

Rockhampton

Parish Newsletter

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UNCONTESTED ELECTION FOR THE PARISH

There was no election held in Rockhampton this year, the parish has five Councillors:

Chairman Councillor Tom Cullimore, contact telephone number: 01454 412208

Vice Chairman Councillor Tina Mitchell-Skinner, contact telephone number: 01454 269406

Councillors Councillor Mike Goode, contact telephone number: 01454 260999

Councillor Tony England, contact telephone number: 01454 260882

Councillor Henry Price, contact telephone number: 01454 261798

Clerk for the Council Mrs Eirian Vaughan Lewis email rockhamptonpc@gmail.com

A Parish Council is the tier of local government closest to the Community and represents the interests of the people in the Parish. Our activities include response to consultations, highways matters - such as fly tipping, road flooding, ditches and verge maintenance, stiles and traffic monitoring and planning applications. We welcome parishioners to attend our meetings. Two South Gloucestershire representatives for the Severn Vale Ward, Councillor Matthew Riddle and Councillor Keith Burchell attend, participate in the meetings, take questions and give advice on any issues raised.

To promote the work that the Parish Council does in the community, we have set up a new website www.rockhamptonparishcouncil.co.uk and all information on meeting agendas and minutes are available to view there.

As a Parish Council we want to make sure that we are accessible at all times and that we continue to be open and transparent on the work that we do.

Spring Clean Event March 2019

Following the successful Spring Clean Litter Picking event held on 30 March 2019, the Parish Council will be holding further events on

Saturday 5th October 2019

Saturday 29th March 2020

Please contact the Parish Clerk for further details on

rockhamptonpc@gmail.com



The Parish Council meet four times a year and host the Parish Annual Assembly meeting. The 125th Annual Meeting took place on 13th May 2019.

Events

Several events have been held in the village in the past year. The Folk Festival held in June 2018 was a very successful event, and the Village Hall continues to be well used on a regular basis. It has been a very successful year for both the Cricket Club and Rugby Club. The Parish Council have hosted two litter picking events (6th October 2018 and 30th March 2019). We hope to continue to do the litter picking events on a regular basis, to help keep the Parish looking clean and tidy. We encourage residents to keep their own frontage clear of litter and we are working on installing anti littering signs in the village. The Rockhampton Village Fete is being held on Sunday 30th June 2019 between 3pm and 5pm and the Rockhampton Family Fun Run will take place this year on Thursday 18th July between 6.30pm and 9.30pm with the usual festivities afterwards.

Planning

The Parish Council have had two local planning applications this year and we continue to have several neighbourhood planning applications being discussed at meetings.

The impact of developments outside the parish is particularly important to the Parish Council, the expansion of Thornbury on local services and the added congestion on local roads has been an issue for concern, especially with future plans of further expansion at the Buckover Garden Village.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

The Parish Council received a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) in 2017 and 2018. The Parish Council would like to improve Communications in the parish and are currently working to provide a new Parish Council Notice Board in the Newton area of the parish as well as doing some repairs to the current Parish Council Notice Board at the Wheel. The Council is also looking at the possibility of installing a defibrillator in the village.

Working with the local community

Parish Council have sent representative to the Oldbury New Nuclear Build Committee (NNB) at Oldbury on Severn Parish Council. The Clerk has attended Town and Parish Council forums, which are very useful meetings providing further information on county and local council issues. There are many parishioners that participate in the neighbourhood watch and we continue with a good relationship with the Village Hall Management Committee. We welcome Henry Price on to the Parish Council.

We should also express our congratulations to Councillor Tina Mitchell Skinner CEO of Brain Tumour Support on the recent Queen's Award for Voluntary Services which was awarded to the charity for their work with volunteers in the community. It is good to have someone so hard working for the community on our Parish Council.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON

MONDAY 4th AUGUST 2019 AND MONDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2019