

STEETON-WITH-EASTBURN PARISH COUNCIL

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Neighbourhood Policing Team



The Craven Ward Neighbourhood Policing Team: P.C. Peter Merifield (centre), P.C.S.O. Lawrence Walton (left), P.C.S.O. Andrew Blood (right)

The Craven Ward Neighbourhood Policing Team is led by P.C. Peter Merifield, an officer with over 30 years experience in the force. The two Police Community Support Officers, Lawrence Walton and Andrew Blood, carry out high visibility patrols in Steeton and Eastburn. The team work in partnership with other local agencies to reduce crime and the fear of crime and are working towards sustainable solutions to long term problems.

Councillor Pam Blagden attends the regular Ward Tasking Meetings and reports issues directly to the team.

Contacting the police:

For an immediate response in an emergency situation where a crime is in progress: Telephone 999

In a non-emergency situation and for the reporting of a crime that has already occurred: Telephone 0845 6060606

It is really important to use this number to log all crimes so that resources can be directed to problem areas.

If you have information or intelligence about crime, especially drug crime: Telephone: Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 (You do not need to give your name)

To leave a message for the Neighbourhood Policing Team about ongoing problems: Telephone 01535 617119

You can write a note to the team and put it (anonymously if you prefer) in one of the Police Post Boxes at the Post Offices.

You can call in to the Police Contact Point, at Silsden Town Hall. This is open between 3p.m. and 5p.m. every Wednesday. The police are looking for volunteers to help man the contact point so that it can be open more hours. If you are interested call in and give your details.

The police recently held a ward surgery at Airedale Hospital. The next surgery is in the Old School Rooms, Main Street, Addingham on 16 September 2006. Look out for details in the parish council notice-boards of a Police Surgery to be held at Airedale Hospital in November 2006.

Check out the parish council website:

www.steeton-with-eastburnparishcouncil.gov.uk

Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council

Planning Applications

Copies of all planning applications submitted to Bradford Council that are within the parish of Steeton-with-Eastburn are sent to the clerk. The council has 21 days from the date of the accompanying letter to respond with comments. The council's comments must be 'material considerations' i.e. they must be relevant to current planning documentation.

As council meetings are usually held monthly the 21 day rule means that an extra meeting is sometimes scheduled to look at planning applications.

The business to be transacted at any parish council meeting, including planning meetings, must be detailed on the agenda.

Agendas are posted in the two notice-boards, and on the website to give 3 clear days notice of a meeting.

If you put in an application you may attend the meeting at which it is to be discussed and address the council prior to the start of the meeting.

If you are objecting to an application it would be helpful if you would send a copy of your objection to the council, via the clerk, prior to the application being discussed so that the council can take your views in to consideration when making comments to the planning department.

C. Brown
Clerk

Notice a problem?
Are there holes in the road, uneven pavements, lamp standards not working etc. etc.....

Ring Bradford Council on 01274 431000 and report it.

The role of the Parish Council

Your Parish Council is a small-scale but crucial element in the jigsaw of local democracy. With an annual budget of around £20,000, we are hardly dealing in mega-bucks! Bradford City Council, the primary local authority for us in Steeton and Eastburn, deals in millions of pounds, owns many buildings and open spaces, employs thousands of staff, and provides major services such as education. By contrast, the Parish Council owns a few modest facilities – for example, the bowling green pavilion and the war memorial garden – employs one part-time clerk, and has under twenty thousand a year to play with when the clerk's salary and other running costs have been met. **We cannot do major road works or build and then staff and maintain buildings such as community centres** – although people sometimes expect us to!

BUT – we are by no means powerless. We can raise more money from other funders, as we recently did so successfully with the provision of new play equipment at Keighley Road Recreation Ground. We can represent local people's views – over planning applications, highways matters, problems in the environment of the two villages, or indeed any concern that is felt strongly by individuals or organisations in the parish. And currently we are embarking on the development of a Parish Plan **for which the involvement of local bodies and individuals beyond the Parish Council is crucial. We are looking for volunteers to be on the steering group – please contact the clerk if you are interested.**

Our new logo reflects the jigsaw of local systems in which we are meshed – the community all around us, City of Bradford Council and central government further 'out there', but powerful. Our eleven councillors (some co-opted, some elected – usually unopposed) are there to give you a voice. Please contact us with your concerns – usually through the clerk in the first instance, by letter, email or 'phone – See contact details below.

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