

# Kingston-on-Soar Parish Newsletter

## December 2022



### Parish Councillor Vacancies – support needed

Due to personnel circumstances another Parish Councillor has resigned. We now have up to **three vacancies** and if the Council is to continue and be active on behalf of the village then we do need to recruit new people to the Council.

The Parish Council is made up of volunteers from the village and surrounding areas who care about where we all live, we are not politicians. Our aim is to help keep the parish a safe and pleasant community where we all enjoy living. The areas of our involvement include:

- Local planning – providing feedback on local planning applications
- Our environment – making sure the village is well maintained.
- Traffic & Highways - reporting on local issues such as roads and footpaths. From simple things like reporting where road lighting isn't working to more complicated issues such as the New Kingston crossroads accident hotspot.
- Community Initiatives – celebration events; Live & Local events; the Beer Festival to name a few. These were initiated through the Parish Council, but it is now the intention that responsibility for events will move to the Village Hall committee.
- Responding on wider development proposals – for the size of village we will potentially be affected by a disproportionate number of strategic development proposals. The Power Station redevelopment, the Freeport proposals; East Midlands Airport growth plan; HS2; Housing Growth Plan and a number of solar farm applications. We work collaboratively as part of a 5 parish group to check and challenge these proposals.
- Communicating / signposting directives from the Borough and County Councils

We meet every two months for a two hour meeting and review other areas of allocated areas of responsibility in between time.

If you are interested in becoming a Councillor please contact either the Chairman or Parish Clerk (contact details on the back page of this newsletter) or come along to the next Parish meeting.

### Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan

Some good news. You may remember many, many months ago Nottingham County Council consulted on possible new housing and development sites across the County, and 3 large sites along the A435 on the greenbelt were proposed by landowners.

A further consultation on housing growth options will be coming out shortly, but as Rushcliffe Borough Council have met their target, we understand the two large greenbelt sites (areas 15.1 & 15.3 in the original consultation) will not be included in the housing allocations.

The third site, the Power Station redevelopment is very likely to go ahead in some form.

### Power Station / Freeport Redevelopment - Local Development Order Consultation

Rushcliffe BC have gone through all the feedback from the Local Development Order consultation. There was a LDO meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> November at the Rushcliffe Arena.

As a result further work will need to be done on the highways assessment. Uniper's representatives had agreed to look again at tightening the land use characteristics for the south side. RBC will vote on the proposals in March 2023.

### Solar Farms

The solar farm at Church Farm, Kingston on Soar has had planning approved. We are following up with the developer on the potential community benefit fund that was part of their original proposals.

## Kingston Beer Festival

Many thanks to the members of the Village Hall events committee for organising another successful Beer Festival. Any profits made will be recycled towards the benefit of our village.

## Live and Local Events

**Saturday 28 January 2023 19:30 - Three Men in a Boat**



Join Jerome as he recounts the hilarious story of his boating holiday along the magnificent River Thames with his two companions and Montmorency the dog. Come and join in the fun as Giles Shenton expertly takes the helm and pilots you through the ridiculous tale of men behaving badly while messing about in boats!

'There are a few seriously funny books that remain great for all time. Three Men in a Boat is one of these' The Guardian

This show is adapted from one of the best selling books of all time and one that has never been out of print since it was first published in 1889. A comedy about a journey up the River Thames that shows us that society has changed little over the years, in respect of our concerns and our enjoyment. The show acts as a reminder about the beauty of the world we live in and provides the audience with a sense of history surrounding this magnificent waterway.

*'Skilfully distilled from Jerome K. Jerome's comic masterpiece into 95 minutes of pure delight. To those who wondered if the same team could live up to the earlier success of Old Herbaceous, the answer was an emphatic yes. A master class in confidence, stagecraft and delivery.'* Opening Night Review

*'The nearest thing to 'audio slapstick' I've ever heard,*

*culminating in the sublime comedy of opening a tin, when you've forgotten the tin opener. It is not often that you come out of a theatrical performance feeling like you've been sharing happy and hilarious times, safe from a cruel world & wrapped in a warm blanket.'* Vera Fletcher Review

*'Timeless appeal'* The Independent

*'Pitch-perfect comedy about, well, three men in a boat'* The Telegraph

**Thursday 18 May 2023 19:00 Eddie & the Gold Tops**



Eddie and the Gold Tops is a lovely feel-good show which has 'done the rounds' of village halls and has rousing applause everywhere it goes. It will particularly please anyone who loves sixties-style music!

It's the story of small-town milkman Eddie who's inherited the family business but got his eyes set on musical stardom. But money lenders, managers and real life just keep getting in the way. It's thirty years before 'The X Factor' and he's got a long road ahead if he wants to make it.

This isn't a sixties music show. It's a comedy play by Kate Bramley with original music and songs - written by Badapple's regular award-winning musician/composer Jez Lowe. He has lovingly recreated that Sixties vibe which will get your feet tapping and put a smile on your face.

*'Extremely Funny'* The Stage

*'the best of theatre on your doorstep'* NORTHERN ECHO

## St Winifred's Church Christmas Chamber Concert

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December 7.00pm. Tickets £10 (£5 concessions). Tickets available on the door. Proceeds go towards raising funds for Church repairs and DEC Ukraine appeal. Come and enjoy an evening of classical and festive music accompanied by a glass of mulled wine



## Community Cinema at Gotham Church

The five churches at Barton, Gotham, Kingston, Ratcliffe and Thrumpton are in one combined benefice and each month in the winter have a community cinema in Gotham church. Under the terms of the charity licence we are not allowed to advertise the names of the films but the dates and brief details of the films are shown below. The doors open at **6.30pm**, the film starts at **7.00pm** and refreshments are served, including popcorn. We are not allowed to charge an admission fee but ask for a donation from people who watch the film. The stone interior of Gotham church gives an atmospheric experience to watching a film shown at almost cinema standard at a low price - depending on how much you donate after seeing the film. Please consider coming along to watch these films, particularly if there is nothing worthwhile on television.

- **January 27<sup>th</sup>** - An American teenager is accidentally sent back to 1955 in a plutonium-powered DeLorean "time machine" invented by a slightly mad scientist. During his often hysterical, always amazing trip back in time, he must make certain his teenage parents-to-be meet and fall in love - so he can get back to the future.
- **February 24<sup>th</sup>** - 1930's rural Nova Scotia. Maud Dowley, suffers from rheumatoid arthritis, smokes

heavily to deal with the pain. To keep herself happy, Maud begins to paint and so begins Maud's possible independence from her violent relationship with Everett, who in turn admits that he may need Maud more than she needs him.

- **March 24<sup>th</sup>** - Belfast 1969. Surrounded by sporadic violence and growing danger, nine-year-old Buddy finds himself confronted with the ugly reality of sectarian conflict of The Troubles. Buddy's family must come face to face with a nearly impossible, life-altering decision: stay or start packing?

## Pump House - Can you help?

We are currently getting quotes for repairs to the Pump House on the Green. Some of the slates need replacing and the timber needs repairing.

We would also like to repair the finial at the top to how it used to look, but we are struggling to find a photograph of sufficient quality to show the detail.

If you have an old close-up photograph, please let us know. [daf247@gmail.com](mailto:daf247@gmail.com)

## Royal Mail – Use Your Old Stamps

A reminder that the Royal Mail are adding barcodes to their regular stamps. After 31 January 2023, regular stamps without a barcode will no longer be valid.

You can either use up these stamps before this deadline or swap them for the new barcoded ones. For more details go to <https://www.royalmail.com/>

## Mobile Library

Did you know a mobile library stops in Kingston on Soar once a month?

It will be at the Village Hall between 13.35 and 13.55 on the following dates in 2022/3:

**2022** - 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

**2023** – 18<sup>th</sup> Jan; 15<sup>th</sup> Feb; 15<sup>th</sup> Mar; 12<sup>th</sup> April; 10<sup>th</sup> May; 7<sup>th</sup> June; 5<sup>th</sup> July; 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug; 30<sup>th</sup> Aug; 27<sup>th</sup> Sep; 25<sup>th</sup> Oct; 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov; 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

For more details visit:

<https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/reading-information/libraries/mobile-libraries/west-mobile-route-11/>



## Aircraft Noise

If you are being affected by aircraft noise, you can report it by e-mailing [community@eastmidlandsairport.com](mailto:community@eastmidlandsairport.com) or by using the automated complaint line on 0845 108 8540 or filling out the online Noise Complaint Form: <https://complaints-eu.emsbk.com/ema5>

Source: [www.eastmidlandsairport.com/community/environment/contact-us](http://www.eastmidlandsairport.com/community/environment/contact-us)

## Marquee for hire

If you know of anyone who is planning an outdoor event and requires a marquee, the Council have one to hire at very competitive rates.

Details can be found on the Parish Council website or by contacting your local Councillor.

All profits go back into supporting our village.

## Planning Applications

- 22/00809/FUL – Land at Church Farm – solar farm and associated infrastructure approved by RBC.

All planning applications are available to view on the Rushcliffe Borough Council planning portal.

<https://planningon-line.rushcliffe.gov.uk/online-applications/>

## Ruth Edwards MP Surgeries

I hold regular surgeries to listen to and help constituents. You can book one by:

Emailing me at  
[ruth.edwards.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:ruth.edwards.mp@parliament.uk)

Or phoning me on  
0207 219 3549

Follow me on social media:

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## Village Hall Car Park Closure

We are arranging for the hedges to be cut in the Village Hall car park. This will mean the car park will need to be shut when the works are carried out. The work is proposed to be carried out in December and a notice will be put on the car park gate when the contractor has confirmed the date.

## Future Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

There is a standard agenda item for parishioners who wish to attend and raise any questions. Please do check the Parish Council website in case the meeting date has had to be changed for any reason.

Meeting dates for 2023 are: 16<sup>th</sup> January; 13<sup>th</sup> March; 15<sup>th</sup> May; 10<sup>th</sup> July; 11<sup>th</sup> September; 13<sup>th</sup> November

## Events Diary:

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Tickets to Parish Council run events are available from the ticket platform:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/kingston-on-soar-parish-council>

Keep an eye out for regular updates on new events on the Village Facebook page and Parish Notice Board.

Also keep an eye out for further events on the Village Hall website [www.kingstonvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.kingstonvillagehall.co.uk)

THIS IS THE LAST PARISH  
NEWSLETTER OF 2022.

ON BEHALF OF KINGSTON ON  
SOAR PARISH COUNCIL MAY  
WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY  
CHRISTMAS AND A  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



## Newsletter Articles

If you would like to share a news story in the Parish newsletter, or would like an electronic copy of the newsletter, please email me on:

[daf247@gmail.com](mailto:daf247@gmail.com)

More information is kept on the Parish notice board and website:

[www.kingston-on-soar-pc.co.uk](http://www.kingston-on-soar-pc.co.uk)

**Village Facebook page\*** – “What’s on in Kingston on Soar”

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Community-Organization/Whats-on-in-Kingston-on-Soar-121837239212174/>

\*please note that the Village Facebook page is a community run page and not managed by the Parish Council

## Your Parish Councillors are:

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Vacant Traffic & Highways	
2 further vacant positions	
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