

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSFLASH

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Parish Council Election

Dear Resident,

As I write this there is much speculation about the possibility of a snap autumn general election. Whatever happens on the National scene, and you may well already know the answer as you read, there is certainly going to be an election to fill the two vacant seats on Ulnes Walton Parish Council on 8th November 2007.

My message to you as Chair of the Council is short and to the point. If you are interested in local democracy as a channel to influence local decision-making eg by commenting on local services, planning issues, police matters and health care, you should seriously consider seeking nomination as a candidate for election.

Current Council members have no party political affiliations and try to make decisions for the benefit of the whole community.

Central Government is currently engaged on what appears to be a real attempt to restore powers to local communities to make their own decisions, so now might be a very good time to get involved.

If you would like more information about being a Parish Councillor and/or request a Nomination pack, you can contact Chorley Borough Council on Tel: 01257 515151. Information on becoming a Parish Councillor can be obtained from the NALC website (National Association of Local Councils) www.nalc.gov.uk

If you haven't the time to take an active part in local issues by offering yourself as a Councillor then please do make sure you vote on Election Day.

The Notice of Election and Election Timetable, as issued by the Returning Officer at Chorley Borough Council, is shown on the reverse of this newsflash. Copies can also be found displayed on Parish Notice Boards and is available on Chorley Borough's web site www.chorley.gov.uk

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Ulnes Walton Parish Council

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Parish Plan Review

A big thank you to the 83 people of Ulnes Walton who replied to our Parish questionnaire. We shall do our best to make some of the things happen that you thought important, but please bear in mind that nothing will happen overnight.

Congratulations to Mr D McMahon of Leyland Lane who is now the proud owner of a new backpack picnic set.

We are all looking forward to the Community Health Day on Sunday 28th October between 12 and 4pm. Please come along for health advice and information – even have your blood pressure checked. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

Brendon Pickthall

Road Safety Group

All is quiet at the moment whilst we are waiting for our Neighbourhood Police Officer to visit Ulnes Walton Lane with her new laser gun and LCC to finish off the white lining they started and abandoned in June.

Leyland Lane has had approval and finance for signage and a reduced speed limit to 40 mph, whilst Holker Lane is on the list for "Quiet Lane" status when trials have been completed in the Ribble Valley.

Not to be left out, we are attempting to have the speed limit reduced to 30mph on Southport Road when LCC carry out their "A" and "B" road speed review within the next couple of years. Nothing happens quickly apart from the anti-social behaviour barriers that residents erected in Holker Lane. The Parish Council is liaising with LCC for a more permanent solution to this problem.

Brendon Pickthall

New Clerk to the Council

The Parish Council are pleased to announce the appointment of Amanda Partington as Clerk to the Council. The Clerk's contact details can be found at the top of this newsletter and on the web site.

Forthcoming Parish Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are generally held the second Monday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane. Meetings are not held in the month of January. Forthcoming dates include, Monday, 8 October, 12 November and 10 December.

Parish Council Notice Boards

Parish Council notice boards can be found at Ulnes Walton Lane, Wymott Village, the Old School, Gilsons Garage and Leyland Lane. Notices of general interest are displayed for your information.

Parish Council Web Site

Please visit the Parish Council's web site for all parish council information

www.ulneswaltonpc.co.uk

Advertising in Future Editions of the Parish Newsletter

This newsletter is hand delivered to every household within the Ulnes Walton Parish each quarter, so if you represent a local community group and would like to promote an event, contact the Clerk either on Tel: 01772 622334 or email clerk@ulneswaltonpc.co.uk

For local businesses that would like to advertise their services, please contact the Clerk for competitive advertising rates.





Please note the Parish Council reserves the right to the editorial control of the content of all advertisements and articles.

Caring for your Village

During the course of the year, the Parish Council receives numerous complaints from residents, pedestrians and drivers about overhanging hedges and trees.

The main problems arising are; being forced near or into the road, being stung or scratched and having to duck to avoid branches. All these problems are made worse for people who have poor eyesight.

It is imperative that all road and footpath users should be safe at all times - particularly the elderly, disabled and parents with young children. With this in mind, we have established the following information; If your land, whether it is a garden, a field or industrial land, owned or rented, adjoins the footpath or highway, the following standards apply: -

-  Hedges must not overhang the highway or footpath.
-  Trees over highways should have a minimum clearance of 5.4 metres (16 feet).
-  Trees over footpaths should have 2.7 metres (8 feet) clearance.
-  Road signs should be visible at all times.

Important Note: the Borough Council has the power to make residents comply with these standards and in the case of refusal, can do the work and charge the landowner.

The Parish Council is asking everyone to help make Ulnes Walton tidier and safer.

Thank You.

Ulnes Walton Woman's Institute

We welcome new members to our meetings which are held at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm.

For further information, please contact Jean on 01257 451645 or Dorothy on 01772 601264.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

8 NOVEMBER 2007

- An election is to be held of Councillors for the under mentioned Parish of the Borough and the number of Councillors to be elected for the Parish is as follows:

Name of Parish	Numbers of Councillors to be Elected
Ulnes Walton	(Two)

- Nomination papers should be delivered to the Chief Executive's Office, Town Hall, Chorley, between the hours of 10.00am and 4.00pm on any weekday after the date of this notice, but not later than NOON on FRIDAY the 12 day of OCTOBER 2007.
- Forms of nomination paper may be obtained at the Chief Executive's Office, Town Hall, Chorley, from the undersigned, who will, at the request of any elector for the said Parish, prepare a nomination paper for signature.
- If the election is contested, the poll will take place on THURSDAY the 8th day of NOVEMBER 2007.
- Electors should take note that the deadline for new applications to vote by post or to change existing postal or proxy arrangements eg cancellation or re-direction etc must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address shown below by 5pm on 24 October 2007 if they are to be effective for this election.
- New applications to vote by proxy must be received by the Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on 31 October 2007.
- The deadline for new applications to be received by the Electoral Registration Officer to vote by proxy on grounds of a medical emergency is not later than 5pm on 8 November 2007

Donna Hall
Returning Officer
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DATED THIS FOURTH DAY OF OCTOBER 2007

Ulnes Walton Parish By Election

Thursday 8 November 2007

Election Timetable

Notice of Election:	To be published not later than	Thursday 4 October 2007
Delivery of nomination papers: During normal office hours on any day after the date of publication of the Notice of Election	Commencing on -	Friday 5 October 2007
Last day for delivery of nomination papers:	Not later than noon on -	Friday 12 October 2007
Publish Statement as to Persons Nominated	Not later than noon on -	Tuesday 16 October 2007
Last day for notice of appointment of election agents:	Not later than noon on -	Wednesday 17 October 2007
Last day for withdrawal of candidature:	Not later than noon on -	Wednesday 17 October 2007
Deadline for applications for inclusion Register of Electors to be used for the election		Wednesday 24 October 2007
Last day for new applications to vote by post or to change existing absent vote details(eg cancellation, redirecting of ballot papers etc)	Not later than 5pm on -	Wednesday 24 October 2007
Earliest possible first issue of postal ballot papers:	At discretion of the Returning Officer	Thursday 25 October 2007
Last day for new applications to vote by proxy:	Not later than 5pm on -	Wednesday 31 October 2007
Publish Notice of Poll		Wednesday 31 October 2007
Last day for notice of appointment of counting agents (and polling agents):	Not later than -	Thursday 1 November 2007
Last issue of postal ballot papers:	At discretion of the Returning Officer	Thursday 1 November 2007
Publish Notice of Alteration as result of late applications		Thursday 1 November 2007
First day of requests to replace lost postal ballot papers		Friday 2 November 2007
Last day for new applications to vote by proxy on grounds of medical emergency	Not later than 5pm on -	Thursday 8 November 2007
Last day to issue replacement spoilt or lost postal ballot papers:	Not later than 5pm on -	Thursday 8 November 2007
Last day to make alterations to the Register to correct a clerical error or to implement a court (registration appeal) decision		Thursday 8 November 2007
Opening of postal votes (if any) brought by POs to the Count		Thursday 8 November 2007
Polling Day	(7am to 10pm)	Thursday 8 November 2007
Last day for the receipt of return of election expenses (assuming declaration of the Result before midnight)		Thursday 8 December 2007

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