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# Lesbury Parish Council Newsletter

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Parish council meetings are held in Lesbury Village Hall on the 4th Tuesday of the month. There are no meetings in August or December. Anyone living in the Parish is welcome to come along to the meetings. Parish Council meeting notes are published in the Bridge Magazine and on the website [www.lesbury.com](http://www.lesbury.com)

### Have your say...

Tell us about your news and events by contacting Tom Wilson, Chairman of the Parish Council

Awards for All and Alnwick District Council have contributed towards the funding of this newsletter

## The Pond Field

Congratulations to the Friends Of The Pond Field. After 3 years of negotiation, meeting deadlines and trying to raise funds, the refurbishment of the Pond Field playground is now complete and it is open for business!. The majority of the funding needed has come from a Play Builder award, granted last year from the Government Department of Children, Schools and Families and delivered through N.C.C. Children's Services. In order to apply for this grant, there had to be considerable evidence of support from the community. The F.O.T.P.F. approached the Parish Council who were pleased to promise funding for maintenance e.g. complete new fence around the site and regular R.O.S.P.A (safety) inspections. However no progress could have been made without very strong support from our landlord Northumberland Estates. This came initially as a supporting letter. North'd Estates then commissioned a full arboreal report and had dangerous trees removed.

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The photos show work in progress and some of the new equipment. In addition the woodland area has been tidied up. There is a willow den and a lovely picnic area with boulders for seats. The playground is now open but there will be an official opening on May 1st (11:00 am - 1:00pm). If you played in the Pond Field as a child, then please come along on May 1st. Catherine Neil is looking for someone to cut the tape. Contact her on 07796170441 if you played in the Pond Field 60,70 or more years ago!

### Important Contact Number

0845 600 6400 is the number to use for:  
(i) Street lighting - remember to quote the identification number of the particular lamp.  
(ii) Pot holes - giving the exact location and road number if possible

The Parish Council pursue all problems of this nature but it helps if individuals also report them.

### New Lamposts

14 new lamposts have recently been installed at the bottom of the Longhoughton Rd and near to the new houses at Townfoot. We believe that they will become operational in the near future.



### Two Successful Events

The Cricket Club Jumble Sale raised £600 and St.Mary's Annual Quiz also raised £600.

### New houses at Townfoot

The affordable houses are almost ready for occupation, the contractors N.B.Clark having successfully overcome the very severe weather problems. These houses have been built to a very high standard using materials of excellent quality.



### Dropped Kerbs

More activity at the bottom of the Longhoughton Rd. where 6 dropped kerbs have been installed. Many thanks to N.C.C. who kept their promise to complete installation before the end of the financial year. As a matter of interest each dropped kerb costs in excess of £500.



### Alnmouth Station

#### Park-

#### ing

Station Cottages have



now been completely removed and work is continuing on the clearing and preparation of the site for the car park.

### P.C Website

This should go live in the next 2 to 3 weeks. The website address is [www.lesbury-pc.org.uk](http://www.lesbury-pc.org.uk) We will include in the first instance the minutes of meetings which extend to 5 or 6 pages, plus newsletters and probably the Parish Plan. Our Parish Clerk, Mrs. Jennifer Trapp is attending regular training sessions in order to gain her CiLCA qualification. This qualification along with our own designated website are both key steps in applying for Quality Council Status.

**LESBURY VILLAGE HALL A.G.M.**  
**TUESDAY MAY 4th 2010 at 7.30pm**