

## **NEWSLETTER**



### **COMMEMORATING COUNCILLOR LIZ CLARE**

**A fair-minded, dedicated,  
passionate, fearless lioness  
who will be sadly missed  
within the community**

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council is saddened to announce that one of its longest-serving Councillors, Mrs Elizabeth Clare, passed away peacefully on the morning of Saturday 4th January

Liz became a Councillor in May 1979 and has represented Donnington not only as a Parish Councillor but also as a Borough Councillor.

She also served as a Governor for local schools.

Liz constantly fought to get the best for the residents of Donnington and was completely dedicated to her responsibilities as a Councillor representing her electorate.

Her participation in debates at Parish Council meetings, where she pulled no punches, will be greatly missed.

Donnington and Muxton Council along with Telford & Wrekin Council will each match the £1000.00 made in donations at Liz's Funeral and donate it equally between the Youth Groups in Donnington in remembrance of Liz, who set up the first Youth Council in the Donnington Area.

Donnington and Muxton Library will be renamed  
**"The Liz Clare Library"**

The Council will purchase a memorial bench to be situated on the land opposite where she lived near the junction of Oakengates Road and Furnace Lane, Donnington, and plant daffodils at this location.

Donnington Partnership is planning on creating a memorial for Liz at the Orchard, Barclay Gardens.

**Our thoughts and deepest sympathy go out to her family  
and friends at this sad time**



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#### **SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST**

- Local Council Award Scheme
- Dates for Diary
- Armed Forces Covenant
- Bi-Election
- Neighbourhood Plan Update
- Wildflower Beds



## VE DAY— 75TH ANNIVERSARY

A day of fun for all the family to celebrate the day peace arrived in Europe following WW2.

### 1940's Performers

Vintage Fair

1940's Tearoom

Climbing Wall

Assault Course

Bouncy Castle

Bucking Bull

Delicious Food & Drink

*\*1940's costumes welcomed and encouraged!!\**

Come and join the fun on

**Saturday the 9th of May 2020, 12-5pm at Broadoaks Field** (also known as the Esso field)

in Donnington, Telford.

## ARMED FORCES COVENANT

The Parish Council has agreed to sign up to the Armed Forces Covenant, which means it will not discriminate against, or cause disadvantage to service personnel, veterans or their families.

It is now working toward the Armed Forces Covenant bronze award to demonstrate its support to the armed forces.

## FIRST AID STAFF TRAINING

On 13th December 2019, Katie, The Assistant Clerk and Holly, The Community Events Officer completed their three day First Aid At Work Course.



The Parish Council would again like to say a big thank you to Heys First Aid for all the training and assistance they give within the Parish, and to their trainer Nikki Scott, for such an excellent course

## CASUAL VACANCIES NOTICE



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### **NOTICE UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 (Section 87(2))**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a casual vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor for the **Donnington West Ward** following the passing from office on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2020 of Councillor Mrs E A Clare.

Rule 5(2) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules, 2006 now applies.

The rule allows TEN ELECTORS for the parish in which the casual vacancy has arisen to request the Returning Officer to hold an election to fill the vacancy.\* That request must be made within FOURTEEN DAYS, calculated in accordance with the rules,\*\* of the date of this notice. The fourteen-day period ends on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

If a request to hold an election is not received by 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Rule 5(5) of the above Rules will apply. The Parish Council must, as soon as practicable after the expiry of the fourteen-day period, co-opt a person to fill the vacancy.

**The Returning Officer's address is Electoral Services Office, Telford and Wrekin Council, Addenbrooke House, Ironmasters Way, Telford, TF3 4NT and his telephone number for further guidance is (01952) 383210.**

This notice is dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

Ralph L Morgan  
Clerk to the Parish Council

\* There is no form of words for this request, which might simply be a letter headed with such words as "We the undersigned being electors for Donnington and Muxton Parish Council, call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the passing of Cllr Mrs E A Clare". It is helpful if the ten signatures are accompanied by printed names and addresses.

\*\* In calculating the notice period, day one is the day following the date of this notice; a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a Bank Holiday or day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning shall be disregarded, and the period closes at midnight on the fourteenth day after the date of this notice.

### **DATES FOR DIARY**

#### **VETERAN DROP IN SESSION**

THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY 2020

TURREFF HALL

12:00 NOON—4: 00 PM

#### **NOTICE OF VACANCY BI - ELECTION**

THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL  
2020

TURREFF HALL

7:00 AM —10:00 PM

#### **VE DAY**

SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
2020

BROADOAKS FIELD

12:00 NOON—5: 00 PM

#### **PROSTATE CANCER SCHEME**

MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup>  
OCTOBER 2020

TURREFF HALL

TIME—TBC

**ELECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2020 AT TURREFF HALL BETWEEN 7.00AM—10.00 PM**



## BULB PLANTING—SOLDIERS BENCH, MARSHBROOK WAY, MUXTON

The Parish Council would like to thank Phil Haigh , Mark Seabury , and all at Idverde for their efforts in organising and planting the daffodil bulbs by the Soldiers Bench, Muxton.



## WILDFLOWER BEDS

Idverde is in the process of ordering the seed for the wildflower beds opposite Muxton Primary School. The Ground preparation needs to start 5 weeks before the seed is sown and is likely to start within the next 2 weeks.

## DONNINGTON AND MUXTON PARISH COUNCIL AWARDED THE “LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME—QUALITY”

We are delighted to announce that NALC accreditation panel agreed, at our application meeting on Tuesday 14th January 2020, to award this Council with the Quality Level of the Local Council Award Scheme.

It has been confirmed that we are the only Parish/Town Council in Telford to have achieved this status.

With this in mind The Parish Council would like to thank Ralph, Kate and Holly for their efforts towards achieving this award.

There will be a formal presentation of the certificate at a later Council meeting which is to be confirmed.

The Parish Council is now working hard to achieve **GOLD** Status.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The Parish Council has received 13 responses to the document distributed with mostly positive comments.

There were 7 from 94 official organisations, such as Telford & Wrekin Council, the Coal Authority etc, and 6 responses from the residents within the community.

There will be a meeting to discuss the responses and the suggestions/comments.

## 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

**Thursday 23rd April 2019** commencing at **12 noon**.

If you wish the Clerk to raise some issues at the meeting on your behalf then please contact him.

## **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The Parish Council has, so far this financial year, awarded grants, totalling £2700.00 to:

Donnington Community Hubb

Crucial Crew

Age Concern

Age UK

Telford Visually Impaired Group

The Job Box

Wrekin Housing Trust

Breton Park Residents Association

Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club

*Information about the Parish Council can be found on its website  
[www.donningtonmuxtonpc.org](http://www.donningtonmuxtonpc.org)*

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

All meetings will commence at 7:00pm unless otherwise stated and are open to the public and press.

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

The agenda's for all meetings will be on our website 5 days before the meeting...

## PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE CONTACTS

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## **COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

**10th Feb 2020**  
Turreff Hall, Donnington

**9th March 2020**  
Turreff Hall, Donnington

**6th April 2020**  
Donnington Community Hubb

**11th May 2020**  
Turreff Hall, Donnington

## **PARISH COUNCILLORS**

### **DONNINGTON WEST WARD**

RICHARD OVERTON

JAMES LAVERY

CLIVE MASON

JOHN THOMPSON

### **DONNINGTON EAST WARD**

FIONA DORAN

### **MUXTON WARD**

LISA DUGMORE

NIGEL DUGMORE

ADRIAN LAWRENCE

PHILIP LOUGHLIN

MARK STOKES

### **THE HUMBERS WARD**

JAMES GOUGH

MARTYN EDWARDS

## **PARISH CHAIRMAN— PHILIP LOUGHLIN**



Philip moved to Telford from Leicester with his wife Theresa in 1988 and since 2000 they have lived in Muxton.

Having studied Electronic Engineering at Leicester Polytechnic in 1984, Philip went on to study for a Business Enterprise BA honours at the University of Wolverhampton in 1994 followed by an MBA from the Warwick Business School in 2006.

An avid and passionate motorcyclist, Philip is a member of the Shropshire Advanced Motorcycle group and is training to be a Blood Biker for the Shropshire area. Philip is also involved in a number of motorcycle charitable activities including the annual Bike4Life festival held each April that raises funds for the Shropshire Air Ambulance and more recently becoming involved in the Bikers Against Child Abuse charity BACA.

Philip has been working in the Computing, IT Software and Services industry for over 30 years taking him on many assignments across the UK, Northern European and Nordic regions as well as the USA.

Since May 2014, Philip has successfully led the Muxton community in campaigning against the over-development of Muxton, overseeing the development of the Muxton Neighbourhood Plan that will help protect the edge of village open green spaces for generations to come.

### **PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES**

**THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE WILL BE OPEN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:**

**MONDAY 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**TUESDAY 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**THURSDAY 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**FRIDAY 9:00 AM—1:00 PM**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEEKENDS**

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