Brass Band Concert 22nd June in Wigton Moor – Event Postponed

Harewood Parish Council regrets to inform you that the concert advertised below will now not take place.

This arises for reasons outside our control. We hope that this is just a postponement and as soon as any further information becomes available we will publicise it on this web site and with notices around the parish.

Are you interested in a job that supports the North Leeds Community?

There is a vacancy for a senior member of staff at MAECare, the organisation based at Cranmer Bank Leeds 17 which is a charity supporting elderly people in North Leeds.

Interested? Go to https://maecare.org.uk/about-us/vacancies and see if this is a role that appeals.

Don’t make it too easy for burglars

The following advice has been provided by West Yorkshire Police.

Do you leave your doors/windows unlocked in any of the following situations?

- *Just got home from work?*
- *Doing a bit of gardening?*
- *Nipping round to the neighbours for a chat?*
- *Going to the local shop – only going to be 5 minutes?*
- *Your friends are due to call round, so you leave the door open so they can let themselves in?*

Sound familiar? If yes, please get into the habit of locking your doors and windows at all times – it literally only takes a minute of your time and could prevent you from becoming a victim of burglary.

If you do have to leave your doors unlocked, think about an alarm sensor on the

door, a bit like on a shop door when someone enters.

For more information see our website

https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/.../insecure-burglaries

Beware of Holiday Fraud

West Yorkshire Community Alert has asked local councils to alert residents to the risks from fraudulent organisations offering holidays. Over £11 Million was stolen from people last year. The information below has been published Action Fraud, the national fraud and cybercrime reporting service.

People looking to snap up online holiday deals ahead of the summer are being warned to stay extra alert and do their research before booking their getaways, as new data reveals victims lost a total of over £11 million to holiday fraud last year.

Action Fraud, the national fraud and cybercrime reporting service, has launched a holiday fraud campaign, urging the public who are looking to snap up their next holiday deals online to look out for suspiciously enticing offers online, including on social media, and do their research before booking their getaways.

New data shows there were 6,066 reports of holiday fraud made to Action Fraud last year, with July recorded as the highest month of reporting with 647 reports. Holiday makers lost a combined total of £11,183,957 in 2024, which is comparatively less than the £12.3 million lost in 2023. Despite, the drop in reported loss, the average loss per victim remains at similar levels, with £1,851 the average in 2023 and £1,844 in 2024.

What can you do to protect yourself from holiday fraud?

Check the travel company is legitimate: *about to book a holiday? Do some research first to check that the company is legitimate, especially if you haven't used them before. Use consumer websites, or reviews from people (or organisations) that you trust.*

Look for the logos: *look for the ABTA, ABTOT or ATOL logos on the company's website. If you're unsure, you can use the links below to verify membership:*

- *ABTA – https://www.abta.com*
- *ABTOT – https://www.abtot.com/abtot-members-directory/*
- *ATOL – https://www.atol.org*

Use a credit card to pay: *use a credit card for payments (if you have one). Many of these protect online purchases as part of the Consumer Credit Act.*

Only provide required details at checkout: *when making your payment, only fill in the mandatory details (often marked with an asterisk) such as your address. Unless you think you'll become a regular customer, don't create an account for the store.*

Keep your accounts secure: *create a strong and unique password for your email. If 2-step verification is available, always enable it.*

Watch out for suspicious links: *whether it's in an email or social media post, be wary of promotions for unbelievably good holiday offers. If you receive a suspicious email, report it by forwarding it to: report@phishing.gov.uk*

Find out how to protect yourself from fraud: https://stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk

If you've lost money or provided your financial information to someone, notify your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud at actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040. In Scotland, call Police Scotland on 101.

Sign up to West Yorkshire Community Alert

West Yorkshire Community Alert is a messaging system brought to you by West Yorkshire Police and Partners for our communities.

By registering with WY Community Alert, you can choose to receive news and appeals, local crime information and/or prevention advice direct to you by email, text or voice message.

Registering for alerts is completely free and once you have signed-up, you can choose how you want to receive the messages and what you want to receive messages about.

To sign up, please visit the West Yorkshire Community Alert Home Page

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Councillor Vacancy Notice

Harewood Parish Council

Vacancy for a Councillor

Notice is hereby given that due to the resignation of Councillor Bystryakov a vacancy exists in the office of Parish Councillor for the Parish Council of

Harewood (Wigton Ward)

The vacancy will be filled by election if any ten local government electors for the said area submit a written request to that effect in the manner prescribed below and if no such request is made the vacancy will be filled by the Parish Council.

Any request for an election to be held to fill the vacancy must be in writing and must reach the Returning Officer, Leeds City Council, Electoral Services, Civic Hall, Calverley Street, Leeds LS1 1UR by no later than **3rd March 2025.**

Dated: 11 February 2025

Signed: K Sedman (Harewood Parish Council Clerk)

Address: 36 High Ash Mount, Leeds LS17 8RW

Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Day Ceremony

A Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Memorial Garden, Harewood (opposite the Harewood Arms) will be held on Sunday 10 November commencing 10.45am.

Green bin recycling of glass bottles and containers

It is now possible to recycle glass bottles and containers in green bins collected by Leeds City Council.

July 22nd – date set for No 48 Bus services to resume

Reinstatement of the 48 Bus Route

Following many complaints and after intensive lobbying by Councillors, Harewood Parish Council are delighted to announce that the 48 bus route will be reinstated on a “use it or lose it basis” from July 22nd . There will be three return journeys between Wigton Moor and Leeds City Centre Monday to Friday operated by First Bus.

No 48 Bus Timetable from 22nd July 2024			
Vicar Lane to Wigton Moor			
Monday to Friday			
Leeds Vicar Lane	11:11	12:41	14:11
St Martin's Road	11:18	12:48	14:18
Moortown Corner	11:26	12:56	14:26
High Ash Shops	11:37	13:08	14:38
Wigton Moor to Vicar Lane			
Monday to Friday			
Plantation Gardens - Plantation Avenue	10:05		
High Ash Shops	10:07	11:47	13:17
Moortown Corner	10:17	11:59	13:29
Chapel Allerton Hospital	10:27	12:09	13:40
Leeds Vicar Lane	10:48	12:30	14:00

Funding has been provided by West Yorkshire Combined Authority and the service will be monitored closely with regard to passenger use and numbers. Harewood Parish Council and in particular Councillor Howard Foreman and Ross Bystryakov of Wigton Moor, with the support of the local community, have worked tirelessly for the reinstatement of the 48 bus route and this shows a positive example of how a Parish Council can influence the decisions of major organisations such as the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and First Bus for the benefit of its residents.

Forthcoming May Council Meetings

Due to local elections being held on the 2nd May, neither Harewood Village Hall nor Wigton Moor United Reform Church are available for the Annual Parish Council Meeting and the first Council Meeting in 2024 – 2025 (at which Council Officers will be elected). Accordingly, these meetings will be held in the Meeting

Room at the Harewood Arms commencing at 7:00 pm and will run consecutively. Members of the public are welcome and are entitled to attend. Please note that alcohol will not be served and cannot be consumed in the room used for these meetings.