



## Welcome to my July 2012 newsletter as **Champion for Parishes**

County Councillor Mike Otter

### **Society of Local Council Clerks Branch Meeting**



On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June, I attended the S.L.C.C branch meeting held at the Ibis Hotel Preston.



Picture of Jo Turton with Left to Right the S.L.C.C. President Linda Butcher, Chairman Cllr Alan Blakeley, Myself, Debbie Thompson and the secretary Bill McEnnerney- Whittle.

Picture of the delegates whom attended the meeting

### **Little Hoole Parish Council**

I visited Little Hoole Parish Council, where I presented the Chair with a cheque for £500. This funding will allow the Parish Council to carry out a planting project to enhance the appearance of a roundabout at the entrance to the village.



From left to right are Cllr.Sue Williamson, Cllr.Darren Wilcock, Cllr.Graham Smith (Vice Chair), Me Cllr.Vi Hewitt (Chair), Cllr.John Smith, Cllr.Bob Hawthornwaite and Shirley Molder (Clerk).

## Grimsargh Parish Council



Picture of me presenting a grant cheque to Vice Chairman, Cllr. Andy Ellis which will go towards a Guild-related leaflet for each household in Grimsargh.

Pictured below is the commemorative bench in memory of Parish Councillor Sellers ( a long-serving Parish Councillor). The bench is situated in the Nellie Carbis Millennium Woodland, towards which I awarded a grant in 2011.



Grimsargh Guild Mosaic.



## Tarleton Parish Council

This was taken at Tarleton Parish Council on Monday, 9th July, 2012 where I am presenting a grant cheque for £500 to Chairman, Cllr. Andrew Cheetham. The funding will go towards the purchase of three sundials to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The sundials will be suitably engraved and placed in the three primary schools of the parish, Tarleton Holy Trinity, Tarleton County Primary and Mere Brow C of E.





## Are you fit for Neighbourhood Planning?



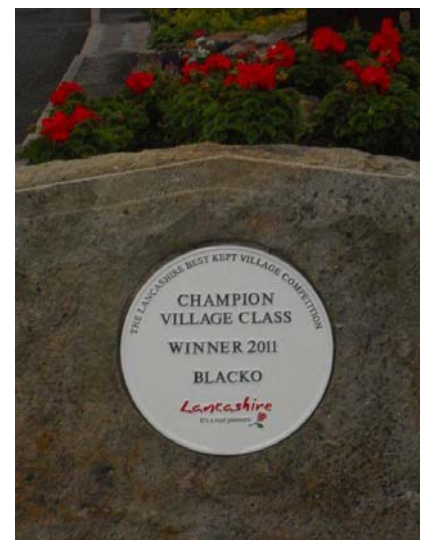
On Wednesday 18 July 2012 I attended the Planning Aid Event held at County Hall.

Here I am pictured with Marion Bolton from Community Futures who helped to organise the Town and Parish Council Neighbourhood Planning Event.

## Blacko Parish Council



In 1976, Blacko won the Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition, and received a pair of benches, which over the years have served the village and its many visitors well, at the popular spot at the top of the track from the Watermeetings. However, the ravages of time have taken their toll, and a replacement was needed. Blacko Parish Council approached me and I was able to donate £300 from my funding towards the costs of the replacement.



The photograph above is shows me presenting a cheque to Roy Fewster, Chairman of the parish Council, and Councillor Neil Hodgson.

## A Date for your Diary

The Annual L.C.C. Town and Parish Council Conference will be held at County Hall on the morning of Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2012.



## Connect2Buy Procurement Portal

Please note that the email address for Karen Lewis was incorrect on my June Newsletter.

The correct contact details are now below.  
Karen Lewis, Director of Procurement  
email : [Karen.Lewis@oneconnectlimited.co.uk](mailto:Karen.Lewis@oneconnectlimited.co.uk)

I do hope you have found my newsletter of interest and if you require any further information on the above please do not hesitate to get in touch with me on 01772 423623 or via email to [mike.otter@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:mike.otter@lancashire.gov.uk)

Regards

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