

HERTFORD HEATH PARISH COUNCIL



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Despite assurances given by Alan Cook, Managing Director of the Post Office Limited, to Mark Prisk MP and to the Clerk to the Parish Council at their meeting on 5th June that Mrs Cousins would be given all the evidence against her well before her appeal hearing, she was informed at the hearing that she was not entitled to any and that she should not have been informed otherwise!

Mr Prisk is concerned that the conduct of the investigation has been so poor that the principle of natural justice has been lost and will now seek to see if there is any further comeback for Mrs Cousins as well as urging for the immediate restoration of Post Office facilities to the village.

CO-OPTIONS TO PARISH COUNCIL

Four excellent candidates put their names forward for co-option to the Council which meant that members had difficult choices to make. They agreed to co-opt Dr Jack Eames and Martin Nash but hoped very much that the others would remain interested in the work of the Council and assist when their special expertise was needed.

ALLOTMENTS

There are no facilities for rubbish collection on the allotments and the Council would be grateful if all those using the Wildlife Meadow and Pond, as well as all allotment holders would take any rubbish home with them.

BUS TO PRESDALES

If you are interested in trying to get a bus to Presdales, please contact Francesca Micheli on 554393.

Hertford Heath Village Fete

Sunday 15th July at 1.30pm

Free Car Parking in Downfield Road

Childrens Fancy Dress

Any subject of your choice.

Age groups: age 7 and under and 8 and over

Pet Show

Why not show off your pets in the Pet Show. To be judged by a vet well known in the village.

All pets welcome.

Morris Dancing

by The Hertfordshire Hollies

For more details and further information, please contact Chris or Bill on 01992 505232

or

Rita on 01992 420285.

It's Those Scarecrows Again!

Theme: Alice in Wonderland

If you live around the Green, in Church Hill, Vicarage Causeway, Mount Pleasant or Downfield Road, put your scarecrow in your garden. Anyone from further afield, please bring them to the Green.

You will need to get a number from Jean Bawcutt on 581334 to identify your entry.

BALLOON RACE AT VILLAGE FETE

To help raise the funds necessary to hold the Village's free Bonfire Night and Fireworks display on Saturday, 3rd November, a Balloon Race will again be staged at this year's Summer Fete. A cash prize of £100 will be awarded for the balloon flying the furthest from Hertford Heath - which we're told of! Race entry tickets will cost £1.00 and will be available prior to the event from the Village's Shops and Pubs, or on Fete Day. We would very much welcome your support to make this year's events the biggest yet, and to make Bonfire Night really go with a bang!

HERTFORDSHIRE VILLAGE OF THE YEAR 2007

Thanks to the efforts of all including those who spent time producing the entry, the children at the village school who wrote poems for the occasion, those who tidied up the village before the judges came at the beginning of June, and all those who came to talk to the judges, Hertford Heath has been declared Village of the Year East as "a community which embraces all the finest and most traditional qualities of village life". This year, we were also declared to be the Overall Winner which means we go forward to the England Calor Village of the Year Competition 2007/2008 and the chance to win up to £9,000. The judging for this competition will not be until next April. When the details are known, we will include them in the newsletter.



Not only was the village successful but Chloe James and Edward Dukes, two pupils at Hertford Heath Primary School, were jointly awarded the Dorothy Abel Smith Award for young people who have made an outstanding contribution to village life. The judges cited Chloe's reading of her poem "Why I Love My Village" with great confidence, the fact that both are members of the School Council, that they take a part in village activities and are great organisers and leaders, despite being only 11.



The formal award ceremony will be held on Saturday 21 July at 3.00pm at the Village Hall. Do come and share in the celebrations and visit the Horticultural Society's Annual Show afterwards!

It is our aim to print one of the children's poems each month in the newsletter. Below is the one by Zubair Iqbal that Mary Bourne judged to be the best.



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MOBILE POLICE STATION

WEDNESDAY 18th JULY

Village Hall 10:30am to 11:45am

FARMERS' MARKET

SUNDAY 15th JULY

9:30am to 1:00pm

VILLAGE HALL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**MONDAY 16th JULY
at 7.30pm**

The Mission Room