

COUNCILOR VACANCIES

Due to lack of candidates at the recent elections there are 2 vacancies to represent the parish council in Measham South (You don't have to live in the south of the village to qualify).

Anyone interested in finding out more about becoming a local councillor should contact the Parish Office or go to the councillor page on the parish website, where there is more information along with an application form.

Councillors are volunteers and give up their own time to serve the community. Closing date: 27th June 2019.

2019 ELECTED COUNCILLORS

Measham North Measham South

Glenys Banton Colin Manifold

Steve Leary Robert Oakes

Emma May Crissie Wright.

Anne Morgan

Tom Rooney

David Wright

LATEST SPEED SIGN STATS

Location: Leicester Road Post 15 incoming traffic

85th percentile speed: **38.1** mph

Average Speed : **30.2** mph

Max Speed: **60** mph

BUS SERVICE 7 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENT

Passenger transport is changing in Leicestershire and Leicestershire County Council has developed a new Passenger Transport Policy and Strategy to ensure its passenger transport provision is fit for purpose and cost effective.

A review of service 7 has been completed and it is intended that the service will be retained but on a reduced timetable.

The engagement event is on the 6th June 12.45pm at St Laurence Church Hall. For more information call 0116 305 0001.

HERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDING — Note from Dr Orest Mulka

Measham has recently won awards from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This is welcome for the village and is a reward that local players have contributed to improve our lives.

At a recent HLF meeting I was informed that HLF is concerned that different applications from a community should be integrated. This means that different bodies aren't tackling the same problem in different ways that don't consider other applications or even compete with them. HLF suggested that applicants get together to ensure that the community gets the best chance of winning an award I will be putting in an application to HLF later this year to restore the canal at Ilott Wharf and I'm happy to share this information with local groups.

If other groups are willing to share their planned applications then Measham Parish Council can act as an information point putting applicants in contact. If you're willing to share information about your HLF application, please let the parish clerk know.

NEXT PARISH MEETINGS

The next **Parish Council** meeting will take place on Thursday **June 13th** at Measham Leisure Centre at 7pm.

The next **Planning Committee** meeting will take place on Thursday **June 20th**, 7pm also at the Leisure Centre.

All parishioners are welcome to these meetings with a period of time set aside at the beginning to raise questions with members.

Chairman's Annual Report

Another year has passed and oh so quickly. Once again, we have had to deal with a lot of issues and concerns over the last year from residents. We continue to work closely with the Housing Department both District and Social to get a better understanding of peoples' needs and issues.

Main concerns this year have once again been planning issues which have evolved around HS2 still undecided on a final route. This has been a major concern to a certain number of residents particularly at the top of the village who have now had to vacate their properties. As a council we, of course, totally object to HS2 and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

As well as the proposed housing applications that are currently submitted, we keep a close eye on the proposed development of an industrial site scheduled at Junction 11 of the A42. This will create approximately 3,000 jobs for the local community so we are told.

We continue to honour 137 requests and recently we have given monies to Measham CFR and Measham Youth Club and the ever-growing social prescribing groups in the village.

We have recently moved our meeting room to the Leisure Centre from the Board Room on Bosworth Road. This is more accessible for parishioners to attend and all our services will after the extension at the Leisure Centre for the maintenance depot, be in one location.

The SUDS scheme will finally be completed soon at the bottom of the Riverview estate, this is to help clean surface water before it runs into the River Mease. Thanks to Trent River Trust for overseeing this.

New Street play park has now been re-opened (February 19) after an extension thanks to Section 106 monies from the Cameron Homes development. This has been very well received by all the children who use it, the fencing to the left of the park is the only part to be completed which should be done very soon.

Last September saw the introduction of variable speed cameras along Burton Road. This has certainly slowed the traffic down, but we are concerned about the amount of people that continue to drive above 30mph along this stretch. We are aware that this is not the only road to have issues hence we continue to place the parish council speed sign in different locations to hopefully get the message across but unfortunately it is an ongoing one.

Once again, I thank the great work done by the Green Footprint community litter pickers, of which we now have 5! Littering and dog fouling remains an issue in the village, we work with the district council to help to eradicate this problem.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Councillors for their hard work and support over the past year. Thanks also to staff members Dawn, Anthea, Alan and Andy for your hard work and effort over the past 12 months.

As councillors, we continue to do our best for the village as we have always done. This is undertaken on a purely voluntary basis, so feel free to join us if, like we are, you are committed to the destiny of the village.

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