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Readers' LETTERS

THANK YOU!

Dick and Susan Coates would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for the good wishes, cards and gifts received on Dick's 80th birthday and our golden wedding anniversary. Your kindness was very much appreciated especially during lockdown.

Thank you.

Dick & Susan Coates

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Cumbria Neighbourhood Watch Association (CNWA)

Coronavirus Scams

I have been made aware of a number of new scams exploiting people's fears over the corona virus. The scams take several forms which, so far, include:

- Individuals in some areas are posing as medical staff conducting Covid-19 tests in your home.
- Messages claiming to be from HMRC offering a tax refund due to changes in the law around Covid-19. Recipients have to click a link which takes them to a fraudulent website.
- Messages claiming to be from the Centre for Disease Control or from the World Health
 Organisation. These messages offer the recipient the chance to view a list of confirmed cases within their local area by clicking on a link and making a Bitcom payment.
- Emails claiming to be from a virologist sending an attached document with instructions on how to avoid the coronavirus. The attachment is malicious.
- Fraudulent online sales of masks and hand sanitiser which never materialise. If an online shopping offer looks too good to be true, then it probably is.

Please do not allow anyone into your home to conduct tests.
Please do not click on links or open attachments and take time to check that the email is from a legitimate source.

Please be aware that fraudsters will go to great lengths to make their communications look genuine. As Covid-19 continues to spread, fraudsters are likely to continue using the anxiety it generates to trick people out of their personal data and hard-earned money. More than ever, as a community you need to be aware of those in your locality who are elderly, live alone and who are vulnerable.

Please look after and support each other.

Joe Murray QPM, Chairman Cumbria Neighbourhood Watch Association

Whitehaven Coal Mine

Whilst I am concerned at the loss of our wildlife, can we use common sense when it comes to industry, such as the opposition to the Whitehaven coal mine.

Coal is no harm to anyone until it is burned. We import 45 million tons annually to burn for our steel industry. Why buy foreign coal when we can supply it ourselves cheaper, better and without damage to the environment by transporting over long distances? The proposed mine will give more jobs, keep money in this country and we can control any emissions with ultra-modern techniques.

Frank Sanderson



BURTON W.I. Helena Nixon

WI REPORT - MARCH 2021

BURTON WI have been holding Committee and General Meetings on Zoom during March.

Plans are being made for a way forward - venues and outings are being booked. Our AGM will be held on Zoom on Thursday 8th April 2021.

We expect to hold our first actual meeting on 8th July 2021 – followed by an 'Open Meeting'/Afternoon Tea in August; - until then we are holding meetings on Zoom. (Minutes circulated).

Our Federation Chairman continues to forward 'Keeping in Touch Bulletins' and we intend to take an active part in the 'Elizabeth Bell Challenge 2021/22' – in addition to joining the Federation Spring Meeting; various Talks and activities.

Finally, we know we are being positive - so will Members please continue to provide contributions for our WI LOCK-DOWN SCRAPBOOK.

Helena Nixon

BURTON MOREWOOD SCHOOL

It has been lovely to welcome all of the children back in to school from March 8th.

The mood in school is positive, cheerful and uplifting and the children have returned to both learning and playing together, which has been lovely to watch.

We continue to comply with social distancing measures and COVID restrictions, but the run of school has successfully returned to how it was before the January lockdown. Staff continue to be amazingly creative and resilient and are actively adapting their teaching to ensure the best for all children.

As a school we will break for Easter very shortly. The children look forward to sharing the work that they have been doing with you in the coming months. In the meantime, our Facebook page has had a refresh and is now up to date with the goings on in school! Be sure to have a look at the Burton Morewood Academy & Nursery Facebook page.

We wish you all a lovely Easter and look forward to the further lifting of restrictions in the months ahead.

With very best wishes

Richard Wilson and all at Burton Morewood

EDITORIAL

We hope everyone is well and enjoying signs of Spring. Thanks as always to our contributors. advertisers and distributors. A special thanks to John Mackness who provides informative and entertaining reports from the monthly parish council meetings. John let us know that he is stepping down after this month. We thank him for his hard work. Kathryn Smith who provides equally great reports is kindly continuing this role in the short term. Also look out for the parish councillor advert - a chance to meet Jackie Weaver?

Welcome to our new advertisers at Bay Distilleries! Good luck with the new venture - it sounds delicious! New articles are always welcome. How about some gardening tips / recipes / artwork / short stories / any other ideas?

One of our dedicated distributors has commented on 'rat trap letter boxes', which sounds painful. She suggests WD40 on the springs / hinges. Please check yours out - it could save a distributor's or postperson's fingers!

Happy Easter and best wishes

Burton News Committee



New local distillery opens!

We are delighted to announce that Bay distilleries are producing gin in the nearby village of Priest Hutton. We are Chris and Jonathan, 2 friends who like gin and tonic or two.

Our 3 gins are all named Stormy Baywe have Signature [dry gin with hedgerow berries and a spiced finish] Mango and Lime [tropically different] Valencia Orange [zingy and refreshing].

All are in 70cl bottles, genuinely hand made and 43%.

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Roger Reports...

From the County & District Councils

ALL CHANGE. The (national) government has now decided to REORGANISE LOCAL GOVERNMENT by abolishing Cumbria County Council and the six District Councils of Allerdale, Barrow, Eden, Carlisle, Copeland and South Lakeland which will be replaced by UNITARY AUTHORITIES. These already exist in Blackburn, Blackpool and County Durham. Unitaries combine County functions like Highways and Social Services with the District's duties like local planning -mainly housing- and waste collection. Unitaries will remove anomalies like the districts empty the dustbins but the County disposes of the waste or the County is responsible for the road maintenance but the districts sweep the pavements. Economising is the impetus for Change.

The Cost of councillors will be cut by the removal of nearly 500 district councillors. They will be replaced by about 100 Unitary Councillors, if there was to be one Council for the whole of Cumbria. If there were to be two authorities there would be 80 councillors each, a similar number as the current County Council. Another reason for change is that councils have less to do. When I was first elected in 1984, SLDC's biggest responsibility was for our 6,000 council houses. Under the Right to Buy Scheme half were sold to owner occupiers; the rest, following a tenants' referendum, were taken over by the independent Lakes Housing Association. Though Councillors and tenants serve on the Board there haven't been 'Council Houses' for nearly 20 years. Also, the district has conveyed other functions, like Leisure and Tourism, to trusts.

Moreover, IT has reduced the work

force. When I chaired the first meeting in the purpose built South Lakeland House, in 1991, a now empty floor was devoted to a typing pool; today most 'officers' type their own e-mails. So far only two Unitary areas have been suggested. The most economical is a whole County option. But points against this include:- the distance from the likely HQ in Carlisle and the wide spread nature of the county:-Whitehaven is as far from Burton as we are from Wales. The other option is a Morecambe Bay Authority consisting of South Lakeland, Barrow and Lancaster (with Morecambe). This may seem attractive to us in south Cumbria and. although, there has been no referendum, following a very small survey, one political party has claimed that 80% of local people are in favour of a Morecambe Bay option because e.g. Burton is as near to Lancaster as it is Kendal. Also, they say that much of the population works within the area. But. the distance between Heysham and Barrow is about as wide as the English Channel and no one claims that Dover and Calais are in 'the same travel to work area'.

Also, differences in demography may cause problems. In contrast to South Lakeland, Barrow and Lancaster have almost the highest crime and deprivation rates in the north of England. There are no plans to give Morecambe Bay its own Police Force, so law and order would be maintained in Lakeland and Barrow by Cumbria constabulary while Lancaster would be policed by Lancashire Police. With 80% fewer district councillors more work will devolve on Unitary Councillors

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who will have higher salaries to match. Even so, Councillors pay may not be high and so full time workers fearing losing their seat at the next election might dare risking a career break by 'standing for the council'. So, we may end up by continuing to have many retired folk as councillors or in future- worse -Professional Politicians, THE IMMEDIATE EFFECT of THE PROPOSED CHANGES IS THAT COUNCIL ELECTIONS ON 6th MAY ARE CANCELLED. Elections for a new authority will be in 2022. Parish Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner election and by-elections will still be on 6 May 2021. But I'm keeping calm and carrying on. All the best-Roger.

MAKE A CHANGE BECOME A COUNCILLOR

WHAT DO LOCAL COUNCILS DO?

Your local council has overall responsibility for the wellbeing of your local community. Their work falls into three main categories:

- · Delivery of services;
- · Improve quality of life for residents;
- · Give communities a democratic voice.

BECOMING A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

As a local councillor you can become a voice for your community and make real change. Councillors are community leaders and represent the interests of the communities they serve.

Local councillors have three main responsibilities:

- Decision-making;
- Monitoring:
- Getting involved locally.

GETTING ELECTED

To stand for election to a local council you must be:

- a UK or Commonwealth citizen; or be a citizen of the Republic of Ireland; or be a citizen of another Member State of the European Union:
- at least 18 years old;
- an elector of the local council; or in the past 12 months occupied land or other premises in the area the local council serves (as owner or tenant); or work in the area local council serves (as your principal or only place of work); or live within three miles of the local council boundary.

The deadline for completed nomination forms to SLDC is 8th April. Request forms by 6 April

CONTACT: Christine Davidson, Parish Clerk, parishclerk@burton-in-kendalpc.gov.uk

PC Observations...

By John Mackness

MARCH 2021 MEETING

Another virtual meeting of the Parish Council got underway with the Annual Parish Meeting during which chairman Alan Wren went over some of the major events of the past year. He looked forward to more face-to-face meetings in the coming year and thanked councillors for their hard work during the year. Alan also lamented the lack of police reports during the year and was looking forward to more regular reports in the future.

On May 6th, the local government elections will be held. These include the election of parish councillors and Alan encouraged those interested in standing to contact parish clerk Christine Davidson about the nomination procedure. Christine's email is Parishclerk@burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk.

Councillor Chris Nolan proposed the possibility of opening a monthly market in the Square to sell fresh produce and local products. This would be on the East side of the Square initially. Fellow councillors supported the proposal and Chris will present a more formal proposal at a future meeting.

There has always been a bit of mystery about how many and where street lighting posts owned by the council are located. The number ranges between 7 and 13. Alan and Paul Rodgers will carry out an audit by walking round the village. A letter will be sent to Cumbria County Council about the possibility of them adopting these lamp posts which would save money on maintenance and upkeep

for the parish council. Councillors thanked the team of B4RN Volunteers for their hard work in carrying on with the laying of cables for B4RN. The next big challenge is to cross over the A6070 to begin laying cables for the West side of the village. This requires more people on the West side to express interest in taking up B4RN broadband.

The conservation work in the Square seems interminable. There is further work to be carried out even now and the snagging list of repairs to work already carried out to be worked through. The council is still holding 1000 pounds ringfenced for the maintenance of Slape Lane. Jane Hopwood encouraged councillors to take control of this situation by spending the money and getting on with a plan to alleviate the main boggy areas along the Lane. It was also noted that the ash trees at the top of Dalton Lane are suffering from ash dieback and need attention.

Jane also suggested that the council consider the possibility of opening a Facebook page to counter any false impressions that existing Facebook users might be giving about council actions and policy.

Next meeting 7.30pm on Thursday 15th April.

The Word From **BURTON MEMORIAL HALL**



May I start by thanking those of you who have sent donations to help the hall cover its ongoing standing costs during the lengthy enforced closure periods, also those of you who have signed up for the 200 Club. We do still have some numbers available, and the more people who are in the Club the larger the prizes are each month. It's only £12 per number per year, so it you've been thinking about joining us, maybe now is a good time? More info can be had from Jane Orr via email bmh200club@outlook.com or phone 01524 784939.

We are still uncertain as to exactly when the Hall will be allowed to reopen and what activities will be permitted indoors when we do reopen. The timescale issued by central government is subject to change, but the most recent advice we have is that the Hall should not reopen until 17th May, except for a small number of permitted activities which include supervised children's indoor activities such as dance classes, musical activities, cubs, scouts, brownies. From 17th May controlled indoor events should be able to restart, but with only 50% of normal capacity, and still subject to the rule of six, face masks being worn, and social distancing being maintained.

The Hall will be open for use as a

polling station on Thursday 6th May, although there may be a one-way system through the building to ensure good social distancing can be maintained.

If you or your group are unsure when you can restart activities please feel free to give me a call on 01524 781306, as I have all the latest information plus receive updates as they are issued by government.

Anne Nichols, Chair of the Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee See us online at https://bmh.burtonweb.org.uk

BURTON MEMORIAL HALL 200 CLUB

The winners of the February 2021 draw are -

1ST - K TAYLOR - £22

2ND - W ROBINSON - £13

3rd -M SCOTT - £9

You may have noticed that the prize monies are gradually increasing. As more numbers are purchased, so the prize money rises. Buying a number brings the hall much needed funds and gives you the chance of a share in the prizes!

THANK YOU TO ALL EXISTING MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Anyone wishing to join the 200 Club,

please contact J Orr on bmh200club@outlook.com

Or call 01524 784 939

Cost £12 per number for a year (12 draws)

NATURE NOTES by Bryan Yorke

(Coming) Welcoming back the Meadow Pipits (Mipits) to their Northern uplands in readiness for breeding. I stand in the dip on Vicarage Lane around this time of year watching these little birds all heading North West and they are probably retracing the same corridors heading in the direction of the Lythe Valley which they had come from last Autumn. I would love to know where they have all over wintered. I do know the Dee Marshes in North Wales is a very popular overwintering ground for Mipits, although I would expect some of ours maybe going down to Norfolk or for that matter even further and crossing the channel.

(Going) Bye Bye to the "Herds of Whiteness" (Whooper Swans) for another year and today (21st March), I had 113 in 3 separate skeins (skeins numbered 75,31, and 12) passing over Lancelot between 0800 and 0845hrs, as though from maybe Whittington direction to Milnthorpe direction. There have been hundreds heading back North on their long journey to Iceland, and these skeins I expect may well have come in today from areas in both Lincolnshire or Norfolk, maybe calling off at other points overnight before they reached us. It really is something special every year to get them over our patch and I do usually record them every year on or around the 21st of March but I have never had a skein with so many before.

Our first Warbler has already arrived "ChiffChaff" I have already had reports that the little Chiffchaff has arrived in our area eg: Holme from early March, although has a rule I get my first bird in song from around the 25th of March at Thornleigh, followed over the following days at the Plain Quarry on Dalton Lane. We have a good population in our area with at least 30 breeding pairs. This species needs the warmer weather and is very volatile in some years by coming through in March can on occasional years have timed it badly and arriving when we have frost with little insect activity, when this happens the Chiffchaff will suffer and it's only a few years ago that our local population crashed by half simply because the birds could not find insects and were even witnessed searching on the ground for food. But thankfully it was only a couple of years before the population got back to its normal numbers.

Swallows will be piling through Burton in the next couple of weeks (I hope)

I normally get my first Swallows from about April 8th, although I have before now had them as early as March 24th at the Trig Point on Hutton Roof. I should get some coming through my visible migration observation point on Vicarage Lane, because this falls within their regular direct passage corridor.

Our Swifts will also be back soon and I wonder what they will think? Usually they arrive back with us from Africa around the 4th May, although I have had them come a little earlier in some years it's been the last few days of April. I have been told that the old cottage external walls etc will not be worked on until much later in the year, so the Swifts can come back and enjoy their long established sites without any changes. But what will they think of the new "Dalton "houses. Will some of the birds this year

actually take advantage of the 8 new nest sites kindly provided by our local builder Graham Wilson. It really is a fantastic gesture provided by Graham and can only benefit our local Swift population. Nationally the poor Swift numbers are declining with a loss of 50% of the total UK population in just 25 years

Snowdrops, Celandines and Bluebells and lots lot's more.

The Snowdrops have almost died off, but we have had some fabulous sights already, especially with these little "sunshine heads" coming from our local populations of Lesser Celandine. Always good to see them were they are prolific in the areas after just joining Slape on leaving Vicarage Lane. Barren Strawberry are showing their flowers and get ready for the fabulous Bluebells, Wood Anemone which will be showing before the end of this month.

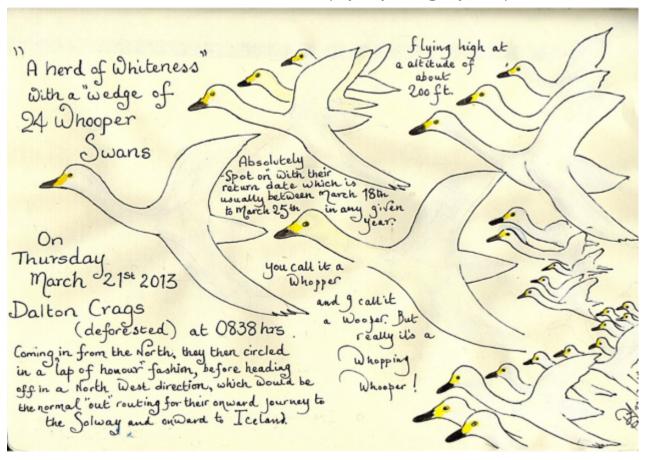
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BURTON SPORTS AND RECREATION TRUST - SECRETS OF THE MUGA!

I know we are a few months late in saying this but Happy New Year to you all.

We hope everyone is managing to keep safe and well? That was certainly a longer Christmas break then any of us expected but hopefully we are now on the right path and that's the last time we have to lockdown.

We apologise for the radio silence but to be honest there has not been much to report till now. With the Muga (multi-use games area) reopening on Monday 29th March after a long three months break we are very much looking forward to welcoming you all back.

We ask that the QR code is scanned, equipment is wiped down and hands are sanitised as well as making sure any other restrictions are been followed. These rules have been put in place to keep all users groups safe so please work with us to keep the muga open for all to enjoy using. As a committee we will be making sure all is been done to keep users safe as before and expecting users to adhere to the rules to help us with this.

While we have been closed many jobs have been getting done up at the muga such as a service of the surface and new led floodlights. We have also had all the hedges laid and a general tidy round and deep clean and I think you will agree it's all looking really well up there and we are very excited to be able to reopen the gates. As well as the jobs we have done we also have other plans to improve the facility and bowling green area so it can be a part

of the village for all to enjoy.

We are wanting to hear from you the community as to what you would like to see the muga been used for. We have plans to hopefully get football for teenagers going up there on a weekly basis, boot camp back up and running and family sessions but what else would you like to see us offering?

Any suggestions would be gratefully received and welcomed as we want the muga to become a hub of the community and can't do that without your help and support.

It has been bought to our attention that some of you are unaware of where the actual facility is. We are tucked away up behind The Royal and the new development of houses and you can access us by walking up through the car park from Main Street. Thank you to those that have reached out and made this known to us.

While we have been busy preparing the muga we have also been making some plans so we can get back to doing what we enjoy most and that's putting on events for all ages in the village to enjoy. You will see the return of some of our favourite annual events this year (fingers crossed) with big kids day out, bingo and children's parties and after the success of the Halloween trail we are hoping the village would like to see that return as well. It went down so well and raised money for a great cause. We are also very excited to announce

the return of the **Burton 10km on Sunday 26th September** so a date for your diary for all you keen runners.

There will be something for you not so

[Cont overleaf...]

keen runners and younger members of the village aswell so everyone can be involved. More details and dates for other events will follow as we get them.

On March 24th we held our AGM where our current chairperson Graham Burt and secretary Helen Jackson stepped down. Nicola Stephens has taken on the role of chairperson with Stuart Aston taking on vice chair. Graham Burt now has the role of secretary and Julian Rowley continues in his role as treasurer.

While all roles are filled we are always looking for helpers and committee members so if been a part of these events or what we do appeals to you then please get in touch by either email or our social media page for more info.

Our contact email is - BurtonSandRT@outlook.com

All muga bookings to be made through our website - www.burtonrecreationtrustmuga.co.UK



Floodlit MUGA!

From the Archives - William Cockin's gravestone

William Cockin 1736- 1801, is probably the most famous son of Burton. He is buried in the churchyard.

He was a writing master, author, poet and philosopher, who died at the home of George Romney 1734-1802 in Kendal.

Romney was a successful artist and portrait painter. He painted Major Thomas Pearson who was born at Coat Green, Dalton.

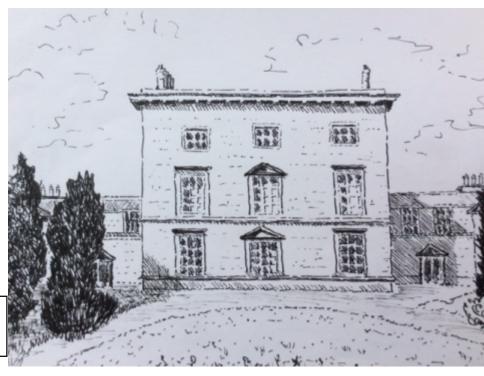
Pearson made a fortune with the East India Company and built Burton House. The portrait hangs in the Vancouver Art Gallery.

Romney also painted Pearson's daughter Mrs Sarah Wogan Browne, this picture is in Clongowes Wood College, formerly Castle Brown, near Dublin. David Cross author of an excellent book about the artist, said that in his first Will, Romney left Cockin £200 and a gold ring. However Cockin died first, so the legacy went to his nephew.

All the witnesses to Romney's Will have memorials in Burton churchyard. They are...John Hutton, Vicar. Christopher Nicholson, Mercer and Thomas

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Sunday 4 April Easter Day

11am Morning Worship with Communion

Sunday 11 AND 25 April 11am Morning Worship

Sunday 18 April 11am Morning Worship with Communion

You are very welcome to join us on Sunday mornings in St James Church. Churches were not required to close in the most recent lockdown but please go to www.burtonandholmechurches.org to check the latest information on our 'Coming Up' diary.

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Vicar's Letter...

A New Beginning

A new beginning for Britain. We're not there yet but there's hope for a summer of renewing contact with people we've missed, enjoying normal activities away from our homes and rebuilding businesses or finding new jobs after the "worst economic slump since 1706". The Governor of the Bank of England said he was "positive but with large doses of cautionary realism". For some, the effects of the last year are not going to be easily shrugged off. We are still going to need to offer support and help to each other.

A new beginning for Jesus. Some say that Easter Sunday is a celebration based on a ridiculous claim - that a man who had been flogged and executed by professional soldiers and then left in a rock tomb for two nights could somehow return to life on the third day; but that's only the half of it! Christians also believe that Jesus received the upgrade, the renewed version of his human body that would never again be subject to suffering or exhaustion or death. His post-Easter body was so much more solid and more real than the bodies we have that it appears Jesus could pass through the physical objects of our world, like locked doors, as if they were merely a mist. Christians also believe that the abundant evidence for all this - in the eye-witness accounts, in the sudden extraordinary courage of Jesus' timid followers, and in the transformation of the world over the last 2000 years – is enough to make trusting in Christ the opposite of a leap in the dark.

A new beginning for you? This same Jesus made clear that his own

upgraded human life was the prototype for many others. In his agonizing Good Friday suffering he was paying for an Easter Sunday for all those who are joined to him by trusting completely in him. "If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection." (Romans 6:5)
May God make this a happy Easter

May God make this a happy Easter for you! Sincerely

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St Mary's RC Church. Yealand Conyers Cannon J Gibson. 01524 732940

Warton Methodist Church www.wartonmethodist.co.uk 01524 732626

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HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE

by Roger Bingham Burton-gateway to Westmorland.

'Here we entered Westmorland, a country eminent only for being the wildest, most barren and frightful of any that I have passed over in England, or even Wales itself' —so wrote Daniel Defoe when he crossed from Lancashire into Westmorland at Burton in 1723.

Half a century later William Gilpin was rather more appreciative: 'From Lancaster, in our rout to Kendal, the country, every step, becomes more characteristic. A little beyond Burton we left the great road..high, shelving grounds arise on the right; and on the left, at every opening, we have different views of the bay of Cartmel, and of the mountains of Furness. The fore-ground is everywhere adorned with large, detached stones; which indicate the rocks we approached'.

By the early twentieth century appreciation of the historical charm of Burton out weighed the beauty of the landscape. Thus W.G. Collingwood recorded in 'The Lake Counties' of 1902 'past Carnforth we are soon into Westmorland, but from the train there is little to see. The glimpse of distant mountains is gone, and there are only green hills, cut up into fields, monotonous and bare. But among the green hills there are valleys in hiding. Let us leave the train at the first wayside station, Burton and Holme, and follow the leafy lane, up the hill, for a mile to the little old town that stands at the foot of the rising limestone fell. ...The old-fashioned, comfortable looking houses round the market place, with its cross, give it a

Cranford (Mrs Gaskell's novel 'Cranford' published 60 years earlier) like air of retired respectability, clean and tidy, though they are irregular and picturesque. If one were an artist who painted short-waisted lasses in beaver bonnets, smock coated farmers and young bucks in bottle green in swallow tails, here would be the backgrounds ready made; and the clean limestone of the neighbourhood, which goes so well with green leaves and grass, makes one say, 'I have seen this in a picture somewhere!' And yet I never heard of any one painting Burton.'

Collingwood continued 'through the long street and out of the town at the north end stands the church. It is always worth while looking into a church, even if you have to ask for the key and spend a shilling on the guide'. (So-locked churches are not new! while a shilling guide, in the values of 100 years later, would cost £4.)

Once inside the Church he found 'some dusty stones; one is the shaft of a grave cross set up over some thane or lady. See the elaborate interlacing of knots on one edge and the maze pattern on the other, the ornament like that of a Viking brooch. The carver knew little of anatomy, but no doubt he meant that crooked figure for Christ rising from out of the cave tomb, with glory round His head, and the palm branch and cross in His hands, while underneath He tramples underfoot the old serpent, writhing round to attack Him in vain. Overhead there are Mary and John by the untenanted cross: "He is not here; He is risen!"".

Collingwood wrote these words exactly 120 years ago in the Spring of 1901-but for many they still ring true for this season between Easter and Ascensiontide.

SOCIETY CONTACTS/ PROGRAMMES



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Keep safe in these difficult times.

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Burton in Kendal Parish Council

Meetings
3rd Thursday of every month at 7.30pm

Meetings:

Members of the public are always welcome to observe. Each meetings includes an OPEN FORUM where parishioners may raise matters of concern to them.[TBC]

Planning applications:

Parishioners are asked to ensure they notify the PC as well as the planning authority of any comments or objections they have about any planning application within the parish.

Website:

Documents relating to the PC may be downloaded or read online here: www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk

For further information, contact:

The Clerk - Christine Davidson on 01524 782694

Next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thurs 15 April 7.30pm, venue TBC

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