

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor in Papplewick, interested ?
Asking yourself, 'Am I Qualified' ?
The answer is **yes**, most people are. However, there are a few rules ...

- * you have to be a British subject, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union and,
 - * on the 'relevant day' (i.e. the day on which you are nominated or if there is a poll on the day of election) be 18 years or older and,
 - * on the relevant day be a local government elector for the council area for which you wish to stand, or,
 - * have during the whole 12 months preceding that day occupied as owner or tenant any land or premises in the council area, or,
 - * have during that same period had your principal or only place of work in the council area, or,
 - * during that 12 month period resided in the council area.
- but,
- You cannot stand for election if you
- * are subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order,
 - * have, within 5 years before the day of election been convicted in the UK of any offence and have had a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of over 3 months without the option of a fine,
 - * you work for the council you want to become a councillor for (but you can work for other local authorities, including the principal authorities that represent the same area).

Parish Council

Church Lane grit bin

The new salt bin for Church Lane has arrived. Mr Stretton, of Papplewick Lodge, has kindly offered to site the new bin next to his car park. There is a second salt bin ordered for siting next to the gates leading to St James' Church, kindly agreed by Reverend Turner.

Precept

It was agreed at the recent finance meeting and the following full meeting of the Parish Council that the precept be raised from last years £6011 by £754. This figure was agreed based on the budget for next year using the current year's figures, and anticipated expenditure. To ensure the agreed 2010/11 budget of £11501 remains as agreed it therefore means that the Precept will be £6765. This equates to an actual rise for parishioners from £21.69 per annum to £24.52.

Highways Matters

Cllr Murphy and Cllr Barnfather have attended a meeting with members of the Parish Council with a view to finding a solution to the traffic jams at both Forest Lane and Blidworth Way junctions with the A60. Also the Accident Investigation is constantly monitoring the situation and will keep the Parish Council and the County Councillors informed of any progress as and when it occurs.

Hall Lane island

Parking is still an issue on the Hall Lane island. Cars are still blocking the lane, parking on the grass verge outside Top Farm and the junction with Main Street outside Papplewick Hall. Finger posts are to direct car drivers to the village and the lay-bys on Blidworth Way for parking. A small notice board, to compliment the finger post will be sited on the island near the bench.

Bulb Planting

There are still snowdrops to move in the woods and a grow-bag of garlic will need to be transplanted in clumps. Cllr. Roberts has asked to be notified of any 'gaps' in plants around the parish ready for the autumn planting.

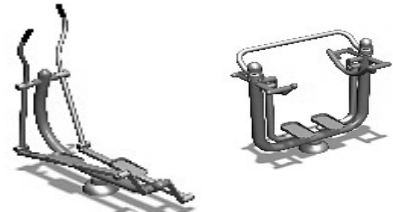
Playing Field/Park Update



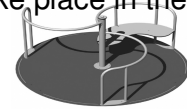
Papplewick Parish Council has recently installed a CCTV camera covering its Playing Field & Park. It is hoped that it will be a deterrent to any anti-social behaviour on the park in the future.

Health & Social-Wellbeing Partnership Grant Awarded to Papplewick!

Papplewick Parish Council is continuing its improvements of the facilities on the Playing Field and Park. In January 2010 it was successful in being awarded £4,281 towards the purchase of two pieces of outdoor gym equipment geared towards use by older people. The new equipment is a Xerscape Space Walker and a Xerscape Skier. We hope you enjoy having a go, and let us know what you think by emailing the Parish Clerk at clerk@papplewick.org



The Papplewick & Linby Leisure Enterprise Group are also funding a new Inclusive Orbit Roundabout to replace the old and worn slide. Works are expected to take place in the next 8 to 10 weeks.



Moor Pond Wood

The Friends of Moor Pond Wood would like to thank Kevin Gilbert of Altham Lodge who has very kindly made a generous donation towards the Moor Pond Wood project. This will either be used towards further archaeology or towards the making of a case for the model of the site which has been created by Robin Barton in memory of his wife Wendy. By kind permission of the Village Hall Committee the model will be located in the Village Hall.

At the meeting of the Moor Pond Wood Steering Group the matter of the 'Greater Nottingham Aligned Core Strategy' consultation was raised. The councils which make up Greater Nottingham are proposing a strategy which will allow development of the land previously 'safeguarded for further development' by Gedling in their 2004-2015 development plan.

In brief, they propose development of up to 600 houses in the fields between the Vaughan Estate and Moor Pond Woods, possibly with a road access to Papplewick Lane. This will clearly have an impact on the quality of life and the environment of Papplewick and its residents, even though the development is officially within Linby parish.

The likely impact could be:-

1. Increased traffic on Papplewick Lane, Moor Road and probably at the village crossroads.
2. An impact of top water flow into the River Leen, and therefore impact on water quality and particularly species such as crayfish and water voles which live in the river.
3. Increased visitor impact on the project area.
4. Impact on habitats in Moor Pond Wood, which is a SINC, because many of the species which live in the project area have territory which stretches into the Leen Corridor.
5. Visual impact on the project area.

There are grounds to object on all of these points.

Take the time to read the information available- www.gedling.gov.uk- and write officially to respond. The consultation ends on April 12th. Please act now !

The Enterprise Group

Annual Open Gardens Event

The annual Open Gardens Afternoon will be on Sunday June 27th from 2pm to 5pm. This year's event will be held in Papplewick Village. Proceeds from the event will be donated to Papplewick Parish Council for the maintenance of the new planters that both partners are hoping to fund and place around the village with help from parish volunteers to maintain them.

Scarecrows

This year parishioners are encouraged to make scarecrows for their front gardens. Anyone interested in opening their garden or require further details please contact Janet Robinson 0115 963 2430 or Richard Hull 0115 968 1968.

Papplewick Lodge Tea Rooms

Mr and Mrs Andrew Stretton are hoping to open their new business at Papplewick Lodge in time for Whitsun. The Parish Council wish them every success in their new venture and hope that they will be well supported by the community.



HGVs

Fed up of lorries travelling through the village illegally?

The County Council is as well - Highways and Trading Standards are collecting information to see how bad the problem is.

Please help by sending the date, time, company name and registration number (or any information you can) of any lorries you see to.

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**The Next Meetings For Papplewick Parish Council are on Wednesday,
12th May and 14th July at 7.15pm at Papplewick & Linby Village Hall
Please come along or contact the Parish Clerk if you would
like to be added to our e-mail agenda list for future meetings.
We look forward to seeing you soon!**

Email clerk@papplewick.org

Village Website: www.papplewick.org

Linby Parish Council

NEWSLETTER

New Railings Installed

We have installed new railings at the bus stop on Linby lane and in front of Hanson House by the stream. This has been further enhanced by the Girl Guide Association painting the railings at Hanson House. The railings have been partly funded by a Building Better Communities Grant.

Hayden Lane resurfacing and dog bins

Hayden Lane has been resurfaced to help ease the walk to school for the children from the surroundings of the Vaughan Estate. Unfortunately since it is now a more pleasant walk, people have been walking their dogs and not clearing up after them. Please think of the children walking on the route. We are hoping to install dog bins but we have to wait for the next round of funding. In the meantime if you are aware of the identity of dog walkers fouling the lane they can be reported, anonymously if necessary, to the dog wardens at Gedling or Ashfield district councils.

Planter Volunteers



Towards the end of spring we will be replanting the barrels with summer bedding plants. This is a major job of work for members of the Parish Council, if anyone in the village would like to help or particularly to help with the on-going watering of the barrels then please contact any parish council member or the parish clerk, with your name and contact number. We will contact you nearer the time. the barrels do look lovely in the summer but they do require on-going regular watering any help would be appreciated.

Heritage Centre Volunteers

On the subject of helping out. The Heritage Centre opens again for the summer on the first Sunday of the month from April to September. We are open from 11am until 4pm. If you could spare a couple of hours to help to man the centre please again contact any parish council member or the parish clerk.

New signs

You may have noticed the smart new village signs at both ends of the village on the main road. Again we have been fortunate to obtain a grant for these from the BBC budget.

Barn Dance

Claire Hardstaff is looking for parishioners support for a Barn Dance and barbecue on 2nd July at Hall Farm. All proceeds will be in aid of the Church and the McMillan charity now that it was no longer possible to operate the Hay Ride.

**The Next Meeting For Linby Parish Council is on Monday 12th April
at 7.15pm at Brook Farm**

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Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111**