

Normanton-on-the-Wolds NEWS

April 2023

Spring has sprung



A big thank you to everyone who planted Spring bulbs in the grass verge outside your property. The Snowdrops and Daffodils have really brightened up the village and we still have Bluebells to come.

The grass verges are public highway property and are a valuable resource for wildlife including bees, butterflies and insects, adding to the collective pleasure of all who love our delightful rural village, so let's keep them looking at their best for the Coronation of our new King.

Trees are also essential for people, wildlife and the environment and it would be fitting if residents could find a spot in our gardens for new trees and to replace any trees that we have lost in recent years.



King Charles III Coronation

Dear Resident,
the Parish Council is organising a big picnic to celebrate King Charles 3rd Coronation on
Sunday 7th May at 1pm.



Lorraine and Chris Levell have kindly agreed to allow us to use their paddock at Avenue Farm on Old Melton Road.

Please bring your own lunch and favourite tipple. Some tables and chairs will be provided, but to be assured of a seat please bring your own with you.

We are hoping to have an ice cream van onsite for refreshment too and live music from a local musician who will be playing a selection of popular songs and ballads that we can sing along to.

After discussion the Parish Council have decided to give every child* in the village (*under 18) a Coronation mug commemorating the occasion.

If children have a fancy dress costume and would like to wear it on the day, we are proposing that with parents permission, to take photographs of them receiving their mug as record of the event.

Fun and games will also be in the offering for all ages and it would be great to see decorated front gardens with flags and bunting getting into the spirit of the event!

Thank you to Councillor Michael Westwood

As we come to the end of the election term, after 47 years on the Parish Council (including 7 years as Chairman), Cllr Michael Westwood has decided to retire and stand down from Council. The Parish Council would like to say a big thank you to Michael for his tireless efforts in serving the village – his contributions and village knowledge will be greatly missed, but we are fortunate to be able to still see him around the village.

The joy of Spring!

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Councillors elected for 2023–27

Following an uncontested May election your Parish Councillors remain:

- Kay Cutts: 0115 937 2495
- Vivienne Ives: 07910 621 785
- Jodi Gray: 0115 937 2384
- Aruna Day: 0788 924 7935
- Dawn Clements: 07817 458 143

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council takes place on Tuesday 16th May, 6.30pm at The Burnside Hall (*kitchen area*) Plumtree, to elect the Council Chairman and review governance for the coming year.

The Annual Parish Meeting for all residents to meet Councillors and ask questions will also be held on the 16th May at 6pm, where you can find out more about the achievements and future village plans.



Parish Councillor Vacancies

Are you interested in making more positive improvements in the village?

Why not become a Parish Councillor?

We still have two vacant seats on Council and would love to welcome new members onto the Parish Council.

It isn't a huge time commitment and you can bring real improvements to the village and ensure the voice of our residents is heard.

The voluntary vacancy is open to anyone over 18, living or working in Normanton-on-the-Wolds and you don't have to be connected to a political party.

You will need to attend evening Council Meetings held bi-monthly at The Burnside Hall, Plumtree - 6.30pm.

Feel free to contact any of our Councillors for an informal chat about what's it's like to be a Councillor.

Or contact the Parish Clerk, Lesa for eligibility and to apply:
clerk@normantonwoldspc.onmicrosoft.com

Daffodil care after bloom



When the beautiful daffodils have finished blooming for the Spring and the flowers have withered, carefully remove the flower and stem but leave the leaves in place until they die back on their own. The leaves will continue to absorb energy from the sun and through photosynthesis the sun's energy is converted into vital sugars that are stored in the bulb for the following seasons glorious blooms.