

Snow Squad Update

The recent snowfall allowed us to test and review our snow squad procedures and make some changes. Following feedback from local residents and in order to satisfy our insurers we need to make certain matters clear to the whole village so that there can be no misunderstanding about what is to be expected of the Glanton Volunteer Snow Squad. You need to be aware of the following:

1. We will not operate until we judge the depth of any snow to be sufficient to make getting around the pavements difficult. In general a depth of about two inches will be sufficient.
2. Snow clearance will not be immediate; clearance is entirely dependent upon the availability of volunteers who all have their own households and work to attend to as well. We will clear the main pavements when we have the volunteers available to do it, not according to a set timetable. Volunteers cannot clear roads; that is a job for the County Council.

You cannot therefore assume that paths in and around the village will be clear, you will have to assess for yourself whether they are safe to use. It should be obvious to the eye whether they have been cleared or not, if you are unsure then you should assume that they have not been cleared.
3. We will clear your own path or steps if you cannot do it for yourself, but only if you tell us that you would like this done, so you do need to let us know if you need help. For ease of operation, the village has been divided into 'zones' and the contact details for each zone coordinator are listed below.
4. We regard the other services of shopping, fetching essential supplies, dog-walking and help to get to appointments as being as least as important as the pavement clearance, and these services will be given priority. If you need this type of help in the event of snow, please contact your zone coordinator who will arrange for a volunteer to assist you.

Snow Squad Contacts

The Causeway, Mount View, The Juries	Jon & Sandra 578 222 Mobile 07813 784 742
Central village between Playwell Road and Town Farm/Queens Head	Lynne & Chris 578 459 Mobile 07814 023 916
West Turnpike & western end of Front Street	John & Suzie 578 658 Mobile 07725 475 300

So far we have over twenty residents who have offered to help in the event of severe weather but we would welcome additional volunteers. If you can help please contact the zone coordinators to obtain a volunteer pack and ensure that we have your contact details on file.

Many thanks for your continuing support.