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This newsletter is produced to help keep Prescot Residents up to date with the activities of the council, and local events of public interest. If you represent a local community organisation, or philanthropic group, and you would like to be featured in our next edition please send us your communication and we will do our best to accommodate you. Please be advised, inclusion will be on a first come first served basis.



Love Prescot is a collaboration by various stakeholders within the Town including local leaders in business, tourism the community and Town and Borough Councils. Our aim is to showcase and celebrate everything Prescot has to offer to shoppers, visitors, residents and businesses alike. If you live or work in Prescot and have something to share in line with our aims we would love to hear from you especially if you have anything that you think can be added to the site, both from a business and a community point of view, such as community events or new business details.

To find out more simply visit the site itself at www.loveprescot.co.uk or contact Prescot Town Council on 0151 426 3933 or email us at enquiries@prescot-tc.gov.uk.



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Merry Christmas Prescot

When the dark nights draw in it can only mean one thing, Christmas is just around the corner! And Prescot has no shortage of Christmas Events to keep you busy in the run up to the Big Day. This year the Mayor and Mayoress of Prescot will be joined by the Citizen of the

Year Leah Whitehead to help switch on the Town Centre Christmas Lights on the 1st of December. This event kicks off a comprehensive program of activities around the Town including the Mayor of Prescot's Charity Christmas Concert on Thursday 6th December from 7.00pm-8.15pm taking place at Prescot Parish Church, Church Street, Prescot, L34 1LA. Tickets are £5 on the door (accompanied under 16's free)- *all proceeds donated to the Mayor of Prescot's Charities: Whiston Hospital & other local community groups. This sensational concert is organised by the*



Prescot Festival on behalf of the Mayor and this years events features Allerton Brass Quintet, Evelyn Community Primary School & Staff Choirs, St Mary & St Paul's Primary School Choir, Prescot Parish Church Choir and Knowsley Ladies Choir. Christmas favourites, sing-a-long carols and festive refreshments!

Check out www.loveprescot.co.uk for a full listing of What's On this Christmas.

Carr Lane Tree Replacement Project

As regular passers by will know Carr Lane is lined on both sides by mature trees. Unfortunately, the Poplar Trees on the Brown's Field boundary have reached the end of their natural life and will soon become a danger to the public.



Replacement trees

As lease holder of Brown's Field the Town Council are responsible for the maintenance of trees and it has been decided that it is very much in the best interests of the public to bring the existing poplar trees down. The Town Council also recognise and are indeed passionate about the importance of green infrastructure particularly at the gateways to our Town. As such the Town Council approached KMBC's Prescott North Ward Members to access the Environmental Challenge Fund to compliment its own capital funding and develop a replacement project that will remove the old Poplar Trees and replace them with species that provides a considerable visual enhancement for at least the next twenty five years. The species that have been chosen to replace the Poplar is a Cercis Siliquastrum or Judas Tree. This tree has a similar life span to Poplar trees but will not grow as much and is easier to manage. The Judas Tree is described as truly a tree for all seasons, this tree species puts out a generous abundance of bright cerise pink blossoms in spring for a dazzling display, set against a blue sky this is unrivaled for flower power, in summer lovely heart shaped leaves appear on delicate branches and bean-pod like structures adorn the tree. Once autumn comes the leaves give off sunset shades of red, again giving a dazzling display set against the September sky. It has a well-structured framework of stems that can be fully appreciated in winter on crisp bright days. Once established this tree will enhance the aesthetics of the road all year round, a spring image can be seen below.

Road Closures

The removal of so many trees is obviously not a small undertaking, therefore the Town Council have worked with the appointed contractors and the highways department to engineer a method of bringing the trees down in the safest possible way whilst causing the least disruption to residents and businesses within the Town. It has therefore been agreed that the works will be completed over a number of weekends beginning in January weather permitting. This time has been specifically chosen as traffic levels are at their lowest during this period. The development of the new Prescott Park estate requires access for supply lorries that would otherwise need to be diverted along Manchester Road and Hall Lane by having the works take place at the weekend when the site is not supplied we have been able to avoid putting additional pressure on a busy part of the Town's road network.

Community Involvement

The replanting of the new trees will begin the weekend following the tree felling works and could possibly take place over consecutive weekends. The Town Council would like to involve as many members of the community as possible, in what will be a truly generational project allowing those who have taken part to be able to watch their contribution literally grow year on year. To find out more about how you can get involved please contact the Town Council through the details provided on the back page.

