

# PATRICK BROMPTON NEWSLETTER

## December 2021/ January 2022



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PB Parish Council

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St Patrick and PBCE Coffee Mornings are on the first Saturday of the month – except for January’s which is on Saturday **8<sup>th</sup> January**, 10.00 – 12.00. All welcome. There will be a raffle.



Thank you to those who were able to help with the village bulb planting – we shall all be able to enjoy the array of colour in the Spring!

The few village residents who litter picked managed to collect a whole 10 bags of rubbish! A valiant effort to keep our village looking smart and make our environment nicer to live in. Thank you to all who helped.

### FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 4.00pm VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON.** Please come out and see the village swathed in Christmas cheer. It would be lovely if you could light up your homes too, to coincide with this event.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm BRING AND SHARE** Afternoon Tea with Newton le Willows has **been postponed**. A new date in the New Year will be advertised in the next newsletter.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm VILLAGE CAROL SINGING.** Please meet at Manor Green with torches. Carol sheets provided. This is followed by mince pies and mulled wine in St. Patrick’s Church. If the weather is poor we will sing in the church. Please join us!

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February 7.00pm – 11.00pm 1970s NIGHT** The Old Schoolroom: Tickets £5.00 by 6<sup>th</sup> February please. To include hall hire, decorations, and nibbles and to raise money to pay for the Christmas village lights that we have had to replace this year. If you wish to bring further drink and food please feel free. 70s dress optional.

Please cut below and give to any PBCE member or put through Brenda Stratton’s door.

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### **70’s Night**

I require \_\_\_ tickets for the 70s night. £5 per ticket.

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Thank you.

## Parish Council News

### Broadband Update

In the August 2021 Newsletter the Parish Council requested Expressions of Interest from the population of the Parish regarding the need and desirability of faster and more reliable Broadband connections. In response to the 84 newsletters distributed, Expressions of Interest were received relating to 19 properties. Of these 19 properties 9 were in the village with the remaining 10 being located on farms or farm based residential developments.

These numbers were communicated to Openreach and initial discussions seemed to indicate that the low number and geographical spread of properties would not present a viable business case for the implementation of Fibre to the Property (FTTP). Recent issues with Broadband speed and reliability have highlighted potential problems with the current Superfast implementation. Given this the Parish Council will continue to examine other options.

An option which has recently come into being is the use of a 5G based service which offers home services of 50, 100 and 350 mbps. The last being about 10 times faster than the current Superfast service provided to the village. A company called Quickline has installed a 5G mast in Leyburn to provide this service. Details of services and prices are on the Quickline website ([quickline.co.uk](http://quickline.co.uk)).

### War Memorial

Many thanks to those people who have offered a donation towards the cost of the restoration of the War Memorial. It is hoped that the work will commence early in the New Year.

### Litter Bins

The Parish Council is actively seeking to position some litter bins in the lay-bys on the 'tank road' close by the crossroads to the west of the village. This area is always the most problematic when it comes to village litter picks. There has now been agreement by Richmond District Council to consider further waste bin installment (and emptying). The bins will need to be purchased by the Parish Council. However, we have applied to the RDC Lower Wensleydale Partnership for a grant towards the cost of the two bins.

### Christmas Quiz

The Snowman was shown on TV for the first time on Boxing Day of which year?

Why did Father Christmas need Rudolf the Reindeer to use his large, glowing nose to guide his sleigh?

What decoration do elves traditionally have on their shoes?

*The Parish Council and PB Community Events Committee wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year!*

