen which supplied unfiltered water from Pedder Potts reservoir, and drinking water from the pump across the road. The same pump supplied the clogger Thomas Howorth from across the Green. Leonard Howorth provided an evocative recollection of staying with his grandparents: It was always summer where the well worn paths converged at the village pump. The handle brayed from morning till night like a wretched donkey calling in vain for the blacksmith to minister grease to long neglected joints. The yoke spread wide across black padded shoulders half hidden by a starched white bonnet. Grandmother swung two precious pails of cool well water as we plodded home across the village green. Bob says "this [water] was too hard-won for washing hands. That supply came from rainwater butts outside [quoting Leonard again] where caddis grubs swam in the green eternal sea".

Audrey Cochran also recalled that once her father had repaired the pump in the backyard they had a good water supply. Bob reports that they enjoyed "pure spring water which they shared with their neighbours, the Makinsons at the schoolhouse (now called Lamond Cottage), and the Luptons at Rose Cottage (now Oaklea's garage)". An adequate mains supply did not reach the village until 1949.

Mains electricity had reached the village in the 1930s but the school was not connected until October 1945 and initially only for the provision of hot dinners. Electric lighting was not provided until March 1946.

The next instalment will look at farming and industry.

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Peter Clinch

#### **WEATHER DATA FOR AUGUST 2019**

Torrential, slow-moving showers affected parts of the country on the 31<sup>st</sup> July causing severe damage to the spillway of a dam at Whaley Bridge in Derbyshire and serious flooding to the area around Grinton in Swaledale. Fortunately Over Kellet escaped these storms and August began with three days of warm, dry weather with maximum temperatures of about 23°C.

From the 4<sup>th</sup> August the weather turned much more unsettled. Friday 9<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of August was particularly wet and windy, with 67mm of rain recorded (well over half the normal rainfall for the whole of August). Winds gusted to 45mph on Saturday evening and the maximum temperature on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> struggled to just 14.8°C.

The middle two weeks of August (from 10<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>) saw daily maximum temperatures nearly 2°C below normal and brought rain on all but one day. As is often the case during unsettled weather like this, night-time temperatures held up well and were in fact 1°C above average over this fortnight. A second wet spell between midday on the 21<sup>st</sup> and midday on the 22<sup>nd</sup> brought another 42mm of rain with some particularly heavy rain between midnight and 6am.

The final week of August saw a welcome spell of much better weather. The Bank Holiday Weekend (24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>) was dry and very warm with light winds. The hottest day of the month was recorded on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> with 28.0°C, the second hottest August day I have recorded in the village. There was hot, sunny weather throughout the UK with a top temperature of 33.4°C measured at Heathrow in London on 27<sup>th</sup>.

For August as a whole, rainfall in Over Kellet was 52% above average with 179.8mm, the third wettest August total I have recorded. Daily maximum temperatures were 19.5° C, 0.7°C above average. Minimum temperatures were 12.8°C, 1.4°C above average. The highest gust was 45 knots at 4:30pm on 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Martin Lord** 

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#### **Shopping On-line**

Each week on average shoppers in the UK spend £1 billion on-line, which accounts for nearly a sixth of all retail spending. When shopping on-line most people probably don't consider the cost and inconvenience of returning faulty or unsatisfactory goods, but checking the small print about return costs could prove to be time well spent.



You'll have legal rights if the item you bought is:

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Note that different rights govern the purchase of used cars.

If you buy something on-line and, once it's been delivered, decide it falls into the categories where you do have rights, in most circumstances you can return the item and get your money back, but there may be an additional cost. Large retailers often offer various ways of returning goods, including returning the item to one of their stores or using a pre-paid delivery label. But not all retailers have walk-in stores or can afford these costs. If it's up to you to pay for the return postage and you want to make sure your parcel arrives safely, costs can add up.

By law, retailers have to tell on-line buyers who will be responsible for paying return postage costs. This information must be available to buyers before they purchase, but the onus is on the buyer to read and understand it; you may need to search the retailer's web site carefully to find it. It's also worth knowing that, as well as refunding the cost of the item being returned, retailers only have to refund basic delivery costs for returned faulty items. So when you return an item, if you choose a next-day delivery service costing £4.50 and the retailer's basic charge is £2.99 for delivery within three to five days, the delivery charge refund would be £2.99.

When an item is posted back to a retailer the buyer becomes responsible for the item as it makes its way through the delivery network. This means that parcel delivery services offering features such as tracking, proof of posting and/or delivery, and insurance of parcel contents, can be attractive. The value placed on such factors will vary depending on the value of the item being returned and what you can afford.

Most people simply go to the Post Office and send their parcel with Royal Mail - but RM's standard services are not tracked. They can include proof of posting when the item is sent from a Post Office and, for an additional charge, this can be extended to include a signature on delivery. Royal Mail's Special Delivery service offers guaranteed delivery speeds, tracking and higher levels of insurance.

Delivery services offered by parcel companies competing with Royal Mail may offer a higher-level basic delivery, for example including tracking as standard, and a range of insurance choices. Also a primary reason for many consumers using an alternative parcel company over Royal Mail is that they may offer to collect the parcel from your home or business address.

Before choosing which organisation to use to return your parcel it can be worth obtaining cost quotations from Royal Mail and parcel delivery company websites to help you review and compare services before choosing the right option for your needs.

#### **Top Tips**

Check the return postage arrangements before you buy. If you have to pay the return postage costs:

- Shop around to compare price and service;
- Check that the compensation available for the service you choose covers the value of the item;
- Check what evidence of posting or insurance will be needed to make a claim if the parcel is lost or damaged in transit.

This article is adapted from a briefing document prepared by Citizens Advice for the use of its front-line advisors.

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#### A Large Mole Visits Over Kellet!

Since our last report we have made good progress thanks to our volunteers, land owners, David and his digger and the B4RN civil engineering team. We have installed another four chambers and the 7mm ducting is now at the boundaries of another twenty-four properties including the church and the Eagles Head. At the beginning of September, you may have seen a large yellow machine (a mole plough) moving through the fields from the church towards The Narrows. This certainly made laying the ducting much easier but can only be used through fields.

As we move into October, we have two Community Action Days planned, 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October. On the 5th we will be finalising the connection at the church and behind The Old School. Then on the 19<sup>th</sup> we will move to the other side of the village continuing down towards Old Hall Farm.

Please come along and help with this excellent community project and enjoy some time with fellow villagers. If you do not receive the regular B4RN e-mails please contact us.



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If you require further information about a B4RN connection, or are willing to help please do not hesitate to e-mail: <a href="lesleygee54@gmail.com">lesleygee54@gmail.com</a> or <a href="nkdw01@gmail.com">nkdw01@gmail.com</a>. There are lots of pictures of our Community Action Days on our Facebook page: B4RN OK.

Lesley Gee



#### OK VIEW - 10 YEARS AGO (OCTOBER 2009)

Autumn had arrived and Jo Williams, Headteacher, wrote of the pupils who had left during the summer "looking so grown up in their high school uniforms" waiting at the bus stop for school transport. She also wrote about the Reception class going on their first school trip to Over Kellet fruit farm "to pick the last of the raspberries, hunt for windfall cooking apples and gather newly ripened plums". In return, the school and children presented David Wilson (the fruit farm owner) with a fruit crumble baked at school. Older pupils did not miss out on autumn events; thirty Year 5 and 6 pupils had visited the Westmorland County Show, the first time there had been a school visit. There was much to stimulate minds and senses and on returning to school the pupils recorded their experiences as podcasts.

A different aspect of autumn had been highlighted to the Parish Council in a letter from the District Council. The letter noted the responsibilities of land owners to control vegetation adjacent to rights of way. The Clerk contributed a short article to *OK View* noting that "the favourable growing conditions this year have resulted in more growth than is usual and in some places paths and walkways have become restricted". Excess growth of hedges was a hazard for wheelchair and pushchair users. There was no regular weather column in *OK View* at this time but the editorial for September had noted (with dismay) that the summer had been wet and windy though it had provided colourful sunsets.

An intriguing article by Valerie Hall described the activities of the Lunesdale Doll and Dolls House Group which met at the Village Hall ten times a year and was listed in the Directory printed on the back cover of *OK View*. It had been started twenty years previously by Mary Milne "and is still going strong". The group appears no longer to use our village facilities – does it still exist? The meetings in Over Kellet enabled members to make and show miniature creations or plan trips to exhibitions of small-scale scenes. Two photographs accompanying the article illustrate the artistry and devotion to accurate detail the makers sought.

Peter Clinch



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**Viva Dental**, 29A Market Street, LA5 9JX *M* 9-17.30; *Tu, W, Th* 735431

8.30-18.30; F 8.45-16.30

Opticians: Butterfields, 46c Market Street, LA5 9LB M-F 9-17.30; 732724

Sa 9-14.00

**Philip Jones**, 15 Market Street, LA5 9JX *M-F 9-17.30; Sa 9-17.00* 730055

**Vets:** Alison Lee, 2 Queen Street, LA5 9EB *M-F 9-19.00; Sa 10-13.00;* 735249

24-hour emergency service

**Burch Tree Vets**, 39 Lancaster Road, LA5 9LD *M-F 8.30-19.00*; 720002

Sa 8.30-12; emergency clinic Su 10-12; 24-hour emergency service

**Library:** Lancaster Road, LA5 9DZ Su & M, Closed; Tu, 9.00-19.00; W & 0300 123 6703

Sa, 9.00 –13.00; Th & F, 9.00-17.00

# Bus Timetable: to 27 Oct 2019 † Lancs school days only; \* Lancs school holidays only; ‡ kirkby lonsdale coaches

Route	55	55	49	49		49	49	55	55	55	490‡
Day	M-F	M-F	M-Sa	M-Sa		M-Sa	Sa*	M-F†	M-F	M-F	M-Sa
Carnforth	-	-	-	9.28		14.28	15.28	-	-	-	20.28
Over Kellet	-	-	7.56	9.36	_	14.36	15.36	-	-	-	20.36
Nether Kellet	7.13	7.28	8.02	9.42	įς	14.42	15.42	16.11	16.56	17.56	20.42
Over Kellet	7.18	7.33	-	-	R	-	-	16.16	17.01	18.01	-
Carnforth	7.30	7.45	-	-	~	-	-	16.31	17.11	18.11	-
Lancaster	8.03	8.15	8.30	10.10		15.10	16.10	17.04	17.37	18.37	21.10

Route	49		49	49	55	55	55	49
Day	M-Sa		M-Sa	Sa*	M-F†	M-F	M-F	Sa
Lancaster	9.30		14.30	15.30	15.25	16.10	17.10	17.30
Carnforth	-	ı	•	•	15.59	16.44	17.44	-
Nether Kellet	9.57	jou	14.57	15.57	16.11	16.56	17.56	17.57
Over Kellet	10.03	RL	15.03	16.03	16.16	17.01	18.01	18.03
Carnforth	10.12	<b> </b>	15.12	16.12	16.31	17.11	18.11	18.12
Lancaster	-		-	-	17.04	17.37	18.37	

#### **School terms:**

Lancs:

2 Sept to 20 Dec

Cumbria:

4 Sept to 20 Dec

Both: Half Term; 21– 25 Oct.

## **OVER KELLET DIRECTORY**

LOCAL AUTHORIT	Y REPRESENTATIV	ES	St. CUTHBERT'S CHURCH					
COUNTY COUNCIL			Vicar Rev Paul Boulter 770					
			Secretary	John Halsey	732972			
Councillor Phillippa Williamson 221788  Denny Bank, Arkholme, Carnforth LA6 1AX			Church Warden	Penny Burnside	884962			
Phillippa.Williamson@lancashire.gov.uk				•				
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DISTRICT COUNC			VILLAGE SCHOO					
Councillor Michael N			Headteacher	Jo Williams	732097			
	, Lancaster, LA1 4DD	01524 61950	VILLAGE HALL					
mmumford@lancas	ter.gov.uk		Chairman	Peter Thomas	298979			
			Secretary	Liz Brewster	733877			
PARISH COUNCIL			Treasurer	John Gooch				
Meet at 7.15pm on	second Tuesday of		Bookings Sec.	Lesley Gee	733240			
month	O	700407	Parish Council	Stephen Atkins	720605			
Chairman	Graham Agnew	733407	Church	Lindsay Angus	734964			
Vice Chair	Stephen Atkins Derek Johnson	720605						
	Martin May	733804 881256	VILLAGE ACTIVITY REPRESENTATIVES					
	Jean Metcalfe	07795 482403	Badminton	Jane Storer	734265			
Clerk	Derek Whiteway	07805 260976	Bowls	Lindsay Angus	734964			
	clerk@overkelletpc.	org	Keep Active	Lesley Gee	733240			
			OK & District Horticultural Society					
NEIGHBOURHOOD	WATCH		Chairman	(Currently Vacant)				
Police Station, Land	aster	101	Secretary	Verity Clinch	734591			
PCSO Paul Shephe	erd		Treasurers	Marilyn Whinfield	07753 435792			
•	ncashire.pnn.police.uk			Pat Woolstencroft	733965			
PC Rob Barnsley, C	Community Beat Mana	ger	Playgroup	Lynsey Winder	730904			
3573@lancashire.p			Short Tennis	Joan Shaw	736503			
Co-ordinator	Jane Ward	733947	Twinning Assn	Liz Brumitt	735013			
Asst.Co-ordinator	Alison Lloyd Williams	734363	Walking Group					
		734303	Contacts	Geoff Jackson	736103			
Area Co-ordinators:				Ron/Lorna Oswald	736523			
Central	(Currently Vacant)	733848	Womens Institute					
Kirklands Western	Tony Wells Bev Carling	736393	President	Christine Bolton	735030			
Eastern	Sandra Klijn-	730393	Secretary	Lindsay Angus	734964			
Lactorn	Passant	727692	Treasurer	Sheila Cooper	733787			
Far Eastern	(Currently Vacant)							
Northern	Paul Witherington	732309	THOMAS WITHE	RS CHARITY				
Southern	Alison Harper	734372	Secretary	David Mills	732194			
Northeast	Ray Garlick	730667	•					
Capernwray Ken Alred 07786 803235			COMPUTING OK WEBSITE www.overkellet.org					
OHADDIES			Updated info. to:	Gordon Galloway	720872			
QUARRIES Liason Officer	Graham Agnew	733407	OK VIEW					
Leapers Wood Qua	_	732135	200 Club	Liz Brewster	733877			
Back Lane Quarry	ii y	738888	200 Club	LIZ DIEWSIEI	133011			
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FOOTPATHS AND TREE OFFICER			Contacts	Nick Ward	733947			
(Currently Vacant)				Lesley Gee	733240			
PARISH LENGTHS			EMERGENCY PLAN GROUP					
Mike Ashton - contact Cllr Metcalfe or the Parish Clerk			Paul Bond paul@okplan.co.uk					
- anon Olerk			i aui Donu	padil@orpian.co.dk				

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