



Welcome to  
Pannal and Burn Bridge  
Parish Council

**December 2024 Newsletter**

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Welcome to our final newsletter of 2024.

### **CAROLS ON THE GREEN**

We were delighted to hold yet another successful celebration of carols superbly led by Mr Iain Ward-Campbell and the Tewit Youth (Community) Band and particularly as the event could take place under, and amongst, the new Christmas lights provision. We have been delighted by the excellent service and provision made by the festive lighting company especially when taking into consideration some of the difficult practical timings which occurred.

Our grateful thanks are extended to the Band for their enjoyed contribution as well as to Mrs Jane Turner, headteacher of Pannal School, and her staff for once again allowing us to distribute mulled wine and mince pies for adults and something of a softer nature for our younger singers from within the school. A fantastic sum of £394.92 was raised through the collection: our appreciation and thanks to you all for your attendance and generosity. This will be supplemented by a contribution from the Parish Council with the recipient this year being the School's PTA who are currently fund raising for a wood construction external weather shelter (with benches) which can be used for playing / outdoor learning / a parent waiting area.

Thanks too to our parish councillor Steve Cobb, Ann Burrell and Jane, our clerk, together with her husband, Graham, for their endeavours in organising and distributing the goodies in school. It is quite a challenge to serve around 200 people all queuing at the same time for mulled wine!



## **Crimple Meadows**

Given that the installed footpath has been in situ and used now for a full year and with recently completed additional drainage works in the area of Allen Wood, we would like to ask if you would please be good enough to complete the survey, below, and via this link. We would find it very useful to ascertain its added value to the area. It shouldn't take you more than just a few minutes to complete – in anticipation, thank you.

### [Crimple Meadows New Path Survey](#)

## **IMPORTANT – allotments**

Many of you will be aware – and recall – that it has been a long-time initiative of the Parish Council to be able to offer allotments to its parishioners with the initial proposed site being situated in a field and behind St Robert's church. This land is of course owned by NYC and, as such, a good portion of it is leased to a farmer and so for that reason, and others, the local authority would not support or facilitate the Parish Council's intent.

In further consideration of a site, councillors are now seeking the level of enthusiasm for allotments from its residents and ask that you please email Jane, the clerk, at [parishclerk@pannalandburnbridge-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@pannalandburnbridge-pc.gov.uk) in confirmation.

For your opinions to carry any weight we need a minimum of six positive expressions. All must be from different households and all must live within the parish so please include your name and address.

We very much hope to hear from you.

## **New rubbish bin!**

Following our appeal to NYC in November for a bin to be placed in the locality of Sandy Banks wood – and particularly because of the increased dog litter in that area – we have been delighted by the super-speed of NYC officers in activating our request and with a new bin placed at the entrance of the wood on Church Lane. The bin was in situ within two weeks of an email being sent and for this we would like to express our thanks to NYC for this excellent service.

## **Parish benches**

There are 20 benches within our parish of which 13 are owned by NYC and 7 by your Parish Council. We are aware that some of the NYC benches are requiring some maintenance and repair and that any remedial work on them can take some considerable time to complete. To that end, we are pleased that NYC have agreed to a "double devolution" of the 13 benches to the Parish Council but *not until* current repairs have been undertaken. Once this has been done, then your councillors will be able to regularly monitor their condition and be responsible for any ensuing work which hopefully will mean that future use will be a comfortable experience!

## **Website**

We are currently considering updating our website via our website provider as we are aware that it has been in its current mode since the council's inception in 2016 . . . and IT has moved on apace since then! We will keep you informed of its progress so watch this space.

**Next meeting date** will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

It only remains for all members of P&BBPC to wish all of you a very happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Best wishes

Cllr Cathy Burrell (Chairman of the Parish Council), Cllr Neil Permain (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Steve Cobb, Andrew Farrar, El Sharkey, Cliff Trotter and Helen Hayes

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