



Newsletter  
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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Member

It's that time of year again - time to renew your membership, and soon the AGM. So with this newsletter you will find, a **subs renewal** form and **notice of the AGM on 5th October**. Our Treasurer Joanna Abbott will not be standing again, so we need to find a new treasurer.

Sorry this newsletter is again a bit delayed, a) because I was on holiday and b) our Vice Chairman Geoff Flood who was going to get it ready has been ill. Geoff is progressing slowly, but will be missing from our meetings for a while, we wish him a speedy recovery.

We are having a stall at the **Timperley Country Fair** again this year on **10th September**. We will have the Walks leaflets for sale, but not second hand books this year. The coloured Xmas card photo of Larkhill in the snow has appeared a couple of times on the 'Memories of Timperley' group on Facebook, so we will have some for sale at the Fair.

We have some committee members missing this year, on holiday (as well as Geoff who does a lot of work), and we're working with fewer helpers. So if you are around, at about 3.30pm we would appreciate **a bit of help** for a few minutes taking down the gazebo - another pair of hands makes all the difference. Of course, do call in during the day and have a chat.

### Report on Meetings

In the last Newsletter we mentioned **Neighbourhood Plans**, and at the June committee meeting, we welcomed Mike Shields, Chair of the Altrincham Neighbourhood Business Plan Working Group. Mike had prepared notes regarding the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan and talked us through the various stages of the procedure. These included the reasons for doing a Plan, public consultation and commitment as well as the financial and legal obligations - a lot of work. We decided not to proceed, as plans usually stem from some problem which affects an area.

**Civic Day** this year was a bit quieter than last year but we still signed up two new members. We are pondering on a different venue, and activities/ displays for next year - has anyone got any ideas?

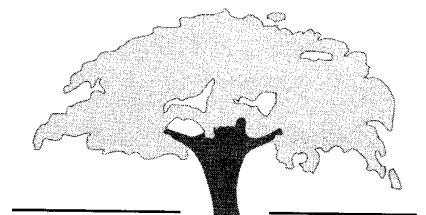
**Purple 4 Polio** - Rotary and RHS campaign to help end Polio - It's been suggested we join in with planting Purple Crocuses around Timperley. Watch out for more details.

### What's Going On

I came back from holiday to find all sorts going on: Holy Cross Church house is in process of demolition; work is being done on one of the older semis near the Stonemasons; and the road works at Park Road / Manchester Road are finished at last - or are they?

**Planning Applications** - in the last couple of months we have looked at several applications. The Library - there has been much discussion, with letters to the local paper, but we have not commented on the planning application. There is the additional one for a portacabin behind the old li-

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**Saturday 10th September**  
**10.30 am to 3.30 pm**  
**at Larkhill Park, Thorley Lane**



brary / Riddings Community Centre on Park Road to serve as a temporary library (88511). There is still no news about the future of the Community Centre after the new library is built.

Dobbinets Lane (actually Hale but we use the road) - at The Dog Tub kennels and cattery - The plan is for 13 houses on land currently used as a paddock backing onto Fairywell Brook, with landscaping and an access road where the current buildings. (88639) It would use the current entrance on Dobbinets Lane and we are concerned about traffic - it's near that nasty narrow bend, and encroachment on Green Belt.

Nat West, Stockport Road - There's a plan to change to residential part of the building with the front door next to the bank .

Shell Petrol Station near the Hare & Hounds - plan to replace the current building along with new car parking layout.

New Bridge over canal near Broadheath - there's a plan for a new pedestrian and cycle bridge, over the canal to the east of Viaduct Road, with a new towpath on the south side of the canal from there to Wharf Road.

There have been some applications for 'historic' buildings in Timperley and nearby:

Forest School, Moss Lane applied for an extension for a single story hall between the existing buildings (88342) this would involve digging up the farmyard belonging to the original farmhouse dating from the 1750's.

And in Hale - Lathom Hall Farm on Clay Lane - this is set back from the road near Timperley Brook. It's possible there may be remains of earlier buildings on the site - may need an archaeological assessment. Roaring Gate Lane, Hale - there's an application for a new dwelling house on the field next to Roaring Gate Farm. Chapel House was built next to the farmhouse quite a few years ago, and there is an annexe that is residential. But this would be a new build - again there may be remains of previous buildings in that field.

## **FUTURE EVENTS - Please watch out for the location of events**

**Tues 6th Sept**            **Manchester Airport:** a talk by John Twigg - 7.30pm at the Village Club, Stockport Road, Timperley

**Sat 10th Sept**            **Timperley Country Fair 10 am to 3.30 pm** Larkhill park, Thorley Lane

Sun 11th Sept            Christ Church, Thorley Lane - Heritage Open Day, 2pm to 5pm

**Weds 5th Oct**            **AGM** Followed by: 'What did you do before telly?' by Chris Makepeace, 7.30pm at Larkhill Centre, Thorley Lane, Timperley

**Tues 1st Nov**            **'Twenty's Plenty':** talk by Rod King on the campaign for 20mph speed limit - 7.30pm at the Village Club, Stockport Road

**Tues 3rd Dec**            **Christmas Crackers:** Rev Derek Davidson will entertain, with punch and mince pies. 7.30pm at the Village Club

**Timperley Walks**    Explore you local area. We now have eight Walks leaflets at 50p. each:  
No. 8 is: Houses and History: a road walk round central Timperley.

**Society Website** - The new website address is <http://www.timperleycivicsociety.org.uk>  
**Emails** - You can send us an email via the website.

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*See you around      Hazel Pryor*