



# WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 2016

## DONATION TO THE WESTHOUGHTON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The Town Council is donating £1,080 to the Westhoughton Local History Group towards the cost of a Westhoughton Timeline, which will be displayed on permanent boards in Westhoughton Library. The story of Westhoughton's outstanding historical heritage will be told in a logical and clear way so that it can be appreciated by all residents of Westhoughton.

## PUBLIC INQUIRY RE LAND NORTH OF PLATT LANE, EAST OF PARK ROAD AND SOUTH OF CHEQUERBENT ROUNDABOUT

The Town Council unanimously objected to the proposed development by Persimmon Homes at Platt Lane, Westhoughton. Many residents of Westhoughton also submitted objections. The Public Inquiry was held at Bolton Library on 5th July, 2016 and Cllr. D A Chadwick was appointed to speak on the Town Council's behalf. The Public Inquiry was adjourned until January, 2017 to enable a traffic census to be carried out at the Chequerbent Roundabout and the motorway junction.

## GET ACTIVE WESTHOUGHTON YOUTH PROJECT

The Get Active Westhoughton Youth Project is financially supported by the Town Council with a £29,000 donation. Youth Workers offer diversionary activities for young people of Westhoughton. For further information please contact: Dominic Rice, Area Youth Lead Tel: 01204 338157.

## CCTV AND HOMEWATCH

The Town Council is committed to crime prevention and it funds the Town Centre CCTV Scheme. It also employs a Homewatch Liaison Officer who organises Homewatch Meetings, assists with the formation of new Homewatch Schemes and supports existing Homewatch Schemes. Homewatch Signs are funded and sited by Bolton Council. If you are interested in forming a Homewatch Scheme or have any queries regarding Homewatch, please contact the Homewatch Liaison Officer, Mr K Jackson Tel: 01942 842064

## HAROLD DANIELS M.B.E.

Residents of Westhoughton are very sad that Harold Daniels M.B.E. has died suddenly. Mr Daniels worked tirelessly for the benefit of Westhoughton through his involvement with the Rotary Club of Westhoughton, the Westhoughton Community Network and Senior Solutions, and he also initiated the local Foodbank. In 2011, the Town Council was very proud to award him with a Civic Medal for his great services to the community.

Cllr. A Price has purchased a Harold Daniels M.B.E. Memorial Trophy which will be presented annually to the recipient of the Civic Medal and will be kept for one year.

The Town Council is also investigating making a donation towards a permanent memorial.

## TOWN COUNCIL

Below are listed some of the Town Council's projects and achievements:

1. No increase in the 2016-17 Precept
2. Funding and organising a Centenary of the Start of World War 1 Commemorative Event
3. Funding improvements to Local Nature Reserves and Public Rights of Way
4. The Get Active Westhoughton Youth Project
5. Town Centre CCTV scheme
6. Town Centre Christmas Lights
7. Organising the Remembrance Day Parade, the Community Carol Service and two Pretoria Pit Disaster Memorial Services
8. Civic Medals Awards, Young Citizen of the Year Awards and Environmental Award for outstanding service to the community
9. Siting of Solar Powered Driver Feedback Signs
10. Employ a Homewatch Liaison Officer
11. Independent audit of the Town Council Accounts with no matters requiring attention
12. Financial support for Daisy Hill in Bloom
13. Funding 50% of the cost of re-lettering the names on the World War 1 War Memorial
14. Funding the cost of enhancing the names on the World War 2 War Memorial
15. Free dog waste bags
16. Funding a hire car for a Policing Team Vehicle
17. Free Westhoughton Town Guide
18. Funding plants and the ongoing maintenance of planters on Market Street
19. Organising an Anti-Litter artwork competition for school children
20. Bolton Lads & Girls Club Westhoughton Outreach and Detached Programme

