

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council Newsletter



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News in Brief

Grant Applications

The Parish Council has, so far this financial year, awarded grants, totalling £2150.00 to:

Telford Crisis Support. Telford Samaritans, Laura Deighton Dance Company, St Johns PCC, Shropshire Playingfields Association, East Shropshire Talking Newspaper, Residents Association Breton Park Lawndale, Millward Close, Barclay Court and Telford & Wrekin Arthritis Support Group.

If you want to know if your group or organisation is eligible for a grant then please contact the Clerk on 01952 608001.

Defibrillator

The Council has resolved to purchase a defibrillator to be located at St John's Church, Muxton. Prior to its purchase, the Church will be contacted to confirm its position to install one at this venue.

Traffic Calming—SIDS

The Parish Council has recently purchased two Speed Indictor Display Signs (SIDS), one of which is installed in Marshbrook Way, Muxton. It is currently waiting for permission from Prysmian to install the second in other locations around the Parish.

Brands Meadow, Muxton

The Parish will be purchasing a new Invicta Bin, to be located at Brands Meadow Play area, Muxton to replace the previously damaged Bin at that location.



Soldiers Bench Seat

Two Soldiers Benches have recently been purchased. One has been installed at the bus stop near to the War Memorial on Winifred's Drive, Donnington and one is to be installed in Muxton at a location yet to be confirmed. Two recycled plastic benches have also been purchased one to go on Donnington Recreation Ground and one between the entrance to Donnington Medical Practice and the "four ways" junction. Councillors Mrs E A Clare,



and C Mason have purchased the benches through Telford & Wrekin Council's Borough Councillor Ward Fund and the Parish Council has purchased Soldiers Bench for Muxton.

Donnington & Muxton Community Library

As of February 27th 2017, Donnington and Muxton Parish Council has taken over the running and management of the Library. Renovations took place to move the Parish Office into the Library and, as of April 2017, the Library re-opened to the public. The following times are applicable:

Monday 9am —5 pm Tuesday 9am —9 pm Wednesday 9am—5pm Thursday 9am — 3pm Friday 9am—1pm Weekends — CLOSED

In December 2017, the Parish Council acquired new bookshelves and had a much needed makeover, including a new outside sign and a children's area where families can come and spend time together. Taking on the Library has been a huge success, much of that owed to the many volunteers that have given their

time and energy to the community. On behalf of the Councillors and Staff at Donnington and Muxton Council we really would like to say a big thank you to all that have volunteered and continue to volunteer. We really do appreciate your hard work and willing



spirit. If anyone would like to Volunteer you will be warmly welcome and much appreciated. Please contact the Clerk for more information.

Donnington Community Hubb

Donnington Community Hub, formally the Lifelong Learning Centre, is on St Matthews Road, Donnington. It is the home of Donnington Wood Community Café, which is open weekdays from 8:30am to 3pm. The Community Hub has rooms for hire for meetings, training courses and parties. The Hub also has lots of courses and training activities taking place and has the Telford & Wrekin community Learning Team at the Centre. Please feel free to pop in for a chat or ring Clare on 383605, Or visit https://www.facebook.com/DCHTelford/ to find out the latest activities.

December 8^{th} 9:30am-11:30am Santa will be calling in to have breakfast with the little ones. It will be £3.00

which includes a small gift and breakfast with Father Christmas. This is late off the press and will be advertised shortly on our Facebook page. You need to book places as they are limited.



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Armistice Day—November 11th 2018



LEST WE FORGET

One Hundred years since the Armistice was signed and The Great War ended, members of the Parish came together to remember those who gave their lives so that we may live.



"In Flanders Fields crimson flowers grow They are called poppies, row by row Soldiers fight til they're dead Delicate poppies cherry red

Soldiers fight because they're brave
Then they're buried in their grave
They can grow big and small
They can grow for us all" by Robert Year 2

"It could make a glass eye shed tears " - A response by one of the Parish Councillors when 6 year old Robert Dobson, a student at St Matthew's CE School, read aloud his poem above to all who attended Remembrance Day in Donnington.

Thank you so much for your beautiful words and bravery on sharing it with us.



The Councillors would especially like to thank the sea cadets for their poppy collage which has been displayed in the entrance hall of Turreff Hall and greatly admired by all who visit.



How lovely it was to see so many come to commemorate this solemn occasion.
Councillors would like to thank Rev Paula Smith, St Matthew's Church, for giving the touching service, along with all others involved who added greatly to this special time.

PARISH COUNCILLORS

DONNINGTON WEST WARD Elizabeth Clare

Elizabeth Clare David Hayward James Lavery Clive Mason John Thompson

DONNINGTON EAST WARD

Rose Gregory

MUXTON WARD

Lisa Dugmore Nigel Dugmore Adrian Lawrence Philip Loughlin Victor Rainsford

THE HUMBERS WARD

Leslie Edwards Martyn Edwards

PACT Meetings

It is with regret that we have to inform you that the Police and Communities Together meetings in Muxton will no longer be held. If you have a matter that you think the Police should deal with then please phone 101 and report the issue. If you have a matter relating to Telford & Wrekin Council such as potholes etc then please report the matter to it via telephone, email or via its website/My Telford. If the matter relates to the Parish Council then please contact your local Parish Councillor and/or the Clerk on 01952 608001.

Office Opening Times

The Parish Council offices will be open at the following times:

Monday 9am—3pm Tuesday 9am—3pm Wednesday 9am-3pm Thursday 9am—3pm Friday 9am-1pm

The office will be closed on weekends.

Parish Council Website

Information about the Parish Council can be found on its website

www.donningtonmuxtonpc.org



Find us on Facebook

Dates of Council Meetings.

12th December 2018 at St John's Church, Muxton

4th January 2019 at Turreff Hall, Donnington

13th February 2019 at St John's Church, Muxton

11th March 2019 at Turreff Hall, Donnington

8th April 2019 at Donnington Community Hubb

13th May 2019 Annual Parishioners Meeting at Turreff Hall, Donnington

13th May 2019 Annual Council Meeting at Turreff Hall, Donnington. (This will take place immediately after the Annual Parishioners Meeting).

N.B. All meetings will commence at 7pm unless otherwise stated and are open to the public and press.

Planning Committee Meetings are called as and when required and notified separately.

Find the agendas for these meetings on our website 5 days before the meeting.

Chairman 2018/2019

Councillor Martyn Edwards was reelected as Chairman to the Parish Council at the Annual Council Meeting held on 14th May 2018. He



is married with three grown up children and is a qualified accountant currently working with a steel company.

Christmas Closing Dates

Turreff Hall

Closed due to resealing of the Hall floor from 17th December 2018 and re-opens on 2nd January 2019

Donnington and Muxton Community Library

Closed from 22nd December 2018 to 2nd January 2019

Parish Office

Closed from 25th December 2018 to 2nd January 2019

Working Lunch

Working lunches are held every two months at Turreff Hall, Donnington. The aim is to enable representatives from other partner organisations to meet each other, share information and help each other with local issues or events. To date, they have been extremely useful and well attended. The date of the

next working lunch is <u>Thursday 24th January 2019</u> commencing at 12 noon. If you wish the Clerk to raise some issues at the meeting on your behalf then please contact him.

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