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

12TH APRIL 2010
17TH MAY 2010
5TH JULY 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)

The meeting on the 17th May 2010 is the
Annual Parish Council Meeting. It will
be preceded at 7.00pm by the Annual
Parish Meeting which is a public meeting
of the electorate and not a Council
meeting.

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PARISH NEWSLETTER SPRING 2010



MILLER GREEN TREES



Concern has recently arisen as a result of the heavy pruning of some trees on or close to the boundary of Miller Green. Enquiries to date have been unable to establish the legal ownership of the trees. In the interests of protecting local amenity and wildlife habitat the Parish Council requested the 'tree officer' for Preston City Council to assist. It was felt that whilst some pruning may have been appropriate this should have been done under controlled circumstances and with professional advice so as to restrict pruning to the minimum. As a result consideration is being given to applying Tree Preservation Orders on the remaining trees to protect them from unauthorised pruning. This would mean that irrespective of the ownership of the trees they could not be pruned or work undertaken on them without proper application to the local authority and specific detailed approval.

Britain in Bloom Neighbourhood Awards

Are you interested in brightening up your area with hanging baskets or converting grotspots or unused land into community gardens?

Preston Neighbourhood Engagement Team, with the help of the Wildlife Trust, are entering the Britain in Bloom Neighbourhood Awards 2010.

The scheme assists and rewards communities making improvements in their local streets and open green spaces for the benefit of local people.

For more information on entries in your area, to get involved or suggest projects please contact Rosie Green at Preston Neighbourhood Engagement Team.

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ROAD SAFETY IS KEY

Key changes to traffic arrangements on Blackpool Road as you approach from the West are being considered with a view to improving road safety. The Parish Council had been monitoring driving speeds in this area for some time using its Speed Indicator Device and it will come as no surprise that over 70% of vehicles were travelling above the 30mph speed limit. Recently a permanent speed warning device was installed by LCC and recent statistics suggest that some reduction in speed has already been achieved. A proposal has now been put forward to extend the 30mph zone by 50 metres to the west of the present limit as part of a number of improvements that are being considered. This would then give vehicles more time to reduce their speed before entering the built up area of Lea. In addition improved safety barriers and kerbs are to be added to the bridge as it crosses Riversway and consultation is expected shortly with regard to the creation of a single carriageway with cycle lane as part of reducing vehicle speed and further improving road safety.

CRIME AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

A new publication has been provided recently to households which tells you what to expect from the police when it comes to crime and anti-social behaviour. The leaflet set out your rights and your role in helping to fight crime.

Your Neighbourhood Policing Team are an important part of the support mechanism and need your help. Make sure they know what is of concern to you. Your local PACT meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at Cottam Community Centre and a Coffee Morning/Police Surgery is held on Monday and Thursday mornings at Baytree Farm Lea from 10.30am onwards.

CHRISTMAS TREES 2010

At a recent meeting of the Parish Council consideration was given to a request that Lea Town should have its own Christmas tree in 2010. Lea and Cottam already have Christmas trees and each year short 'lighting' ceremonies are conducted which are well attended by local residents and supported by the local schools. The Council voted overwhelmingly in favour of the request and plans are now being put together to agree its location and undertake the set up work required to provide what it is hoped will be an annual arrangement supported by the residents of Lea Town.

JUBILEE ACTION GROUP

Due to the bad weather during the latter part of 2009 it was not possible to lay out the new football field on the recreation ground. Work has now been scheduled for early Spring with completion anticipated by this summer.

LENGTHSMAN

The lengthsmen scheme has been renewed for a further 12 months by the Parish Council. This will mean continued 'enhanced' maintenance in our Parish. Additional litter picks, public right of way repairs, newsletter delivery and enhanced low level maintenance works will form part of Peter's duties. He will continue to take care of some aspects of Miller Green, maintain the Dodney Drive 'greens' and respond to local grot spot issues where appropriate. He will also continue to manage our Speed Indicator Device in the interests of educating drivers to adhere to local speed limits. Peter, our lengthsmen, will be out and about in the Parish on most days of the week helping to maintain Lea and Cottam, including Lea Town, to good a standard.