

Planning the future of Broomley and Stocksfield

NE43 news

With best wishes for a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful and Prosperous year in 2019

Your Parish Council needs you!

Included in this edition of NE43 News you will find a copy of our 2018 residents' survey, which we really hope you will complete and return as soon as possible. The survey has been designed to seek your views on what the Parish Council should prioritise in the next five years, and how you would like us to allocate our resources, and is being carried out on our behalf by an independent research company. The results of the survey will form the basis of our next Parish Council Plan, so please have your say and let us know how you would like to see things developing in the area which the Council covers. As a bonus, if you complete and return the survey by 21 December 2018, you could win a £100 hamper in time for Christmas. We really value your opinions and are looking forward to receiving them.

Council name to change

This will almost certainly be the last newsletter from Broomley and Stocksfield Parish Council. After asking residents through this newsletter about views on a possible name change, the Council has decided to amend its name to 'Stocksfield Parish Council', thereby dropping reference to Broomley. Northumberland County Council has been asked to approve the change and this is likely to occur within the next two months.



stages whilst working closely with the Council's Clerk. Nick Jones is pictured with the Council's Chair, Maggi Hunt, at the new car park. Maggi said, 'It is no exaggeration to say that Nick has made a vital contribution to the project and without him the Council's costs would have been considerably higher.'

The new car park is accessed from the existing car park on a tarmac road. For those interested in the detail, the surface of the overflow car park is a green coloured interlocking plastic tile (as seen being held by Nick in the photo) on top of a granular sub base. Grass has grown through the tiles which means it blends in far better to the surrounding playing fields but also provides a sound surface for parking. The area had previously been used as an overflow parking area but could only be used during dry periods or cars simply sunk in the mud.

The construction was undertaken by Durham firm Trevor Atkinson and Co after a tendering process. The total cost has been just over £55,000, the majority of which was sourced from the Public Works Loan Board and which the Council will repay over the next twenty years.

Overspill Car Park OPENS

The Council is delighted that the long awaited overflow car park at the sports fields has been constructed and is now in use, both by the users of the sports fields and the parents of children who attend Broomley First School. The car park provides an additional 42 spaces and now prevents the need for cars to park on the A695. The Council is greatly indebted to local resident, Nick Jones, who provided his services as a landscape surveyor without charge during the design, planning application and construction



Speeders take a hit

Northumbria Police has recommenced enforcement of the speed limit on New Ridley Road using the force's camera enforcement unit. The bright yellow and blue van has been seen regularly on New Ridley Road in recent weeks as pictured. In the first two visits the unit detected 36 speeding offences and one offence of a driver not being in proper control of a vehicle. At least one driver in a subsequent visit by the unit will be facing a court appearance after being measured travelling at over 50mph. The Parish Council has been exerting pressure over many months to ensure that enforcement activity was resumed and is grateful to Northumberland County Council for undertaking the necessary work to enable deployment of the camera unit.

Stocksfield Remembers



Each year the December edition of NE43 News carries a short item about the Remembrance Service and there is usually a photograph or two. This year things were a bit special. One hundred years on from Armistice Day, over 200 people gathered at the War Memorial in Stocksfield to pay their respects to those who sadly didn't live to see the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month or who were injured during the Great War and also to those who have been killed or injured in subsequent conflicts around the globe. An array of knitted poppies (hand-made by local residents) surrounded the memorial, together with photographs and personal stories of many of those who were killed and whose names are listed on the plaque attached to the memorial.

The service, which was attended by officers of the 3rd Regiment Royal Horse Artillery based at Albemarle Barracks and the young members of the local Scouting and Guiding organisations, was conducted by Rev Pat Moran who reminded those present of the great sacrifices made by many of our forebears. She made particular reference to relatives of local resident Daphne Threadgold-Reay who had donated a commemorative seat which is now installed at one side of the memorial. Lloyd Spencer, a former Stocksfield Beaver, Cub and Scout, sounded Last Post prior to the laying of wreaths by Deputy Lieutenant Carol Malia representing Her Majesty the Queen and by those others present on behalf of other organisations. Following the 'silence', the service was roused by the sounding of Reveille.

At the conclusion of the service, many of those present returned to the Community Centre where tea, coffee and biscuits were served by Stocksfield Guides. A collection of £108 was raised for the Royal British Legion by those taking refreshments. A presentation of more information about Stocksfield residents who died during both wars was provided at the rear of the Community Centre by Laraine Judd. Laraine has been researching this area for many years and is responsible for providing the

information at the memorial. Afterwards Laraine said, 'Thanks to everyone who showed an interest in the names of local men and women who died in both World Wars'. She asks if anyone has any other photographs, information or anecdotes about these people, would they please contact her either by telephone (01661 844874) or email larainej@me.com.

The Council is grateful to all those who attended the Remembrance Service and all who took part in any way or helped in the preparation of the day. Thanks are also expressed to Daphne Threadgold-Reay for the generous donation of the commemorative seat. **– read on for her story.**



The Robsons of Stocksfield

The anniversary of 100 years since the end of the Great War in 1918 will stir memories in many families, particularly that of Daphne Threadgold-Reay (pictured above with her son and grandson) whose maternal grandfather Ernest Robson James served in France with the XII Royal Lancers, Northumberland Fusiliers and whose paternal great uncle Robert William Robson died in France with the 55th Sqdn Royal Flying Corps.

In the early 1980s when Nick Threadgold and his family moved to Rose Cottage at Ridley Mill, Stocksfield, little did he know that he would be living in an area which his forbears farmed over 100 years before. Nick's son, Thomas James Threadgold, born in 2018, will discover in years to come that his grandmother Daphne can trace her family back to Ridley Mill Farm for many generations, and will understand the significance of

the seat she donated at the War Memorial commemorating the 1914-1918 Great War.

Daphne's great grandfather Mark Oswald Robson was born at Ridley Mill Farm in 1861. Mark married Isabella, who was born in Berwick and moved to Bywell to work as lady's maid to Lady Allendale. They had 8 children, John (Jack – Daphne's grandfather), Mark, Amy, William, Robert, Fred, Lewis and Ada. Sadly Mark Snr died in 1909 aged 49, and is buried at Bywell St Peters. Jack continued to manage the farm with his mother and supported his young siblings.

Mark Jnr became a miner, and William a cart boy leading goods from Stocksfield Station through Guessburn up to Old Ridley and Hindley.

With the onset of the Great War, Robert William Robson decided to join the 55th Sqdn Royal Flying Corps as a mechanic. As a pilot Robert flew many missions, but sadly in February 1917 his plane was hit by enemy fire. Robert was shot in the head and his observer was killed outright, but Robert managed to fly his aircraft back over allied lines where he suffered a fractured skull on landing. He died in Rouen Hospital on 18 May 1917 aged 21, and was buried at the Bois-Guillaume Cemetery. On Whit Monday 1917 a Memorial Service was held for Robert at Bywell St Peters. On 1 March 1919 his mother Isabella was issued with a passport and travelled to France to visit Roberts's grave. Robert's name is listed on the Stocksfield War Memorial

Daphne's grandfather Jack married Frances Mary Stanfield from Bearl: their children John (Scotty) Lewis and Daleus were born at Ridley Mill Farm. The family, including Isabella, moved to Mickley Bank Farm where Daphne's father Mark was born, and then moved to Brewery Farm in Ovingham where Daphne spent her younger years.



STATION ADOPTION

Northern Rail and the Tyne Valley Community Rail Partnership are keen to establish a [Station Adoption Group for Stocksfield](#). This group of volunteers would undertake activities designed to maintain and promote Stocksfield Station. Adoption groups are all different! Some plant flowers, while others work with local schools to display children's art work. There is no corporate rule on what a flower tub must look like and it is up to each group to showcase their village (obviously nothing should interfere with railway

operation or with customers). The adoption group can apply to Northern Rail for money for new planters and other ideas. If you would like to explore how you might get involved please register your interest with Paul Vickers by email to paul@paulvickers.com by 21 December 2018.

If we get sufficient interest then Paul will arrange a meeting with Northern Rail at which people can find out more about the work of the group and the incentives Northern Rail offers to volunteers.

Lifespan Complementary

A North East independent charity supporting people with life limiting illnesses

Did you know that you can now donate to us when doing your shopping online? It costs you nothing extra but it donates that little bit extra to us! Use the following link to get shopping!

giveasyoulive.com/join/lifespan-complementary

We have had some new events added to our list before the end of the year and we just wanted to share them with you, to keep you updated!

Monday 3rd December

@ Corbridge Town Centre - Late night shopping from 4pm.

We are joining many other stall holders for this annual event which is always a great success! We will have Christmas crafts, cakes and a bottle tombola along with our Christmas raffle so pop down and come and say hello!

Wednesday 5th December @ M&Co Hexham - Fashion Show 6pm

Pop along to the fashion show and grab a bargain before Christmas or even those last minute gifts! There will be a discount on the night and refreshments are included in your ticket - £3 from M&Co. or on the door. If you or your child would like to be a model please get in touch before 1st December.

We will also have a raffle and tombola, any donations are greatly appreciated.

Don't forget about our Christmas raffle tickets where you can win £100 of shopping vouchers! 50p per ticket or £2.50 per book. Please get in touch if you would like to purchase some!

As always, we are on the lookout for volunteers and donations for our tombolas! We always greatly appreciate help with running our events, whether you staff our tombola or make cakes for us, it's always welcomed and NEEDED! And of course, we will never go short of tombola or raffle prizes – too many bottles that you don't like/won't drink? A gift set that you will never use? Well, we will! Please let us know if you have anything that we can use and we are happy to come and collect it.

Don't forget to keep up to date with our Facebook page & Twitter and share the events with your friends!

2019 is a Festival Year and it will be 10 years since the first Festival in 2009!

Stocksfield Festival 2019 will show a number of significant changes - the most obvious one will be that the Festival is moving from the first Saturday in September to the second Saturday in July. So put Saturday 13th July in your new diary as that will be the date of next year's Festival.

Another major change is that there will be no competitions – well except for the Scarecrow competition which the Committee hopes to see extended with far more entries than in 2017 – more details later!

The first Festival in 2009 was partly about local organisations promoting their activities. This has not really happened in recent Festivals so at the Festival in 2019, space and display boards will be available within a marquee for local groups to showcase their activities.

The Festival Committee's venture into organising a Food Fair in September this year was so successful that visitors to next year's Festival will see far more local food producers offering their products for sale.

For many visitors the music is the main attraction and once more there will be lots of talented local musicians and singers in the entertainment marquee to provide high quality entertainment.

Accounts get clean bill of health

You could be forgiven for thinking that audit work is not exactly headline material but the external audit arrangements for town and parish councils changed for the financial year 2017/18. Large numbers of smaller councils no longer need to submit returns to external auditors, instead relying on an effective internal audit of their activity. This Council's external audit for 2017/18 has been completed and the good news is there are no matters to draw to the attention of the Council. The report of the auditor can be found on the Council's website.

The important work of the Council's internal auditor continues and it is this work that looks very closely, not only at the figures to make sure they all add up, but also at the way the Council's financial management systems work and the safeguards in place. The interim internal audit for 2018/19 has already been completed and the auditor finds that 'the robust financial and management systems in place are acting satisfactorily and provide a good audit trail'. Your precept remains in safe hands!

A69 improvements on hold

Highways England plans to improve the junction on the A69 at Styford where it meets the A68 and B6530 by constructing a flyover that would allow traffic on the A69 to bypass the existing roundabout. Whilst some members of the Parish Council were surprised that this was seen to be a priority, the Council had concerns about the accompanying proposals to restrict traffic joining or crossing the A69 at the junction at Shaw House (where roads lead north to Newton and south to Peepy Farm and Stocksfield). The Council subsequently objected to the improvements on the grounds that, taken as a whole, they would disproportionately affect the residents of Stocksfield by increasing the distance and times of journeys. Bywell Parish Council made an objection on similar grounds. The Secretary of State has since indicated that he intends to hold an Inquiry into the proposal, further details of which will be provided in due course. The Council's Chair, Maggi Hunt said, 'It is pleasing to see that local voices will at least be heard before a final decision is taken'.

Further details about the proposed scheme can be found at highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a69-junction-improvements/

Branch End Surgery NEWS

Due to a nationwide shortage of flu vaccine for the 65+ age group the surgery is offering flu jab appointments by appointment or by walk in. Please speak to a receptionist to book in – call 01661 842626 or ask if anybody is available to give you your vaccination there and then.

In October of this year a total of 63 patients did not attend their scheduled appointment at the surgery - known as DNA (did not attend) appointments. This is a significant increase from October 2017 when the total DNA appointments was 35. Each of these non-attended appointments has prevented doctors or nurses from seeing another patient instead. The surgery operates an 'on the day cancellation list' so that where patients need to cancel their appointment, their slot can be given to patients who need to be seen that day and can attend at any time. Please help to provide faster access to appointments by cancelling appointments you cannot keep.

Branch End Surgery is proud to announce that we are now a Parkrun Practice.

Parkrun organises free, weekly 5k timed runs in many places around the world. They are free, open to everyone, and are safe and easy to take part in.

You can

- make friends
- be part of the community
- improve your health
- be active
- learn new skills

Join us for a free 5k event, every Saturday at 9am at the Tyne Riverside Country Park, Station Road, Prudhoe.

It's free but remember to register before your first run. You only need to do this once. And don't forget to bring your printed barcode – if you forget it, you won't get your time.

For more information and to register visit parkrun.org.uk/prudhoeriverside/

Stocksfield Local History Society

meets at the Methodist Church at 7.30pm. Visitors welcome (£2 charge).

9th Jan Gary Bankhead
The Durham River Wear Assemblage

13th Feb Greg Finch
Grand plans, popular protest and human frailty - The Hexham Sele road dispute of 1823

13th Mar Elaine Edgar
Finds and future developments at Epiacum

10th April Pat Wilson
Bog Hall to Hotel - a history of Slaley Hall

New Child Welfare Officers at Stocksfield Football Club

Stocksfield Football Club is pleased to confirm the appointment of two new Child Welfare Officers to help grow and develop the club over the next three years. Nicky Hunter and Carmen Ward both have children playing at the club, come with a vast range of skills and have experience in both the legal and social services sectors. Their role is ensuring that the Football Association's Respect Codes are understood and taken on board by the Committee, coaches, managers, members and supporters at Stocksfield, and they are excellent additions to the club.

The club is also looking to recruit to both the Secretary and Communication Officer roles, so if you are interested in helping to grow our awesome club please contact Philip.murray@harland.co.uk

Testing water quality on Stocksfield burn

It is now nearly 10 years since water quality testing began on Stocksfield burn. Those who regularly use the burn side footpath will have seen members of the Stocksfield River Watch team identifying and counting the larval forms of various 'river flies' – most of which can loosely be described as mayflies. Water quality is determined by the presence or otherwise of a number of key indicator species – those which can't survive in polluted water. Results are put on to a national website and are accessible to the Environment Agency which can use our results in the event of a pollution incident.

This small group of volunteers (some pictured) – who have hardly missed a month in almost 10 years - are about to acquire some additional kit which will allow further tests of water quality to be carried out. The kit will be used for the first time on Monday 3rd December and will enable volunteers to test for phosphates, nitrates and nitrites, turbidity, pH etc.

This work is organised and co-ordinated by the Tyne Rivers Trust which provides training and support for volunteers. The local volunteers and the Tyne Rivers Trust are grateful for the support of the Parish Council which funded new water quality testing kit at a cost of £40.

A new project is about to start called "Adopt a Stream" - led by Tyne Rivers Trust and delivered through the Tyne catchment Partnership. Further information on this project, which will include issues relating to invasive species, recording wildlife and flooding can be obtained from the Tyne Rivers Trust office.



Stocksfield Cricket Club win again

Stocksfield Cricket Club fielded 13 teams this summer. This included 7 junior teams with additional coaching for the All Stars scheme (pictured) which is aimed at 5 to 7 year olds. An U14 girl's team was a new addition this season.

The 1st team played in the Northumberland Cricket League Premier Division for the first time ever after gaining promotion last year. It was the 2nd XI that took the honours however, winning their division and promotion. Not to be outdone, the Women's 2nd Team won their League and a talented young U11 team (pictured) won the County Knock Out cup competition.

The club ran a number of fund raising events during the year which, together with some grant funding, allowed them to refurbish the practice nets and install a



new stainless steel kitchen. After a short lay off, indoor nets will start in February/March. The club provides cricket for all ages and abilities. Check out their website for events/information and contact details.

QUAKER WEEK 2018 "ROOM FOR MORE"

Some thirty-five Friends and families from Stocksfield, Durham, Hexham, Newcastle, Monkseaton and Sunderland Local Quaker Meetings gathered on 5 October 2018 to celebrate Quaker Week 2018 by sharing 'Palestinian Supper' (pictured).

The evening, in the Richardson Room at Stocksfield Community Centre, was introduced by chef de cuisine Caroline Westgate (Stocksfield) who conjured up a spicy and sweet menu of traditional Palestinian starter, main course selections and three puddings. Her sous chefs from Stocksfield Quaker Meeting included (out of picture) Maggie Perry, Averil Armstrong and Paul Flynn. Paul was also a prodigious washer-upper!

Our Friend, Janet Lloyd (Stocksfield), explains that the evening's purpose is to generate funding to enable two or three students from the Quaker School in Ramallah, Palestine to join Northern Young Friends annual Summer Shindig held at Ackworth Quaker School in Pontefract. The initiative to bring students from Ramallah to Britain each year was begun by Tynedale Quaker Meetings a decade ago.



Sitting by the window is after-dinner speaker Jonathan Adams (Sunderland) who spent three months with Britain Yearly Meeting's Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI). Jonathan offered a powerful and moving story of his experiences of living amongst and getting to know Palestinians of all ages up close and personal. Jonathan's photographs were poignant reminders for him – and us – of the everyday challenges endured by ordinary people in an environment which at times is dangerous and terrifying. The evening raised more than £400 towards the week-long Shindig 2019 - an opportunity for three young students to meet and make lifelong friends with young Quakers in Britain.

Community Transport Survey

Thank you to all those who responded to the survey in June. Those who indicated that they either wanted a report or were interested in taking part in the scheme will be contacted shortly.

HOUSING ISSUES?

Citizens Advice Northumberland is able to provide Legal Aid funded housing advice.



This can include, but is not confined to:

- Possession action on any grounds such as rent arrears or anti-social behaviour
- Anti-social behaviour injunctions against tenants
- Mortgage repossession
- Challenging homelessness decisions
- Major disrepair
- Unlawful evictions

Anyone in receipt of an income related benefit is eligible for Legal Aid - for all other incomes, an assessment needs to be completed.

For more information contact Sue: suegrebby@citizensadvicenorthumberland.org.uk
07384518382

For all other enquiries call:
Northumberland Adviceline
on 03444 111 444



'SCOUT POST' CELEBRATES ITS ANNIVERSARY!

On 1st December, post boxes were positioned in both Post Offices and Boots Chemists to receive cards (and letters) to be posted to any address with an NE43 Post Code. The boxes are emptied regularly (including Fridays at 12.00 noon) the cards sorted into areas and collected from our sorting office after school on Friday or Saturday morning by the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and parents, for delivery over the weekend. We ask for a kind donation of around 35p per card, which is a win/win situation as it significantly reduces the 58p regular cost and donates a much-needed contribution to completing the building and fittings of the new Scout hut. Please continue to use the green Gift Aid envelopes. We usually raise a total of between £500-£600, due to the generosity of everyone who supports us.

Thank you to you all - and to the three shops without whom we would not be able to carry out this valuable project, which helps residents and has become an integral part of the pre-Christmas preparations in Stocksfield.

The last date for posting is Friday, December 21st at 12.00 noon. If you have any query, please get in touch with me at 25, Cade Hill Road or telephone 842302. Philippa Harpin

Northumberland County Council - update from Anne Dale

Although there is always lots to report, this is just a brief note on mainly highways issues. I am pleased that the maintenance work on New Ridley Road has finally taken place. Consultation has taken place on speed reduction measures for New Ridley village and will take place on similar measures for New Ridley Road. Unfortunately the roll out of the 20 mph on the Painshawfield Estate and at the beginning and the end of the school day on the A695 has been delayed and the consultation event will not take place until early next year. This is due to the prioritisation of the anti-skid surface at Ford Rise.

Double yellow lines are to be implemented at Branch End and at the junction of Batt House Road and New Ridley Road to provide safer access points. (Parking is one of the issues that residents continually raise with me together with speeding and blocked gullies.)

In January the draft local plan will be out for consultation on the soundness of the proposed plan before submission.

Santa Claus will be visiting the Stocksfield area on 15th December, further information on times will follow on Stocksfield Matters facebook.

My best wishes to you all for a very happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Please do contact me should you have any issues you would like to raise with me on Anne.Dale@Northumberland.gov.uk.

Churches Together

Churches Together in Stocksfield and Mickley warmly invite you to:

THE BIG SING

On Sunday 2nd December at 3pm in SICA (Stocksfield Community Centre).

Come along for Community Carol singing, listening to Christmas readings, and enjoying songs by Prudhoe Community Choir, followed by seasonal refreshments.

The event is free and all are welcome, including families with children.

(A voluntary collection is taken for the work of Christian Aid.)

Exercise to Music

with Mary Huggin

Stocksfield Community Centre

For more information 01661 842346

Mondays 6.30 - 7.45pm
Low Impact Aerobics / Body Toning

Tuesdays 6.00 - 7.00pm
Step Aerobics

Thursdays 6.45 - 7.45pm
Pilates using Stability Balls

Fridays 9.30 - 10.30am
Low Impact Aerobics/Legs, Bums & Tums

A Christmas Carol Service

Hedley on the Hill's Christmas Carol Service will be at 5pm on Sunday 16th December at The Feathers Inn - with mulled wine and mince pies. Music provided by the Whittonstall community band. All welcome.

WINTER QUIZ 2018

Copies of this year's quiz can be obtained from the Community Centre Office, SCA Management Board members, Boots Chemist Branch End, Branch End Service Station, Branch End News, Stocksfield Central Post Office or Jean Robinson (842115). Please note that due to a printing error on some copies, questions 20 and 39 in section I will not be counted. Price: £1.00 - all proceeds to Stocksfield Community Association (SCA).

Dementia Friendly Stocksfield invites you to a Soup Lunch between noon and 2pm on Wednesday 16 January at Stocksfield Community Centre. All profits to go the Alzheimers Society. Carers and clients welcome. For more information contact Edna Leeson 843081.

Would you like to join us?

If you are new to the village, looking to make new friends, meet up with old ones or would just like some company, why don't you try one of the following activities to be found here in Stocksfield?

Stocksfield Community Centre: Mount View Terrace.

Every **Tuesday** is the **Tuesday Club** from 10am-2pm with a wide variety of activities and lunch (if you book it - Tel: 844040 or 844863)

Methodist Church: Mount View Terrace

Mondays weekly 10.30am-1 noon

Drop in for coffee and a chat.

Craft Club 1-3pm fortnightly

Wednesdays (Weeks 1, 3, 5) **Coffee**

Club 10am-noon, often with a speaker.

Fridays (last in the month) 7pm

Film Night

Saturdays (1st in the month) **Charity**

Coffee Morning 10am-noon.

St John's Church: Meadowfield Road

Wednesdays (Weeks 1 and 2) **Coffee**

Morning 10.30-noon

Baptist Church: Main Road

Thursdays (Weeks 2,4) noon onwards

Lunch Club - ring Sheena to book a lunch. (843162)

Every **Tuesday** 8pm-10pm between

February and **December: Stocksfield Scottish Country Dance Club.**

For more information contact:

Rosemary Newton 01661 843163

Useful websites:

stocksfieldmethodists.org.uk

bmscofe.org.uk (Church of England)

stocksfieldbaptistchurch.net

stocksfieldca.org.uk

If you need a lift or someone to keep you company ring 844040 or 843081 to find out more.

Stocksfield Plants and Gardens Society

2018/19 Programme

Meetings are at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. Guests welcome.

Tuesday 11th December: AGM and Members' Evening

Tuesday 15th January 2019 - Trevor Jones - 'The Alnwick Poison Garden'. Trevor, the Head Gardener at Alnwick Garden will be coming to talk about the poison garden which was created in February 2005. He will be describing how it features intoxicating and poisonous plants and has a mission to provide drug education.

Stocksfield Retired Men's Association

Stocksfield Retired Men's Association meets at the Baptist Church Hall on the first and third Thursday of the month at 10.30am. Members are asked to assemble for coffee from 9.30am. A £2 contribution is payable at each meeting.

Contact **David Guy 01661 843390**

(† indicates ladies' days).

17 Jan **From here to eternity**
- body snatching and Victorian funerals: a humorous look
Anthea Lang

7 Feb **Seaton Delaval** Aerial Rogers

21 Feb **Ageing and death the Roman way** Prof. Peter Jones †

7 Mar **To be confirmed**
Wendy Stafford

21 Mar **A journey round my whale**
Prof. Richard Madeley

4 Apr **Postcard trip down Weardale**
Mr. George Nair †

18 Apr **They danced, they drank and built a reservoir** Mr. Tony Evans

2 May **Elements of supersonic flight**
Mr. Ray Thompson

16 May **Pine Marten Project**
Mr. Kevin O'Hara

6 June **Past, present and future of Beamish Museum**
Mr. Julian Harrop

20 June **Annual Outing** †

Broomley & Stocksfield Parish Council

The Parish Council meets in the Community Centre at 7.30pm. The agenda and minutes of the meetings are posted on the notice boards and on the website (stocksfieldpc.org.uk).

Next Parish Council Meetings in 2018:

Monday 7th January

Monday 4th February

Monday 4th March

Monday 1st April

Monday 13th May
(also: Annual Parish Meeting)

Members of the public are welcome to attend any meeting of the Parish Council. Residents always have the opportunity to raise issues of concern during a public participation section at the start of the meeting.

Contact the Parish Council at:

Broomley & Stocksfield Parish Council,
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NE43 7HL. Telephone: 01661 844667
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