

Kingston-on-Soar Parish Newsletter

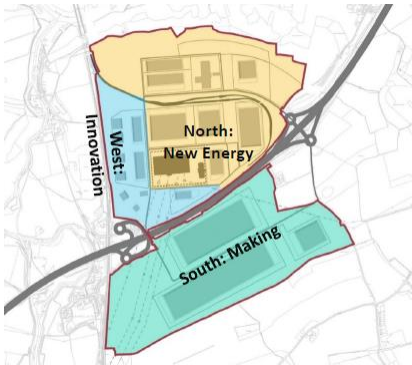
November 2023



Ratcliffe on Soar Power Station Site and Local Development Order

At the Rushcliffe Forum in November an overview was given on the progress of the Power station site redevelopment:

- LDO approved by RBC – 13 July 2023
- The order grants planning permission for 810,000 m2 employment floorspace and related development.
- Permission granted subject to conditions and other requirements within LDO.
- Main power plant due to close by October 2024
- The site is part of the East Midlands Freeport – new development to be operational by the end September 2026 to qualify for full Freeport benefits
- Currently no approved detailed schemes (apart from the EMERGE energy from waste plant)
- Site will be taken out of the Green Belt



North: New energy zone - Energy, logistics, data centres, EMERGE Centre

West: Innovation campus - Research & development, innovation hubs, offices, training, battery storage, transport hub

South: Making district - Advanced manufacturing, energy, data centres.

Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan (GNSP)

Some clarity has been provided on the timescale for the adoption of the GNSP. Consultation first started on this back in 2020. Having achieved a preferred plan the publication of the draft plan will be in mid 2024 and subject to examination hearings will be adopted in mid 2025.

- July 2020/ Feb 2021- Growth options consultation
- Jan/Feb 2023 – Preferred approach (first)
- Sept-Nov 2023 Preferred approach (second)
- Mid-2024 Publication draft Plan
- Mid-2025 Adoption of plan

Volunteer Flood Warden needed

The village has had a history of flooding under the railway bridge and around the brook, and again those areas were under water last month.

Rushcliffe Borough Council has asked whether anyone in the village would be prepared to volunteer as a flood warden. The warden would have the power to shut the road and would notify the various authorities. This will allow for a much faster response when flooding does hit.

Rushcliffe Borough Council and Notts County Council will provide all the training requirements.

If you could help out please contact the Parish Clerk.

kingstononsoarparishcouncil@gmail.com

Christmas Services at Kingston Church

The village church will hold a Christmas Carol Service at 6.00pm on Sunday December 3rd, a Communion Service at 11.00am on Christmas Eve and also a Family Crib Service at 4.00pm on Christmas Eve.

The Carol Service will sing well known carols so anybody can come for a singalong and the Family Crib Service is suitable for children of any age.

There will be mulled wine (for the adults) and mince pies after both the Carol Service and the Crib Service so come and join us for a festive start to Christmas.

Dog Fouling Fines

Dog fouling on public footpaths and playing fields causes many problems. It can get on your shoes and clothes, or in the worse cases it can lead to blindness due to an infection called Toxocariasis caused by the worm Toxocara Canis found in dog faeces.

In Rushcliffe special powers came into place in July 2022 called the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO dog control).

An on-the-spot Fixed Penalty Notice of £100, or a fine upon conviction of up to £1,000 may be applied if you allow your dog to foul in a public place and you fail to clean it up straight away.

In addition, you must carry with you poo bags. The PSPO is the requirement, in public areas, to be able to show, when challenged, that you have suitable means in your possession for cleaning up dog fouling. In practice this means that you would need to be able to show an unused bag to one of the wardens when asked.

If you see someone committing a dog fouling offence or need to notify dog fouling, you can report it to Rushcliffe Borough Council on 0115 981 9911 or report it on the Rushcliffe Borough Council's website.

<https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/environmental-health/dogs-and-other-animals/dog-fouling/>

Always take a bag with you to clear up your dog's mess.

Watercourses and Flooding

The heavy rains and flooding in Kingston village and other local villages has raised some questions about where the responsibility lies for maintaining watercourses.

Watercourses help manage surface water, prevent flooding and improve habitats for wildlife so it's important to keep them clear and well maintained.

Rivers, brooks, streams, culverts and roadside ditches are all watercourses even if they don't contain water all year round. If you have any of these running through, underneath or next to your property it's your responsibility to look after them. The legal term for this is Riparian Ownership.

As a riparian owner you must:

- keep structures that you own, such as culverts and trash screen weirs, clear from debris.
- maintain the bed and banks of the watercourse, including shrubs and trees.
- clear away debris, even if it did not originate from your land.
- allow water to run through your section of the watercourse without any obstruction, pollution or diversion.
- not impact the rights of your downstream neighbour which in turn means that you will not be impacted by your upstream neighbour.

Further information on this can be found on the Nottinghamshire County Council website

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/2903468/watercourses-on-or-next-to-your-property.pdf>

Planning Applications

- 23/01560/FUL - Land to the West of Kegworth Road, Ratcliffe on Soar - Proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) – application withdrawn

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

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

Proposed closure of Shepshed Recycling and Household Waste Site

Although not in the Rushcliffe area, many residents find the Shepshed recycling centre more convenient to get to than the Rushcliffe site.

Leicestershire County Council are proposing to close the site to save money and have started a public consultation. There is a concern that this will lead to greater instances of fly tipping in our surrounding roads and villages.

If you would like to contribute your views, the consultation can be found on the Leicestershire County Council website and the is open until 24th January 2024

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/news/waste-site-consultation-open-to-views>

Parish Website

The Parish website has long been overdue a refresh, and it is being upgraded in the New Year to improve accessibility and content.

As part of the refresh we would like to include some of your photographs of Kingston and the surrounding area. If you have a good quality suitable photograph you would be willing to contribute, then please email it to:

kingstononsoarparishcouncil@gmail.com

Community Cinema at Gotham Church

Five local churches including Kingston have a community cinema in Gotham church once a month in winter.

Under the terms of the charity licence they 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. They are not allowed to charge an admission fee but ask for a donation instead. The stone interior of Gotham church gives an atmospheric experience to watching a film at almost cinema standard at a voluntary price. Previous films have included Les Miserables, The Polar Express, The Guernsey

Literary and Potato Peel Society, Peter Rabbit and Winnie The Pooh, so the films are suitable for most ages.

Friday 24th November – Each day Duke recounts the love affair between country boy Noah and Allie, an affluent city girl, from the pages of his notebook to a female patient. The lady becomes slowly immersed in the alluring fairy tale of the young lovers' highs and lows but nobody knows what tomorrow holds. Are all summer loves doomed to fail?

Friday 26th January – The baby gorilla left in her care grows up to become a huge specimen by the name of Joe, living in the mountains as a legend amongst the people who live there. Jungle girl Jill Young is talked into providing a safe haven for Joe in Los Angeles but the transition has some discomfort and everything is aggravated by poachers trying to get Joe into their own greedy hands.

Friday 23rd February – In 1938 Germany a young girl is delivered to a foster family in a small town. She befriends the boy next door who teaches her to read and she becomes an obsessed reader. Her stepfather hides a Jew in the basement of his house and she becomes his friend as well. In times of war there are many threats and the lives of this young girl, her family and friends will never be the same again.

Friday 22nd March – Famed builder Le Notre is tasked with building an ethereal palace for King Louis XIV that transcends beauty. Le Notre hires Sabine de Barra to design and construct the outdoor ballroom and is soon captivated by her beauty. Sabine is equally enthralled by Le Notre though she is struggling to deal with her past but through the trials of building the garden the two artists come together.

Village Hall events

The village Hall Committee have been making bids for Live & Local events for next year and are planning another quiz night.

Keep an eye out for regular updates on new events on the Village Facebook page and the Village Hall website www.kingstonvillagehall.co.uk

Dementia Awareness Campaign

The Rushcliffe Dementia Communication and Support Project is a 2 year initiative which aims to improve the support available to people living with dementia and their carers.

The aim of the project, delivered by Rushcliffe Primary Care Network in partnership with Rushcliffe Borough Council, Nottinghamshire County Council plus many community and voluntary organisations, is to enable Rushcliffe residents living with dementia and their carers, to live better, more independent lives for longer, through easier access to timely, high quality, individualised support and signposting.

Earlier this year Rushcliffe Primary Care Network's Rushcliffe Dementia Communication and Support Project was named as the Regional Champion in the 'The Excellence in Healthcare Award'.

More details of support provided can be found on the Rushcliffe BC website:

<https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/community-and-living/health/dementia-friendly/#:~:text=The%20Dementia%20Wellbeing%20Service%20offers,the%20Dementia%20Wellbeing%20Service%20website%20>.

Parish Councillor Vacancies

The Parish Council currently has two vacancies for anyone interested in becoming a Councillor.

If you are interested please contact either the Chairman or Parish Clerk – contact details on the back page of this newsletter.

Mobile Library

The 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 2023:

2023 – 22nd Nov; 20th 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 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

Future Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Monday 15th January 2024 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.

Newsletter Articles

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

daf247@gmail.com

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

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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Stuart Dale Environment	24 Kegworth Rd 01509 672703
David Fairbanks Wider development matters & Newsletter Editor	The Old Rectory, Kingston Fields 07570 068675
Julia Hutchison	28 Kegworth Road
Vacant Traffic & Highways	
1 further vacant position	
Parish Clerk: Rebecca Hague	49 Main Street, Rempstone. 07795 246923

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This is the last newsletter of the year. On behalf of the Parish Council we would like to wish all our parishioners a

***Wonderful Christmas and
a Peaceful New Year.***