# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

# Please note there will be no full Parish Council meeting in August.

21<sup>st</sup> August – Best Kept Village Sub-Committee meeting
11<sup>th</sup> September – Full Parish Council meeting
9<sup>th</sup> October – Full Parish Council meeting
13<sup>th</sup> November – Full Parish Council meeting
11<sup>th</sup> December – Full Parish Council meeting

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Please note the new contact number.

The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month in the Old Grammar School Rooms. Meetings start at 1930, and are open to the Public. The agenda for each meeting can be found on the village website and on noticeboards during the week before the meeting is held. Should you wish to ask the Parish Council any questions or raise any points with us, 15 minutes at the beginning of each meeting are set aside for you. If you believe you have particular skills that the Parish Council or the village could utilise we'd love to hear from you. We still have one vacancy.

## **ROLLESTONIAN OF THE YEAR 2017**

The Parish Council were extremely pleased to be able to present the Starbucks Family with the Rollestonian of the Year Award for the important role they have played in creating community spirit in the village. They have always been friendly and welcoming to visitors and residents alike. They have provided so much more than simply a shop and a post office, and that they will be missed by all. The Parish Council wishes them well for the future.

#### VACANCIES

The Parish Council still has a number of vacancies. We are always seeking new volunteers to help shape the village by representing the local community, delivering services to meet local needs, and improving the quality of life and community well-being. If you think you might be interested please get in touch.

We also have a vacancy for a Youth Representative as James Parslow is to leave us in September as he leaves for University. James has helped with recognising issues around the village; clean-up day; and advertising. We wish him all the very best with his studies. Anyone in either the Lower or Upper Sixth can apply for the position. It will be great experience in preparing for working life or further education. It also looks impressive on a CV! Please get in touch if you are interested.

We have many different projects on the go that you could get involved with, such as replacement play equipment, best kept village competition and a new Parish Council website.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Plan is still being worked on to protect the village from unwanted development. The Steering Group continue to amend the current plan to be in compliance with the local plan.

#### **OTHER PLANNING MATTERS**

Over the last few months there have been significant planning applications submitted.

The first is for the development of the former Brook House Hotel. Whilst the decision is still awaited, the owners have submitted plans for the conversion of the hotel and coach house into 10 residential units and 8 new houses (two pairs of semi-detached, four detached) an erection of a single storey rear extension, demolition of an existing outbuilding and conservatory.

Another is the conversion of the Methodist church into a five bedroom property.

There has been a retrospective application submitted land at Craythorne Road to be a mix of agricultural and educational use as a small animal farm.

Further information has been submitted for the application for 32 retirement bungalows on Craythorne Road.

We await the decision on all of these applications.

## **FLOOD ALLEVIATION**

Work is ongoing to identify properties in the village which would benefit from property level protection from surface water flooding. Once this work is complete we have money available to fund this protection. We are working with Staffordshire County Council on this project.

The Flood Action Group have also been working hard with Severn Trent, Staffordshire County Council and the Environment Agency to undertake works in the village.

During the last couple of months gullies have been emptied, potholes have been filled, and trees and undergrowth have been cleared from watercourses.