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CHRISTMAS TREES IN VILLAGE CENTRE

Adult volunteers are required to help put up 36 Christmas Trees with lights on shops and businesses in and near Tarvin High Street on Saturday 30th November 2013. Please meet in the Red Lion Car Park at 9.30am. Dress warmly and wear gloves. Please also wear a high visibility jacket if you have access to one.

Trees and lights are supplied by the Parish Council and the Parish Council would like to thank every property owner or tenant who supply the power for the lights.

TARVIN CHRISTMAS MARKET

Unfortunately the 2013 Christmas Market which was being planned for Saturday evening, 30th November, has had to be cancelled owing to insurmountable problems over insurance for the event.

The organising committee is extremely disappointed that it has had to make this decision, particularly as the Market was fully subscribed, but it is felt that this is the correct course of action to take in order to ensure that all legal obligations are met.

The committee would like to say thank you to the local organisations and stallholders who had already booked stalls and also apologise for any inconvenience. All monies already paid will be fully refunded.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

The Christmas Tree Festival which will include a display of Nativity Sets from around the world will be held at Tarvin Methodist Church, 38 High Street at the following times: Friday 29th November 6.30pm – 9.00pm Saturday 30th November between 10.00am and 1.00pm and then 3.00pm to 6.00pm There will also be Puppet Nativity Shows on the Friday evening.

TARVINONLINE.ORG

A reminder that Tarvin now has its own website – www.tarvinonline.org. The website includes daily news, a Directory of over 100 Tarvin Businesses, Clubs and Services, an up-to-date calendar showcasing what is on and when, Gallery of photographs, and much more. If you have an article, photographs, etc that you want everyone to see then contact Tarvinonline by email editor@tarvinonline.org

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

The Parish Council has accepted an offer from Tarvinonline to run a parallel, but independent site within the structure of Tarvinonline. The old site Council website has been shut down and the new one is now operational. There are two ways to reach the new site, either via the Tarvinonline site or via the usual address (www.tarvinparishcouncil.org.uk)

TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Autumn sees the Community Centre getting back into full swing again with the usual full programme of events. As well as our own website, www.tarvincommunitycentre.org, you can get information about things from the village website www.tarvinonline.org. And, I am delighted to say that we now have a Facebook page, utilizing a form of communication heavily used by younger people. We have a completion running at the moment - when we reach 100 'friends' we will raffle a bottle of excellent champagne to a lucky winner. As I write this the total stands at 73 and I am sure that by the time the next Tarvin Times comes along there will be a winner. So please, if you have a Facebook page, do 'like' us and keep up to date with all our news.

Progress towards the signing of the new lease remains slow, but we have now asked our Borough Councillors to lend a hand. Without a long lease the Committee will not be able to apply for a grant to make improvements, and the Committee certainly has plenty of ideas to enhance the space and extend the use of the building.

The Family Film nights continue to attract a large audience and our next offering is TURBO on Friday November 22nd at 6.00pm. We were delighted that over 70 people turned out to see The Dragon who Hates Poetry and I am sure that 6 Impossible Things, our other Cheshire Rural Touring Arts event, will prove as popular. We continue our link with CRTA and are currently looking at the offerings available for 2014. The provision of quality family and children's theatre will remain at the centre of

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our thinking.

A little bit of advanced notice – the centre will be offering another chance next year to see The Kingsley Players and their celebrated take on 'Allo 'Allo on February 21^{st} and 22^{nd} . This will be a new script so although the wellknown phrases and characters will still be there, the story will be different. A French themed meal will be available and tickets are £12.50. They are already going so please call Alan Wilkinson on 01829 740868 to secure your seat.

TARVIN VILLAGE QUIZ 2014

The 32nd village quiz will be taking place on 10th and 17th January 2014. A team consists of 4 members with 1 reserve. If you wish to enter a team please contact Margaret Dixon (Tel 01829 740665).

Closing date for entries is 31st December 2013

HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT CONSULTATION 2013

Cheshire West and Chester Council are interested in our views about the proposals in their consultation document.

Closing date for the consultation is 24th January 2014. For further details please go online to

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/children andyoungpeoplestransportreview

DOG FOULING

In previous issues we have asked all dog owners to act responsibly and pick up any mess that their dog makes. Whilst the majority of dog owners appear to act responsibly a minority are not and give dog owners a bad name.

We have received complaints during the last few weeks from areas including the Playing Field, Crossfields, and Townfield Lane. One unfortunate child fell in a dog deposit whilst in Townfield Lane during Half Term.

All dog owners should act responsibly and pick up any mess that their pet makes. This is not just the law (with a likely £1,000 fine) but a health issue.

Allowing dogs off the lead on the Playing Field is also breaking the law.

Please report anyone you know not acting responsibly with their dog to Cheshire West and Chester Council Community Enforcement Team (0300 123 7033) or alternatively pass on the information to the Parish Council Clerk.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Our meetings will be held on Mondays 25th November, 16th December, and 27th January. All meetings will commence at 7.15pm. All Council meetings are public meetings and held in the Community Centre. Everyone is welcome to attend – there is an open forum at the beginning of every meeting, for you to have your say on any subject relevant to the Parish. You don't have to stay for the whole meeting. Feel free to come and go as is convenient to you.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR CONTACTING THE POLICE

Emergency 999 - Non Emergency 101 To report a crime anonymously - Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 A reminder that the "101" Police non-

emergency number should be used to report crime and other concerns that do not require an emergency response

ABOUT YOUR COUNCIL

Tarvin Parish Council is comprised of the following 11 Councillors – their contact telephone numbers, all dial code 01829 are in brackets: Cllr David Cotgreave (740231) Cllr Sue Hardacre (741962) Cllr Roger Hones (741580) Cllr Clare Jones (740186), Cllr Edward Lush (741468) Cllr Phillip Miles (741207) Cllr Matthew Pochin (741136), Cllr Andy Shaw-Pollard (740180) Cllr Brian Spruce (740393) Cllr Pet Twigg (740509) Cllr Ray Williams (740486)

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