



Community update

Inspector Pearson visited our March meeting. His message was that the best source of information is

<https://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/neighbourhood/calverton-ravenshead-and-villages>
On there you will find

- A monthly blog - free to all members of the public
- A link to email gedling.northnpa@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk
- Contact details for **PS 2581 Neil Langham** (Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant - Gedling North)
- Contact details for **PC 2280 Chris Whild** and **PCSO 4764 Kirsty Szeluk**
- A link to up to date crime data for the area through [police.uk](https://www.police.uk/nottinghamshire/31-28/) (Direct link is <https://www.police.uk/nottinghamshire/31-28/>)
- Up-to-date media/social media releases and information about action on the local priorities - burglary/autocrime etc

There have been recent incidents of anti-social behaviour in the parish. It is important that we work together to keep the facilities safe and usable. It is worth remembering that CCTV operates at the village hall and around the locality.

If you have any concerns about anti-social behaviour (**but the circumstances are not an emergency**) or to report a crime that has already happened, you should use the non-emergency numbers **101** or **112**. **If a crime is in progress, you should use 999.**

To report: LITTER / FLY TIPPING / GRAFFITI

Please contact Gedling Borough Council on **TEL: 0115 901 3901**

or via the website <https://apps.gedling.gov.uk/forms/default.aspx?formid=108>

Defibrillators

There are Defibrillators available **at the Village Hall 24 hours a day**, and one **at the Pumping Station during Opening Hours**. A defibrillator has been installed **at the Cricket Club available to the public 24 hours each day**. The defibrillator located in the Village Hall is on the right hand side of the porch, in a bright yellow container.



The machines are available for use by any member of the public. They can only be used after obtaining a code by dialling 999. The code you receive unlocks the key safe at the side of the yellow box. Please replace the key after use.

The machines are fully automatic with a simple two-step process that gives the first person to respond to a cardiac arrest the confidence they need to help save a life. A responder only needs to turn on the device and apply the electrode pads to the victim. The fully automatic nature of the machine is designed to deliver a shock only if it determines that a heart needs it. No one even needs to press a 'shock' button.

**Next Full Council Meeting will be at the Village hall
on 14th July 2021 at 7:15pm
including an Open Forum discussion**

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PAPPLEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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It is a relief that things seem to be slowly returning to normal. The Parish Council has been meeting online, but the next meeting (14th July) will be at the Village Hall. I hope you are all coping with the restrictions that are still in place. The Council has now fully re-opened the QEII Playing Field, please note that you use the playing field and equipment at your own risk; however, we are trying to keep things as clean as we can. Sadly, there has recently been damage within the Parish — with equipment and signs damaged for example. Last year, plants were taken from planters around the village. We are working with the Police and there will be increased patrols to monitor anti-social behaviour and vandalism. If you see vandalism occurring, or if you know who is responsible for the damage, please report this using the 101 phone number or *Crimestoppers* (if you wish to remain anonymous). It is important that members of the community report their concerns—then the Police can monitor times and places and identify hotspots; and they can apply the appropriate resources.

We welcome Kate Weston to the Council, replacing Jules Salmons who has resigned. We thank Jules for the time she gave to the Council. The Council is grateful to the several people who have been picking up litter as they take their exercise. It has made a big difference. There is a Great British Spring Clean event in June (More information below). As the lockdown restrictions are removed the Council has agreed to a programme of improvements to the playground. (See the news panel later). We are hoping that the Bonfire and Fireworks will be able take place this year. The Council is building a new website, working with *Vitty Creative*, a web design and marketing agency, to meet up-to-date requirements and make it more user friendly. This should be available later in 2021. As always, if you have any questions about the work of the Parish Council, please contact the Clerk.

Stephanie Roberts (Chairman)

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

Could you spare a couple of hours to directly improve our environment? You may have noticed the rubbish that accumulates alongside our roads and paths. We are participating in the **Great British Spring Clean**, a national campaign, in association with the 'Keep Britain Tidy' charity.



Volunteers are invited to meet at the Griffin's Head at **9:30am on Sunday 13th June 2021**. From 10am until about 12:00 we will work in small teams to clear as much rubbish as possible from roadsides and open spaces in the parish.

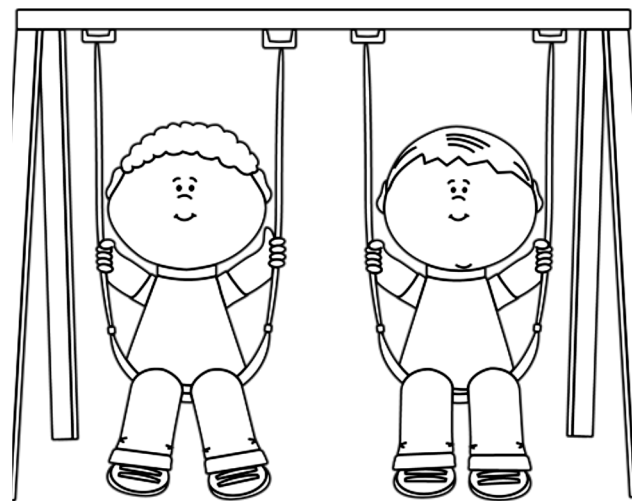
We will adapt our method of working to counter the risk of Covid-19. Please bring gloves. Bags and Hi-Viz will be supplied. To assist with planning, **you should sign-up in advance**. Please **contact the Clerk** if you are willing to help out.

News from around the Parish

The Queen Elizabeth II playground developments

The village playground has seen a lot of use as a recreation and meeting area during recent months, but we haven't been able to carry out much maintenance. A lot of work is needed to return it to the highest standard. The Council has agreed a programme of works to refurbish the skateboard equipment, and improve the playing field.

The signage has been re-designed and will be replaced in the next few weeks. The flower beds have been cleared in preparation for replanting. We are grateful to Shirley Nurseries for donating fresh soil. Additional seats have been installed to replace the older damaged ones.



Councillors are meeting on Sunday 23rd May to spend some time making improvements. Would you be able to spare some time to help? If so, please contact the clerk in advance so that we know how many are coming. If you can offer particular skills or equipment we'd love to know.

**23rd May 2021 at 10am —
note the date,
Come and help !**

The best kept village competition 2021

In 2019, we entered the Nottinghamshire Best Kept Village competition. We reached the second round, but in the face of strong competition we were not ultimately successful. We have discussed making further improvements. We intend to boost the floral displays in the planters, and have provided additional planters at the entrances to the parish. Eventually, we hope to install additional planters on Main Street. We are holding a 'Tidy-up' event. There is more detail elsewhere in this newsletter.

It would make the village look much more attractive if householders could find the time to clear and tidy the frontage of their property, particularly overhanging shrubs and bushes.

Would you be prepared to 'adopt' a planter, to keep it weeded and watered once the Council has supplied the materials? Any help would be gratefully received. Please contact the clerk.



Papplewick and Linby Village Hall

The Hall has a new committee, elected at the recent AGM. Subject to changes to the Government 'Road Map', the Village Hall will be reopening for regular hirers on 17th May and for functions and events on the 21st June, in a Covid secure way. Bookings are now being taken and we are looking forward to the welcoming you all to the village Hall.

If you have any enquiries please contact Sarah Slack on 07817 649643 or via pandlvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk

Moor Pond Woods Project

Nestboxes: Earlier in 2021 the group were pleased to install more than 30 nest boxes in the woods, doubling the number of boxes. In May, numerous batboxes are to be erected. These have all been sponsored by the Co-op Community Fund, and we are very grateful for their support.



Path works: Some time ago the group was awarded a Local Improvement Scheme Grant by the County Council. The money is to pay for upgrading the paths around Papplewick Dam Wood, to the benefit of all users, but particularly those with pushchairs or limited mobility. The next phase will be to relay the paths near the fishing pond and replace the footbridge over the river. Some work will also be carried out near the waterfall, to prevent further erosion. Unfortunately these tasks were postponed for over a year, but it is expected that work will be started in May.

Volunteering: The Covid-19 lockdowns emphasised the value of the project area as a green space for recreation. The Friends group has got a backlog of maintenance, because of the limitation of meeting in groups. Would you have some time to help by volunteering? We are expecting to organise a timetable of dates starting in May.

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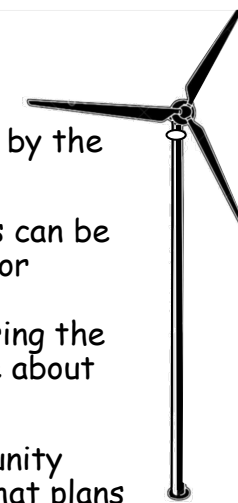
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Papplewick Environment and Community Fund

The Marshall family are donating £2000 per year from the income generated by the Barracks wind turbine into a fund to improve the local environment.

The fund is administered by a Parish Council Working Party. Funding applications can be made by any person or group who have an idea which will benefit the community or improve the environment. This year it is planned that the fund will contribute to additional planters to brighten the appearance of the parish. We are also exploring the idea of planting more wildflowers on road verges. If you would like to know more about the fund and how it is administered, please contact the Clerk.

If you have a good idea about an environmental project that would have a community benefit please let us know. The working party will meet in Sept 2021 to agree what plans can be made for the next round of funding.



Roadworks—Moor Road and Papplewick Lane

We have been informed that the new roundabout is likely to be installed at the Moor Road / Papplewick Lane junction during the Summer period. The precise dates have not been confirmed, but be aware that this is likely to be taking place in the near future.

Papplewick & Linby Bonfire - update for your diary

An update for your diary. A bonfire and fireworks event is being planned for the evening of **Saturday 6th November 2021**. It is unclear yet what preventative measures will need to be applied. Please watch out for updates and more information in the coming months.