

PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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New Chairman of the Parish Council: A comment from Cllr Colin Womble.

After 11 years as Parish Council Chairman, Ian Griffiths decided to step down at our Annual General Meeting in May. I was elected to replace him and Stephen Walker is Vice-chairman. Ian has guided the parish through some challenging times with skill and determination. He has ensured that the Council changed with the times and kept up-to-date. The Council expresses its thanks to Ian for the enthusiasm, commitment and all the time he has devoted to parish affairs. I am pleased to say that Ian will remain a councillor and continue to serve on the Council.



As the new Chairman, a few words of introduction may be in order. For 10 years it has been my privilege to serve Papplewick as a parish councillor. Apart from involvement with all Council matters of a general nature, I have had a particular involvement with the Parish Paths Partnership scheme, a joint venture between the Parish Council and Notts. County Council to ensure the better upkeep and enhancement of the footpath network. Some of you may already know me as a member of the 'Friends of Moor Pond Wood' group. I therefore bring to the chairmanship some experience in parish matters and will continue to represent this parish in a robust way.

Frequently, Papplewick Parish Council has been very much to the fore where new opportunities have arisen for the first tier in local government. I want to build on those successes and move forward, striving for quality in everything the Council does.

Sometimes it is not always clear to residents what it is the Council is attempting to achieve. Over the last few years the Council has spent much in time and resources responding to Gedling's Local Plan. Due to those demands we have perhaps not directed as much attention as we would wish on affairs within the parish. Now that process is over, the Council intends to refocus its priorities on these areas. Therefore, if you the parishioners perceive or identify a problem, please tell us.

I would ask one more favour. This is a vibrant parish with a lot going on. Please get involved and support the events detailed in this Newsletter. I look forward to seeing you at the next Parish Council meeting.

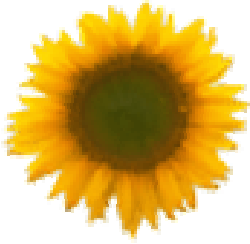
Next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 12th July, in the Village Hall 7.15pm.

Annual Church Summer Fete Will take place this year on Saturday 17th June at 2.00pm.

As usual it will be at Papplewick Hall and admission will be £2.00, under 14's 50p, under 5's free. This is a fund raising event for the Church; much enjoyed by the community but doesn't run itself!

Offers of help to Claire Hardstaff please on 963 8512

Papplewick Gardening Club Annual Flower & Produce Show



in the Village Hall on

Saturday 12th August 2.00pm –3.30pm
for further details contact Jennie Zinn on 963 6503
or Kay Walster on 964 0286

**This year's children's competition is to design a
bird table, also the ever-popular vegetable monster
competition is being held.**

Moor Pond Wood News.



This shows one of the Papplewick Trail “interpretation boards” that have been installed within the Moor Pond Wood site. They are situated by the Lay-by on Linby Lane and at the entrances to both Moor Road and Grange Cottage Wood. They show details of the route of the watercourses, some of the wildlife and plants to be found in the area. It is well worth a visit to gain more information about these sites.

Additionally, new notice boards have been provided nearby to let people know of Work Days. Meetings and other events

A tremendous amount of work has recently been carried out on the sluices near the footbridge and this area is now looking very smart, giving a much better idea of the way the water flowed and how it was controlled. At the bottom end of Moor Pond work has continued on the “plughole” that was excavated recently. It is now known following a camera survey that this is linked both to the main pond and to the one near Warp Mill, although we are still not able to be sure that there was a route across Papplewick Lane. Further examination of the blocked up parts of brickwork will no doubt reveal more facts about this unique structure. The irregular oval shape and unusual brickwork have certainly led to many different suggestions about its purpose, also some interesting reminiscences and boyhood memories of years ago! A new bridge has been provided in Dam Banks Wood to make crossing the river safer, thanks to Lee Scudder from Notts County Council & the Leen Valley Conservation Volunteers.

The next Friends meeting is 30th June, probably a visit to another site. See notice boards for details.

Friends Barbeque and Skittles evening is on 28th July in Papplewick Dam picnic site.

For further information contact Chairman Stephen Walker on 963 0808.

The National Archaeology Week Event will take place this year on Weekend of 15th & 16th July.

Information point at the Papplewick Lane entrance to Moor Pond Wood. Live digs on days, display and guided tours. And finally, although well-behaved dog owners are welcome in the woods, they should not be regarded as a dog toilet facility. This problem has increased recently, please use the appropriate bins provided, we are trying to get more installed.

*PC Andy Vale reminds us to keep sheds secure now summer is supposedly here!
And when working in the garden make sure house doors & windows are not left open. Keep car keys hidden away out of sight!*



The CCTV and recording system has now been installed in the Village Hall

From Ravenshead Neighbourhood Watch: Some people are in the habit of paying milk bills by placing a cheque in the top of a milk bottle & leaving it outside their house. This could be inviting trouble as, should the cheque be stolen, although the monetary value could be small, the information released such as name, address, bank name, account number & sort code would be of great value to a thief. May be better to ask milkman to call for the cheque or better still send it direct to the dairy.

Gedling Borough Council is asking householders to take responsibility for their own waste, and pointing out householders' new responsibilities under changes to waste regulations, which came into force on 21st November 2005. Householders now have a 'duty of care' to ensure their rubbish is only passed to authorised Licensed Waste Carriers. The Council will take action including charging residents for removal of rubbish disposed of irresponsibly, serving 'fixed penalty' notices, or pursuing prosecution, which can lead to fines of up to £5,000.

Fly tipping is on the increase and anyone with knowledge of fly tipping activities should contact :

Gedling's Hotline on 0800 068 1233.



*Since the beginning of January Salsa Dance lessons have successfully taken place in the Village Hall, mainly on Tuesday evenings. For those people who have attended continuously the progress over the past 16 weeks has been excellent. Many people who had never danced before now can and are having fun doing so. We would love to see those people who didn't stay the course return to have another go and join in the fun.
The improver's lessons are at 7.30 with beginners at 8.30.*

Further info from me, Ian, on 0789 020 6088

The Email address for Parish clerk. clerk@papplewick.org is now back on line

following a "technical hitch" as is the village website www.papplewick.org

Apologies to anyone who has not been able to send to this address recently.

If any village organisations would like diary events publicising or their organisations promoting on the website please contact **webmaster@papplewick.org**

Papplewick Village Open Gardens Day - Moor Road

Papplewick and Linby Leisure Enterprise Group

All proceeds in aid of improvements to Papplewick Village Play Park

Sunday June 25th from 2.00pm

Adults £2.50 Children Free

Tea & Cakes, Plant Stall, Raffle.



(thanks to Hardstaff Farms for allowing this)

Itinerary And Tickets Available

Can be purchased ~~at the event~~ On The Day At The Car Park

or in advance by phoning either:

Shirley 964 2808, Janet 963 2430, or Lorraine 963 2886

Thanks to all who have agreed to open their gardens.

PAPPLEWICK AND LINBY VILLAGE HALL

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**Vacancies for Caretaker / Cleaner and
General / Booking secretary**

We are currently seeking to appoint :

Caretaker / Cleaner

Approx 16 – 20 hours per week

General / Bookings Secretary

Approx 10 hours per week

Both posts involve considerable contact with the public.

Application forms and details are available by telephoning

0115 963 3201 or 0781 764 9643

closing date for applications 15th June

Clerk to the council: Vic Whyley 0115 859 8364
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Email clerk@papplewick.org
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