

Hilldale Community Newsletter

WHAT'S ON

25th November – WINE & MUSIC – A Christmas themed evening with music by the wonderful Saggy Bottom Girls - with wines and nibbles.
Tickets are **ONLY £10 per person.**



WINE AND NIBBLES INCLUDED

Avoid the rush - buy your tickets NOW

From the website by BACS or apply by email to tickets@hilldale-ca.org
or buy at the door – [subject to availability](#)

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DONATIONS – PLEASE

The HCA is a charity run by a small group of un-paid volunteers. We get by on grants – and those are increasingly difficult to obtain.

So that we can run the Coffee Mornings, the Hilldale Fair, other events and small projects, eg, defibrillator training, an additional park seat, repairing the existing park seats, replacing the planter barrels, we need money in the bank. **For example, if every household in the Parish donated £5, that would be just about enough to underwrite the costs of the Fair.**

So, please donate what you can so we can continue to hold these events: our BACS details and where to send a cheque are on the website.

And if you'd like to have a say in how the money is spent, join us.

HILDALE COFFEE MORNINGS

The Hilldale Coffee Morning is held in the Hilldale Village Hall on the last Saturday of every month except May, August and December.

We have tea, coffee, soft drinks and **excellent locally made cakes**.

And there are Gary's **superb bacon and sausage butties!**



Sit and enjoy them in the Hall, have a chat, shelter from the rain or take them away.

The next few Coffee Mornings are on **25th November, 27th January and 24th February**.

FREE toys and plant seeds - there is usually a selection - **FREE**.

We are open from 10.30 until 12.00. - Come along – Join in!

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

The initial sessions – 6 people at each one - will be on: 23rd November and 7th December. The training will be in the Village Hall and will start at 6:30pm. If there is greater interest, then we can arrange sessions in 2018. So that we can assess the number of people who want to be trained, please either send an email to hello@hilldale-ca.org or a text to 07957135961.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

I recently went along to a Coffee Morning and I must say how disappointed I was that so few people came along.

Everybody talks about the importance of “Community” yet Hilldale residents can’t even be bothered to spend half an hour once a month to get together and talk about “things” or our wonderful village.

I really feel sorry for the efforts put in by the people who run this on our behalf; just what is wrong with you people? Are you too important or too busy or simply too lazy to support them? The coffee is actually pretty good, it’s great value the cakes are great.

In fact, I wonder how many of you have ever set foot in the Hall.

The Coffee Morning provides a wonderful opportunity to unite and chat about our area and appreciate our lovely community. So, come to the next Coffee Morning and support each other and the Community, after all, this isn't a soulless city, it's Hilldale.

Yours etc

Mr Angry of Hilldale

[**Editor's note:** if there's something you'd like to say or get off your chest send an email and if it's fit to print we'll print it or put it on the website. Any letters we print may not reflect the views of the Editor or any of the Committee]

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

There must be something which you think would benefit the Village and that the HCA might be able help with – email your idea to hello@hilldale-ca.org or a text to 07957135961 or come to the next Coffee Morning and tell us.

PLEASE HELP

by volunteering. Everything that the HCA does is done by a small team of dedicated volunteers and we really need a few more people to help. Any time you can give to help: at events, or on the Committee or in the background would be greatly appreciated.

with prizes. Our fund raising Tombolas and Raffles need prizes so please donate unwanted gifts, drinks [alcoholic or non-alcoholic], chocolates etc. We usually have a box at the Coffee Mornings.

come to a meeting. We usually meet at the Farmers Arms on a Wednesday evening (7:30pm) at the beginning of most months. We are a jolly group so, if you'd like to give it a try – no obligation – text to 07957135961 and we'll let you know when the next meeting is. Do give it a try.

TRAFFIC IN HILLDALE

A short update: we are actively investigating if we would be eligible for, or how to pay for, a Speed Indicating Device – SPID – which would be installed on one of 2 or 3 poles and moved between them from time to time.

Speeding is fundamentally a road safety issue so it's not something the HCA would normally get involved in but the situation is certainly not getting better. In the absence of enforcement action by the authorities, this seems like a case of "do it yourself" or do nothing.

If we are going to do this, a SPID will cost about £2,500 – uninstalled - so that's even more money we'll have to try to raise. If you are a driver please remember that all of Chorley Rd and Robin Lane are **30 mph limits**.

If you run a business in Hilldale, please remind your staff, suppliers and contractors about the speed limit.

Do you have an opinion about traffic or the SPID? Email us – hello@hilldale-ca.org - and/or our Parish, Borough and County Councillors.

CALLING ALL DOG OWNERS

Is it just me or are things getting worse again? My wife and I routinely pick up dog s**t left by other people's dogs on the Field, on pavements and in grass verges. If you are such an owner – you are a disgrace. I don't want to step into dog poo so why should it be there to step into?

Be responsible - carry a dog poo bag at all times and PLEASE keep our Playing Field, pavements and roadside verges free of this health hazard.

Remember if you allow your dog to run free, even if you can't see what it is doing, and it fouls the Field or any other public space then you are still responsible and you are breaking the law.

What can be done about the dog poo situation? Has it got to the stage where we need a part time dog warden as Mawdesley do?

Do you have an opinion? Email us: hello@hilldale-ca.org .

HILLDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Got something on your mind which should be attended to? Then air it at a Parish Council meeting. The next one is on Thursday 1st December, starting at 7:00 pm. There is a 15 minute Public Forum to raise the topic with the Councillors.

If there is a topic you'd like the PC to discuss formally you can email them at, clerk@hilldaleparishcouncil.com.

 <p>Dog walking and domestic cleaning services for Leyland and surrounding areas</p> <p>Phone Sarah for a FREE consultation on 07519689174 or (01772)493222</p>	<p>D & E Monk. Bannister Farm, Bispham, Ormskirk. Tel: Parbold 462005</p> <p>Fresh Milk, Cream, Eggs, Orange Juice & Mineral Water delivered to your doorstep.</p>
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