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

11TH JANUARY 2010
22ND FEBRUARY 2010
12TH APRIL 2010

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 DECEMBER 2009

**LEA AND COTTAM PARISH
COUNCIL EXTENDS TO ALL
ITS RESIDENTS BEST WISHES
FOR THE CHRISTMAS
SEASON AND A HOPE THAT
THE NEW YEAR WILL BRING
HAPPINESS TO ALL**



HARRIS CRICKET CLUB PRESENTATION - CRICKET ON THE GREEN?

On the 29th October 2009 a meeting of local residents took place at St Andrew's Church, Hoyles Lane Cottam to listen to a presentation from the Harris Cricket Club as to why it would be a good idea to allow cricket to be played on Miller Green and develop the site to provide a pavilion and much needed additional parking for the area.

Over 100 local residents attended. After the presentation there was an opportunity for questions to be asked and for feedback to be provided for the benefit of the Parish Councillors present who were scheduled to consider the proposition further at their late November meeting.

A number of concerns were raised during a lively debate with regard to road safety, increased vehicular movement, the loss of open green space, the loss of neighbour amenity and the danger of cricket balls causing damage to local houses. Concern was also raised in respect of the potential danger to car drivers, pedestrians, dog walkers and local children in the vicinity. Alternative sites were suggested.

At the end of the meeting a proposal was put forward that those present should signify their views by the taking of an informal vote. This was done with an overwhelming vote against the proposal to allow the Harris Cricket Club to play cricket on the field.

Members of the Parish Council took away the views of the local residents and considered them at their meeting on the 23rd November 2009 at which it was decided that it would not be appropriate to agree to the request in view of the significant local objections to the proposal.



Your Parish Council Needs You

Have you a vision of how you would like your neighbourhood to be?

Have you ever wondered if you could voice your idea and have it implemented?

Well now is your chance.

Lea & Cottam Parish Council has a vacancy in the Cottam Ward.

If you are interested please contact the Parish Clerk on:

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PRECEPT 2010 / 2011

At its November meeting the Parish Council considered the proposed budget for 2010 / 2011 and agreed to set its Precept at the same level as last year. The Parish Council will be able to continue with its existing activities including participation in the lengthsman scheme which has been instrumental in helping to maintain a clean and tidy local environment for the benefit of its residents.

CHRISTMAS TREES 2009

This year has seen the erection of a Christmas Tree in Cottam for the very first time. In addition to the tree at St Christopher's Church Blackpool Rd a further tree has been installed outside Cottam Primary School.

At the time of writing plans were being made for separate lighting ceremonies to take place involving local school children.

JUBILEE ACTION GROUP

Progress has been made with the provision of a football pitch on Jubilee Park recreation ground. Funding has now been obtained supported by a contribution from the Parish Council to enable the pitch to be levelled and re-seeded. This will now probably be completed in early spring of 2010 delays having occurred due to recent adverse weather conditions. A fully marked out pitch together with goal posts will provide much needed facilities for the keen young footballers who live in the area.

Additional recent activities have included a visit to the Manchester United ground by local youth football fans and arrangements are currently being made to organise a shopping trip to Skipton for some of the area's senior citizens.