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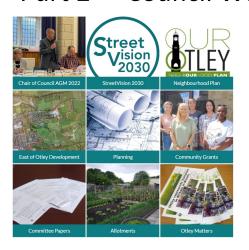
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At some point in our lives we will all suffer an injustice. Big or small, you will .... cont'd page 7

### Comparisons with Otley

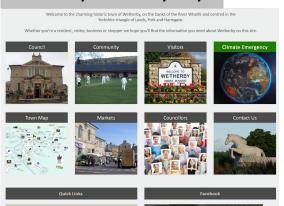
### Part 2 - Council Websites



Which is more dynamic, user-friendly, and has a better format and more useful information?

Judge for yourselves.

#### Wetherby's is Literally Grey



see page 3

### Help Needed

Could you do a bit to keep our town beautiful and drive a magnificent vehicle like this?

Too big for you to handle? Then there's a mini-tractor, which



waters the baskets and planters around the Market Place. Just a few hours needed.



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from you
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### **Peter Kay One-liners**

Is French kissing just called kissing in France?

When I was a kid I used to pray every night for a new bike. I got impatient realising the Lord didn't work that way, so I stole one and asked him to forgive me.

Why is it called Alcoholics Anonymous when the first thing you do is stand up and say 'My name is Peter and I'm an alcoholic'?



Recommended Read for the Best Jokes & Cartoons

(and find out how the rich and powerful abuse their positions)

Genetic scientists have tried to cross a homing pigeon with a Rottweiler. A terrible idea, which would come back to bite them.

### **Wetherby in Bloom**

is sending a shoutout for help to continue the magnificent floral displays that keep Wetherby

looking so vibrant. It is a registered Charity and is in need of more volunteers and Committee members.

They would particularly welcome younger people who may have gardening, computer, engineering skills or who are just fit and willing to help in any way they can.

The organisation has 2 watering vehicles requiring regular maintenance; a milk float with water butts and a tractor with a bowser.



Sue Turner, Secretary, explains "Volunteers are needed to take either on a watering round once a month during June, July, August and September. Strong arms are very useful to put up the 150 summer baskets, as well as those baskets on the bridge over the River Wharfe. They all have to be taken down in September and the material broken up and composted, too."

The charity's committee is made up of 10 members and there is an urgent need for younger local people who would be willing to give some of their time and ideas to keep the organisation moving forward.

Wetherby in Bloom is a friendly group of people and looking forward to welcoming new members. Please help if you can.

Contact Sue Turner on 588397 for a chat

### Comparisons with Otley - Part 2

### Town Council Websites

### Otley is a similarly sized town to Wetherby and both have the attractive asset of the Wharfe.

Wetherby has an all Conservative town council.

Otley has a Lib Dem dominated council with one councillor each from Labour, Independent & Green parties.

There are many differences that we have noticed in favour of Otley. We will highlight these in the hope that Wetherby organisations will make an effort to reach a higher standard.

Last issue leaflets, this time websites. Take a look at www.otleytowncouncil.gov.uk/ & www.wetherby.co.uk/

Q1 Why does Wetherby Town Council have a company '.co.uk' address?

Q2 Why is Wetherby's website 'not secure' (on both Explorer and Google Chrome web browsers)?



This is the website people (A1 motorists and other prospective visitors) will most likely find when they google 'Wetherby'. They may be confused as to why it has a '.co.uk' address. The 'not secure' message hardly inspires confidence in it. They would expect a more professional, attractive, informative website if its main aim is to attract visitors and businesses to the town. As an information source for residents we think it is not half as good as Otley's. What do you think?

#### Examples





Wetherby has no problem with showing out-of-date images, like this one we pointed out to them. It's at least 4 years old and at least one prominent councillor looks very different now.

Ease of Access to Clir Info Otley has one page for all the councillors. You can quickly look down the page and see all the councillors. Wetherby has one page for each councillor. It would take you a few minutes to go through each councillor, instead of a quick scroll down.

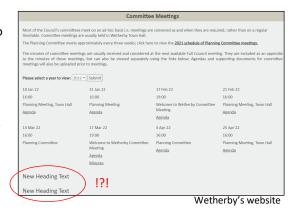
Missing Information Otley councillors are not ashamed of the political party they represent. It is the first thing underneath their name. What possible reason is there for why our councillors are not willing to state this important fact on the website. If it isn't shame, they should provide a proper reason why this basic fact is missing. (No councillor has yet backed up Cllr Chapman's assertion that the council is 'non-political', or responded to our question of whether they will stand as Independents at the next election if this truly is the case.)

#### **Access to Council Meeting Information**



It could not be easier to find agendas and minutes on the Otley website, left. Not as simple on Wetherby's.

This is a barrier to accountability as many of us will not have the patience to access the info they need and give up.



In summary we think Otley's website is far superior to Wetherby's. It is professional, attractive, user-friendly and informative. Most important of all, it shows that those who represent us take their responsibility to be open, transparent and accountable seriously. Well done to them. Wetherby's format has not changed for years; it looks tired and is user-unfriendly.

A good website is not rocket science. It is a simple and basic function of any serious organisation and there are many local companies with a good local knowledge who could do a proper job. Why not get the same company that does Otley's? We think Council staff should have the skills to update it themselves every day as part of their job.

If there is any part of Wetherby's website that you think is better than Otley's, please tell us.

Or if you disagree with our opinions here, we will publish your views. Debate is always welcome. Apathy and complacency are major causes of falling standards.

### The Alec Shelbrooke Page Alec.shelbrooke.mp @parliament.uk



Alec Shelbrooke, 46, has been our Conservative MP for more than 10 years. His basic salary is £84K (£2,200 rise in Apr '22) In the last election in 2019 he won 58% of our vote beating Labour by over 17,000 votes. He was a Remainer. From Dec '19 to Nov '21 he has voted 357 times (out of 392) and has never rebelled against his party whip

### Space on this page for Alec to tell readers anything he wants, unedited Partygate, Cost of Living Crisis, Wetherby issues? **Nothing sent**

Correction from Issue 19: Cllr O'Byrne would like to make it clear he is not, and never has been, employed in any capacity by Heart Research UK. We apologise for the mistake. (It was in his register of interests for a 'relevant person' to Cllr O'Byrne). He would also like to make it clear that he does not receive £560 as Mayor. That sum is a budget allocation to be used at the Mayor's discretion.

### Wetherby Town Annual Meeting 2022 - Lasted 4 minutes! Not one Member of Public turned up

Over 40% (6) of the 14 Conservative councillors did not attend. No member of the public or representative of any organisation attended. Q1 Was it publicised (enough)? Q2 Is it too soon after the Annual Report is produced, not enough time to digest it?

### Wetherby Town Council Meeting 10 May 2022 - The Interesting Facts

It lasted 45 minutes.

Over a quarter (4) of the 14 Conservative councillors did not attend.

Cllr Neil O'Byrne was re-elected as Mayor of Wetherby & Cllr Dawn Payne re-elected as Deputy Mayor.

(Cllr O'Byrne refused to answer our questions in Issue 19)

Members were reminded of the need to keep their Registers of Interests up-to-date. Q3 Who checks that they are up-to-date? Cllrs should be sent the documents at least every 6 months and told they must complete and return them.



The only available image of all our councillors together. It is 4 years old and doesn't reflect the current council.

The Chairs of committees were reminded of the requirement to attend Chairmanship training. Q4 How many have not undertaken this training if they need to be reminded?

Cllrs Buckle, Frame, Harrington, Hawkins (Chair) and Moss are responsible for 'Welcome to Wetherby'.

### Our Money Spent in 21/22

Bank balances on 31st March: Current Account - £69,408 • Savings Account - £333,907



Income and Expenditure for 2021/22: Total income - £405,363 • Total expenditure - £376,079 Closing balance carried forward to 2022/23: £118,817

Balance Sheet at 31st March: Total assets - £417,583 • Total liabilities - £25,981 • Assets less liabilities -

£391,602

Balance represented by £118,817 of general reserves and £272,785 of ear-marked reserves.

#### The Council finished the year over-budget by about £4,000 having spent about £8,000 more than it raised in income.

The Clerk, Iona Taylor, reminded members that delegated spending powers up to the amounts included in the approved budget will need to be more rigorously enforced in the future to avoid budget overspends and maintain the Council's control of its finances.

<u>Direct Debits to Private Companies in 22/23 include:</u>

PCM Computer Services - £140.40 per month for IT support services

ELAS Business Support - £333.60 per month for HR and H&S Support services

ABC Digital Solutions Ltd - £Variable for the use of the printer in the Town Hall Offices

Touch Telecom - £Variable for provision of broadband and telephone services

Nothing could have been discussed in any detail in such a short meeting of less than an hour. Q5 Why was there was no general comments about the year in the minutes? Was it a tough year? No problems? Everything hunky-dory?

We eventually found the Annual Report on the website after many clicks. We'll write about it in a future issue. Meanwhile, we will ask the Council for a response to our questions above.



The Chairman of East Keswick Parish Council, Andrew Batty, recently had an online meeting with First Bus Leeds and Metro, the Transport Authority (WYCA) to discuss the current situation regarding the X98/99. The bus company and Metro were at pains to explain the significant pressures they find themselves with at the moment. There are driver shortages due in part to competition from the haulage industry, from drivers taking retirement after the pandemic or being not keen to go back to shifts etc. Andrew understands the current difficulties.

"Nevertheless", he says "missing a bus from a ten or fifteen minute frequency creates an inconvenience to passengers in inner city Leeds but missing a bus from an hourly service is a disaster for villages around Wetherby. I pointed out that some villagers missed zero hour contract work, medical and job centre appointments."

Andrew continues "In East Keswick the options are to walk to a different village for the X98 which might mean a walk down a 50mph non pavement A659. Phoning a taxi is not an option in areas where phone signals are limited and taxis are sparce. First Bus and Metro accept this and say they've already made efforts to improve the reliability of the X99 and stop buses being missed."

If you are an X99 user, Andrew would like to hear from you, and know whether you would agree the bus service has got more reliable recently. He says that you should always



inform First Bus when a service is missed as you might be compensated with some free travel.

Andrew thanked First Bus and Metro for restoring the late evening bus from Leeds, which many of us had lobbied for.

Regarding the loss of the 923 Wetherby to Otley route on Saturdays, the bus company Connexions has lost 3 drivers recently which has created the problem. Andrew asked Metro why half the buses on the 923 timetable went a different route (avoiding East Keswick) but shared the same route number. He says it's confusing to have stops in Collingham or East Keswick served by only half the buses showing 923. Metro said they will look into this.

Finally, First Bus told him they are investing in their app which should soon give more reliable information about cancellations. They are undertaking a big recruitment drive and looking at altering shift patterns to make the job more attractive to drivers with family commitments. In the meantime they say they are listening and steps are being taken to improve our bus services.

#### Fuel prices for Unleaded:



nearest penny

Morrisons £1.74 Shell £1.78 Tesco Garforth £1.66

THE PRICE OF PETROL IS SO BAD AT THE MOMENT I **ENDED UP PUTTING VODKA IN THE LAWNMOWER** NOW THE GRASS IS HALF CUT

Difference b/w Morrisons & Tesco to fill av. tank of 55 litres is £4.40

### Free Bus Sunday

#### on 5 June

Buses within West Yorkshire will cost nothing to commemorate the Queen's Jubilee. Hop on the no 7 or X99 for a free trip to Leeds.

DalesBus is free from West Yorkshire. Return journey from North Yorkshire is charged.

### **Planned Roadworks**

A58 at new Leeds Orbital Road at Whinmoor

19.00 - 7.00

on Wed 1, Mon 6 & Tues 7 June

Bus X99 to/ from Leeds will divert via Shadwell



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The strikes of Transpennine Express drivers continue. The next planned ones are on Sun 29 May, Sat 4 June & Sun 5 June. On top of that we now have the threat of a nationwide rail strike.

Arriva bus drivers have been balloted on industrial action and voted for it. A strike would affect the 174 to Boston Spa, Aberford, Garforth & Wakefield.

### **Boris £3bn Bus Pot**

Some of it is going to West Yorkshire. Mayor Tracy Brabin asked for £170m and received £70m. The transport authority Metro/WYCA aim for 10% faster journeys and 15% more passengers by 2025. Fifty bus priority measures have been identified.

We can but hope this money will be spent effectively and not on the WYCA bureaucracy and consultants.



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### **My Story - Claire Wiggins**

Claire lives in Boston Spa and has recently been appointed an Ambassador of the Invisible Disabilities® Association. She is a busy lady indeed. Here is her story:

Hi there.

I am 42 with major ongoing health problems - arthritis, fibromyalgia, costochondritis, hyper-mobility syndrome, to name but a few! I need 24-hour care from my lovely partner.

I fill my time with charity fundraising, volunteering, campaigning and crafting. I have raised over £65,000 for various charities in 26 years. I was Yorkshire Community Hero 2010 and was proud to carry the Olympic torch in 2012. I find all these activities therapeutic as it keeps my mind busy, focussed and motivated.

I am a very determined person and, despite my constant pain, I will always do my

fundraising in some way shape or form. I do use a wheelchair for distances as I cannot walk far without pain and my knee giving way. I use sticks and a Walker around the home and garden. If you looked at me, you would assume that I am fit and well but looks can be deceiving and people can be quick to judge.

Over the years people have called me lazy, a faker and a liar. They wrongly assume disabled people need to be in a wheelchair and that's not always the case. Several years ago I was bullied by a group of teenagers; they would shout nasty things and surround me in my wheelchair. When I was not in my chair they would shout abuse at me too. In the end I reported it to the police.

My mum found an American charity that supports people like me. They have cards which explains what Invisible Disabilities are and you can show people the card, thereby raising awareness of the issues. I gave the same group of teenagers a card explaining that just because they cannot see the illness, pain or disability it doesn't mean it's not there. It worked! The teenagers left me alone after that (and my elderly neighbour who was also targeted).

People with disabilities often grieve for the person they once were and it can cause anxiety/depression. Sometimes the harsh words of other people may take the victim over the edge, and they may end their life. So, please stop and think before you speak, and try not to judge others when you don't know their real situation.

I contacted the American charity to see if I could help them and last December, I became the first UK ambassador for the Invisible Disabilities Association (IDA). 14 million people in the UK reported having a disability and about 70% of these are invisible. Discrimination against people with a disability is illegal under the Equality act. Hidden disabilities include autism, mental health, brain injury, sensory processing, partial sight, hearing loss, fibromyalgia, arthritis, MS, lupus, Crohn's disease, chronic pain and diabetes.

I will be working with IDA to help them establish the charity here, working with the government, NHS, charities, businesses and others. I look forward to raising awareness by giving talks to schools, colleges and community events. As well as doing fundraising events in the summer to raise funds for the Association. The support from councillors and other members of the community has been

You may have read about the Wetherby Doorbell and Accessibility Campaign in Issue 13 of this newsletter. Its aim is to try and make our village shops and businesses more disabled-friendly. The support I have received has been amazing. However, I have been

house bound for 4 months now due to serious complications with my health. I have been making little key ring charms and packaged them up with some info on invisible disabilities, with a little positive quote - little 'act of kindness' gifts. I then hid them around the village on my good days for people to find. I was hoping to make someone's day better, hoping to make someone smile. And to raise awareness, of course!

At the Easter weekend I hid 36 'acts of kindness' gifts around the village and some have been found and shared to the Facebook Group - Boston Spa Grumbler. I love making them and will continue to hide them for the next few months.

I have a crafting group and page on Facebook - Boston Spa Crafts, Trinkets & Treasures. I share all my crafts on there, made from recycled materials and all proceeds from any sales go to charity. My

partner helps me where I struggle. I make fairy lanterns, crayon art, button art, and so much more.

I hope by raising awareness in the community about Invisible Disabilities, it will educate people. People have been so supportive and have congratulated me on my role. There is so much happening in the world right now; the war, the pandemic, costs of living etc and I just wanted to make someone smile! Hence the little acts of kindness.

#### Thank you for reading my story.

I would love to know what you think about any of the issues I've raised. Please contact me at

clairescharitywork@gmail.com











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### **Wetherby Festival 2022**

Chair Robert Hoskins says they are lining up a fantastic programme for this years' event.

There will be an eclectic mix of musical offerings - an evening of folk music, a Rock Choir, the Wetherby Silver Band, acoustic musicians Fools Gold, and what should be a lively evening with a fusion of jazz, country, swing and blues from the Swing Commanders.

For those who enjoy classical music, there is the Midnight Quintet at the Bridge Hotel and the Leeds Symphony Orchestra in St. James' Church. There's also a lively evening of comedy lined up and a literary lunch promising two excellent speakers.

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Robert hopes to announce the full programme before too

long. He is grateful for the input and suggestions received from members and supporters about what should be included.

He adds "We are always looking for volunteers to help run the Festival. If not already, I urge you to join online as a member. If you feel you can help in any way, you will be very welcome, and I encourage you to think about getting involved."

He can be contacted at chairman@wetherbyfestival.co.uk

The Festival starts on Friday, 30 September and runs over two weekends in October.

### Use Us of Lose Us cont'd from front page

.....want to share it and make your voice heard. For whatever reason the local press may ignore you and will not print a word about it, let alone investigate it. And if the press aren't interested, your MP, councillors or anyone else are less likely to be interested, especially if they have some involvement in your injustice. Social media is useful but has little overall impact, shown by the many people in authority who ignore it. You will feel frustrated and the same thing may happen again to some other poor person who was unaware of your experience.

### So one day you may need a platform like ours. The truth will only win, if people know it.

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Who else would start a campaign like this? Noone. It treads on too many toes and raises questions as to why it hasn't been done before. There's a goldmine on our doorstep. Let's see in 6 months if anything has been done to benefit from it.

### **MEET THE EDITOR**

Thank you to our supporters who came for a chat. It's a shame our detractors and organisations who ignore us did not take the opportunity to meet on neutral territory and judge for themselves the type of person the Editor is.

### **Proposed New Garden Centre at Thorp Arch**

**Tong Garden Centre has a reputation** for being one of the biggest and best in Yorkshire. In line with their ambition to have at least 4 destination garden centres in the county, they have announced a planning application has been put in for one at the Thorp Arch Estate! The decision date is 19 August.



This news received a very positive reaction on the *Wetherby Grumbler* Facebook page. Of the 50+comments, there was nobody against it.

### **Boston Spa Gardening Society**

#### The society welcomes Keith

Abel to talk about "Growing Vegetables in Small Spaces". With over 40 years experience of growing and exhibiting vegetables he will show how you don't need an allotment or market garden to grow your own. New members,



guests and old friends always welcome. For further info, find them on Facebook, Nextdoor or contact Hazel Wicks on 01937 845954.

Wed 30 May at Deepdale Centre, Boston Spa Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start



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### Last Night of the Proms with fireworks Sat 4 June at 8pm Tickets £9 on The Ings

Tickets from Castlegate Stationers, Library, Town Hall,
Paper Shop & Touchwood



Full programme of events available in Town Hall. Also put on Facebook Group 'Wetherby Grumbler'

# What's On





### Why not feed the ducks whilst you're there?

Over £500 raised for charity last year



### **United's Great Escape**

What a final day to the Premier League Season! Leeds had to do better than Burnley to avoid the drop after just 2 seasons in the top

flight. It was Burnley's 6th season and they were at home to Newcastle. Leeds have the Geordies to thank for their performance in beating Burnley 2 - 1 but United had to avoid defeat in London against Brentford. Things were looking good after Leeds scored a penalty but an equaliser made things extremely tense. A goal for Burnley would spoil the party. Major



relief and celebrations all round when Harrison scored Leeds

winner in the 94th minute. Incredible drama for the 4 northern teams involved at the top and bottom of the league.

#### Not a football fan?

Well, having a Premier League team brings status to the City of Leeds and many of the multimillionaire stars will continue to live and be seen in the Wetherby

United Manager, Jesse Marsch area. Having their training ground at

Thorp Arch so close is beneficial to many of the town's businesses.



York City PROMOTED out of National League North to the National League. Congrats to them! They beat Boston United 2 - 0 in front of 7,500 fans at their Community Centre Stadium at Monks Cross. It wasn't a great performance in this play-off final but it's the result that matters. Next season York will play Halifax but also face long trips to Yeovil and Torquay!



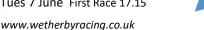
After defeat at Salford, the Rhinos achieved an important victory against Wakefield. The Headingley faithful saw them score 4 tries against Wakefield's one. 24 - 6 it ended. Leeds are 4th from bottom of Super League

Wolves v Rhinos on Fri 3 June at 20.00 sky sports arena



### **Wetherby Races** Final Meet of Season

Tues 7 June First Race 17.15









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If facts are wrong, we will apologise publicly and correct the error.

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W'by Library: 583144 libraryenquiries@leeds.gov.uk

W'by Tourist Info: inside library 582151

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