



Nottinghamshire County Councillor and Rushcliffe Borough Councillors will be holding "surgeries" for local residents on a quarterly basis on a Saturday morning, between 10am and 12 noon, at The Grange. The first one for Saturday 30th April 2016. The other dates are 30 July and 29 October



Parish Councillor Surgeries

Do you have questions or comments for the Parish Council?
The Parish Council will be holding surgeries in the Dowson Room at the Grange on the first Saturday of every month 10am – 12 noon.

All Welcome



In 2015 a huge total of £8,542.66 was raised by the good people of Radcliffe on Trent for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Thank you to Edna Quinton for co-ordinating this appeal



The Parish Council intends to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday in style. We will be erecting flags and bunting outside all the shops to bring the village to life during the Spring and Summer. There are many events being planned this year and we are sure this will bring a great vibe to the various village celebrations throughout the season. A big thank you to the following

contributors:

Rushcliffe Borough Councillors, Roger Upton, Neil Clarke and Jean Smith for the financial help from their members allowances, Nottinghamshire County Councillor Kay Cutts for financial help from her Divisional Fund and our Chairman Georgia Moore for a contribution from her Chair's Allowance. We will be erecting the flags and bunting in time for the Queen's actual Birthday on 21 April 2016.



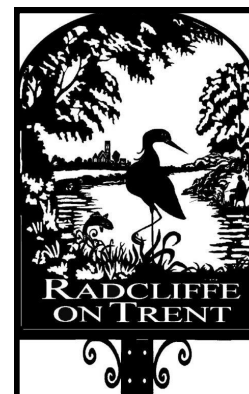
Best Kept Village Competition

The Parish Council has once again entered the Annual Best Kept Village Competition run by CPRE. We will be planting the summer bedding plants soon and this year's theme will be red, white and blue to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. Please help put Radcliffe on the map and help us present the village at its best. There will be another Village Litter Pick planned for the first weekend in June and we look forward to your support. Look out for details on the Parish Council website. www.rotpc.com

RADCLIFFE CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS

We are an informal voluntary group, who work in conjunction with Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council and other organisations to help maintain local green spaces like the Cliffs, the Lily Ponds area and Dewberry Hill. Recent activities have included clearing bramble from the riverbank, pollarding sycamore, maintaining sections of pathway, dealing with invasive plants like Himalayan Balsam and litter-picking. We are also keen to record the flora and wildlife in these areas. Work sessions are held most months. If you are interested in joining in, you will be most welcome. For further details please contact either Phillip Taylor (philtaylor_422@hotmail.com) or Dave Barton (davidhbarton@btopenworld.com).

RADCLIFFE CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS - WORK SESSION - SATURDAY 4TH JUNE 10am - Noon
Meet At Rockley Park Pavilion



Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2016

Spring has sprung and new life has been breathed into the glasshouses in Rockley Park. Over the winter, this area has been a hive of activity as work has been underway to restore the site to a productive environment for the spring. The three glasshouses have been cleaned and re-glazed and new cold frames and storage sheds have been installed ready for the growing to begin.



Work in progress on the large glasshouse



New cold frames and storage sheds ready for the start of the growing season



The Parish Council have been working closely with Streetwise Environmental Ltd to provide a space for growing a wide range of edible and ornamental plants for use around the local area. In addition, the glasshouses create a very valuable training facility for the young apprentices recently taken on by Streetwise. As well as their usual tasks of pruning, hedge cutting, grass cutting and keeping the borders tidy, the apprentices are now able to learn more sophisticated horticultural techniques, such as propagating from seed, dividing plants and taking leaf and root cuttings. Alongside the apprentices, many other groups are able to benefit from this facility, such as the 16-24 year old students



on Traineeships with Streetwise. These young people need work experience to gain new skills and improve their chances of employment. Many of them have never considered horticulture as a career option, however once they experience the variety of roles it has to offer they are full of enthusiasm and ambition for the future. As the year progresses, it is hoped that other groups can become involved in growing and learning new skills at Rockley Park.

Some of the Students, Apprentices and Streetwise staff involved in restoring the glasshouses

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & PRESENTATION OF CIVIC AWARDS

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 20th 2016

At Grange Hall 7.00pm

THIS IS YOUR MEETING, WE HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE

There is a question and answer part of the evening to enable parishioners to raise issues with the Councillors. Questions should be submitted to the Clerk to the Council so that they can be included on the Agenda

You are invited to stay on for a coffee with us afterwards
Chairman



Recycling Centre Changes For 2016
Register by Telephone Customer Service Centre on
0300 500 80 80 or Website Nottinghamshire.gov.uk



Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council has
bagged a share of a £11.5million carrier
bag charge fund

We are delighted to announce we have bagged £10,000 from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative. The supermarket teamed up with Groundwork to launch its Bags of Help initiative, which saw grants of £12,000, £10,000 and £8,000 – all raised from the 5p bag levy – being awarded to environmental and greenspace projects.



Eight million shoppers voted in stores up and down the country. And it can now be revealed Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council has been awarded £10,000. The results have been announced and we will now begin work on bringing our project to life.

Composting Toilet - Wharf Lane

Radcliffe on Trent Parish Council is thrilled to be a recipient of the Bags of Help Scheme. The Community Plan highlighted the need for toilet facilities at Wharf Lane and it can now become a reality ensuring that residents and visitors to the site can stay longer and enjoy the facilities.

Caroline Silke, Head of Community at Tesco, said: "Bags of Help has been a fantastic success. "We have been overwhelmed by the response of our customers and the feedback has been brilliant. "We can't wait to see the money being put to use bringing these projects to life. "Nominations for the next round of the initiative will open in April and we look forward to helping a further round of groups and projects bag their share of the bag charge fund."

Voting ran in store from 27 February until 6 March – with customers choosing which group they'd like to get the top award using a token given to them at the check-out in store. Tesco estimated that around eight million votes were cast in stores across the UK. Groundwork's national chief executive, Graham Duxbury, said: "We have been delighted to have been involved in the Bags of Help project. "It has been wonderful to follow the projects through the application process to the final announcement. "This is money which will go directly back into the communities up and down the country creating places to meet people, be active, play or simply relax. This initiative is really putting something back into the local environment, transforming greenspaces and helping the community at a grass-roots level."



Scoop the Poop!

Unfortunately a big concern in the village currently is the increase of dog fouling in our green spaces, pavements and play areas. Dog fouling 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 'Toxocara canis'.

The Rushcliffe Borough Dog Fouling Order was introduced in 1998. An on the spot fine of £50, or a fine of up to £1,000 on prosecution applies if you allow your dog to foul in a public place and you fail to clean it up straight away.

Always take a bag with you to clear up your dogs mess. The Council provides a number of dog waste bins for you to dispose of the bags and has recently installed a new one on Dewberry Hill (Woodland Close end).

If you see someone committing a dog fouling offence please report to the Dog Warden at the Borough Council Tel: 0115 9819911 or online



Parish Council Events

Events Coming Up At The Grange And Grange
Hall in 2016

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