

## VILLAGE COUNCIL

The Village Council was formed about five years ago with the aim of promoting good relationships between the various bodies within Quarrier's Village.

The primary function of the Council was to provide a forum for discussion on how best to achieve this relationship.

We have now established that step and whilst Quarrier's have been going through a great deal of change, the Council have made progress in bringing people together and making private house owners feel a part of the Village community.

This is achieved by an invitation and visit from a council member to welcome all new comers to the Village and to encourage them to join us at any functions being held. So far, a number of the new residents have accepted our offer and some are helping the Council on a regular basis.

Although progress is being made we have a long way to go and our thanks go to Quarrier's Council of Management for their encouragement and support in any activity we organise which is greatly appreciated.

In the past year we have become a member of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. More parents have come forward to assist in the older children's games night and recently we held our annual duck race and raised in excess of £300 for games and sporting equipment for the children. Our Fuzzy Wuzzy nights, on alternative Fridays, for the younger children are still in progress and the other Friday nights are allocated for the younger children's games night.

This year we held our Hallowe'en Party on October 28th and over 100 attended. Our primary children's Christmas Party will have taken place by the time this goes to press and I'm sure Santa will have paid us a visit.

The Village Council held their Annual Dinner Dance on Friday 2nd, December, in the Gryffe Arms Hotel. This event is always well attended and gives us an opportunity to meet each other socially and hopefully to encourage others to join us.

The New Year will be a busy time for the Committee and my thanks to them all for their support and hard work throughout the year in keeping the evergrowing Village community informed of all that is happening. We hope that 1989 will see our numbers grow and, with increased support, the Council will be able to continue its service to Quarrier's Village and be a credit to the whole caring community.

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