

Fetlar

GARDEN OF SHETLAND



Leagarth house a bit like Fetlar, the rebuilding has started but there's a long way to go

Welcome to the 2nd Fetlar Community Newsletter

Latest news

First of all a warm welcome to Fetlar's newest residents Peter and Kim Dixon who have moved into No 9.

We are also expecting another family the St John-Smyth's who have two children and will be arriving on Monday 26th. They will be moving into No 7.

Stanetaft has now been sold and we look forward to meeting the new owner when they arrive.

Farewell to

Fiona and Peter Thomason who will be leaving us in December. I'm sure everyone wishes them well in the future and would like to thank them for all the hard work they have put in to support the community over the past 15 1/2 years.

Infrastructure

Work is ongoing at the new bridge at Houbie however there has been a noticeable lack of activity recently.

Hopefully this work will be completed in the very near future.

The new Funzie car park is now finished and open for business.

Isles trip

Colin, Marie, Martha and Robert have recently returned from a trip to the isles of Eigg and Gigha who are both involved in community regeneration and in the case of Eigg have more than 10 years experience of this process. A report by Robert on the trip and some interesting ideas which came out of this will be available at the hall on the 31st



Fetlar needs a logo, Peter and Kim Dixon have been working on a range of ideas and we would welcome your views on the options which will be on display on the 31st. Please feel free to bring along your own ideas. We are not expecting to get a final decision on the day but we hope to develop a shortlist of options from which a logo will be chosen.

School News

The school has written its christmas play for 2009 and like previous years is requesting volunteers to voice characters. Please get in touch with the school if you want to help. You don't have to learn any lines and your face does not appear on screen. Already the voice of Marley has been cast but virtually every other part except Scrooge is open. There are enough speaking parts for around 30 people to be involved. Ellis will be coming to a place near you soon to record voices.

Fetlar's annual "Ideas" day Saturday 31st Schedule of events

The day will be in two sections with an initial drop along period in the afternoon when you can sign up courses and have your say on local projects and initiatives.

Details of which are in the green section to the right of this page

In the evening there will be a short presentation followed by a group discussion.

1200 - Event open to the public, tea, coffee and fancies available. New video questionnaire system will be available for anyone who wants a try.

1230 - 1330 Light lunch of soup and sandwiches served

1600 Drop along session ends and stall holders will clear away there materials and the tables will be set in the hall for the evening meal.

1700 - 1800 Meal provided at the hall. For our senior citizens unable to attend, your meal will be delivered to you at home.

1815 Brief presentation on findings from the recent isles trip by Robert.

1830 - 2000 approx. General discussion on the way forward for the island with a view to updating the development plan. There will be follow on consultation after information from this event has been collated.

Saturday 31st Annual "Ideas" day

Who will be there:

Fetlar Developments showing what they have done so far and whats happening now and with reports on the isles trip. Your views will be sought on the way ahead.

Fetlar Bio diversity action plan, this was originally done 6 years ago, Rory the North Isles Ranger will be here looking at getting the plan updated and getting stuff done.

Andy Ross will be here looking at what he can offer you over the winter.

Josie Macmillan from Shetland college will be in attendance and will be looking to set up computer classes to meet your needs.

Helen Bradley the new community worker will be there meeting people and offering them the chance to do a video survey.

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