



## **BAGILLT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

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### Chairman's Comments

Welcome to our first Community newsletter, which I hope you will enjoy reading. This has been produced by the Community Council to share information on services and activities in our area.

I have been a member of the Council since 2002 and this is my first term as Chairman which commenced in May, 2007 but am proud to have lived in Bagillt for more than 50 years. I would like to comment on some of the activities that have been or will be done by the Council with particular reference to the current year.

It has continued to financially support the play schemes and activities for older children held in the summer and provided a new notice board at Riverbank with one for the car park, High Street due in the autumn, which can be used by local organisations. The hanging baskets in the High Street despite some vandalism were once again a success thanks to the efforts of volunteer Councillors to keep them watered. Christmas lighting will continue to be provided in co-operation with the property owners but it is disappointing that due to vandalism and public safety it was necessary to withdraw rope lights on lighting columns. I am pleased that a .gov.uk website has been established for the Council to assist local residents.

Financial assistance is given to local organisations which can include of a higher than usual amount for a particular project. The Council also acts as a pressure group to forward local residents concerns on issues which affect them.

Mike Reece

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The newsletter is distributed free - volunteers will be delivering copies to many properties in Bagillt and others will be available at the Branch Library, Post Offices at High Street and Boot Garage, Bagillt Road and Costcutter, High Street as well as the Council website.

In order to produce further copies in the future, hopefully on a regular basis the Council are looking for contact details (as shown on page 4) and news of activities of organisations as well as comments which can be forwarded to the Clerk or by passing them on to any Community Councillor. See contact details on the last page.

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This newsletter is published by the Bagillt Community Council

## Council Meetings – Public Attendance - Minutes

Meetings of the Council are held on the second Friday in the month excluding August and December and commence at 7.00 pm and the dates and venues for the period up to the next elections in May 2008 are as follows.

Ysgol Merllyn, Foel Gron  
12<sup>th</sup> October  
11<sup>th</sup> January  
14<sup>th</sup> March

Ysgol Aber, Boot End  
9<sup>th</sup> November  
8<sup>th</sup> February  
11<sup>th</sup> April

Notices reminding of the next meeting to be held are displayed on the Council notice boards, Branch Library and High Street, Post Office. The public can attend and those doing so will be provided with an agenda. There is also an opportunity to comment on agenda items at the start of the meeting subject to conditions. Details of the decisions of Council meetings are sent to the local press and are usually published in the Evening Leader on the following Tuesday and the Chronicle the following Friday. Minutes of previous meetings are displayed at the Branch Library and the Council website (last 12 months currently) but a complete set is available for perusal at the County records office in Hawarden.

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Branch Library, Pentre, Bagillt  
Tel : 01352 733167  
This is open as follows:  
Tuesday : 2.00 pm to 7.00 pm:  
Thursday : 10.00 – 1.00 pm  
Friday : 2.00. pm – 5.00 pm  
Saturday : 10.00 – 12.00 noon  
Free public internet access

Community Policeman  
P.C. 2531 Colin Oare is the new CBM for Bagillt. He was appointed to replace Dave Schofield.

Contact details for the officer will be in the next edition of the community newsletter

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## Community Centres - Contact/Booking details – Youth Centre

Community Centre, High Street - Maureen Jones: 01352 733399.  
Pavilion, Boot End – Mike Jones: 01352 714756  
Community & Youth Centre, Holywell Road - Ann Kirk: 01352 704118

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## Hours of opening – Post Offices

High Street  
Monday to Friday - 9.00 am to 1.00pm  
- 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm  
Saturday – 9.00 am to 12 noon

Boot Garage, Bagillt Road  
Mon, Tues, Thurs - 9.00 am to 1.30 pm  
Wed & Fri - 9.00 am to 1.00 pm  
Saturday – 9.00 am to 12.30 pm

### Focus on a Local Organisation – Bagillt Heritage Society

The Society was formed in 1998 with the purpose of preserving heritage in the community of Bagillt. Among its achievements was the Millennium Map and Calendar. A copy of the former is on display in Branch Library. The current project concerns the improvement scheme for the war memorial located in the High Street and the Society has been successful in obtaining a grant from the AD Waste Landfill Tax scheme with the financial assistance of the Community Council. The Society has its own website where more information can be obtained on [www.bagillt.org.uk](http://www.bagillt.org.uk).

Work started on the project on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2006 in foul weather. The initial work on the site involved providing a concrete collar around the paving that is to be relayed. The photograph below shows the progress to that point. The grant success will enable replacement of the current pillars on the statue with a new one made of marble. In addition, gates for the front of the site are to be erected. The Society already had funds for the safety lighting that is to be installed and the wiring has already taken place. It is expected work will re-commence in mid-October and should be finalised by early November 2007.



The contact for the Society is the Secretary/Treasurer Brian Doleman (tel: 01352 712558).

The Council would like to do a similar feature for the next edition of the newsletter on another local organisation and is looking for a volunteer. Please contact the Clerk or one of the Community Councillors.

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### Hours of Opening – Shop Premises, High Street

Chemists - Mon to Sat 9.00 am to 7.00 pm : Sun 11.00 am to 1.30 pm  
Costcutter - Mon to Sat 7.00 am to 10.00 pm : Sun 8.00 am to 10.00 pm  
Talbot Stores - Mon to Sat 8.00 am to 10.00 pm : Sun 10.00 am to 10.00 pm  
Newsagents - Mon, Tues, Thu 5.30 am to 7.00 pm : Sun 5.30 am to 4.00 pm  
-Wed, Fri, Sat 5.30 am to 7.30 pm

## Community Council Website

The Council's own website was launched in July 2007, having previously had a link on the Bagillt Heritage Website. In addition to containing the contact information for the Clerk and Councillors, it also has details of the functions undertaken by the Council since it was established in 1985 and minutes of previous meetings going back to April 2006. Minutes are added to the site after they have been approved by the Council at the next Council meeting.

The address of the site is [www.bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk](http://www.bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk) and e-mails can be addressed to the [clerk2007@bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk2007@bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk).

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## Council Contacts

The Council has 14 Community Councillors in 2 wards with 7 members for each who are elected for a 4 year term of office and which will cease in May 2008. Each of the members listed below can be contacted by telephone (01352).

East Ward		West Ward	
Robert Davies	732189	Doreen Jones	732618
Brian Doleman	712558	Sandra Jones	714756
Andrew Griffiths	730618	John Ovens	731359
Kevin Jones	733191	Christopher Owens	715531
Stephen Manfredi	735966	Michael Reece	712983
Collin Williams	763318	Caradoc Williams	711110
Jane Williams	763318	Josiah Williams	714121

The Clerk to the Council is Gareth Roberts of 5, Ffordd Owain, Acton, Wrexham LL12 8JL. Tel. No. is 01978 354617 and by e-mail to [gareth.roberts57@virgin.net](mailto:gareth.roberts57@virgin.net) or to [clerk2007@bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk2007@bagilltcommunitycouncil.gov.uk).

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## County Councillors

There are two County Councillors for the Community Council area elected for a 4 year term of office which will cease in May 2008. Each of the members listed below can be contacted by telephone (01352).

Bagillt East Electoral Division		Bagillt West Electoral Division	
Kevin Jones	733191	John Ovens	731359

They hold surgeries at Beechcroft, Highfield Road on the third Saturday in the month between the hours of 10.30 am and 12 noon. (excluding August and December)