

# SCRIVEN PARISH COUNCIL



## NEWSLETTER

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### Road Maintenance

Scriven Parish Council would like to thank all those users of the private roads who have sent in their road maintenance contributions so promptly. Thanks also to the two residents on the adopted road who have made voluntary contributions. Any residents who regularly park a car on the private road are encouraged to please make a contribution towards the road maintenance and also asked not to park restricting access to residents driveways.

As the deadline was 31st July, SPC would like to politely remind the parishioners who's contributions are still outstanding, to please send them within seven days of receiving this newsletter. Unfortunately the council may have to start charging £5 for every reminder letter sent out to those who do not respond. It is hoped not to have to do this but it may become necessary as it is obviously a cost to the council which is publicly funded. Cheques should be made payable to Scriven Parish Council and sent to the Clerk, Mrs Jenny Bradley, The Maples, 5 Greengate Drive, Scriven, HG5 9EN.



The unadopted tarmac road in Scriven

If there are any concerns or questions in relation to the Road Maintenance Fund please get in touch with one of the Parish Councillors or the Clerk.

The aim is to repair road damage as it occurs. However there is some concern about the overall state of the road following the two recent hard winters. As well as the overall wear and tear, there is evidence of frost damage in the form of cracks in the road surface and if we continue to experience very cold spells in winter, this could lead to further cracking. If water then gets into the road and freezes, it could lead to potential failure of the substructure of the road.

If the whole road surface needs to be replaced rather than just patch repaired it will be an expensive exercise and would require a much more substantial contribution from road users. Likely costs for all options are at present being investigated. We will continue to survey the road on a regular basis and will keep you informed of the situation.

### Christmas Lights

It has been proposed that our village should enter into the festive spirit in December this year with the addition of tasteful Christmas lights in the Oak Trees on the village green. SPC would be grateful if you could indicate whether you approve/disapprove of this idea.

The whole project would be funded by a generous parishioner.

This proposal will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting in September, please feel free to attend to express your views or contact Rod Adams at [roda123@btinternet.com](mailto:roda123@btinternet.com), or any of your Scriven Parish Councillors.

### The Diamond Jubilee

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee is coming up next year and we know how we all enjoy a bit of patriotic celebration! With this in mind Scriven Parish Council hope to join with The Friends of Jacob Smith Park to hold a Diamond Jubilee Big Lunch in the Park next June. Various entertainments are planned alongside the usual picnic. More details to follow nearer the time.

Scriven Parish Council would also like to revive an old village tradition and commemorate this important event by presenting all the children (up to and including 16 years of age on or before 1st June 2012) living within the Scriven parish boundary, with a Diamond Jubilee Commemorative gift.

To help SPC to include all the children in the parish they would be grateful if all parents/guardians could contact the parish clerk to register their child/children for a gift, before 30th November 2011.

### Claro Archaeology Group

The exhibition on the history and archeology of Scriven held in Park Grove Methodist Church on 23rd July drew considerable interest from Scriven residents (and previous residents). As well as the display of artifacts and old photographs, there was a guided walk around the village and Jacob Smith Park. In the park the group were shown the location of prehistoric hut circles and a medieval farmstead and evidence of an old water course leading to the Smelt Fields.



The guided walk went through Jacob Smith Park

The group were also interested to hear about the old Scriven Hall, originally the home of the Slingsby family. The Hall, which burned down in 1952, was occupied by the army in WWII and visited by Winston Churchill and General Montgomery, and was also the site of a Prisoner of War camp. All agreed that the exhibition and walk had awoken their interest in Scriven's past.

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## ***Remembrance Sunday***

A wreath will be laid at the Scriven War Memorial on the Green on Sunday 13th November at 1pm. We encourage everyone to attend the short ceremony as recognition of the sacrifice others, including former residents of Scriven, have made for us.

## ***The Knaresborough Lions***

It was a glorious day on Saturday 11 June for the 46th annual Knaresborough Bed Race organised by The Knaresborough Lions. Ninety beds paraded and raced through the town before crossing the River to the finish line at Conyngnam Hall.



Scriven resident, Jade Bradley, taking part in this year's Bed Race

The Knaresborough Lions undertake welfare and fundraising activities to help those people in the community who are less fortunate. They are always happy to welcome new members. If you are interested please contact Alan Gilbert the membership secretary on 01423 860493 or [alan-gilbert@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:alan-gilbert@hotmail.co.uk)

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## ***Local Football Star***

On 9th August Scriven's only professional footballer made his debut for Leeds United in the Carling Cup game against Bradford City at Elland Road.

Congratulations to Tom Lees and to his parents Sally and Keith, proving the hours spent encouraging Tom from the touchline were well worthwhile.

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## ***Free Insulation***

The Yorkshire Energy Partnership are trying to bring about better awareness of free loft and cavity wall insulation which is available to people over 70, through the government's Carbon Emissions Reduction Target (CERT) scheme - but there are still many people who are unaware that they are eligible. Call free for impartial advice about how you can lower your heating bills and make your home warmer. 0800 512 012 or email [advice@est-nyh.org.uk](mailto:advice@est-nyh.org.uk)

**THURSDAY 15th  
SEPTEMBER**

Parish Council meeting.  
Park Grove Methodist  
Church Hall. 8pm.

**SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER**

Remembrance Sunday wreath laying at the War Memorial on the Green at 1 pm

