

Spring 2024

Dear Friend of Beadnell

**A request to owners of Holiday-let properties registered for Business Rates**

For the past four years Beadnell Parish Council has asked owners of holiday-let accommodation for a contribution towards the cost of administering, maintaining, and improving the facilities for which we have responsibility. These include the playgrounds, the cemetery, general grass-cutting and small maintenance projects around the village.

As a reminder, the Parish Council is funded through a Parish Precept, collected as part of Council Tax. However, no portion of the Business Rate payment reaches us. Hence this request which we believe spreads the burden more fairly.

We have been both pleased and encouraged by the response and support that we have received previously and are grateful to those who have made donations.

**We ask you to continue to support our work with a minimum contribution of £30 per property.**

Payment can be made by cheque or bank transfer, to Beadnell Parish Council **Acc No 70138738, Sort Code 20-58-17** quoting the house number and road name.

The biggest call on our resources are the playgrounds on Meadow Lane and St Ebbas Way. It will soon be 20 years since the Meadow Lane Playground was last revamped and although all the equipment remains serviceable it is showing its age and so we are embarking on a project to modernise and improve it. Before we start on what will be a major fundraising effort, we need to consult and then to have clear plans in place of what we want to offer. This consultation will take place in the Spring and links to a questionnaire will be posted around the village and on Social media. We hope that the work will start in 2025 subject to us being able to secure funds.

Please take time to give us feedback either by email to our clerk: [clerk@beadnellparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@beadnellparishcouncil.org.uk) or directly to any parish councillor.

We are including a leaflet prepared by the Northumberland Coast National Landscape authority about preservation of Dark Skies which are such an important feature of this coast. Please will you make it available to your guests.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope that you have a successful season.

Best Wishes

Beadnell Parish Council

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