

FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Hutton Parish Council meets regularly at Hutton Village Hall and residents of the Parish are welcome to attend. There will be a short period early in the meeting for residents to bring up any local issues that may be causing them concern. Meetings are on Monday unless otherwise stated.

3rd April 2017
15th May 2017
3rd July 2017

You can find agendas and minutes of past meetings, and lots more information about the Parish of Hutton by visiting our website:
huttonparishcouncil.co.uk

Hutton Village Hall

Hutton Village Hall is a community hall, run by members of the community for use by the community. If you would like to use the hall for a public event or for a private function then call our booking secretary on 617483 for availability, hire fees etc. If you have not used the hall before you may be surprised by the facilities and equipment available including a licensed bar (the volunteer licensees need to be available)

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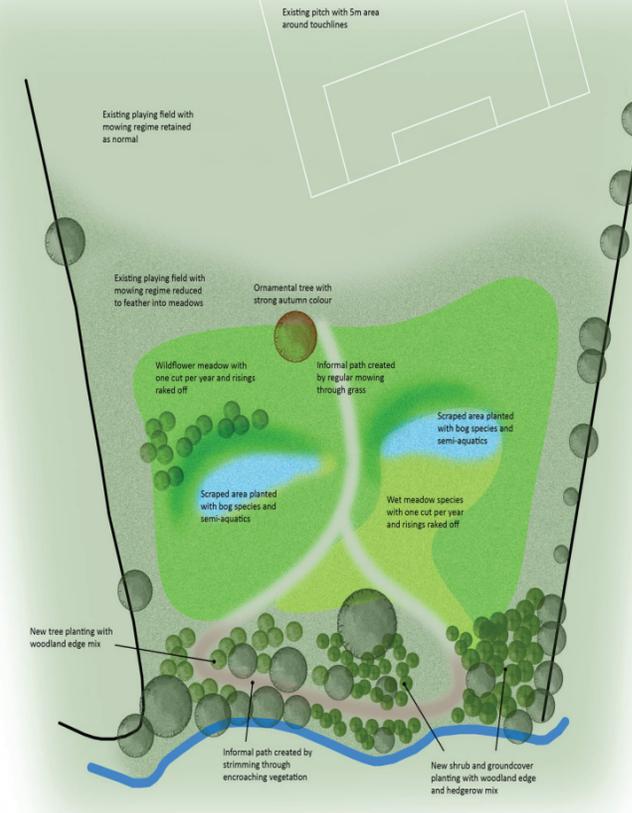
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Spring 2017



At the Hutton Parish Council Meeting on Monday 27th February this year a presentation was given of a wildlife scheme designed by the SRBC Landscape Architect. The scheme will provide a habitat for wildlife and be located at the end of the playing field adjacent to Longton Brook.

The site will consist of two mounded areas utilising the 150 tons of spoil excavated from the construction of the new car park. There are two "scrapes" (coloured in blue in the picture on the left) creating a shallow wetland feature which will contain water in the winter and dry out in the Summer. This semi aquatic feature will be surrounded by mixed grassland, woodland and thicket to create a variety of habitats. Access to the site will be along mown grassed strips. The wildlife area will continue developing over the years. Edges of the water will be planted with marginals and semi-aquatic plants, with the trees developing over long grasses and ground cover with informal paths mown through the meadow. This scheme would not have been possible without the assistance of South Ribble Borough Council and funding provided by United Utilities to the Parish Council for use in creating a wildlife habitat.

Hutton Parish Council would like to thank SRBC and United Utilities for their support in this project.

The Mayday Fete this year is on Monday 1st May at 1.30 pm

Everyone is invited to come along and enjoy a fun filled day with something for everyone, old and young.

Assistance is needed to ensure the success of the Fete. Please see inside this newsletter to find out how you can help and who to contact.



Storm Doris was responsible for a tree being blow down from neighbouring woodland and on to the HPC owned bus shelter in Pope Lane at its junction with Lindle Lane.

HPC is working with the landowner to arrange for repair or replacement of the bus shelter.

Hutton May Day Fete Monday 1st May



Hutton Village Hall Information

As usual at this time of year preparations for the May Day Fête have begun and we really do need your help. We have lots of new ideas for games & stalls but can't organise them unless we know that we will have people to run them. Some of our volunteers are ones that started over 35 years ago before we even built the village hall. If you use the hall and get pleasure from it please consider if you could help – it can be great fun and also satisfying to know that you are helping to keep and maintain the hall for future generations.

Money raised over the last few years is now, with the help from a grant from The Lancashire Environmental Fund, being used to upgrade and modernise the hall. The new central heating system has been installed and the electrical work including the replacement of the lights and installation of hand driers is due to start in April, followed by the redecoration of the hall. We are also making a contribution of £5,000 towards the car park extension

Raffle tickets are now on sale, available through the various hall users or from committee members, please at least consider buying a book yourself even if you don't like selling to other people, one book is just £1.

Donation of prizes for the raffle, tombola, bottle stall etc. would be very much appreciated. The Ladies Group are not doing the cake stall this time, they are having a change, but we would still like to have a cake stall. We would welcome any contributions for the stall and for refreshments. If you enjoy baking, ingredients can be provided if you are happy to do the work. We are also collecting second-hand books for the book stall.

Please help in whatever capacity you can, the people listed below will be happy to hear from you Barbara 611471, Morag 617483, Sue or Paul 619746, Dave or Helen 617014, Andrew 615473 or any committee member..

The picture below shows the new car park at Hutton playing fields which it is anticipated will be open for use in late Spring/early Summer 2017.



In December 2016 work commenced on creating an additional 19 car park spaces on the playing fields in Moor Lane, Hutton. The 150 tons of spoil removed was transported to the bottom of the playing fields to be used in the creation of the wildlife area. At the time of writing the car park surface has been laid and the parking bays marked. The surface is now settling before the final stages are commenced which include any remedial work and finally the sowing of grass seed.

Long Wood

During the Winter an Oak tree was blown down in an area of Long Wood where another Oak tree was also blown down whilst the land was owned by Lancashire Constabulary. Hutton Parish Council are committed to caring for this local amenity. At their meeting on 27th February 2017 HPC voted unanimously to plant two new trees to replace those that were lost. It is anticipated that these new trees will be planted during March 2017



Road Safety PR4 4BA area of Pope Lane

Despite road safety concerns of residents of Pope Lane, Hutton Parish Council, the South Ribble ward councillors, Lancashire Constabulary (through it's Western Parishes PACT meetings) and the MP for South Ribble (Seema Kennedy); in December 2016 LCC rejected HPC's request for a reduction in the speed limit and the placing of a speed camera in this area. Hutton Parish Council have had a post for mounting a Speed Indicator Device placed in the danger area, we are currently waiting for the SPID brackets to be installed. There have been two fatal accidents in less than a two year period plus a further two car crashes in December 2016. Our MP has written to the Chief Executive of LCC requesting that they reconsider their decision not to take any action to improve road safety.

A planning application has now been received by SRBC for an additional access road and junction on to the Meadowcroft Business Park located in the danger area between the existing access road and Lindle Lane. If approved this will not improve the safety of pedestrians and road users



The photograph on the left was taken by Jude Harrison, aged 8 on a walk through Hutton on New Years Day.

The scene of the photograph is the woodland near Thornton Grange. Spring was in the air even in the midst of Winter.

