

## NEWTON-IN-BOWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

### NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Resident

The Parish Council has asked me to bring to your attention a couple of things that are happening in the village.

#### **DEFIBRILLATOR**

We are pleased to inform you that the defibrillator previously stored at the Parkers Arms has now been transferred to a cabinet on the Village Hall wall near to the kitchen door, so that it is accessible 24 hours a day. A code is required to unlock the cabinet. There are details on the cabinet to instruct you on this, however for your information the code is **C159X**. Please keep this code safe in case you need it. Thanks go to the village hall committee for agreeing to house the unit, and to Neville Pearson for agreeing to be the co-ordinator. The North West Ambulance Service is to come to the village hall to undertake a training session on how to use the defibrillator. This date has yet to be set and when decided will be advertised on the notice boards and under the villages section in the Clitheroe Advertiser, alternatively let me know and I will contact you when a date is confirmed.

#### **BROADBAND**

The Parish Council have been approached by B4RN (Broadband for the Rural North) who are considering the possibility of extending their fibre optic broadband system currently installed in Quernmore and the Abbeystead area to the parishes of Dunsop Bridge, Newton and Slaidburn enabling residents to have broadband speeds of 1000Mbps FTTH, (1GB) much faster than any other available in this area. This would be a community funded project for which residents would be given the opportunity to buy shares for which the money would go towards the cost of installing the infrastructure. All cables would be laid underground and anyone buying shares would receive tax advantages, and would be paid interest at 5% after 3 years. Minimum share investment is £100. To take advantage of this broadband you do not need to be a shareholder, however there is a one off connection charge of £150, and a monthly charge of £30. Further details can be obtained by visiting the website [www.b4rn.org.uk](http://www.b4rn.org.uk)

At this stage the parish council would like feedback to see if you would be interested in such a scheme, if there is enough interest then a public meeting will be called so that everything can be fully explained and any queries answered. There is no obligation to join.

Please let me know if you are interested.

Regards

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