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Community Garden Party - Queens Platinum Jubilee



Keep Saturday 18th June free for a community garden party at Thwaites Village Hall. This format, rather than the traditional Thwaites Gala, has been chosen to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There will be fun, food and entertainment for all ages!



Middle Cut - Upgrade Work Completed

The upgrade to Middle Cut is now complete and is open for residents to enjoy.

The Parish Council has been working with Cumbria County Council, who supported the work from the Environmental Fund and additional funds were provided by Ghyll Scaur Quarry.



We wish to pass on our thanks to the funders and the contractor Andrew Thompson Landscapes.

This now delivers a further commitment from our Local Community Plan







News @ Thwaites Village Hall

Village Hall is now re-open for business within the guidelines set by HM Govt to ensure a Covid-19 secure environment. If you wish to book the Hall, please contact Chris on 773284.



Thwaites Village Hall 100 Club Winners - Feb 22 1st No 37 Mark Kitchingman £30 2nd No 82 Chris Gibson £15 3rd No 92 David Urwin £10

4th No 32 Abi Park £10



Community Lunch @ Thwaites Village Hall

Soup & dessert, £5 per head
Arrive for 12 noon
Anyone willing to help for a couple hours once a month, please contact Jan Procter on 774234.
Please note the next event 30th March 22

Update - Play Group at Thwaites Village Hall

The playgroup at Thwaites Village Hall got off to a busy start at the end of January. In the first several weeks of starting, including the mid-term holiday, an average of 15 children have attended with their adults. There is a host of toys that have been donated or retained for the children to get out (and distribute widely around the hall). We are currently looking for climbing equipment and a slide to give the children a new challenge when the weather is not suitable for the playground outside.

Do come along with your child to Thwaites Village Hall on Mondays 10:00 to 12:00. The group is targeted at pre-school age children and their parent or carer. The charge, including a drink and snack, is £2/child + adult (the charge for an additional child or adult is 50p)

Going Green At The Thwaites Village Hall

Thwaites Village Hall currently has fluorescent light fittings that are around 30 years old and are outdated and not as energy efficient as modern fittings. Also, the quality of the light from the current fittings is not suitable for junior to adult table tennis players, who meet 3 times/week in the hall.

TVH committee have identified that LED lighting will be substantially brighter than the current fittings and will be suitable for table tennis and other such indoor activities. Importantly, LED lighting will reduce hall energy costs by approximately £720/yr. Also, the bulb lives of fluorescents are, on average, 2000 hrs and that of LEDs 50,000 hrs. Bulb replacement requires specialist equipment (£500) to be brought into the hall and so LED bulbs represent a significant maintenance savings. The payback period of the installation is in the region of 5 years. The Village Hall Management Committee is in the process of seeking grants to support this green investment in the Hall.

Key Dates

For Your Diary!

MONDAYs

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY evenings

ADULT & TODDLER GROUP From 10.30 to 12noon

TABLE TENNIS is from 6 to 7.30pm Cost is £2 per person and all are welcome

BOWLING from 1.30 to 3.30pm

SCOUTS from 7pm (Term time only)

FRIDAYS
Fit Friends from 9.15 to 10.15

SCOUTS from 7pm (Term time only)

FLOW is from 10.30 to 11.30 am
All are welcome

TUESDAY 8th & 15th

SUNDAY Evenings from 7 to 8pm
Table tennis team practice

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News From The Hill

The results
of the
February
100 Club
draw

1st prize £50 No 34 Marianna Benn 2nd prize £20 No 102 Louise falconer 3rd prize £20 No 20 Linda Kilburn 4th prize £20 No 93 David Urwin 5th prize £10 No 228 Robert Falconer 6th prize £10 No 13 Janet Hornsby 7th prize £10 No 24 Sue Fox Next
open
house is
5th
March
5.30-7.30
BYOB,
nibbles
provided

Music Event - Gus Glynn - Sunday 24th April



Join classically trained fingerstyle guitarist Gus Glynn as he traces the development of the music we love today from its roots in traditional folk and blues, right through to contemporary classics and all-time favourites.

Journey through classic songs of Leonard Cohen, Bob Dylan, Carole King, Mark Knopfler and Lou Reed.

Visit modern favourites from artists such as Amy Winehouse and Arctic Monkeys all with a selection of pit stops along the way as Gus showcases his own songs.

A music lover's must, complete with original fingerstyle guitar arrangements of John Lennon and Turlough O'Carolan, 'Routes to Classics' is not to be missed.

BYOB, £10 p.p.
Arrival time
7.00pm for a
7.30pm start.
Booking
essential.
Contact Alan
Sharpe 772337
or Linda Kilburn
778673



Millom Without Parish Council

POTHOLES - REPORTING A PROBLEM

There have been a number of complaints made about potholes in the local roads, in particular in and around The Hill and Underhill.

Repair and maintenance of the highway network is the responsibility of Cumbria County Council. The Parish Council raise these complaints with CCC via our County Council representative and/or directly to the Highways Department.

The Parish Council urges as many residents as possible to use the "Fix My Street" online system (linked below) in a concerted effort to raise the pothole issue directly with CCC.

Reporting is simple and if you have photos of the road and potholes they will help reinforce the poor condition which they are in. https://www.fixmystreet.com/





MILLOM without PARISH COUNCIL

Councillor Vacancies - we are seeking to co-opt Two new Councillors
Millom Without Parish Council serves the residents within the Hill, The Green,
Dunningwell, School Ellis, Thwaites, Lady Hall, Broadoak and the Duddon Area

A councillor is a voice of its community and can affect real change by representing the local community, delivering services and improving the quality of life of its residents.

The Parish Council since the development of the Local Community Plan, has actively worked to deliver on the aspirations set out by our community.

The Parish Council are proud to have delivered key aspects of this Community Plan:

- ·A new Play Park sited on the Playing Field at Thwaites Village Hal
- ·Refurbishment of the "Bus Shelters" at The Hill and work commenced at The Green
- **·Completing the upgrade of Middle Cut.**
- •Active steps to improve our local environment which include significant improvements to the lay by near Ghyll Scaur Quarry, and the setting up of community-based litter picks.
- •Promotion of safe cycling by hosting a 2-day event held in June 21.

We have more work to do and we need extra support to continue with the delivery of our Community Plan – do you know someone who would be a good Parish Councillor or is this something which you would like to do? We are looking to co-opt 2 people onto the Parish Council, who can make a difference and represent the electorate.

No special qualifications are required to be a councillor. You only have to:

- Ø Have an interest in Millom without Parish
- Ø Be prepared to be involved in the Council's work
- Ø Be able to attend the monthly meetings

If you want to know more or you wish to register your interest contacting the Clerk Lesley Cooper telephone number 01229 775492 or email millomwithoutparishcouncil@outlook.com for further information



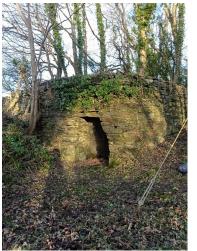
Bringing the Lime Kiln back into view

Parish Councillors Pauline Murray and Angela Nugent have started with the kind permission of the Land Owner, The aim is to bring the Lime Kiln near the Pinnal Hole back into view. The project will consider the development of a a local heritage walk which showcases the history of our area.

This ongoing project will evolve over the next few months.









PLANT and produce SALE: JUNE 11TH 2022 Advance Warning!



Please help us raise much needed funds for St Mary's Hospice at this year's plant and produce sale. We will be back in The Hill village hall on June 11th and are hoping that you can start now thinking of how you can help with donations. We need:

- ·Plants by taking cuttings, raising seedlings, dividing plants: now is the time to start plotting and planning
- ·Your home baking, cordials, jams and preserves: our produce stall is becoming a favourite fixture
- ·Any of your gardening tools and bric-a-brac that we can recycle to a new home
- ·Your arts and crafts to give the day a special "twist"
- Please phone Sally on 01229 775172 if you have any questions or can pledge some support.

We hope that you will join us in supporting St Mary's Hospice by donating or buying on the day, or both! See you there!

Green Matters.....

When all at once I saw a crowd, A host of golden daffodils...

Millom Without Environment Group are seeking funding have secured funding from Ghyll Scaur Quarry Community Fund for small scale reintroduction of native flowers, starting with daffodils with Cumbrian genetic makeup. Daffodils have been associated with this parish since Wordsworth: in his poetry Wordsworth spread the fame of the wild daffodils of Duddon. While Dunnerdale, particularly around Duddon Bridge, still has beautiful wild daffodils, there are few other wild ones remaining. The daffodils that are around are predominantly modern cultivars not in any way associated with Cumbria.

The planting is planned for selected roadside verges in the parish where the bulbs will not get waterlogged and rot or baked by summer sunshine. The bulbs are to be planted under hedgerows and at the base of dry stone walls. The bulbs should proliferate to provide a much needed Spring rush of pollen and nectar for bees and other pollinators to build strength after lean winter months. The bulbs should also visually enhance the parish for residents and visitors.

Roadside verges

Roadside verges in Cumbria are recognised as a valuable resource for wildlife and, as such, they need care and attention. As well as being a wildlife refuge, they are also greatly admired by locals and visitors, and are easily accessible to all. Wildflowers don't need compost or fertilisers to thrive - quite the opposite. They like to grow in poor soils, and this is one reason why they grow on roadside verges. In soils that are very rich, a few plants such as hogweed and nettle grow so well that other wildflowers can't compete with them

Ways in which we all can improve our roadside verges for wildlife:

- Avoid driving on verges. This kills plants and damages the soil structure.
- Take an interest in your local verges, and talk to others about what you see.
- If you see someone damaging a verge near you and feel confident in approaching who is responsible, then have a word with him or her.
- If you have a verge by your property, don't waste time and energy turning it into a lawn. Just enjoy what grows on the verge if you don't cut it regularly. The verge should be cut later in the year when wild flowers have seeded.
- Although it might seem like a public-spirited thing to do, please don't plant garden bulbs or other cultivated plants on roadside verges. Save them for your garden.

Litter Picking

Several attempts to schedule litter picking this month have failed due to extreme weather. This same weather has led to litter blowing about (and blowing away into estuary) which heightens the benefits of tackling the road verges in particular. Keep a look out on social media and the Millom Without Parish Council website for information on rescheduling. Alternatively, send a message to oandacontact@gmail.com if you want an update directly.

Copeland Borough Council have recently provided Parish Councils with litter picking equipment so we have tabards, pickers, gloves and bags to borrow if you prefer to collect litter individually, as we know many do.





You are invited to share your views via a new engagement platform to help shape the development of The Iron Line.

We would like to hear your opinions on:

- How you currently feel about the area and how you use it now
- Activities you would like to do in the future in the area
- What the visitor or welcome hub should look and feel like, and what facilities it should offer
- Details of facilities, accessibility on site and other site features

Click on the link to find out how you can share your ideas: https://www.placed-engagement.org.uk/iron-line

Have you checked out our new website yet?

The new website will ensure the communities of Millom and Haverigg can keep up to date with key developments in the major regeneration programme.

Visit our website here > https://millomtowndeal.org.uk

English Coastal Path: Beach car park, Silecroft to Green Road railway station Stage 5: Open

This 18.6km (11.5 miles) stretch of the England Coast Path (ECP) is now open to the public. Coastal access rights came into force along this section of the Silecroft to Silverdale stretch on Wednesday 9 February 2022, by order of the Secretary of State.







Thwaites Village Hall Registered Charity 520347 100 + Club



The 100 + Club is a fundraising monthly draw with the chance

to win four prizes

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1st Prize of £30.00

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2nd Prize of £15.00

3

3rd Prize of £10.00

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4th Prize of £10.00

(Prize money will vary depending on number of sales)
The monthly draw will take place from April 2022 to March 2023 on the first Wednesday
of every month at Thwaites Village

Hall.

The winners will be announced in the 'Out and About' and on Thwaites Village Hall notice board.

| l | _ would like to have | numbers |
|---|-------------------------|---------|
| in the Thwaites Village hall 100+ Club 2022/2023Draw. | | |
| I enclose £12.00 per number. | | |
| (Cash or Cheques payable to Thwaites Village Hall) | | |
| Cheques can be dated 1st April 2022 | | |
| Please stat | e all names and contact | details |

Name

Address

Phone number

Please return form by 20th March 2022 ready for April Draw to Beverley Sharp Haws Bank, The Green, Millom . LA18 5HQ Tel 01229 770123