

SPRING / SUMMER 2023

# WHITTLE-LE-WOODS

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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## Hello Everyone!

It's been a busy year for the parish council. Last Summer the children had a day of activities, including a trampoline bungee jump and bouncy castle. There will be more events this coming year to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III so look out for these on notice boards and Facebook.

The Christmas lights switch on was as busy as ever and enjoyed by all.

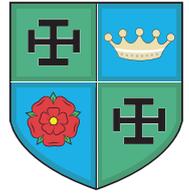
There have been tidy ups of trees particularly along the canal basin, and the installation of new benches on the main road and along Chorley Old Road. Daffodil bulbs have been planted along Carwood footpath and they are sprouting up nicely, also near the Polo Park and on the A6.

The Community Garden is doing well and are always looking for more help, see the notice board for more information. There are lots of other different activities in the village hall to enjoy from fitness, dance lessons to a Book Club. There is also a Knit and Natter group in The Royal Oak Pub, see Facebook and the pub for details.

The Parish Council have been working hard to stave off development in the village and continue to do so, with a very well attended drop-in session for local residents to voice their concerns and log their opinion. Development is something which will not go away and will continue to be a concern for us as a village, so we need to stand together.

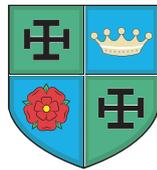
These are challenging times that we are in and I ask that we support our local businesses and our pubs and restaurants.

**Cllr Wendy McDonald, Chairman of Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council**



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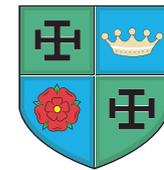
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# Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Monies

Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council receives CIL Monies from certain developments taking place within the Parish Boundary.

**Since the end of 2015 the Parish Council has received £256,076.39.**

Some of the projects funded by CIL monies have been included below.



**If you are a part of a community group and would like to apply for CIL funding for a project then please find the forms on the website or contact the Clerk.**

Whittle CC and Whittle FC mower – for use by both clubs

St Chads Primary School Path

Whittle-Le-Woods Scouts and Guides new garage door

Whittle-Le-Woods Primary School track – the walk a mile every day initiative

St Chads Primary School outdoor area

Delph Way Play area refurbishment

Hockey Club Goals for use by the local Hockey Club based at Buckshaw

St Chads Defibrillator (St Chad's Parish Centre)

Whittle Walks Project

Flood Risk Assessment

St Chads Primary School – IT Infrastructure

Whittle-Le-Woods Primary School – IT Infrastructure

FRA Review with regard to Town Lane Development

Whittle Scouts Group – new tables

Astley & Buckshaw Football Club – new goals

Survey for Trees on Nature Reserve

Whittle Wanderers Football Club – changing room works

Work for Trees on Nature Trail

Carwood Lane Footpath

Factory Lane Footpath

Orchard Drive / Moss Lane Footpath

Bench on Chorley Old Road (opp Cow Well Lane)

Notice Boards Blackburn Road / Shaw Brow

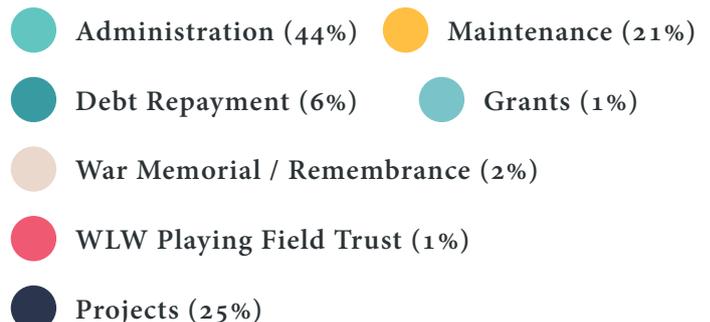
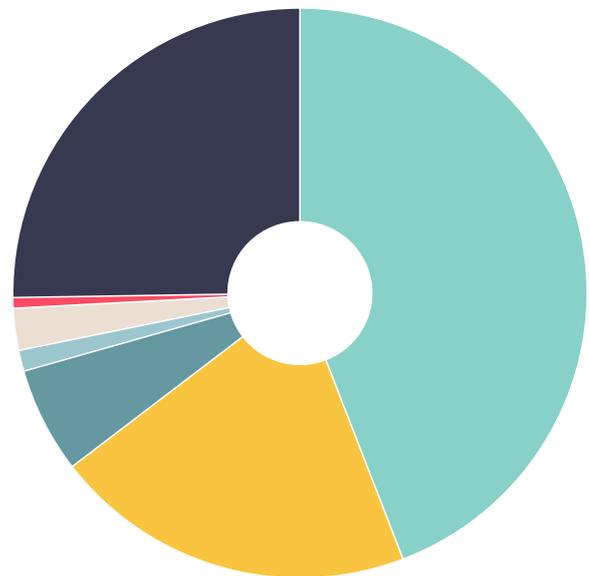
Defib at Royal Oak Public House

Whittle Wanderers Football Club – signage and electrical work on the changing rooms

Whittle-le-Woods Playing field Height Barrier

Bench on Canal Basin footpath

## 2023/2024 Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council Budget



# Footballing Success For The Girls At Whittle-le-Woods

During September 2022 the Whittle-le-Woods CE Primary School Girls' Football Team took part in four weeks of competitions which resulted in Summer, Abi, Lil, Ruby, Fleur, Sophie, Natalya and Millie making their way into the Chorley finals.

During this round they scored a total of 46 goals without conceding any themselves. With such terrific match results they won the Chorley finals and went through to the Lancashire finals.

These were held on 13th January at Poolfoot Sports Complex in Blackpool. During this round, the girls scored a total of 19 goals and only conceded 3.

This made them the Lancashire champions and so they look forward to representing Lancashire in the regional finals on Friday 17th March at the Liverpool Academy training grounds.

*"We are so proud of the girls for their wonderful team spirit and attitude.*

*I am really grateful to Mr Brennan and Mrs McGreavy who have given up their time to attend tournaments and spur the girls on.*

*The girls' parents have been wonderful too coming along to the competitions and encouraging them on their way.*

*We wish the girls every success as they represent Lancashire and hope they will be able to represent the North West in the National Finals.*

*To stay up-to-date with how the girls are doing, follow us on Facebook @whittleprimary"*

**Mrs Metcalfe**, Headteacher Whittle-le-Woods CE Primary school.



## Join Our Parish Council Meetings

Meetings are held at 7.30pm on the second Monday of every month, at the Village Hall on Union Street, Whittle-le-Woods, PR6 7LN.

All residents are welcome to attend meetings.

All of the Parish Council documents can be accessed on the Parish Council website: [www.whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk)

You will also find lots more information about the Parish Council on the website.



## Royal Oak Regulars Thank The Parish Council

After Paul Rawlinson had a heart attack at home a short distance from the Royal Oak, friends and customers recognised the need for a defibrillator to be available for the community 24/7. They organised a social event to gauge support for the idea and this was a great success. The volunteers were able to approach the parish council having demonstrated the need and community support for the project.

The parish council had previously supported such community defibrillators elsewhere within its boundaries, but it recognised that placing one on the outside of the Royal Oak would fill the geographical gap that existed. Using their expertise, they were able to access funding for the project. Without the support of our local parish councillors we would not have such a vital community asset.

The defibrillator volunteers would not only like to publicly thank the parish council but also other individuals who without their support the project would not have succeeded. Paul Hitchin the owner of the building for allowing the installation, Caroline Peoples the landlady for agreeing to supply the electric hook up required. John and Marie Walker for their invaluable help and experience in raising money for community projects.

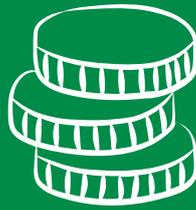
Lastly, we would like to thank everyone who contributed be it with a donation or with their efforts in organising events.



# Applications For Grants & CIL Funding

Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council has a small budget to provide grants to the community, and also administers the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from developments within the Parish.

You can complete a form, available to download from the Parish Council Website [www.whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk), for either application and forward your form to the Clerk to the Parish Council at [clerk@whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk).



Small grants are available to assist Voluntary and community groups and organisations within the Parish of Whittle & Buckshaw and/or who benefit the residents of Whittle & Buckshaw.

CIL grants are available for specific Infrastructure Projects only, however the Clerk to the Parish Council can assist you with choosing the correct form to complete.

If you have an idea for a project that could be funded through CIL then please do not hesitate to get in touch.



# Queen's Jubilee And King Charles III Coronation



In 2022 we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Parish Council presented Platinum Jubilee commemorative coins to all the pupils at the villages 2 primary schools, St Chad's Primary School and Whittle-le-Woods Primary School.

Commemorative coins were also presented to all of the Senior residents who attended the Afternoon Tea hosted by Whittle-le-Woods Village Hall.

The Parish Council also provided grants of £50 each to resident holding a street party to celebrate.

In May this year we will see the Coronation of King Charles III - a once in a lifetime experience for many of us!

The Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort will take place at Westminster Abbey on Saturday 6th May, 2023.



The Coronation Big Lunch, at which neighbours and communities are invited to share food and fun together, will take place across the country on Sunday 7th May.



On Monday, 8th May 2023, members of the public will be invited to take part in The Big Help Out, which will encourage people to try volunteering for themselves and join the work being undertaken to support their local areas.

The Parish Council have decided to provide the primary school children of Whittle-le-Woods with a coin to commemorate this historical event. Once again grants of £50 per street will be provided to residents holding a street party to celebrate the occasion.

Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council are providing entertainment for Children on Monday 8th May at the 'Polo' Play area on Chorley Old Road. The local Scouts, Cubs and Beavers will be on hand to help out.

If you would like any further information, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council [clerk@whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk)

# The Parish Council Precept 2023



The Precept is a tax that Parish Councils charge their local electors to meet their budget requirements. Parish Councils do not receive any direct funding from central government and rely on their Precept plus any other income they generate from services or facilities they provide. The Parish Council Precept is part of the Council Tax and is collected from local electors via their Council Tax payments.

The Precept requirement is the difference between the Parish Council's estimated income and its anticipated spending requirements for the financial year (its budget).

The financial year runs from 1st April to 31st March. The Parish Council needs to agree a budget before it can set its Precept, and both must be agreed by the full Parish Council.

## When calculating the Precept, the Parish Council takes into consideration:

- ✓ Maintenance, Insurance, and Governance
- ✓ Anticipated income – from advertising, and grants
- ✓ Staffing
- ✓ Additional spending plans or projects
- ✓ Provision for contingencies and reserves
- ✓ Current year's spending levels - for ongoing services for which it is responsible

Currently there is no cap on the amount that Parish Councils can raise via their precept (District Councils and County Councils are capped). This is under consideration but for now Central Government expects Parish Councils to demonstrate restraint. They should be able to explain and justify larger precept increases.

Once a Precept has been approved by the Parish Council, the Local Authority is advised and it is then added to residents Council Tax bills who pay the Precept to the Parish Council in two instalments (Apr and Sept).

### Tax base and Band D equivalent.

Part of the Precept Calculation is the 'Band D equivalent'. Band D is the middle band of Council Tax and is supposed to represent the amount of Council Tax paid on an average property in the area. The Band D equivalent provides a measure which allows precepts among councils of different sizes to be compared. The estimated number of Band D equivalent properties in the tax base is notified to the Parish Council by Chorley Borough Council prior to the Precept setting exercise. The required Precept is divided by the number of houses in the tax base to get the Band D equivalent.

Each year Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council set the budget for the coming financial year. Once the budget is agreed by full Council the precept is requested from Chorley Borough Council. The Parish Council Precept is shown as a separate line on the Council Tax bill. Chorley Borough Council collect the precept from each property and pass this to the Parish Council.

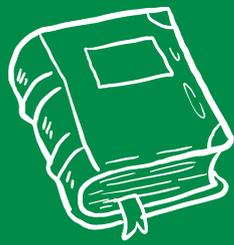
The Precept for the year 2023 to 2024 was agreed at full Council in February 2023. The total amount requested from Chorley Borough Council was £59,660. This gives a Band D equivalent charge of £23 per year, which is a slight decrease on last year.

## Improve Our Facilities & Keep Our Areas Cleaner

Whittle-le-Woods Playing Field Trust have worked hard over the last 3 years to create a high-quality football pitch in the Village. The pitch is currently fully utilised by Whittle Wanderers Football Club.

The Playing Field is a space for all residents but we ask everyone to treat the pitch with consideration and to please keep dogs (and other animals) off the Playing Field, due to the potential health & safety issues that may be caused.





# A Farewell After 40 Years On The War Memorial Committee

The first meeting of the War Memorial Committee was held on the 31 March 1926 in the Bungalow Tea Rooms, (later the doctor's surgery) Preston Road, Whittle-le-Woods. It was attended by six Parish Councillors-three from Clayton-le-Woods Parish Council and three from Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council. A chairman and Secretary were appointed and it was agreed that a Minute Book, Cash Book and Precept Book should be purchased. (The same minute book has been in use until December 2022)

Since then, regular meetings have taken place each year and in 1989 Parish Councillor Eric Bell was appointed Chairman. The Secretary, Mrs Eileen Whiteford was appointed in 1983 and she too continued in the same roll.

An annual Remembrance Day Service is held in November each year although, due to the Covid restrictions, this has had to be a scaled down event to comply with the regulations and safety issues involved.

Wreaths are laid and crosses are sited around the Cenotaph with our local vicar, the Reverend Venables from St John's Church, leading the Service including the reading of the 128 names of the soldiers lost in two World Wars.

There are War graves in our three churchyards, and crosses are laid on them for Remembrance Day.

At the December meeting in 2022 Parish Councillor Eric Bell and Eileen Whiteford decided to stand down. They have both enjoyed their time being involved with the Memorial Site for the last 40 years, and hope that the War Memorial will be in safe hands for many years to come.



## Yoga in Whittle le Woods with Janet Southworth

MONDAY MORNINGS:

CHAIR YOGA

11AM ~ 12NOON @

WHITTLE

METHODIST

MONDAY EVENINGS:

YOGA & RELAXATION

7.30-9.30PM @

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VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY YOGA RETREAT DAYS:

10AM ~ 1PM @

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VILLAGE HALL

For further details or to book, please contact

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# Persuasive Pitch From William

5.250000250,00 sea animals die every month.

How can you live with yourself? Knowing that that is happening. We are being disloyal to the sea life. This is unexpectable.

In the UK alone, over 20000000000 pieces of plastic are dumped into the ocean every day.

Unnervingly 99 million marine animals are killed daily because of the plastic. Enclosed or entangled by are demon plastic.

From the playground to the production line, we want to create a tsunami of action.

Imagine gold rich beaches and clear seas. Imagine iridescent, luminescent coral life that are free from nets and plastics. Imagine a world of majestic blue whales voyaging through the calm seas singing incredible songs.

We have to make a choice to preserve or annihilate. Do you think I can save the world all by myself or do you want to help?

Let the plastic free age be a new chapter in our lives. Every plastic bag ever made is still here murdering fish every minute.

We must stop using plastic in our life. We want your dispensation to make this school forever plastic free.

To dispose of single use plastic from our bins, our classrooms and our school field.

To educate teachers, pupils and the community to become the plastic army eradicating daily use plastic from our daily lives.

We may not have the right to vote or drive a car. However we have a voice and we are going to use it because this is our life and we have the right to take care of our future.

As a colony, we can create a better world, so let's eliminate single use plastic. You are the dolphin and we are the fish swimming behind. We are here and we are here for change.

**William (Aged 9)**, as seen through his eyes and his own words following a school project at St Chad's Primary School.

# Promote Your Community Events With Us

What's happening? Do you want us to help you share?

We welcome any local residents who are interested in organising or helping with community events.

Contact a Parish Councillor or the Clerk on [clerk@whittlelewwoodparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@whittlelewwoodparishcouncil.org.uk)



# An Update On Whittle Wanderers

The U12s won the Cup in their first season and finished 3rd, 1 point behind the promotion spot.

The U16s - have now got a new Keeper and results have picked up ready for entering the U18s League next Season, we are still looking for new players, to improve our squad and train on Thursday nights at Kem Mill, if interested call Ian on 07909 187 534.

Whittle-Le-Woods FC has bolstered its football teams with the addition of a new Under 15's team playing in the Central Lancashire Junior Football League. Thanks to local sponsors, Loxwood Industrial Papers for supporting with brand new home and away kits, The team is currently in third position in the league, with promising hopes for promotion next season.

Managed by Gav with Mark and Eddie assisting, the squad is made up of a great bunch of lads, always supporting each other playing on Sundays and training on Thursday. The Club is always looking for new players, please contact the club if interested in joining.

The NEW PITCH - the last bit of work was finished in May 22 and we can use it, but we need to be cautious as it still needs to become established. We would like to thank the Parish Council on helping us tidy up and maintain the changing rooms.

Please follow and support us on Facebook:  
[Facebook.com/WhittleWanderersFootballClub](https://www.facebook.com/WhittleWanderersFootballClub)

If you know someone who may be interested in joining any of the teams, please get in touch with Ian Curwen on 07909 187 534



# Our Canal Improvement Project

Those of you who see the stretch of the Canal near the co-op may have noticed it had a big tidy up in September 2022.

About 40 volunteers responded to a call on Facebook and spent a Saturday morning clearing debris from the water and canal bank.

We filled a large skip, which means the whole area is a lot cleaner than before.

The skip was funded by the Parish Council, the Co-op provided tea and coffee, and the scouts kindly brewed up for all the thirsty volunteers! We also had volunteer first aiders on standby. A huge amount of work was done thanks to the efforts of all involved.

Since the clean-up day, work has continued with the maintenance of more trees in the area by a suitably qualified Tree Surgeon.

Please look out for more Community events like this that you can become involved in.

**Bill Taylor**, Whittle Canal Improvement Steering Group.



## Chorley's Dial-A-Ride Is Back



How many of us are now lacking in confidence after Covid to venture into Town or further afield?

Well, don't worry about that any more - Chorley Dial-a-Ride service is back!

Dial-a-Ride provides a door-to-door, wheelchair accessible minibus service for people unable to use, or do not have access to, any regular bus services. The buses follow loosely-set routes and times and can be quite flexible to respond to individual as well as repeat requests.



Many people use the service for shopping, but other requests include healthcare and social visits.

It is a friendly and caring bus service and many people enjoy the regular social contact with fellow passengers.

Bookings are taken with a minimum of 48 hours' notice by telephone. The contact number is 01257 260488. The more notice you can give, however, the better.

The telephone is manned between the hours of 9am and 1pm Monday to Thursday and 9am and 12.30pm Friday.

After these times you can leave a message on the answering service and you will be contacted the following day.



Please telephone Dial-a-Ride about the days and times it is in your area. Organising routes is now happening so the staff could be guided by days and times that several people would like to use it.

Fares are kept as low as possible and you pay your fare to the driver when you get on the bus. Change is normally available. Unfortunately, the NowCard is not currently valid on Community Transport.

The good news is that the drivers will help you with your shopping trolley and your bags, should you need additional support.

More information will be released soon.

# Cricketing

## Success For Whittle & Clayton-le-Woods



The 2022 season saw a full program for the cricket club and an extremely successful season for the Saturday team.

Our Saturday team, led by Captain Ali Natha, enjoyed a full calendar of 20 league fixtures managing to win 16 matches during the season losing 4 and having none rained off resulting in the winning of Division 5 and promotion to Division 4 of the Palace Shield. The outstanding performers at the club were Stuart Barnish who won the club and league's bowling averages taking 40 wickets at an average of 4.7 and Suhel Patel who was our leading batsman with 370 runs, a top score of 81 and an average of 21.76 for the season.

### Division 5 winners 2022

The Sunday Development team enjoyed 11 fixtures this year. Led by Captain Guy Barker the development team created a fun and enjoyable atmosphere in which to welcome the club's younger players as they progress from junior cricket to senior cricket. The leading run scorer was Jake Evans who averaged 22.88 including a top score of 35. The winner of the bowling averages was Ali Natha who averaged 12.29 with the ball. It was also great to see a number of our juniors play their first games of senior cricket last season and the Sunday team remains committed to developing these players further throughout 203.

The resumption of our junior section with regular training enjoyed on a Monday night. Led by Coach Stuart Barnish, a regular group of over 15 youngsters enjoyed a fun atmosphere in which to learn and improve their cricketing skills. The club was happy to welcome new faces to the juniors including some of our older All Stars/Dynamos, showing the club's commitment to provide progression for all our younger players.

The Juniors played in the Palace under 13 competition south group and managed to win a credible 5 out of their 14 matches in 2022.

The highlight of the junior season was being asked by Lancashire Cricket to form part of the guard of honour at Old Trafford for the one day international between South Africa and England. Albeit the weather was the usual Lancashire off and on drizzle a wonderful day was had by all juniors and parents who attended.

### Juniors forming guard of honour at Old Trafford



The Club is committed to junior cricket and is currently expanding its available coaches with three new ones currently doing their ECB qualifications.

The club continued to support the national All Stars Cricket (ASC) initiative in 2021, with the club welcoming over 30, 5 to 8 year-olds to the weekly

Saturday morning sessions. Once underway, we were thankful that the weather largely co-operated and allowed the All Stars to thoroughly enjoy learning the basics of the great game of cricket.

The Club continued with Dynamos Cricket in 2022. The ECB national programme is for 8 to 11 year-olds and provides a natural and fun progression from ASC. The club welcomed over twenty young players to the new programme, all of whom enjoyed 8 sessions during which they learnt new cricketing skills, played matches, swapped collectable cards

from The Hundred and made new friends.

The club is indebted to our small but dedicated group of volunteers for facilitating so much cricket for so many people. Particularly for providing all of the fun and capacity for the many youngsters who played in the juniors/Dynamos/All Stars in 2022.

To maintain such high engagement with so many keen youngsters requires a growing volunteer base and the club are actively looking for new persons to join our rapidly expanding setup. Without which, there is no guarantee we can continue to provide for so many young and enthusiastic young cricketers.

If you have the desire to make a difference and can offer your time (even an hour or two a week!) please get in touch and we can discuss how you could really help your local cricket club.

The club would especially like to hear from anyone who could help with the following:

- Help with our junior section, either volunteer or coaching (whether that be qualified or looking to begin a coaching qualification – club assistance is available)
- Improving the facilities – this could be help with building work, repair, plumbing, electric, painting/decorating or joining our Development Sub-Committee to offer ideas and expertise
- New players of all ages and abilities
- Umpires – both experienced and those looking to get into umpiring.
- Fundraising – this could be directly offering sponsorship or working with others to raise money for the club.

**Please bookmark our website and give us a follow on Facebook and Twitter to keep up to date with your local cricket club or you can contact our President Ian Crook on 01772 315 234 or [lucyandian@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lucyandian@hotmail.co.uk)**

Thank you for your support and here's to an equally successful 2023!

#### Stay in touch with us:

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Twitter: [@whittleCC](https://twitter.com/whittleCC)

Visit: [www.wclewoods.play-cricket.com](http://www.wclewoods.play-cricket.com)



# Join In The 2023 Whittle-le-Woods Duck Race - Fun For All

After missing two years of our annual Duck Race due to covid, the 2022 event turned out to be a record event. We have never had as many residents in attendance and luckily the weather was good and everyone really enjoyed themselves. We made a record amount of money for the village hall. Many thanks to all those who helped and also to the Roebuck for their support.

The Duck Race for 2023 is planned for Monday 1st May. The ducks are on sale now from the Roebuck, or The Vintage Tea Rooms – we look forward to seeing you there from 1pm.



## Join Our Facebook Group Page

Please add yourselves to the local Facebook Group page Whittle-le-Woods pictures & memories old & new, and keep up to date with all the local news and events in the surrounding area, or just chat over the virtual garden fence and reminisce, share photos, and socialise.

Thanks from the admin team: Wendy McDonald, Louise Stanhope, Andrew Norris, Millie McDonald and Kelbie McDonald.

**DAVID HULL**  
GARDENING SERVICES

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# Fundraiser

## #RaisingForOlly

We are raising funds for Oliver Johnson (Olly), who at 16 has been diagnosed with a rare condition, Leber Hereditary Optical Neuropathy (LHON) causing rapid sight loss.

Treatment for the condition is very limited and not funded via the NHS in England (although it is available elsewhere in the UK!) therefore we are aiming to raise £30,000 to help fund the treatment required and for any visual aids Oliver will need moving forward.

To help with fundraising, Oliver has been participating in his own fundraising events including a 40k over the weekend of April 30th in Astley Park, Chorley. Olly was able to complete this by running with friends who helped and guided him throughout the pre-planned off-road course.

Thank you for reading about Oliver, there are further details regarding his story and other fundraising events on the below JustGiving page:

[www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/raisingforolly?utm\\_id=2&utm\\_term=WPQJy8ngE](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/raisingforolly?utm_id=2&utm_term=WPQJy8ngE)

Any support you can give is greatly appreciated!!

Donations may be made by cheque, made out to: 'Oliver Luke Johnson', posted to: 20 Delph Way, Whittle-Le-Woods, Chorley PR6 7TQ

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