



Unseasonal leaves: Hawthorn on Chance Hall Lane, Alcumlow. February 16th. 2016

## Newbold Astbury

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#### Parish Council Newsletter

Early Spring Edition 2016



Unseasonal colour: Daffodils in flower, Brook Lane, Alcumlow, February 18th. 2016

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**Clean Up/Neighbourhood Plan Update/ Parish News**

### Christmas Lights.

Once again, the village green looked stunning over the Christmas period, with the Sycamore Tree, floodlit and adorned with lights. On behalf of the 2 Parishes, the Parish Council would like to say a great big "Thank You" to the generous people who supply the lights, give time to set it up and provide electricity

### Missing Post Box

The Post box at Pinfold Smithy, Brownlow Heath Lane, Alcumlow was stolen presumably for its scrap value over the New Year weekend. However, Royal Mail had replaced it by Wednesday! What a super service! A great big "Thank you" to all concerned!



Before 1st. Jan. / Sunday 3rd. January/Wed 6th. January

### CALL TO ACTION TO CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN

The campaign to get a million people out and about cleaning for their communities is being backed by Cheshire East Council.

Clean for the Queen aims to give the country a tidy-up ahead of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in April, to be widely celebrated in June, 2016. The campaign, backed by organisations including the Women's Institute, the National Trust and the RSPB, as well as businesses including McDonald's, Costa, Greggs, KFC and Wrigley and anti-litter charities including Keep Britain Tidy and the Campaign to Protect Rural England, aims to be the biggest community-led clean-up the country has ever seen. Supported by the Government, Cheshire East Council is encouraging and supporting groups and individuals who

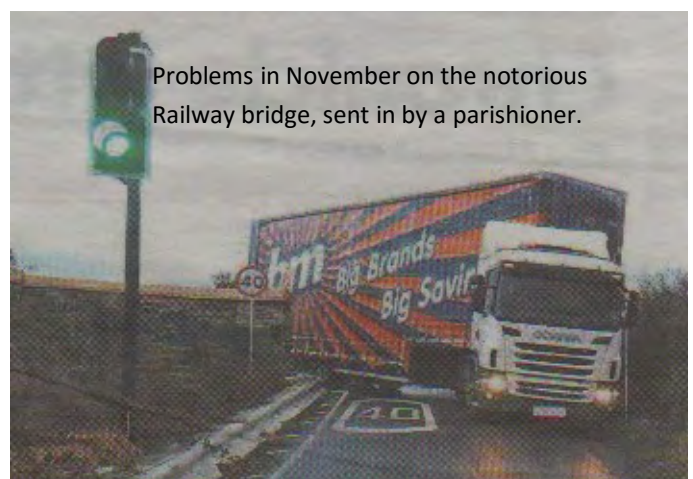
want to 'do their bit' to help clear up the litter that blights our streets, parks hedgerows and grass verges by offering 100 litter picking kits, available for free to those who want to clean up their local areas. More information on Clean for the Queen and the existing Clean Teams across Cheshire East can be found on the Cheshire East Council website or from Cllr. Rhoda Bailey, tel. 01270 872436, [Rhoda.bailey@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Rhoda.bailey@cheshireeast.gov.uk) and Cllr. Liz Wardlaw, tel. 01260 272752, [Liz.wardlaw@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Liz.wardlaw@cheshireeast.gov.uk).

### Neighbourhood Plan Latest.

Ten responses were received to the Regulation 14 Consultation, from individual residents, Developers, statutory undertakers/bodies and adjoining Local and Parish Councils and can be viewed on the Parish Council Website.

Comments made have been considered in relation to the Plan's objectives and conformity and amendments made to the relevant Policies of the Regulation 15 document now in the course of preparation and which will be submitted to Cheshire East Council for publication in due course as the next stage of the process.

In the meantime a Grant Funding offer of £3,650 to assist with completion of the Plan has been obtained following application to the Community Rights Programme. The Grant will be used for preparation and publication of the final Plan document which will be issued to every household in the Parish.



Problems in November on the notorious Railway bridge, sent in by a parishioner.

Continuing the remembrance of the men who laid down their lives for their country and whose names are on the War Memorial in Astbury Churchyard



The fourth name on the memorial is that of HECTOR JOHN YATES. He was the second son of John Thomas and Elizabeth Timmis Yates of Moreton. He was born in Swettenham in 1893. He enlisted at Crewe on the 30th. November 1915. He is described thus: age 23 years 6 months, bank clerk, 5 feet 9½ inches and weighing 146 pounds.

He was Private G/40094 "B" Company 12th Battalion Middlesex Regiment. He was killed in action 26th. September 1916 and is remembered on the Thiepval Memorial, France. Sadly, there doesn't appear to be a grave for him.

### Historical Information

The village of Thiepval, which had consisted of a few houses, a chateau and some outlying farms when the Germans first arrived here at the end of September 1914, was finally captured by the British at the end of September 1916. Exactly two years later. Originally one of the objectives of the first day of the Battle of the Somme on 1<sup>st</sup> July, Thiepval was successfully defended by the Germans for three months.

The Thiepval Memorial, is inscribed with the names of the 72,195 British and South African men who were lost on the Somme between 1915 and 1918 and who have no known grave.



1901 Census: Home Farm, Swettenham, Cheshire.					
Name	Relationship	Condition	age	Where born	Occupation
John T YATES	head	married	43	Brereton, Cheshire	farmer
Elizabeth T YATES	wife	married	35	Odd Rode, Cheshire	
William S YATES	son		10	Swettenham, Cheshire	
Hector J YATES	son		8	Swettenham, Cheshire	
George T YATES	son		7	Swettenham, Cheshire	
Florence E YATES	daughter		4	Swettenham, Cheshire	
1911 Census: 5, East View, Nantwich, Cheshire (a boarder with the Clayton family)					
Hector John YATES	boarder	single	18	Swettenham, Cheshire	Bank clerk
1911 Census: Moreton Farm, Moreton cum Alcumlow, Cheshire. ( nowadays on the corner of Brook Lane and Brownlow Heath Lane)					
John Thomas YATES	head	married	53	Brereton, Cheshire	farmer
Elizabeth Timmis YATES	wife	married	44	Odd Rode, Cheshire	
William Smith YATES	son	single	20	Swettenham, Cheshire	son working on farm
George Timmis YATES	son	single	17	Swettenham, Cheshire	son working on farm
Florence Elizabeth YATES	daughter		14	Swettenham, Cheshire	school

**Parish Council Meetings 2016:** 9th. March/13th. April/11th. May/8th. June/13th. July/10th. August/14th. Sept.

#### Who are we? Please feel free to get in touch!

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We meet in Astbury Village Hall on the 2nd. Wednesday of every month at 7.30 pm. Please feel free to come along.

If you have an item for the next newsletter, any comments, or you would like to sponsor the mailing costs in return for including a leaflet, contact Phill Critchlow. (pcritchlow@talk21.com)