



**BRETHERTON PARISH
COUNCILLORS**

Christmas Greetings to All.

Our thoughts go out to all, who are suffering, both personally at this festive time of the year and in the difficult economic or political climate for our country as a whole. We can only hope that these issues are resolved in 2020, but personally, I think we still have a very rocky road ahead (time will tell).

On a more local topic, my goal as Chair of the Parish Council this year has always been the reduction of both vehicle speed and heavy traffic throughout the parish and this will not diminish in the New Year. The Vice Chair and I are having a meeting with Lancashire Constabulary imminently and we shall be pushing for a number of future improvements in the village, which may help this matter going forward. This issue is ongoing and I would assure residents that as a Council we are maintaining our momentum into the next decade!

As the celebrations of the success in the Best Kept Village competition subside a little, plans are already afoot for 2020 and as we are in the "Champions Class" next year, the task ahead will obviously increase. Barbara Farbon, is continuing her efforts and planning for the next campaign and if anyone feels they would like to engage with this, I am certain Barbara would welcome your help.

Personally as a young man, I had a dream to play Cricket professionally and whilst I didn't achieve my dream, I would like to congratulate Edwin Moulton, who has recently signed a professional contract with Lancashire for the forthcoming season and offer my best wishes for his future in the game. Sport has always been a passion of mine and I would encourage all parents to give their children the support they need to succeed in their chosen pastime.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a Happy, Prosperous and Peaceful Christmas and New Year. Bretherton continues to be a great place to live.

Kevin Wigley
Chair



Dog Fouling

Please take responsibility for your dogs when walking them through the village. It is an offence to allow your dog to foul the highways. Dog faeces can carry parasitic toxocarasis which can lead to blindness in humans. Remember to 'scoop the poop' and dispose of it safely!! Please note, dogs are not permitted in the children's playground or on the field of the recreation ground. If you are caught out without a bag remember that the children and the tidy village group have made the bag dispensers which are in to be found strategically placed around the village.

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Future meetings of the Parish Council

The Parish Council usually meets on the first Monday of the month at Bretherton Endowed Primary School apart from the months of January and August.

MONDAY 3rd February 2020 8pm

MONDAY 2nd March 2020 8pm

MONDAY 6th April 2020 8pm



Best Kept Village 2020

Please try to help us stay in the Champion Class in this competition. Village 'Tidy Ups' will begin in February. We will post the dates on the 'Bretherton in Touch' Facebook page and in the notice boards. If you would like to receive an e mail or WhatsApp reminder about the dates please ring me on 07789177303

Barbara Farbon

Britain in Bloom 2020

The Parish Council has been made aware of the fact that villages entering the Best Kept Village competition often meet some of the criteria for Britain in Bloom and vice versa. We are considering possibly entering both competitions in 2020 and would appreciate any comments residents might have, both positive and negative.

Film Society

The Film Society's Autumn Season is well underway. Our next film will be **YESTERDAY** on 13th December. Dates for Spring will be:

- January 17th
- February 21st
- March 20th
- April 17th

Titles to be announced

All films will commence at 7.30 pm (doors open 7.00 pm) at Bretherton Endowed School. Refreshments available (including wine).

For more information, please contact Gwyneth Lloyd on 01772 600705 or John & Margaret Pigott on 01772 601455 or email brethertonfs@btinternet.com



Crime

Recently there have been some incidents of crime reported in the village. Please be vigilant and keep out-buildings and house doors locked particularly at night. There have been cases of garden ornaments and lights being stolen and damage being caused. If you are going away make sure you inform a close neighbour so that they are aware of any unexpected activity at your property.

If you want to report a crime, pass on concerns about your area or simply want to make an enquiry, visit the Lancashire Constabulary online reporting site or call 101.

If there is danger to life, a crime in progress or serious injury to a person, if an offender has been disturbed at the scene of a crime or a crime is about to be committed dial 999.

Most of the time, we live in a safe and relatively crime free village but we need to ensure that we keep it that way.

Well done Ed Moulton

Edwin was born and brought up in the village and attended Bretherton Primary School. He was coached in his cricket there by Tommy Wilson and Mrs Vincent. He then attended Bishop Rawstorne, where he played for the school teams. He started his club cricket career at the age of 8, with Chorley Cricket Club. His first "Senior" game was at the age of 12, for Chorley Sunday Team. He has been a regular 1st Team player at Chorley C.C since the age of 14. He is now a fearsome quick bowler, reaching well in excess of 80mph with the ball. He has represented Chorley District Cricket from under 11 to under 18. His first taste of Lancashire cricket came at the age of 13 for the Development Squad. He also represented The North of England Under 17's playing in a national tournament in Loughborough. His first Lancashire 2nd XI game was at the age of 18. In the 2019 season, he featured more regularly in the Seconds. On November the 1st he was offered and signed a 1-year professional players contract with Lancashire County Cricket Club. A rich reward for years of hard work and training.

Key dates at a glance

Carol Service at St John's	Sunday 15 th December 11am
Carol Service with gifts around the tree at the Congregational Chapel	Sunday 15 th December 6.30pm
School Carol Service at St John's	Friday 20 th December at 9.15am
Christingle at St John's	Tue 24 th December 4pm
Eucharist of the Holy Nativity at Croston	Tue 24 th December 11.30pm
Christmas Day at the Congregational Chapel	Wed 25 th December 10am
Christmas Day at St John's	Wed 25 th December 11am
W.I. Soup Lunch in Congregational Hall	Monday 6 th January 12.00 – 1.30pm
W.I. January Meeting in Congregational Hall	Thursday 9 th January 7.30pm
W.I. Soup Lunch in Congregational Hall	Monday 3 rd February 12.00 – 1.30pm
Parish Council Meeting at Bretherton School	Monday 3 rd February 8pm
W.I. February Meeting in Congregational Hall	Thursday 13 th February 7.30pm
W.I. Soup lunch in Congregational Hall	Monday 2 nd March 12.00 – 1.30pm
Parish Council Meeting in Bretherton School	Monday 2 nd March 8pm
Bretherton Big Bash planning meeting in the Village Institute	Wednesday 18 th March 7.30pm
Bretherton Big Bash on the Recreation Ground	Saturday 27 th June 2020 2pm onwards



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