



Mapperley Parish News

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Parish Council's newsletter.

If you need to get in touch for any reason, please contact Sue, the Clerk on **07541 737496**. If she is unable to answer, please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as she can. Alternatively drop her an email on the address given above.

Chairman's report from previous meetings...

It has been reported by several people over the past few months that dog fouling is still being allowed by some owners on Main Street leading to the Recreation Ground and on the Ground itself. This is not only unsightly but is a hazard to people's health, particularly children playing on the play area. Could we please ask dog owners to pick up after your pet and help to keep the village a pleasant and welcoming area. The Borough Council has been notified and more patrols will be carried out. The parish council has been advised to make this area a 'no dog zone' and it will be added to the Borough Council's prohibition order when this is finalised.

Community engagement is paramount – whether this is with our Church, our School, village groups such as the history project or listening to parishioners with new ideas on the use of our assets or land, eg wild flower meadows or new play equipment. Please get in touch with any ideas on how to make the village even better for residents and visitors. The increase to the Precept this year has once again been kept to a minimum and prudent expenditure will strengthen the finances further.

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Play Area

Plans are being made to make part of the play area a community concern with wildflowers being sown and trees planted as part of the Queen's Green

Canopy initiative for the Platinum Jubilee (these will be planted later in the year) and it is hoped that residents and pupils from the School will wish to be involved. Further details will be displayed on the noticeboards and in the parish magazine.

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Lychgate centenary commemoration

Residents may be aware that this year is the centenary of the Lychgate, the memorial for those residents who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country in the world wars. Members of Holy Trinity Church have been working hard to commemorate the event with an exhibition over the weekend of 13-15 May, a concert by the pupils of the School and a service of commemoration on Sunday, 15 May commencing at 2.00pm with music by the Long Eaton Silver Prize Band and attendance by the Ilkeston branch of the Royal British Legion. It is hoped to invite relatives of the men mentioned on the Roll of Honour and all residents are very welcome to attend this special event.



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Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations



Arrangements are being made for a community street party in commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on **Sunday, 5th June** at **Mapperley Farm** commencing at 2.00pm. The Parish Council hopes that residents will come along and celebrate this very special occasion. Either bring your own picnic or hog roast cobs and pizza will be available together with a bar. Local bands/vocalists are invited to come along and play during the afternoon, please get in touch with any of the parish councillors (numbers on the back page) if you are able to play for part of the afternoon. Let's get together to celebrate this wonderful achievement.

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Your Parish Councillors

Parish Councillors are delighted that Rosie of Mapperley Farm has agreed to sit on the parish council for the remainder of the term (until the elections in May 2023). If you require assistance, please get in touch with either the Clerk (on the telephone number/email on the front page) or any of the councillors:

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Future projects

- Boundary marker/Village signage
- Bench on Mapperley Lane
- Flooding (ongoing)
- Access to Shipley Park from Mapperley
- Community projects (ongoing)
- Dog fouling
- Additional shelving in telephone box
- Grit Bin/litter bin for Mapperley Brook

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Dates of future meetings

The **Annual Parish Meeting** is to be held on Monday, 9 May commencing at 7.00pm to be followed by the **Annual General Meeting**. Local organisations are invited to submit a report on the past year's business. Residents are very welcome to attend.

11 July; 12 September; 14 November 2022 commencing at 7.15pm. Agendas and further details will be posted on the noticeboards.

Crime Watch

The Police are asking residents to make sure that sheds/garages are locked and/or alarmed with good lighting and non-returnable screws. Also, tools or ladders should not be left out in the garden as this would make it easier for criminals to gain entry to property. If you see anything suspicious, please do not hesitate to ring the Police on 101

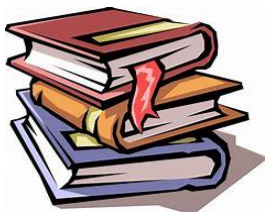
Parish Councillors are well aware that the problems with anti-social behaviour on the car park is still taking place. The Police and Crime Commissioner and the Safer Neighbourhood Team have attended past meetings and have stressed that all incidents **MUST** be reported to the Police on 101. They will then be able to build a profile of times, dates and other evidence. This can be done anonymously.

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History of Mapperley Village – www.mapperleyhistory.com

Interest in Elaine Sarson's excellent website has been phenomenal this past year, the number of views is usually quite considerable for a small village and independent website but this last year has been tenfold and has received many positive comments. The Parish Council would like to express its thanks to Elaine for her work on this.

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Telephone Box Library

The library has proved to be amazingly successful and invaluable to many during the past two years. If you have books which you have read, please consider 'swopping' with others in the library. It is hoped to install extra shelving soon. Thanks again to Elaine for keeping this library well stocked and tidy.

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