



Update

Adlington in Context

At the National Census in 2001 Adlington had a population of 5,270 which shows a decline of 383 since the last National Census in 1991. It is likely that the current house building on several estates in Adlington will raise the population significantly in the next eighteen months. Adlington is the fourth largest parish in Chorley, the largest being Clayton le Woods with a population of 14,528 in 2001 followed by Euxton with 8,318 and Coppull with 7,637. Heath Charnock was 10th with 2,065 and Anderton 14th with 1,206 out of a total of 23 parishes. At the other end of the scale the smallest parish is Anglezarke with a total population of 23, exceeded by Cuerden with 77 and Rivington with 144.

The Parish Precept for 2004/05 has remained relatively stable in Adlington which is 18th out of 23 (the same as last year) in the amount raised per household and 9th in the total amount raised overall (again the same position as last year).

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Adlington Town Council Website

The Town Council has had a website now for 12 months and it has been quite well used by residents of the village and also by ex-pats.

The address for the website will shortly be changing as the Borough Council in Chorley have recently instigated a hosting facility for Town and Parish Councils on its own website.

The major benefit to Adlington of this facility is the fact that it is free and, therefore, saves the expense of hosting fees of £94.00 per annum. Obviously, this saving can be allocated to another project within the village.

Items which appear on the website are meeting agendas, minutes of meetings, financial reports, annual report to electors, Councillors details amongst others.

For those of you who wish to keep up to date on the web, the new URL will be

www.chorley.gov.uk/adlingtontowncouncil

This change will take effect at the end of August so please try both the old and the new until changeover has been effected.

St Paul's Players

present

'Murder in Company'

on

8th, 9th, 10th, 11th September at 7.30pm

Tickets £6 Concessions £5.50

From Wendy Salvage tel 01257 481910

Briefly

Adlington Circular Walk was the subject of discussion at a meeting between Groundwork of Wigan and local interested parties on 29th June last. Groundwork have already secured a grant of £7,000 from Barclays but more is needed. Lancs County Council are spending £250,000 on upgrading the canal towpath between Chorley and Adlington to cater for walkers and cyclists and will also prioritise some of their work on the walk such as stiles, footbridges and clearing. Groundwork intend to work on footpath surfaces, access, stiles, hedge laying, signage, information and promotion of the walk.

LCC Welfare Rights Service

Advice sessions will continue as normal throughout the school holidays at the Community Centre (Thursdays 10am-12pm). However, due to annual leave, there will be no Thursday session after 2nd September until 29th September. Please contact 01772 643800 if you require any help or assistance.

Open Forum at Council meetings is your chance to speak to your Councillors and bring to their attention any matters which might be of concern.

There is a period of 20 minutes before meeting starts during which time the general public is welcome to come and address the Councillors on local matters. There are many new families moving into the village at the moment who may have concerns which they wish to raise. Anyone wishing to voice their opinion but unable to attend the meeting is welcome to write to the Clerk, but please ensure that the Clerk receives your letter at least one week before the meeting in order to be included on the agenda.

If you wish to attend the Open Forum please be prompt. It is advisable to arrive at the Community Centre by 7.10pm.

What's On**at Adlington Community Centre**

September 8-11	St Paul's Players present 'Murder in Company'	7.30pm
Wed. Sept. 15 th	Neighbourhood Watch meeting	7.30pm
Mon. Sept. 20 th	Adlington Town Council Meeting	7.15pm
Sat. Sept. 25 th	Bootscooters Line Dance	7.30pm
Sat. Oct. 2 nd	Anderton St. Joseph's PTA Family Night	6.30pm
Fri. Oct 8 th	Anderton Primary School PTA Bingo	6.00pm
Sat. Oct. 16 th	Bootscooters Line Dance	7.30pm
Mon. Oct. 18 th	Adlington Town Council Meeting	7.15pm
October 25 - 30	Adlington Music and Arts Society 'Oklahoma'	7.15pm

FAIRVIEW YOUTH & COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

It is very pleasing to report that, eight years after the dream of a Youth Centre for Adlington & District began, the project is now complete & the keys will be handed over by Chorley Borough Council to a local Management Committee in early September.

The Committee has been working hard to ensure that the building will be fully equipped when it opens for use & the public are invited to call & have a look at the facilities on Saturday 18 September from 10am to 12 noon. The building will be officially opened later in the year but bookings will be taken from October. Several local groups have already expressed an interest in using the building, Lancashire County Council Youth & Community Service will hold sessions twice weekly & talks are ongoing with the Connexions Service which is also intending to use the centre.

Any individual or group which would like further details about hiring the building can contact the Chairperson, Andrea Barnard on 481636 or the Secretary, Jeanette Lowe, on 481415.

The recent fundraising event with guitarists Peter Frampton & Tim Chu took place at the Cricket Club on 16 July. This raised £300 & thanks go to all who supported the event. It is intended to hold a Treasure Hunt, followed by music from the above, on 1 October, again at the Cricket Club.

After the article in the last edition of Update, several people offered their services in various ways but more volunteers are still required. If you can assist in any way, please contact Andrea or Jeanette, or any member of the Committee.

Your Elected Representatives 2003-2007

Town Mayor	Florence Molyneaux	01257 481184
Deputy Mayor	Robert Yates	01257 481778
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	Kate Ellison	01257 481433
	Douglas Hoyle	01257 481999
	Barry Lee	01257 481540
	Sally Rimmer	01257 483514
	Bert Scott	01257 474873
	Elizabeth Sumner	01257 480043
	Mary Wilson	01257 481776
	June Molyneaux	01257 481184
	Jeanette Lowe	01257 421415
Clerk to the Council	Clare Dugdill	01257 474784

Lindsay Hoyle ~ MP for Chorley

Adlington's flagship event took place in the and the Carnival passed off as a success once again. Much needed funds raised for charity while people enjoyed over the weekend. Congratulations must go to the Carnival Committee and all those involved in ensuring that the weekend was a success.



On the theme of local success stories St Paul's Nursery School received an excellent Ofsted report which highlighted the quality of standards in teaching standards, quality of the environment, and development in children's standards. The positive report has acted as a huge boost to the staff, parents and pupils at the nursery and congratulations must go to all the teaching staff who have worked so hard to achieve this positive report.

I always say that schools throughout the constituency, nursery, primary and secondary alike all provide a high standard of education ensuring that young people in our community have the best possible start in life. I am sure that St Paul's nursery will go from strength to strength and look forward to witnessing continuing improvements in achievement. With the Parliamentary recess underway I now have the opportunity to spend more time in the constituency. The recess allows me more time to conduct surgeries, visit local voluntary groups, schools and businesses etc. While I am always proud to represent the people of Chorley in Parliament I enjoy my time at home even more and believe it is essential to keep in touch with local opinion so that I can represent your views to the best of my ability.

Contact details: Chorley Office: 35-39 Market Street, Chorley PR7 2SW tel: 01257 271555, or London office: House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA tel: 020 7219 3515

Briefly

Are you annoyed at receiving unwanted telephone calls/faxes from bogus organisations?

It is now illegal for these calls/faxes to be made to you if you have registered with the Telephone/Fax Preference Service on 0845 0700 70 70. It is a busy line. Be patient and hang on! Most unwanted calls/faxes should cease after 28 days. There is no charge for this service. If you continue to receive calls/faxes after the 28 day period you can report this to the Preference Service and they have the power to prosecute.

Do you pay for parking at Chorley

Hospital? I am reliably informed that if you are visiting a patient on a long-term basis, you can obtain an exemption pass for the car park. Ask the Ward Sister for a letter to give to the General Office. For short term patients, if you are visiting more than once per day you only need to pay once. So if you feel that you may be eligible for free parking, don't get stressed out and annoyed, **ASK!**

The problem of dog waste has been raised recently. Please, if there is not a dog waste bin in the area, carry your plastic bag with you until you reach a suitable bin. Problems have been caused recently by dog owners throwing their dog waste bags under the hedgerows when in the countryside. This is not acceptable. It is hazardous to wildlife and creates an eyesore for others.

Council Meeting Dates

2004/05

August 16 th	September 20 th
October 18 th	November 15 th
December 13 th	January 17 th 2005
February 21 st	March 21 st
April 18 th	May 16 th

All meetings are held at 7.15pm in the Community Centre, Railway Road, Adlington.

Members of the Public are Welcome

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FAIRTRADE

Reverend Downing addressed the July meeting of the Town Council to enlighten the Councillors on the purpose of Fair Trade who's aim is to tackle poverty by enabling disadvantaged producers from poor countries to receive a better deal, through encouraging support for the FAIRTRADE mark.

If you shop in the Co-op in Adlington, you will probably have seen the Fair Trade chocolate, amongst other things.

Adlington Town Council wishes to voice its support for the ethos of Fair Trade and encourage residents of the village to use these products where possible.

Also, the Council would like to see other outlets giving the choice of fair trade goods to the consumer. If you go into a shop, perhaps you could ask if they stock any Fair Trade produce. If you go for a meal the restaurant may be able to give you the option of Fair Trade coffee or tea after your meal. Fair Trade products could be used in the workplace.

Only by requesting the choice from the shop or restaurant will they be made aware that people want to buy these products.

Adlington Town Council will be working with the local Fair Trade steering group to raise awareness of trade issues and would welcome any feedback or offers of help from villagers. If you require any further information, please contact Reverend Downing on 01257 474240.

News from Chorley Borough Councillor June Molyneaux

Well, summer's here again, although you wouldn't realise that from the weather!

Fairview Youth & Community Centre continues to grow and grow. Construction of the building is well under way and discussions are taking place to finalise leasing and management arrangements for the future. Hopefully, the centre will be in use by September. It certainly has been a long road since Borough Councillors and officers met with the developers to discuss plans for the building but all that hard work has been worth-while when we see the almost completed building. The next challenge will be to equip and run the building efficiently. Many thanks must go to all who have contributed to the project in any way!

I hope you all have a pleasant and relaxing summer (or what's left of it)

A Message from Lancashire County Fire Service

Just a year ago, three young brothers lost their lives in a house fire in Blackpool. The fire was so intense that its exact cause may never be known. The boys had played with fire in the past but it was only one of many possible causes.

What was certain, however, was that no smoke alarm was fitted in the home and that the tragedy would most probably have been averted had one been fitted.

In the three years from 1st April 2000 to March 2003, 49 people in Lancashire could have been saved if simple fire safety measures had been adopted in the home. In over a third of cases fires started when cigarettes or matches were disposed of carelessly, followed closely by chip pan fires, other cooking related fires, clothes or other combustibles left too near to a heat source, fires started by faulty electric blankets and electrical faults as the main causes.

Out of the 43 incidents that led to these deaths, 29 properties were not fitted with a smoke alarm. Of the 14 remaining that were fitted with an alarm, 10 alarms failed to operate, 8 of them because the battery had been removed.

The message is obvious. Fit a smoke alarm and if you already have one, or more, make sure that the device is working. Test it monthly and replace the battery at least once a year.

TOP TIPS

- When you're cooking, keep on looking
- Locate candles and oil burners away from curtains and furnishings, don't let a candle snuff you out.
- Keep yourself covered, regularly check your electric blanket for faults
- Electrical safety leads to fire safety
- Make sure cigarette stubs and matches are disposed of safely – if you must strike a light, do it right
- If you have a fire

GET OUT, STAY OUT, CALL US OUT!

All Correspondence should be sent to Clare Dugdill. Clerk to the Council, 14 Mayfield Avenue, Adlington, Chorley, Lancs, PR6 9QE.