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YOUR COUNCIL MEETS APPROX EVERY
SIX WEEKS. THE DATES FOR THE NEXT
FEW MONTHS ARE:

7TH SEPTEMBER 2009
5TH OCTOBER 2009
23RD NOVEMBER 2009

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT ST.
CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH HALL
BLACKPOOL RD LEA
COMMENCING AT 7.30PM
(Please enter by the rear door)

THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
AND LISTEN TO THE DEBATE AND
DECISION MAKING PROCESS

(A period for public participation
is allowed)

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PARISH NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2009

LEA GALA IS A WINNER

The Gala this year was once again hosted by Lea Community Primary School and was opened by the Mayor of Preston on what was for once a relatively sunny day. A competition sponsored by the Parish Council on the subject of School Values attracted many submissions from the children of Lea Community School. The entries were on display and judging took place by the Chairman and some members of Lea and Cottam Parish Council.

Prizes of book tokens were awarded for the best posters in each of the school years and these were presented by the Chairman of the Parish Council at a full school assembly the following week. Some really innovative posters were produced and the judges really found it difficult to separate many of the entries.



SHAPE THE FUTURE OF LEA AND COTTAM ?

What can we do for you?

Have you a vision of how you would like your Parish to be? Have you an idea you feel would make a positive impact within your Parish and benefit those within it? Have you ever wondered if there was a way you could voice your idea and get it into action? So would you like to help shape the future of Lea & Cottam?

The Parish Council is probably the least understood part of the local government structure yet being closer to the residents by virtue of living in the area and by knowing their neighbours, the Parish Councillors have a vital role to play in helping the residents of this part of Preston have an influence on the facilities provided for the future. In order to do this they need to know what the residents need and want and this is why we need your help with the production of a Parish Plan.

What is the Parish Plan?

It is a plan setting out the future of the Parish. Identifying where we are and where we would like to be in the future, by all the members of the Parish working together to establish common goals in where they would like to see the parish develop. The plan...

- Identifies issues and problems
- Identifies opportunities
- Sets out what needs to be done to achieve these goals

The plan records and sets in place the long and short term aspirations of the parish and most importantly its driving force is what you, the members of the Parish want to see.

What does this have to do with me?

It means that you can make a positive impact upon the future of your parish and you can influence what changes are made alongside other residents of the Parish to ensure what you think your parish needs your Parish gets!

Without you this plan will not be able to take shape the way you want it to, and so the future of where you live may not be going the way you would like to see it.

What can the Plan do for me?

Having created a parish plan it can give residents another advantage, other than setting out the aspirations for the future of the Parish, in that it can influence the decision making process and gain support from City and County Councils, which means that your ideas are more open and likely to happen! The plan can lay the foundations for accessing extra funding to ensure that the aspirations of the Parish members can be achieved.

Want to know more about getting involved?

If you want to know more about the parish plan or would like information on how to get involved please contact the Parish Clerk on 01772 733829 or e-mail: leaparishcouncil@hotmail.com

So, what can we do for you? Now is your chance to tell us, now is your chance to make it happen.

VACANCIES ON LEA AND COTTAM PARISH COUNCIL

Two vacancies currently exist on this Parish Council. If you feel that you have something to give to your local community why not apply for co-option to the Council.

Parish Councillors can help shape the future of their local environment and assist in improving the services to our residents.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ?

Then contact the Clerk at the address quoted in this newsletter. He will be only too pleased to provide more information, explain the requirements, duties and responsibilities of a Parish Councillor as well as information on how to apply as a co-opted member.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A SAY IN HOW YOUR AREA DEVELOPS IN THE FUTURE?

Parish Councils are the first tier of local government closest to the people.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

PAPER RECYCLING AT ST. BERNARD'S SCHOOL



A recent initiative at St Bernard's Primary School Lea has seen the introduction of a paper recycling scheme. Parents are now able to bring their old newspapers and used paper waste to school where it is stored in a large skip pending collection by the waste management company with whom a deal has been negotiated which provides the school with additional and valued income which it can then use to provide even better facilities at the school.

Not only does this scheme provide extra income but it also enables the children to learn at a very early age the value of recycling and the benefits that this has in terms of the environment.

The paper once collected is sorted and graded before being processed at a paper mill by the addition of water which then produces a pulp. This pulp is then screened, cleaned and de-inked through a number of processes until it is suitable for papermaking and can be made into new paper products such as newsprint, tissues and office items. Paper is a biodegradable material which means that if it goes to landfill it will rot, bacteria will form, produce methane which is a powerful greenhouse gas 23 times more potent than CO2 and which contributes to climate change.

If you live in the area and do not wish to wait for your Council collections then please feel free to bring your paper to the collection point at St Bernard's School (during school hours) and support this worthwhile initiative.

