

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

*Wishing you a very happy, healthy and prosperous 2009*

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## Happy New Year

The Parish Council wishes all residents a Happy New Year and would like to remind you that you are more than welcome to attend all or any of its meetings.

The dates (all Mondays) of Council meetings held at 7.30pm in the Vernon Institute for the rest of the 2008/09 Municipal Year are set out below:

- 2 February
- 2 March
- 6 April

Ten minutes are allocated for public speaking time before each meeting gets underway. If you would like a slot to speak please contact the Clerk (contact details are at the back of this Newsletter), at least one week before the date of the meeting.

## The New Council

On 31 March 2009 Cheshire County Council will be abolished and we will share the new Cheshire West and Chester Unitary Council with the former boroughs of Vale Royal and Ellesmere Port and Neston and the City of Chester. The administrative headquarters will be based at the County Hall in Chester.



Whether this new arrangement will prove more efficient and cost effective remains to be seen.

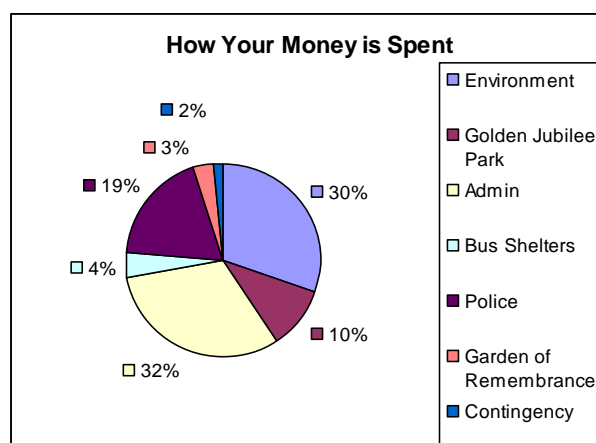
## Council Tax

The Parish Council has asked Cheshire West and Chester Council for a Parish Precept of £52,327 for 2009/10. This year's budget is £62,590.

Unlike Principal Authorities, Parish Councils do not receive Government grants and are wholly funded by means of the local Council Tax - £44.53 per household per Band D property.

Cheshire West and Chester Council has informed that the Double Taxation Grant previously paid by Chester City Council (£3,913 in 2008/09) will not be available after Vesting Day (1 April 2009) but that Council Tax will be lower than at present. If the Grant was to be paid in 2009/10 the precept increase would have only been 3% and not the 10% it actually is. The Council is hopeful that this Grant will be reinstated in future years. Please lobby your Cheshire West and Chester Councillors to support the Double Taxation Grant's reinstatement.

How your £62,590 is to be spent is set out in the Council's budget below:



## Parish Council Surgeries

Since October 2008 a new approach has been taken to Parish Council Surgeries because the Council believes that it is important that it is openly accessible and available to parishioners who want to discuss quality of life issues etc with its Members. Surgeries are still held monthly between 10.00am and 10.45am on the Saturday

immediately before the Council meeting on the first Monday of the month (second Monday if the first is a public holiday).

Surgeries have been held outside of the Co-op Stores rather than in the Vernon Institute (VI) because it has been noted that those held outside the shop are more productive than those held in the VI. Residents going into the shop stop and raise issues with the Councillor on duty.

Prior to October residents seldomly attended Parish Council Surgeries in the VI but have done so when they have had issues of great concern e.g. controversial planning applications.

Some Members are willing to hold Surgeries outside the Co-op Stores whilst others don't want to do this. Therefore, in future the venue for Parish Council Surgeries will be dependant on where the presiding Member wishes to hold it (currently either outside the Co-op Stores or inside the VI). Notices will be posted on notice boards so parishioners are informed of where forthcoming Surgeries are to be held.

Future Surgery dates are as follows:

- 31 January
- 28 February
- 4 April
- 9 May

## **New PCSO for Saughall**

PCSO Sue Morrison is your new PCSO. She joined the Cheshire Police Force in June 2008 and has been a successful PCSO for Westminster and Curzon Park since then.

Before joining Cheshire Police Sue spent many years working in Customer Services with all different age groups. She has worked in Banking, the Civil Service, Schools, Care Homes and in Alternative Therapy. She enjoys talking to people, helping solve their community problems and is looking forward to her new area.

Sue was born in a small village in Lancashire that is very similar to Saughall and for many years was very involved with village activities, including running the local village keep fit club,

helping to organise the local Rose Queen Parade and raising money for the elderly through charity events. Sue has always been very conscientious in her work and although it will take time to get to know all the residents, their problems and the geography of the area she will do her very best to make Saughall a safe and peaceful place for everyone to live.



Sue started in Saughall on Monday, 19 January 2009 and will be spending the first few weeks working alongside PCSO Mike Butler, who will then be moving to another area of the City.

Inspector Ian Thorpe  
Cheshire Constabulary

## **Annual Assembly 7:30pm On Monday, 27 April 2009**

The Parish Council invites residents of the Parish to the Annual Assembly, which will be held at 7:30pm on Monday, 27 April 2009 at the Vernon Institute on Church Road. A report will be presented on the work and activities of the Council during 2008/09. This is an open meeting providing you with the opportunity to speak out on any matters that are causing you concern and on issues you would like the Parish Council to address.

## Proposal To Set Up A Community Car Club

The role of car clubs within business has become particularly pertinent since the ratification of the Corporate Manslaughter Act and the dramatic climb of fuel prices. As car clubs absorb the costs and responsibility of maintaining readily available cars, they are looking ever more attractive to the commercial sector.

A proposal to set up a community car club has recently been put forward by a local resident, Neil Minnis and details are included in this Newsletter to try to gauge interest. The concept is demonstrated and discussed on the website <http://www.carplus.org.uk/>.

Carplus is the national charity promoting responsible car use (in particular [car clubs](#) and [car sharing](#)). Carplus plays a unique bridging role between green transport organisations and the motoring lobby. Whilst recognising the benefits cars bring to society, Carplus is acutely aware of the financial, environmental, social and health costs of motoring today

In the current economic climate a car club might provide a valuable service to individuals, families and businesses in the village. It would be of benefit to you if you believe that car ownership encourages excessive and inappropriate use of cars over and above reasonable use. The Council believes that the introduction of a car club may have positive and beneficial effects on traffic in the village.

Mr Minnis, with the support of the Parish Council, is keen to promote this concept. Hence this Newsletter is being used as a vehicle to support and publicise this idea and to canvass parishioner's views. If you would like to express an interest in such a scheme please contact the Clerk, any Parish Councillor or, alternatively email: [saughallcarclub@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:saughallcarclub@hotmail.co.uk)

## Introducing The New Good Neighbour And Community Awards Scheme

### Make You're Nominations Now!

The Parish Council is introducing the Good Neighbour and Community Awards Scheme in recognition of outstanding achievement and to promote community spirit. These awards are to be presented to acknowledge acts of goodwill, which are carried out by residents of Saughall and Shotwick Park that may go unrecognised by the wider community. They include not only acts of good neighbourliness, but also the work of those who give up their time voluntarily to community groups and organisations.

Awards will be made in recognition of continuous, outstanding, unpaid and voluntary work/service/actions that have been carried out by individuals for the benefit of the community as a whole. The Award is in the form of a framed certificate to be presented by the Chairman of the Parish Council.

These awards are distinctive and not for achievements that are already officially recognised by the principal authority or another organisation.

### Good Neighbour Award

Qualities of a 'good neighbour' that would make a nomination qualify include:

- Assisting in household chores, such as washing, ironing and shopping
- Visiting those living alone or in hospital
- Offering lifts to neighbours without transport
- Generally assisting friends and neighbours in need.

### Community Award

The Community Award will be awarded to an individual or couple who have undertaken outstanding voluntary work over a long period for a community group or organisation which helps local people such as the elderly, disabled or youth.

### Qualification:

The scheme is open to people of all ages living in the Parish and their voluntary work, service, and/or actions will have been ongoing for a considerable period of time and are unlikely to be over a time period of any less than three years. However, the Council has discretion to override this time-scale if it considers that an exceptional case has been drawn to its attention.

#### **Rules:**

- Award winners are selected from nominations received from the public throughout the year to **31 March** (the closing date).
- The winners' names are announced in May.
- In the event that a large number of nominations are received in any one-year, the Council has discretion to decide whether or not to carry any over for consideration in the following Municipal Year.
- Any award offered will be withdrawn if it later transpires that there is just cause to do so.
- The person making the nomination and the person seconding this action must not be related to the person being put forward for an award.
- The nominator and seconder must both sign the form.
- Consideration will only be given to nominations made before the closing date and submitted on the official form.
- The Council's decision is final and there is no right of appeal.

**If you would like to make a nomination please request an official nomination form on which to do so from the Clerk.**

#### **Cheese And Wine Evening**

The Council will be holding a Cheese and Wine Evening later in the year, as a thank you to those people who carry out voluntary work for the benefit of the local community. There will be more details about this event in a future edition of this Newsletter.

#### **New Primary School, Saughall**

This Newsletter continues to keep you up to date with progress on the building of the new primary school. Planning Permission has now been granted and capital funding secured to build a new all-through primary school in Saughall, which will replace the present Saughall, The Ridings Infant and Saughall, The Thomas Wedge CE Junior Schools. The new school will provide accommodation for 280 primary aged pupils and will be completed during the Autumn 2009.

The official 'Start on Site Ceremony' at the Thomas Wedge School site was held on Wednesday, 17 December 2008 at 9:30am and the Chairman of Cheshire County Council, Councillor Steve Wilkinson officiated.

#### **Litter Picking Contract**

Because of the amount of litter being dropped in the Golden Jubilee Park the Street Cleaning Contract has been increased from 20 to 22 hours a week from 1 November 2008 so that the contractor Mr Roy Hipkiss can pay extra attention to this problem.

**All users of the Park are discouraged from dropping litter. They must either put it in one of the bins provided or take it home with them.**

#### **Homewatch**

Saughall had a very quiet Christmas and New Year thanks to the cooperation and intervention of some parents and the work of PCSO Butler. Anti-social behaviour has been at an all time low! Of course this could be due, in part, to the recent cold snap we have been experiencing or because Police patrols have increased and are visible at weekends.

There continues to be an element of anti-social behaviour in the Golden Jubilee Park and lots of beer cans are being left behind. The area is under constant observation and any one caught dropping litter will be prosecuted.

Recently, a litre of white emulsion paint was split



on the footpath and the road in Rakeway. Thank you to Paul Whitton and Bert Wilkinson who were responsible for its removal.

Remember to keep you speed down when driving around the village. The Police will continue to visit the village using speed traps to catch offenders.

You have been warned!

Finally, a big thank you to those of you who have undergone the necessary training to operate the Speed Indicator Device and Speed Gun when they are on loan to the Parish Council.

Ian Humphrey  
Homewatch Co-ordinator

### **Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team**

The Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team is comprised of Ian Humphrey, Harry Dobson, Jenny Young, Christine Champion, Rakesh Shukla, Jane Edwards, Brenda Willis, PCSO Mike Butler and Tony Summers (who co-ordinates its activities) along with Jill Hopkins from the Residents Association. If you would like to become a member of this Team please contact Mr Summers who will make you most welcome.

The Team's aim is 'To make Saughall and Shotwick Park a Safer Place for all of us to live'.

Recent Speed Indicator Device (SID) and Speed Gun surveys have been carried out beside the Egerton Arms Public House on Hermitage Road, the corner of The Ridings and Hermitage Road, on Long Lane, and at the corner of Crofters Way and Seahill Road and the findings passed on to Cheshire County Council. This has resulted in the Police carrying out speed checks and prosecuting offenders.

79 people signed-up for the 'Set the Pace' initiative during the Switch-on of the Christmas Lights Celebrations on 27 November 2008. This brings the total of those signed up to 129 so far.

The Team has assisted PCSO Butler with the

distribution of his information packs.

Cheshire County Council plans to install a Puffin Crossing on Church Road to correspond with the opening of the new Primary School and the Team continues to lobby for a 20mph zone on Church Road in the vicinity of the school.

Any residents who are experiencing problems can contact Tony Summers, 232 Hermitage Road, Saughall, telephone 0770 762 2062 or email: [saughall.safety@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:saughall.safety@tiscali.co.uk) and he will do what he can to assist and/or point you in the right direction.

Tony Summers  
Co-ordinator,  
Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team

### **The Golden Jubilee Park's Official Opening – 'Family Fun Day' – Monday, 5 May 2008**



Approximately 2,000 people attended and enjoyed the Family Fun Day held last Spring to mark the official opening of the Golden Jubilee Park by Councillor Andrew Storrar, then Sheriff of Chester. Councillor Ian Humphrey led the Task Group set up for the purpose of arranging the event. It was well organised and demonstrated village life at its very best, as it brought the community together. There were various stalls including, tombola, cakes, ice cream, refreshments, a bar, games and activities for people of all ages. It proved to be, without doubt, a very exceptional day and generated income, including donations, of £824 which will be ploughed back into the development. Well done everyone!



The Council is willing to support an annual “Family Fun Day” if enough volunteers come forward to help make the necessary arrangements. So if you are interested in joining a Task Group to plan and organise a similar Fun Day for the entire village to enjoy, please contact the clerk or one of the Parish Councillors (their contact details are at the back of this Newsletter).

### **Cheshire Rural Women’s award**

Jacqueline Alley was chosen from many worthy candidates by The Lord Mayor of Chester, Councillor Brian Bailey, to receive this prestigious award which recognises the very valuable contribution that women make to our rural communities. This award is given in recognition of voluntary and community service, and many residents of Saughall will know of the hard work and enthusiasm that Jacqueline puts into everything she does. Congratulations Jacqueline and thank you for everything you do for the village.



### **The John Boughton Community Award**

Congratulations to Councillor WI Humphrey who was a runner-up for the John Boughton

Community Award.

Chester City Council’s Gowy North Area Committee established the annual award in memory of the late Councillor John Boughton who died in December 2006. The award aims to recognise and celebrate the difference that one person can make to a community by their actions and activities. The award is made to someone in the Gowy North area (Barrow, Christleton, Elton, Kelsall, Mickle Trafford, Mollington, Saughall, Tarvin and Waverton wards) who has made a contribution to the local community through working on a project or activity or with an organisation.

The Clerk nominated Councillor Ian Humphrey (because of his commitment to and organisation of the Family Fun Day and his work with the village Homewatch and the Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team) stating:

“Ian is a very well known and well liked and community spirited Parish Councillor who works diligently in his endeavours to help improve the quality of life of those who live in Saughall and Shotwick Park and represents the Council at numerous meetings both inside and outside the county.

Ian also leads the Saughall Homewatch and takes this role very seriously. He has generated a lot of interest and turned the organisation around since taking this onboard, as he is a very proactive and hands-on co-ordinator. He is always willing to pitch in and carry out tasks for the good of the village and its inhabitants and always puts his best efforts into everything he does.

It is fair to say that Ian approaches everything he takes on with a positive attitude and is very enthusiastic and encourages others he works with to be the same.”

The Boughton family chose the winner and this year it was Reza Rahmani-Torkaman from Guilden Sutton for his work with children and young people in the village over many years. The choice was far from easy and the family found it very difficult given that all of the 14 nominees showed real commitment to their

communities.

Councillor Humphrey has been invited to tea with the Lord Mayor as a token of appreciation for all his hard work.

### **Newsletter By Email**

Would you prefer to have your Newsletter by email? If you would like to be added to the list to receive it electronically please contact the clerk.

Email: [clerk@saughall.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@saughall.gov.uk)

It is appreciated that many people do not have access to email so delivery with the Standard Newspaper will continue as before for most villagers.

### **Christmas Lights Switch-On**

The Christmas Lights Switch-On Ceremony outside the Greyhound Public House on Thursday, 27 November 2008 was another very successful event held during this Municipal Year. There were approximately 500 people in attendance. Fun was had with Father Christmas, and there were refreshments, music and entertainment laid on. The event was well supported and enjoyed by the community and the £300 profit made was donated to the Vernon Institute.

The Council would like to say a special thank you to Councillor Mrs Jean Johnson and the volunteers who made up the Steering Group who gave up their time to meticulously organise this event.

Jean Johnson has agreed to lead the organisation of a similar Christmas event in 2009. If you would like to be involved and have some time to spare then please get in touch with her.

### **Golden Jubilee Park - Progress**

A 4 metre high play net has now been installed in the Park at a cost of £10,921.30+VAT. This play equipment was the subject of a successful funding application for £5,000 to Chester City Council. The Parish Council made up the difference from its Golden Jubilee Park Designated Fund.

Following difficulties with installation, the stepping-stones and balancing beam are now also in-situ, along with four park benches that the Council has had in storage for some time.

The car park continues to flood because of the recent inclement weather. A contractor has been asked for his opinion on how to solve this problem and his proposal is awaited.

When the sporting organisations play matches cars are being parked dangerously on the verges, pavements and kerbs of Fiddlers Lane and Kingston Court. Consequently, the PCSO has agreed to pay this area of the village particular attention on match days and has been supplied with a copy of the fixture list.

### **Affordable Housing Scheme – Land At Lodge Lane, Saughall**

Northern Affordable Homes Ltd had reached an agreement with Cheshire County Council to purchase some land behind Lodge Lane on which to build affordable housing.

Unfortunately, the Council has received confirmation that Northern Affordable Homes has gone into administration and will not be able to proceed with the proposed development in Saughall.

The Council still wishes to pursue the development of affordable housing, and is due to meet with Officers of Cheshire County and Chester City Councils to discuss a way forward. Any progress made will be reported in a future edition of this Newsletter.

## The Peg Lay-by

The lay-by at the Peg is being revamped and remarked on 16 February 2009. It will become an official bus stop and it will be an offence to park in it.



### A5117/A550 Deeside Park Junctions Improvement

A lot of progress has been made on this improvement scheme since work commenced on its construction in October 2006.

Progress has been particularly good in the Woodbank area with the near completion of the Woodbank Junction. Operational commissioning of the traffic signals was carried out during week commencing 10 November 2008 and will be finalised on the removal of all the traffic management.

From 10 October 2008 traffic from Wales wishing to travel to the Wirral along the A550 has been able to utilise the two outer lanes of the link road between the new eastbound dual carriageway and the A550 which is nearing completion.

Due to the new works, changes to an existing gantry to the south of Deeside Park Junction were required. In order to carry out the work safely it was necessary to close the section of the A550 from this junction to the junction with the A548 at Garden City. Due to adverse weather conditions the work was not completed as planned in November but was completed during a night time closure in early January 2009.

Lodge Lane Bridge was completed and has been open to the public since early November 2008. There has been some deterioration of the carriageway between Woodbank Lane and Lodge Lane Bridge that requires some re-surfacing works. This will probably result in a temporary closure.

Towards the end of October 2008 the eastbound A5117 traffic was diverted from the off-slip at Parkgate to the new eastbound carriageway

passing under the new bridge on Parkgate Road, giving direct access to the M56 eastbound. Simultaneously, the collector/distributor road which links the A540 to Dunkirk roundabout was also opened to two-way traffic.

The westbound on slip from A540 Parkgate Road was completed and opened to traffic on 8 December 2008.

The reconstruction of the westbound off-slip leading to the re-alignment of the Parkgate Roundabout has been completed.

During the Christmas holiday the majority of the traffic management was temporarily removed.

Drivers please be patient and take extra care during these temporary arrangements. There will be some disruption in the area and everything that can be done will be done to minimise delays.

**There is a 40mph speed limit in force through the roadworks for the safety of the travelling public and to protect the workforce.**

## Vandalism And Anti-Social Behaviour

Some residents have recently complained to the Council about vandalism and anti-social behaviour but have not reported such incidents to the Police. Whilst the Council works closely with the Police and other agencies, individuals have first hand knowledge of incidents and this is crucial to help solve crimes so they must contact the Police direct.

***No action can be taken unless you tell the Police!***

## How To Contact Cheshire Police

- Non-emergency calls 0845 4580000
- Only use 999 if...
  - There is danger to life
  - Violence is used or threatened
  - A serious crime is in progress or likely to occur
  - A suspect is nearby
  - There is a road traffic collision involving personal injury or danger to others
  - A vulnerable person needs urgent



assistance

## **Countryside Access Improvements**

Three freestanding footpath map boards on upright poles were the subjects of an unsuccessful funding application to Cheshire County Council. It is hoped that additional funding will become available soon however, and that the Council's bid will be reconsidered. If we are successful next time round the boards will be located at the Vernon Institute, the Co-op Stores (if the necessary permissions are granted) and in a place still to be decided.

## **Library Opening Hours**

The library at the Vernon Institute is open as follows:

Tuesday 3-4pm  
Thursday 7:30-8pm

**Use it or lose it!**

## **Ladies Dance Class Bruce's School of Dance - Est. 1974**

The Ladies Dance Class has been successfully running for nearly a year and a half, the age group ranges from 17 years to 70+. It is great fun, exercise, a good way to meet people and you don't need any previous dance experience. What better way to kick any Christmas excesses into touch and get yourself dancing in 2009?

Classes Mondays, Vernon Institute, 8 - 9 pm - we work around the Garden Club dates.

Pre-Booking is essential to avoid disappointment

Also available Private Dance Tuition, Children's Class, Wedding Dance Choreography, Dance Workshops, Corporate Classes and Events

Enquiries: Telephone Dawn on 01244 881092 or 01244 881316 or email:

[bruceschoolofdance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bruceschoolofdance@hotmail.co.uk)

## **Saughall Friday Club**

The Saughall Friday Club continues to successfully provide a day, each week, of

entertainment and good food for elderly local residents in Saughall Methodist Church. The Club is most grateful to the Parish Council for its recognition of the excellent service provided for its members. A wonderful Christmas Lunch, cooked by volunteers, was enjoyed by all members and volunteers, followed by entertainment by the Mollington Singers. Donations were much appreciated from the Council and from Councillor Andrew Storrar, who donated some of the funds raised during his year of Civic Office as Sheriff of Chester.



We also wish to express our gratitude to Bespoke Brides Ltd. of Coalpit Lane, for generously treating all members and carers to a New Year's celebration meal at The Wheatsheaf Inn.



A big thank you goes to all our volunteers for their very valuable work, which enables this service to continue. We would be very pleased to hear from anyone who could spare some time to help occasionally. If you would like to find out more details, please call Jeanne Storrar on 01244 880226 or 07764 608680, or, alternatively, you are welcome to call into the Friday Club in person.

Jeanne Storrar

## Saughall Uniform Groups

### *Brownies*

You are invited to the Saughall Brownies 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, which is being held at the Vernon Institute on Friday, 27 February 2009 at 6.30pm. Light refreshments will be provided.

Please R.S.V.P. to Pamela Howe on 01244 880324.

### *Scout/Guide Hut*

To book the Scout/Guide Hut ring 01244 881284.

Jenny Young

## Do You Need Help with Your Garden?

If so contact Ewan Thompson of Goblin Gardening on 01244 657967 for a competitive quote. He has an established gardening business in Saughall and can undertake landscaping, garden maintenance, fencing and tree surgery work.

No job is too small!

## Weight Watchers' Leader Welcomes the Government Fat Plans

Your local Weight Watchers loss support group has welcomed the Government 'Change4life' campaign, aimed at tackling obesity in the UK.

I am Sandra who runs the Weight Watchers meeting in Saughall at the **Vernon Institute on Mondays between 6.00pm–7.00pm** and 'Despite the coverage given to the obesity time bomb over the last couple of years, people still seem unaware of how harmful being overweight can be.'

"I have seen members at my meetings reduce their blood pressure medication, start running and stop their diabetes treatment, because they have lost weight. The changes in some people have been unbelievable. Their lives have totally turned around.

The Government's campaign features TV adverts and is backed by major companies in the food industry.

The creeping increase in the weight of the nation is being tackled on a new level by Weight Watchers in 2009 with the launch of the Discover Plan.

"Discover gets back to basics and looks at how people who are trying to lose weight can make sure they stay feeling full and aren't tempted to nibble on the wrong foods. Snacking is fine; it's just what you're reaching for that's the problem. We're also helping members look at why they eat, when they eat, the emotional reasons for reaching for the biscuit barrel or the family sized bar of chocolate."

The Government has been urged to tackle obesity head on for some time after recent projections indicated that obesity and overweight people could be costing the taxpayer in England £50bn by 2050.

Making the first step to go to a Weight Watchers support group can be huge for some people. "People have a whole range of emotions when they step on the scales for the first time, but at Weight Watchers we're there to offer support and advice for members on their weight loss journey."

We all gave something back this Christmas we had our monthly soup night and all came in our PJ's and raised £141 for the British Heart Foundation who are sponsors for Weight Watchers. So come and join us collect your personal Discover File and start your own weight loss journey while there is **FREE** registration "you're worth it". [www.weightwatchers.co.uk](http://www.weightwatchers.co.uk).

Sandra Lewis

***“Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people live full and independent lives.”***

**Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday, 15 May 2009**

Want to do something different? Want to raise money where you live or work? Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday, 15 May 2009 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting Spinal Injuries Association's (SIA) information and support services.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting seven friends and asking them to donate an additional £5 means you will raise at least £35 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

In 2009 SIA will celebrate its 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and as Friday, 15 May 2009 is Spinal Cord Injury awareness day what better way to raise funds than eating Fish and Chips to raise money for SIA?

The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to

individuals who become paralysed and their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to lead independent lives.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Donor Development Officer, Elizabeth Wright, says, “The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may even be a local community group wanting to run a fun evening with your members.

2009 is the first year that SIA is running the suppers but is already envisaging this to be one of our top fundraising initiatives in the SIA calendar over the coming years. Be a part of something special and make a real difference to help spinal cord injured people gain access to the information and support they need to enable them to live full and independent lives.”

For more information or request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 678 6633 Ext. 229 or email [fishandchips@spinal.co.uk](mailto:fishandchips@spinal.co.uk) or visit [www.spinal.co.uk](http://www.spinal.co.uk)

# USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

## **Women's Institute**

Mrs Norah Murchie,  
Tel: 880701

## **Saughall Cricket Club**

Mr Brian Huxley, Tel: 880753

## **Saughall Table Tennis Club**

Mr Bob Salisbury, Tel: 881323

## **Saughall Community Day Centre**

Church Road, Saughall  
Tel: 880474

## **Saughall Greyhound Pub Football Team**

Telephone Carl on 880205

## **Saughall Gardening Club**

Barbara Goode,  
e-mail: barbara@gardencycles.  
wanadoo.co.uk  
Tel: 880513

## **Saughall Colts Junior Football Club**

Football for children aged 6-16  
Mr Steve Kalaher 880964  
www.saughallcolts.co.uk

## **Golden Link Club**

Margaret Grain,  
Tel: 881294

## **Thomas Wedge CE (Controlled) Junior School**

Headteacher – Donna Prenton  
Tel: 981090

## **The Ridings Infant School**

Headteacher – Mrs J Davies,  
Tel: 881451

## **All Saints Church**

Vicar: Rev Brian Harris

Tel: 880213

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brian@jbharris.fsnet.co.uk

Church Wardens

Mr Roger Leslie, Tel: 880597

Mrs Margaret Lundy,

Tel: 372038

## **Pre-School Group**

Mrs Lynda Johnson, Tel: 880954  
(Term time only)

## **Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team**

Co-ordinator

Tony Summers 0770 762 2062

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