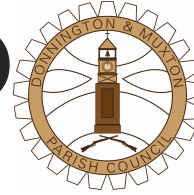


# PARISH POST



## LOCAL ELECTIONS 2023

Local Elections will take place on 4th May 2023  
Scan the QR code below or visit  
<https://www.telford.gov.uk/info/20107/elections>  
to find out all you need to know on how to vote,  
when to vote, and what you need to vote.

Thinking of making a difference and becoming a  
Councillor? Contact  
[nominations2023@telford.gov.uk](mailto:nominations2023@telford.gov.uk) or speak to  
the Parish Clerk for more information.

*Scan here*



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or call 0800 328 0280



**SUPPORTING  
SCHOOLS**

Donnington & Muxton Parish Council has paid for St Matthew's Primary School to have their bandstand replaced after it was condemned. The Parish Council funded the project after hearing that the school had to stop using its much-loved bandstand.

The Parish Chairman was delighted and stated that "the children at St Matthew's can now enjoy the space again".

Headteacher of St Matthew's Primary Kate Clark added:

"At St Matthew's we are delighted to have received the support of £6000 from the Parish Council so we could replace our tired condemned wooden outdoor stage with a wonderful new composite stage which should outlive us all."

"The children were so excited to see it reinstalled on our school field and are very much looking forward to utilising it in the summer months ahead."

They also would like to send their heartfelt thanks to Parish Council, and all Councillors involved for ensuring their playtime continue to be fun!

**PARISH COUNCIL  
SUPPORTS KIDS DAY  
OUT**

Through the Parish Council's grants scheme, we have been able to support many local initiatives.

One that we are very proud to support is the provisions for young people in the local area. Last year we were able to work with Donnington & Muxton Youth Club to secure annual funding for their youth provisions, and in February 2023, it funded their day out to Twycross Zoo.

Donnington & Muxton Youth Club posted on Facebook...

"Big thank you to Donnington & Muxton Parish Council for funding the trip to the Zoo today. Thank you to Telford & Wrekin Council for the funding for the packed lunches through the healthy holiday scheme.

Also, a big thank you to the volunteer leaders and helpers from Donnington and Muxton Youth Club for organising and managing the trip today, including trustees and staff from the Partnership. A good team effort.

Thanks to Twycross Zoo for their support and making us all welcome.

Hope everyone had fun."





WHAT'S  
ON



2023  
EVENTS

MAY

**KING'S CORONATION**  
The Parish Council will be holding a family friendly event for the King's Coronation in May. We're open to ideas so please get in touch - **13th May 2023**

JUN

**PARISH MEETING**  
All local residents are invited to an open even to meet local services and hear about what the parish council has been doing for them. **8th June 2023**

JUL

**LLANDUDNO TRIP**  
This will be our second year of the Wales trip for over 60's. This year we'll have more coaches and pickups in Donnington and Muxton - **20th July 2023**

OCT

**WORLD FOOD DAY**  
Celebrate the foods of the would right here in your own community. Bringing our local cultures together to showcase the food of their country - **16th Oct 2023**

NOV

**CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL**  
The Festival will be a bash as always, but this year we're looking to do it bigger than ever before, your ideas are welcome - **25th November 2023**

DEC

**CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
Our annual over 65's Christmas Dinner will be on again across two days at Casey's. Get your name in early to reserve a ticket - **4th and 5th December 2023**

FIND OUT MORE: [WWW.DONNINGTONMUXTONPC.ORG](http://WWW.DONNINGTONMUXTONPC.ORG)



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Come to our funded workshop to find out  
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CLUB

3rd Wednesday of the month  
starting 15th Feb 1:15pm to  
3pm  
Donnington Library

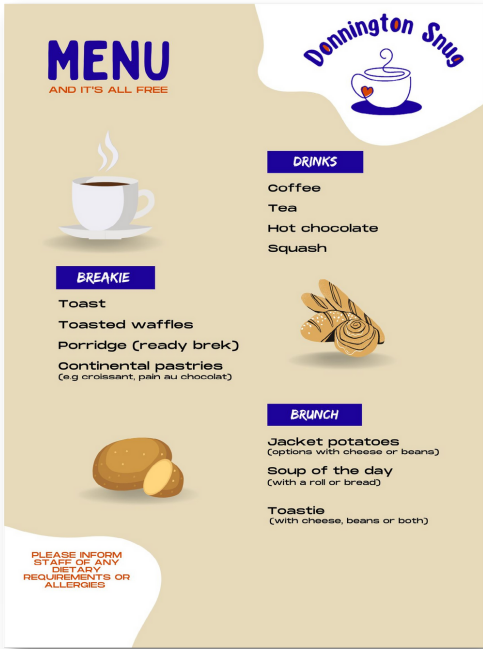
Refreshments available in a  
comfy space.

Phone 07948094272 for  
further information





Come and enjoy our warm space at Donnington Snug. The Snug offers **free** meals and drinks to all and the service is run by helpful volunteers from within our community.



This initiative was set up by Donnington & Muxton Parish Council in 2022, and runs weekly at the former Children's Center building, located on the site of Donnington Wood Infant School & Nursery. Anyone wanting to pop along for a cuppa with their friends or family are welcome every Friday of the year 08:30am to 1:30pm. There is a Donnington Snug Facebook page you can follow for any information on unexpected closures, the menu, volunteer shout outs etc. The Chairman of Donnington & Muxton Parish Council, Councillor Thomas Hoof said "I am grateful to our team at the Parish Council for setting up this much needed initiative so quickly and to the volunteers who have been vital to its success. The idea of this community café is to bring people together, help tackle the cost of living problems that we're all facing and at the same time support community led, positive projects to get off the ground".



## LLANDUDNO TRIP

The Parish Council is pleased to announce it's annual "Over 60's" seaside trip to Llandudno is booked. Tickets will be available at Turreff Hall from **1st June 2023**



# HIRE TURREFF HALL

We have rooms available for a host of needs at Turreff Hall. We currently only take direct bookings but we are looking into an online booking service. Our venues are suitable for meetings, societies and clubs, training and workshops, corporate events, exhibitions, baby groups, ceremonies, sports and fitness, parties and theater productions. Venues are bookable by the hour.

We are able to accommodate long term bookings and have very competitive prices with concessionary rates available. Please enquire by contacting us at on 01952 608001 or email us at [enquiries@donningtonmuxtonpc.org](mailto:enquiries@donningtonmuxtonpc.org)



## PRICE LIST TURREFF HALL

### Hourly Hire

	Monday – Saturday	Sunday
Concessionary Rate	£6.50 / Hour	£8.50 / Hour
Normal Rate	£14.00 / Hour	£18.00 / Hour
Meeting Rooms	£10.00 / Hour	£14.00 / Hour

### Party Hire

Hourly Rate until 7:00pm	£14.00 / Hour	£18.00 / Hour
Between 7:00pm - 11:00pm	£22.00 / Hour	£27.00 / Hour

### Additional Costs

Bar Requirement	£50.00
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Turreff Hall is NOT licensed to sell alcohol, therefore, no charges can be made for alcohol other than through a licensed bar on the premises.

Surety Deposit	£100.00	£25.00 Children's Parties
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Refundable on the condition that no damage is deemed to have occurred within the building and in the immediate location of Turreff Hall, and that the hall is left in the condition in which it was found.

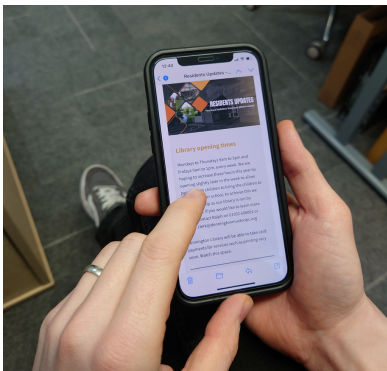
## PARISH CLERK RAISES MONEY FOR CHARITY

A big 'congratulations' goes to our Parish Clerk, Ralph Morgan, for raising £400 for the Alzheimer's Society.

The Challenge was to complete a plank for 6 minutes by the end of January. This involved doing a daily plank, working up to the ultimate 6 minute plank hold, which he completed, with an extra 5 seconds, on 31st January 2023







## REDUCE PRINTING & STAY CONNECTED

Sign up to our new Community Directory and stay in touch with us!

We've set up a new way of keeping in touch with our residents. All we need is your email address and some details to confirm what you want to receive from us.

You can sign up at Donnington Library, emailing [events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org](mailto:events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org), or by visiting our website and social media where you will find links to sign up.

## CAN YOU VOLUNTEER?

Together, with funding from the Safer and Stronger Team at Telford & Wrekin Council, the Parish Council is looking at the possibility of setting up a youth provision for young adults (aged 16–19) at Turreff Hall in Donnington.

It aims to offer a space where students can come and feel safe and comfortable outside of sixth-form/college hours.

Library computers would be available for use along with light refreshments, quiet areas for reading or relaxing, table tennis, chess and much more.

In order to achieve this the Parish Council is on the lookout for at least two volunteers to help us.



### RECRUITING VOLUNTEER YOUTH WORKERS

Help us offer a warm, quiet space for young adults after sixth-form/college and give them space to relax or catch up on some extra study.

Service will run on  
**TUESDAYS  
OR  
THURSDAY**  
4-5.30pm

Contact Us  
**01952 608001**

**ENQUIRE NOW**

If this is something you are interested in and want to find out more, please get in touch with our Events and Engagement Officer on 01952 608001 or email: [events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org](mailto:events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org)

## WE NEED LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

### Volunteer Librarians Wanted

At Donnington  
Library

A great opportunity for anyone with a keen interest in books, meeting new people and supporting their community.

You'll learn new skills and develop the skills you already have.

The role involved meeting and greeting people, assisting with taking books out and booking them back in, shelf management and computer support.

Enquire today at: [enquiries@donningtonmuxtonpc.org](mailto:enquiries@donningtonmuxtonpc.org) or call Ralph on 01952 608001





HeForShe, initiated by UN Women, invites people around the world to stand together to create a bold, visible and united force for gender equality. HeForShe seeks to engage men to join women to work together to achieve true gender equality.

The international movement is supported by more than two million people, including world leaders, heads of state and global CEOs and celebrities. Everyone benefits from true gender equality, which is not just a women's issue.

The police service plays a unique role in addressing domestic abuse and sexual violence, and the link between this type of crime and gender inequality within our communities is well documented. Each force has expressly committed to improving gender imbalances at senior levels in policing, and to continue to work towards communities free from domestic and sexual abuse.

West Mercia Police, along with every police force in the UK, has made the following HeForShe commitments:

- To address the proportionate under-representation of women at senior levels (Chief Inspector and above) within the force
- To continue to work to combat domestic abuse and sexual abuse in society to create communities free from such abuse
- To support the annual reporting of gender equality information.

Through our HeForShe commitments, West Mercia Police is seeking to address the culture within the organisation to challenge attitudes and behaviour in order to improve our service to victims of gender-based violence, while also promoting the benefits of a gender-equal workplace for all of our employees.

#IWD2023 #EmbraceEquity.



## Meet your safer neighbourhood team

We are a dedicated group of police officers and police community support officers (PCSOs) who work with local communities and partner organisations to keep our residents, businesses and visitors safe and to prevent crime and tackle anti-social behaviour in your locality.

Officers can be contacted on the below numbers concerning community issues. To report a crime in progress call 999 and for non emergencies, report online at [www.westmercia.police.uk/report](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/report). If you are unable to report online, you can contact us via the 101 non-emergency number.



**St Georges, Priorslee and Muxton**  
sgp.snt@westmercia.police.uk

PC James Fox 07866 215068	PCSO Wayne Jarvis 07816 220759	PCSO Merrick Liston 07817 888343
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**Ketley and Oakengates**  
ketleyandoakengates.snt@westmercia.police.uk

PC Nigel Barnsley 07811 758596	PCSO Susan Tindale 07816 228914	PCSO Shell Williams 07811 758319
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**Newport**  
newport.snt@westmercia.police.uk

PC Rich Edward 07811 758170	PCSO Ivan Collumbell 07817 941151	PCSO Andy Hudson 07816 228800	PCSO Kristin Wills 07814 055194
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**Donnington and Trench**  
wwtd.snt@westmercia.police.uk

PC Rob Hughes 07870 168228	PCSO John Bowen 07816 228574	PCSO Rich Harrison 07816 229067
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The Neighbourhood Matters messaging system enables residents, businesses and community groups to keep in touch with local policing teams.

We encourage residents to sign up to Neighbourhood Matters in order to receive up to date police matters within your area.



Scan the QR code to sign up now, free of charge, to receive regular updates and to have "YOUR SAY" on local issues.

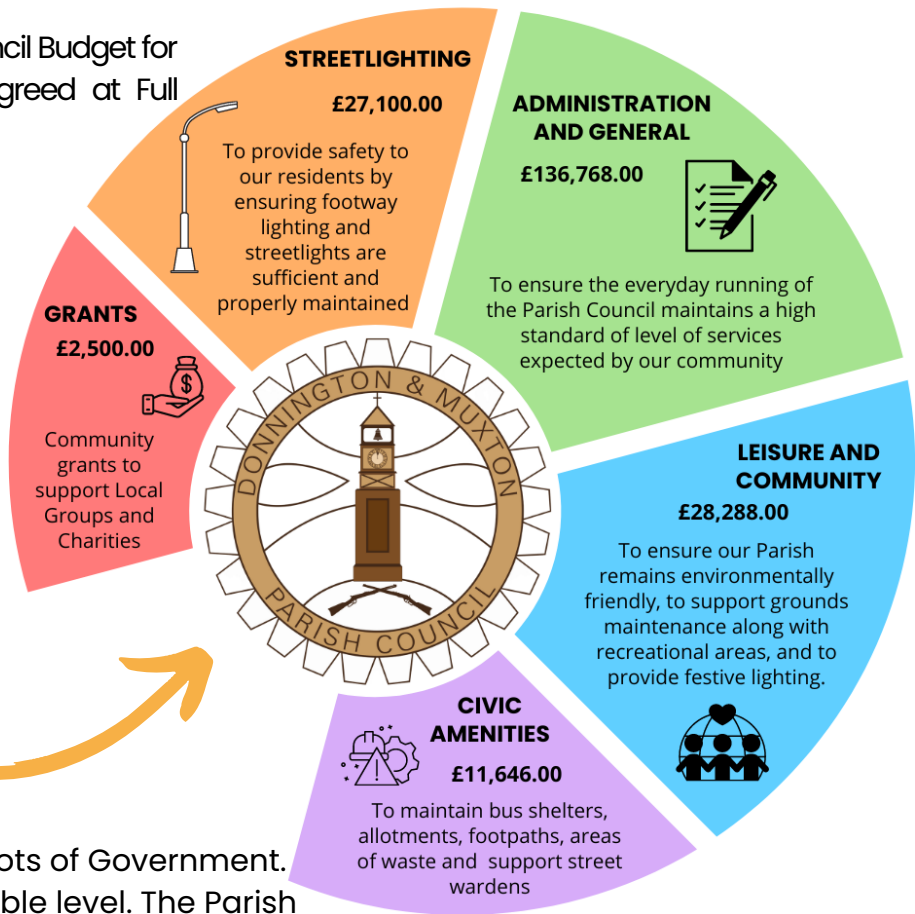


# PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council Budget for the 2023-24 financial year was agreed at Full Council on 12th December 2022

The Parish Precept totals £206,302, a 0% increase on last year. This is based on the average Band D equivalent of 3872.5 houses within the Parish. This works out at an average per household of £53.26/yr (Band D)

Here's how the Budget is made up



Parish Councils are the grass roots of Government. The first, most local and accessible level. The Parish Precept, or budget, enables us to successfully carry out its' overall responsibility - the well-being of **YOU!**, the local community. What would you like to see more of in the Parish? ... Have your say at the local Annual Parish Meeting at Turreff Hall on 8th June 2023.

LOCAL PLANNING

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

ALLOTMENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE

PUBLIC TOILETS

FOOTPATHS

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

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TRIPS & ENTERTAINMENT

DEFIBRILLATORS

GRANT FUNDING

GRASS/HEDGE-CUTTING

STREETLIGHTING

FESTIVALS

SID's

LITTER BINS

FIRST AID TRAINING

COMMUNITY HALL

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

GRIT BINS

YOUTH COUNCIL

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

On 4th May, Donnington & Muxton will go the polls to elect their new Parish and Borough Councillors, so by the time it's next newsletter comes round, you may have new Councillors. The Local Boundary Commission for England also finalised the boundary changes to the Borough Council wards, notably moving Donnington Wood from the Muxton ward to the Donnington Ward. More information on the changes can be found at [lgbce.org.uk](http://lgbce.org.uk).



**Parish Chairman  
Thomas Hoof**

This will be my last update in the newsletter before the elections, and I want to thank all the residents I have met over the last two years of being Chairman of the Parish – it has been a pleasure!

Since the last newsletter, the Council has continued to support local organisations through its grant scheme and importantly re-opened Turreff Hall for general use since the closing of the vaccination center. The hall has been filling up quickly with bookings from self-defense classes to dance classes! More information on what is available at the hall will be included in future editions of this newsletter. The Parish Council also agreed to hold a King's Coronation event and more information will be available in the next few weeks!

One of the big schemes the Parish Council have been supporting is the "Donnington Snug" which has been providing warm meals to residents from the kitchen at Donnington Wood Infant school. I would like to personally thank volunteers Chris & Wendy who have done an amazing job of running Donnington Snug.

As always, I am free to meet or talk to any resident in the Parish about any matter that the Parish Council or I can help with.

### THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN:

MONDAYS – THURSDAYS 9AM – 3PM  
FRIDAYS 9AM – 1PM

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL  
BE CLOSED AT WEEKENDS**

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE PARISH  
COUNCIL CAN BE FOUND  
ON ITS' WEBSITE:**

[www.donningtonandmuxtonpc.org](http://www.donningtonandmuxtonpc.org)

**TURREFF HALL  
TURREFF AVENUE  
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## YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLORS



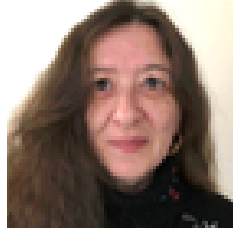
**Cllr Thomas Hoof**  
**Chairman of the Council**  
Donnington West Ward



**Cllr Lisa Dugmore**  
**Vice Chair of the Council**  
Muxton Ward



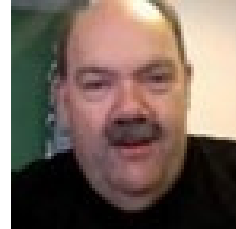
**Cllr Iain Alexander**  
Muxton Ward



**Cllr Fiona Doran**  
Donnington East Ward



**Cllr Nigel Dugmore**  
Muxton Ward



**Cllr Martyn Edwards**  
The Humbers Ward



**Cllr Jay Gough**  
The Humbers Ward



**Cllr Adrian Lawrence**  
Muxton Ward



**Cllr James Lavery**  
Donnington West Ward



**Cllr Richard Overton**  
Donnington West Ward



**Cllr Michael Rowe**  
Donnington West Ward



**Cllr John Thompson**  
Donnington West Ward



**Cllr Jenny Urey**  
Muxton Ward

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# CORONATION FAIR



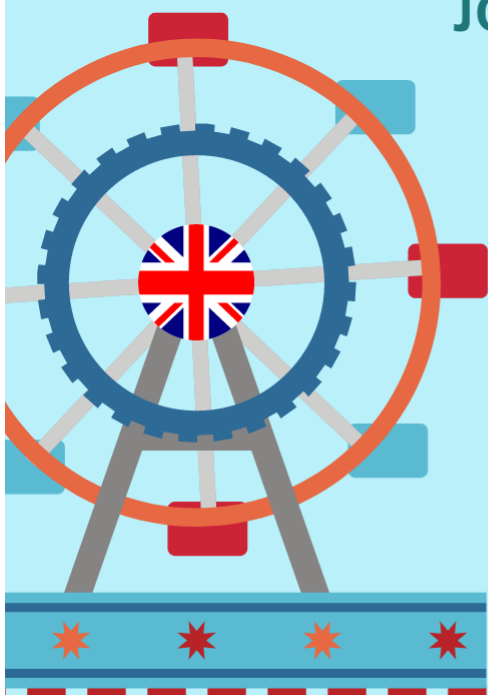
**Saturday 13th May**  
**11:30am to 4pm**

BROAD OAKS FIELDS, DONNINGTON

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- and much more!



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