

# Scaleby News



Welcome to the December 2017 Edition of the Newsletter brought to you by Scaleby Parish Council

## BROADBAND MEETING

Connecting Cumbria is running a workshops to make people aware how better internet access can help deliver real economic, business and social benefits. This is getting more important as economic and demographic trends across Cumbria are not optimistic and raise significant challenges for us:

- Cumbria is the only region in the UK where the population is forecast to decline over the next 20 years.
- 28% of the working population in Carlisle District is earning just the living wage (or less).
- Working Population is declining (by 11% over the next 20 years).
- More people under 30 are leaving Cumbria than staying.
- We are getting older and need more support- the number of people 65+ will increase by nearly 50% and half of people over 65 have a disability or special healthcare needs.

Superfast broadband has already been delivered to our area, with most houses and businesses being able to get upgraded services.

Research into improving internet use shows that there is significant value and opportunity for people and business. The benefits offered for learning new skills and getting better paid jobs. Creating new career opportunities, getting better deals, health and social welfare, support to be more independent and reducing social isolation can help transform people's lives.

Scaleby Parish Council are working with neighbouring parishes and Connecting Cumbria to organise a workshop, so that people and business in our community are aware of what's happening with superfast availability, how to get the best deals and the real benefits of the internet. The workshop is at the Parish Hall, Crosby on Eden on **Tuesday 6th February 2018 at 7.00p.m**—just turn up on the night. Look out for the enclosed postcard for more information.

## NEW PARISH COUNCILLORS

We are delighted to say that Terry Moore and Gordon Little have joined the parish council. They are both making a very positive contribution in the short time they have served and we are very happy for them to have joined our small team.

## PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

The Parish Council still has one vacancy. If you wish to consider joining the Council please telephone Sarah or drop her an email for more information.

## CHILDREN'S PLAY DAYS

We held three play days in the summer again and these were very well supported with 94 children attending over the sessions. We will likely hold these again in 2018 due to their popularity.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The dates for our Parish Council meetings in 2018 are as follows:

Wednesday 17 January

Wednesday 21 March

Wednesday 16 May

Wednesday 18 July

Wednesday 19 September

Wednesday 21 November

All meetings take place at 7.30pm in Scaleby Village Hall. Please remember that until the official agenda is placed on the noticeboards and website (three clear days in advance) then any meeting date may still be subject to change.

Our Annual Parish Meeting will also be held on Wednesday 16th May; please do come along and join us at 7.30pm.

## EMERGENCY PLANNING LEAFLETS

We have enclosed for you along with this newsletter an Emergency Planning Leaflet.

ACTION with Communities in Cumbria (ACT) is encouraging households across the county to consider what local risks may affect them and how to be better prepared.

The leaflet includes practical suggestions for: having a plan; what to put in an emergency 'grab bag'; how to stay informed; and responding to an incident.

This work is part of 'Rebuilding Together', a three year BIG Lottery funded programme to build the resilience of people, communities, and organisations in Cumbria, helping them prepare for events similar to the devastating floods of December 2015.

The programme is led by Cumbria CVS and delivered in partnership with ACT and Cumbria Action for Sustainability (CAFS).

## LITTER PICKING

Unfortunately our litter picking was cancelled due to only two councillors coming to help out.

## PRECEPT

In recent years the Parish Council has seen a drop in funding available to us. The City Council used to provide us with a grant annually, worth several hundred pounds but this was abolished a couple of years ago. Further to that, the grants available to us have been cut and we can no longer apply for project help from certain providers, meaning that we are now feeling the pinch of increasing costs.

Therefore we have had to increase our precept by £400. We hope you understand our reasons for doing this but if you wish to discuss it further please get in touch with the Clerk. A set of accounts is published on our website for you to view too.

## BIN COLLECTIONS AND RECYCLING

There will be changes to the bin collection days over the festive period. For full details please visit [www.carlisle.gov.uk](http://www.carlisle.gov.uk) where you can put in your postcode and get a copy of the calendar for refuse and recycling over Christmas and beyond in 2018.



## Parish Councillors, your Clerk & Useful Contacts



Linda Thompson (Chairman)	01228 675266
George McGarr (Vice-Chair)	01228 675132
Gordon Little	01228 675296
Michael Grant	01228 675384
<b>Vacancy</b>	-
Terry Moore	01228 675314
Raymond Marston	01228 675572
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sarah Kyle (Clerk)</b>  <b>Hill House, Walton,</b>  <b>Brampton</b>  <b>CA8 2DY</b>  <b>Www.scalebyparish.org.uk</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>01228 231124</b>  <b>(8.30am - 3.15pm</b>  <b>Monday to Friday )</b>  <b>scalebyparish@hotmail.co.uk</b></p>
Highways Hotline	0300 303 2992
Police	101
Dog Fouling	01228 817559

Marilyn Bowman and James Bainbridge represent Scaleby on Carlisle City Council. If you have a City Council related issue which you wish to raise, we can be contacted at:

**Marilyn Bowman** - Tel. **01228 497636** Email **MarilynB@carlisle.gov.uk**  
**James Bainbridge** - Tel. **07896300997** Email **Jamesba@carlisle.gov.uk**

John Mallinson is your local County Councillor. If you have a County Council related issue which you wish to raise he can be contacted at:

**john.mallinson@cumbria.gov.uk** or on **01228 533 746**.

### SCALEBY VILLAGE HALL

Available for hire. Please contact the booking secretary,  
**Wenda Bowker** on Tel: **01228 675745**  
or email: **wendabowker@yahoo.co.uk**