TANSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Report to Residents June 2013

TANSLEY PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUES TO WORK HARD TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN FACILITIES. WE ARE MINDFUL THAT PRECEPT MONEY IS USED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

We have had another busy year, and are making progress with the proposed future acquisition of the Community Hall. The asbestos has been removed; improved insulation, new ceiling tiles and additional tables and chairs, have further improved the facility. We are waiting for Derbyshire Dales District Council to survey the building, and still hope it will be given back to the Community.

Thanks go to the Methodist Church for their generosity in continuing to host our once weekly Post Office. The Brunswick Room has become a place of social activity on Friday morning.

The Parish footpaths are all accessible, and are maintained to a good standard. Work on Footpath 12 is now complete, and we have placed a bench at the side of this path overlooking the top dam.

The new oak notice board at the Village Hall has been purchased by the Parish Council. The board is for 'Community Advertisements'. There will be a nominal charge of £1 to display an 'ad' for four weeks, ads must be postcard size, and will not be placed in the board unless accompanied by the correct money. All monies will go the The Village Hall Restoration Fund. Information regarding access to the facility, will be posted in the board.

We recognise there is a need to improve the Burial Ground, the height of the boundary wall has been increased to provide more privacy. Additional work is taking place, an area is being created for the interment of ashes, and the landscaping is being improved.

Earlier this year the Parish Council helped ensure that the school bus continued to run, parents assure us that the service is running to capacity. This is not a service subsidised by Derbyshire County Council, so residents are reminded to continue to use the service, or it will be lost.

The safety of residents crossing the A615 is still a concern. The Parish Council continue to lobby Derbyshire County Council for additional traffic calming. The 'mobile VAS' on Nottingham Road is shared with Cromford, the Parish Council may be in a position to purchase the sign, thus ensuring a permanent warning to speeding drivers.

The controversy related to 'planning and future development of our village' is an emotive one. Surveys done by the Parish Council have clearly indicated that residents were opposed to development taking place on 'green field sites' and did not want the 'settlement framework boundary' moving. Residents favoured new development taking place on previously developed land, 'brownfield'. The Parish council will continue to use this village consensus as a basis for any planning applications.

It is planned to provide a Youth Club for youngsters of Secondary School age, we propose to run this new venture at the Fete Field Pavilion on Wednesday evenings between 6.30 - 7.30pm. This will be an opportunity to meet up with friends for a chat, listen to music, play table tennis or join in with the organised activities. The Parish Council will employ a qualified sports coach to run the 'Club' there will be a charge of £1 per session, the first session on Wednesday 19th June being free.

The Parish Council meet on the third Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at the Community Hall,residents are most welcome to attend. Agendas and minutes can be viewed in the Parish noticeboards, or online @ tansleyparish.com