



**Season's Greetings from Sedgwick**  
Sunset snow on Gypsy Hill by Richard Gill



# SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

### CHRISTMAS 2018

World War I  
**ARMISTICE  
WEEKEND**

**BATTLE'S  
OVER**  
A NATION'S TRIBUTE  
11TH NOVEMBER 2018  
100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

9th-11th November  
St Thomas' Church  
Crosscrake



#### Armistice Commemoration Beacon and Church Exhibition

Over forty young men from the parishes of Sedgwick and Crosscrake, left their homes in this community to fight in the Great War. Eight never returned. Sedgwick Parish Council felt it important to mark the centenary of the end of the war and acknowledge the sacrifice of those who died, so one of our priorities this year was to lead our community's Armistice Commemoration. Together with Stainton Parish and St Thomas' Church, we helped organise a weekend of commemorative events.

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November, Burneside Brass Band performed a

wonderful tribute concert to a packed congregation and on the following Sunday morning 140 adults and 80 children - a record number - attended the Remembrance Sunday Service and wreath laying at the War Memorial. During Saturday and Sunday, an exhibition of information about and artefacts from World War One welcomed visitors to the church. A special Sunday evening service featuring performances by children from Crosscrake School was followed by the Last Post and lighting of an Armistice Beacon and finally, refreshments back at Church. Three generations of descendants of one local man, Nelson Willacy, who gave his life in the war, attended the service, with our own Councillor David Willacy, his nephew, paying tribute to him during the service. The whole weekend was very well supported and much appreciated and is a testament to how well the

community, can work together. Thanks go to the many people who worked so hard to make it possible, in particular John Stott for organising the beacon, the Church for hosting the events and the Cricket Club for lending us their marquee.



**Ash Dieback** Chalara fraxinea or ash dieback, which has caused widespread damage to the ash tree populations of Europe has become well established in Cumbria. The disease spreads in spores blown by wind over long distances and causes leaf loss, crown dieback and bark lesions; it is usually fatal. It is not possible to prevent it happening but owners of ash trees should be aware of the signs and what to do if their trees show signs of infection. Some of the young ash trees along the canal are showing signs of the disease and several have died. We are following the advice of our Arboricultural Consultant and felling trees after they die. Owners of tree stocks should consider the potential effects of future outbreaks of ash dieback before making decisions about thinning woodland. Mature ash trees can live for a long time with Chalara and even when infected, support a wide range of woodland species and their deadwood is an incredibly important habitat. Any suspected outbreak should be reported on the website [www.forestresearch.gov.uk](http://www.forestresearch.gov.uk). A useful source of information is [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/tree-diseases-and-pests/key-threats/ash-dieback/your-questions-answered/](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/tree-diseases-and-pests/key-threats/ash-dieback/your-questions-answered/)

**Highways THANK YOU** to all residents who added to our complaints to Highways about faults along Wellheads Lane and Riverside - they have at last been repaired, including the verge collapse caused by Storm Desmond. Hill Close pavement repairs have also been completed. The Carex Farm to Crosscrake Church section remains in very poor condition despite our continued requests for repairs and some recent inadequate emergency patching. We urge residents to add to our complaints, using the following methods; the more complaints, the more likely action! Please find time to report them using the following methods:

- The Cumbria County Council Highways “Report a fault” interactive map [www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/reporting-problem-on-highway/WDM/iframe.asp?cg=CDH](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/reporting-problem-on-highway/WDM/iframe.asp?cg=CDH)
- Use the **HIGHWAYS HOTLINE 0300 303 2992** (postcode of fault location required – refer to council minutes)
- Use the [www.fillthathole.org.uk](http://www.fillthathole.org.uk) website

We continue to be part of a group of parishes that operate extra road gritting to supplement the County Council’s gritting routes and we also provide grit boxes at locations throughout the village- we do check them regularly but if you notice they are running low please use the **HIGHWAYS HOTLINE 0300 303 2992** or **E-mail:** [highways@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:highways@cumbria.gov.uk) to request a refill!

**Thank you** I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Parish Council who have worked so hard to keep Parish Amenities, services and functions running smoothly over the year - in particular Gerry Stoker who oversees the Millennium Field and Highways and David Willacy who looks after Canal and Planning Matters. Also, many thanks go to our very hard working Parish Clerk Sylvia, who gives up so much time to help people in our Parish. Boyan Holmes (Chair)

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR  
TO ALL RESIDENTS FROM  
SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL**



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### Future Council Meetings

**2nd Wednesday of every Month:**

Village Hall; 7.30pm

9th January 2019, 13th February 2019,

13th March 2019, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**Each meeting includes a Public Forum as part of the agenda for residents to ask questions, raise items of concern or simply comment on issues**

*Submission of questions in advance of the meeting are welcomed, so that they can be answered more fully. Matters raised that are not included on this agenda will be considered for subsequent agendas.*

**Residents are always welcome at meetings**

### Advance Notice of the Annual Parish Meeting

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**All residents welcome**

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**The Silver Line**

helpline for older people

**0800 4 70 80 90**

The Silver Line is a free, confidential, 24-hour helpline offering information, friendship and advice for lonely or isolated older people, available at any time day and night, every day of the year.

**Website;** [www.parish-council.com/sedgwickparishcouncil](http://www.parish-council.com/sedgwickparishcouncil)

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**Sedgwick**

**NO COLD CALLING ZONE**

**To report a Cold Caller; Call Cumbria Police on 101 immediately and if possible, report them to Cumbria Trading Standards via the Citizens Advice Helpline on 03454 04 05 06**