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LOCAL ELECTIONS 2023

Local Elections took place on 4th May 2023.

3 New Councillors were elected on to Donnington and Muxton Parish Council :

- Councillor Robin Coates - Donnington East Ward
- Councillor Zoe Harrison - Donnington West Ward
- Councillor Ollie Vickers - Donnington West Ward

No Councillor was elected for The Humbers Ward so a Co-option was required, resulting in Councillor Michael Rowe being elected by Council at Full Council meeting on 15th June.

At the Annual Parish Council Meeting, held in May, Councillor Iain Alexander was elected Chairman and Councillor Fiona Doran elected as Vice-Chair.

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The Parish Council would like to express their thanks to all previous councillors, who gave their time and energy supporting the local community.



In April 2023, Donnington and Muxton Parish Council achieved the LCAS Quality **Gold** Award.

It received a letter of congratulations from the Chairman of NALC, expressing thanks to the Council and its' staff for the hard work, its service to the community and the support of the Local Council Award Scheme.

A letter was also received from Mark Pritchard, MP for The Wrekin, sending his congratulations to the Clerk and all members of Donnington and Muxton Parish Council. He said ...

"The awards are hard-earned recognition of the dedication shown by the Parish Council to the local community. I wish the Parish Council every success in its continuing efforts to improve its service to the people of Donnington and Muxton..."

The Clerk to the Parish Council, Ralph Morgan, made the following statement :

"Donnington and Muxton Parish Council first achieved the Foundation Level of the Local Council Award Scheme back in 2015, one year after the scheme was created. The Council felt the scheme was a perfect way to demonstrate to its residents that it met the requirements for operating lawfully and according to standard practice.

Every four years you have to apply for re-accreditation, so in 2019, this Council decided it would apply for the next level, the Quality Level, of LCAS. Evidence was required to meet the Foundation Level and satisfy the criteria for Quality Level.

With 2023 fast approaching, the staff were challenged by the then Chairman, Councillor T Hoof to apply for the Gold Level. There was a lot more work involved in achieving this and this Council was able to demonstrate its new innovations created for the community...

Achieving Gold Level demonstrates that this council is at the forefront of best practice and achieves excellence in governance, community leadership and council development. It was an extremely proud moment for Councillors and staff to be awarded the Gold Level, but this council cannot rest and must continue improving and increasing its responsibility to its residents."



Councillor Rosemary Abbiss, Vice-President of SALC presented the Gold Award Certificate to Chairman, Councillor Iain Alexander, at the June 15th Full Council meeting.

Pictured left to right:

CLlr Rosemary Abbiss, Vice President of SALC,

CLlr Iain Alexander, Chairman,

Katie Eshelby, Assistant Clerk, and Ralph Morgan, Clerk

CELEBRATING THE KING'S CORONATION



Pictured Above: Casey's on Tour



Pictured left to right: Nicola Casey, Former Vice-Chair, Cllr Lisa Dugmore, Former Chairman, Cllr Tom Hoof, Deputy Lieutenant of Shropshire, Major Samatha Brettell, and Cathy Rawlings.

The Parish Council would like to say a big thank you to all who made The Coronation event such a success.

The stalls were fantastic, the entertainment top notch, and the rides were so much fun. A special thanks goes to Casey's on Tour, Timmy T Events and Dobsons Wheels and Events, along with Clearview Security and Heys First Aid.

A big shout out too to Janet Middleton from Janet Middleton Solicitors, Donnington, for her contribution toward the Coronation Event!



The "King's lost His Crown" colouring activity for the King's Coronation went down so well, all the entries were displayed in the windows of Donnington Community Library.

Well done to all those who took part, what a fabulous set of crowns we had!!

A Coronation Plaque along with a newly planted tree at Breton Park were unveiled on 7th May by Councillor Nigel Dugmore, funded by his Borough Ward Fund.

Breton Park stated they were delighted to have the support and friendship of Donnington and Muxton Parish Council.

Pictured left to right: Cllr Jenny Urey, Cllr Iain Alexander, Cllr Nigel Dugmore, Cllr Lisa Dugmore



LLANDUDNO TRIP

The Parish Council is thrilled at the response it has had for the annual Llandudno seaside trip!

For all those attending, please read the terms and conditions carefully, and be at the pick up locations in plenty of time for a prompt departure.

Don't forget to bring your tickets.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Happy Travelling!!!





OVER 60s

SUMMER SEASIDE TRIP TO WALES

THURSDAY 20TH JULY 2023
LLANDUDNO



£3.00
DEPOSIT
REQUIRED
AND
RETURNED ON
THE DAY

FOR
RESIDENTS IN
THE PARISH OF
DONNINGTON
AND MUXTON

Tickets Available for collection
at Donnington Library

FROM THURSDAY 1ST JUNE 2023
9:00AM - 15:00PM
MONDAY - THURSDAY
9:00AM - 13:00PM
FRIDAYS

Pick up Location	Departure Location
St John's Church, Muxton 8:00am for 8:15am set off	Llandudno Prom 4:30pm
Turreff Hall, Donnington, 8:30am for 8:45am set off	Arrive back in Telford 7:30pm approx.
Arrive at Llandudno Prom 11:30am	



Terms and Conditions

- This ticket admits only one person.
- Deposits will be returned in person on the day along with a £7 subsidy from the Parish Council.
- Deposits will be returned in the event the trip is cancelled or postponed.
- Deposits will not be returned if you are not present on the trip.
- You are only permitted to board the coach that matches the coach number on this ticket.
- Contact for the Parish Council on the day is: 07724 601235.
- Cars can be left at St John's Church and Turreff Hall, however we advise you to avoid doing this and walk/car share or be dropped off where possible.

The Small Print

Please make your way back to the return coach promptly. Any party not present at 4:30pm for the return journey will have to make their own way back at NO cost to this Parish Council.

SAFETY TRAINED STAFF

In April 2023, the Assistant Clerk and Events Officer completed their Level 3 First Aid at Work.

The course enables learners to :

- Gain the knowledge and skills to provide first aid in a work setting.
- Assess and manage a range of first aid emergencies.
- Apply first aid principles and techniques in a safe and effective manner.

First aid is important at work because it can help to save lives and prevent injuries from getting worse. It creates a safer workplace, reduces the financial costs of workplace accidents, and increases employee morale.

The Parish Council and staff would like to thank [Staffordshire First Aid Training/Safe Haven Training](#) for the course provided and their instructor, Dave, who passed on a wealth of knowledge with his years of experience.

The training doesn't end there...

Council approved The Assistant Clerk and Events Officer at May 15th Full Council meeting to attend and complete training for the First Responder Emergency Care (FREC3) qualification in September 2023 with Heys First Aid Training.

This will mean additional first aid care, and will enable the Parish Council to be completely self-sufficient in the case of events and festivals, reducing overall costs.



Staff in action on their RQF course

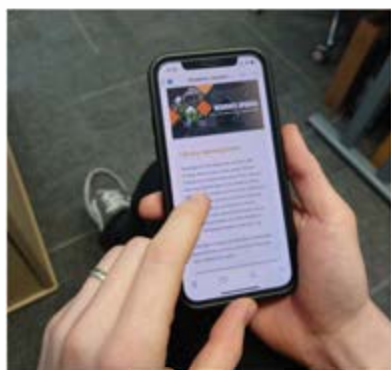
The Parish Council have purchased a new Defibrillator (AED) which is located at Turreff Hall.

**Roses are red, violets are blue,
defibs are lifesavers,
and you could be too**



DEFIBRILLATOR TURREFF HALL

Pictured: Chairman Cllr Iain Alexander with the newly installed defibrillator



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 or by visiting our website and social media where you will find links to sign up.

DATES FOR DIARY

2023 EVENTS



JUL

LLANDUDNO TRIP

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



OCT

INTERNATIONAL DAY

Celebrate different cultures through the foods of the world and family friendly activities - **14th Oct 2023**



NOV

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Our annual Christmas Festival aims to bring our community together for this festive period - **25th November 2023**



DEC

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Our annual over 65s 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

WHAT'S ON

Keep a look out on our Social Media pages for upcoming events, courses and activities in the Donnington and Muxton area.

Free outdoor gym sessions are coming to Donnington Recreation ground

A free 6 week digital skills course is starting on 18th July at Turreff Hall

Sight Loss Shropshire is hosting digital training for visually impaired people at Southwater Library in July

As always... our local coffee mornings are still up and running at Turreff Hall on Thursdays at 10am

Fancy a free breakfast and cuppa?
Then come along to The Snug on Fridays
8am-11am, Donnington Wood Infant School.

You don't have to be fit to do this, but you will get fit by doing it!



Outdoor gym at Donnington Recreation Ground

Mondays at 10 am, Wednesdays at 6.15pm and Saturdays at 10am

FREE

Book on a 45 minute session led by a qualified coach, email: donningtonoutdoorgym@outlook.com

- All ages
- Under 18's with parental supervision



Energize
#TogetherWeMove

"I can't go to a gym with my child, but I can exercise here... and it's free!"

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In Touch Telford Group
Tech Training for Visually Impaired People

Are you visually impaired or have a friend, family member or neighbour who lives with sight loss?
Join our free demos and training sessions on smartphones and tablets, for both Apple and Android devices:

- Use voice commands for phone calls and text messages
- Listen to messages and emails via talkback
- Navigate through webpages via audio
- Useful apps like WhatsApp, public transport apps and other daily living apps, e.g. cooking instruction

More info: www.sightlossshropshire.org.uk/tech-training
No prior experience of technology needed.
Bring your own phone or tablet or try one of ours.

UPCOMING DATES IN JULY:
Wednesday 5 July & Wednesday 19 July
11.00am – 1.00pm



WHERE:
Telford Central Library, Southwater. Free drop-in sessions.

Do you have a particular tech question?
Contact us in advance:
07778 956 096
admin@sightlossshropshire.org.uk



Sight Loss Shropshire

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GET CONNECTED



Free digital skills sessions for over 65s

Courses this year:

- Donnington 18 July 10am-12noon
- Wellington 18 July 2pm-4pm
- Ketley 3 August 1pm-3pm
- Woodside 5 September 10am-12noon
- Brookside 5 September 2pm-4pm
- Wrockwardine Wood 15 September 10am-12noon
- Admaston 17 October 10am-12noon
- Wellington 17 October 2pm-4pm
- Hadley 27 October 1pm-3pm

- Free, fun, friendly and supported by our digital champion volunteers
- Tea and coffee provided
- Bring your own smart phone or tablet device, if you have one
- Topics include emailing, online shopping and internet safety
- 6 x two hour sessions

For more information, or to book a session visit www.telford.gov.uk/getconnected, scan the QR code or call 01952 380000



Making technology accessible to all ages

WANT TO BE INVOLVED?

Would you like to
be involved in
World Food Day?

Contact us and let
us know what
culinary delights
you have in store
to present to the
local community,
celebrating
culture by way of
food!



Celebrate Cultures Together!

The Parish Council is hosting a community event in October,
celebrating different cultures in our community through food
and other fun activities

We would love to hear from people in our community of
different nationalities and particularly from those amazing
home cooks we have in the area.

If you would like to be involved, please tell us which nationality
you are and what your traditional foods are by contacting;

events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org
or by texting FOOD and your nationality to 07724 601235



Lots of books



Comfy kids corner



Computers, wifi & printing



Study and meeting space

Use your library

Turreff Hall

Turreff Avenue, Donnington, TF2 8HG

SCAN
ME!



Opening times

MON - THU
9am to 3pm

FRI
9am to 1pm

The Summer Reading challenge 2023 is here!
Come down to Donnington Library to get started...



- Go to your library this summer to join the **FREE Challenge!**
- Sign up to receive your Ready, Set, Read collector folder
- Choose books to read over the holidays
- Complete the Challenge and you will get your own certificate and medal
- At all Telford & Wrekin Libraries
- The challenge runs Saturday 15 July to Saturday 16 September



BROAD OAKS RUNNING TRACK

On Saturday 3rd June 2023, The Chairman, Councillor Iain Alexander and the Mayor of Telford & Wrekin, Councillor Arnold England, officially declared the fitness track on Broad Oaks open. Guests from Energize Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin, and Donnington Runners were also in attendance along with Councillors Fiona Doran, Zoe Harrison and Ollie Vickers.

The Parish Council secured funding through Sport England and Telford & Wrekin Council to install thermoplastic markings on the public footpath making a one mile fitness track up and down the pathway.



Pictured: Chairman Cllr Iain Alexander and Mayor, Cllr Arnold England with members of Donnington Runners – Cllr Zoe Harrision and Deb Wilding

The Chairman, Councillor Iain Alexander commented:

“With this funding secured, we’ve been able to work with local groups and trainers to offer a safe space for people to actively participate in running activities and develop their fitness skills.

Not only is the track accessible 24/7, but we’ve also worked with Donnington Runners to offer FREE training sessions to people of all levels of running ability.

We encourage people to get in touch with our trainers to find out more about how they can use these sessions and the track”.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I am grateful to the public for voting me onto the Muxton Ward of Donnington & Muxton Parish Council, and to my fellow Councillors, for electing me as Chairman of the Parish Council for the 2023/24 term.

I do not take these responsibilities lightly, and will pledge to work wholeheartedly in the best interests of the public to ensure Donnington & Muxton Parish Council keep our community safe, maintain good communications with our residents, provide facilities to improve the health and wellbeing of our community, and improve community resilience.

I would like to thank the council staff for all their hard work to date and thank the previous Chairman for his steady and active stewardship of the Council, most of which goes unnoticed and quietly happens in the background in a selfless manner.

Aside from all the fantastic events locally, we will continue to reach out to communities through our services such as the Donnington Snug, Coffee Mornings at Turreff Hall and Councillor Surgeries. Turreff Hall and Donnington Library are potentially going to benefit from some major visual improvements, with the building being revitalised. Staff are currently working hard to make this project happen.

For me personally, I would like every resident to know that we are here to support them and that they can contact me, their Councillors and the Parish Council, with any questions or issues, and we will happily do all that we can to address their enquiries.

And finally, as I said earlier, my aim is to support everyone I can, and I encourage all Councillors to do this too, and to do this as a team at all times, promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct when they are acting in their capacity as a Councillor. I look forward to embracing my role with integrity, and to delivering an inclusive approach to the local community.



Cllr Iain Alexander, Chairman

Donnington & Muxton Parish Council

Full Chairman's address can be found on the Parish Council website

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:

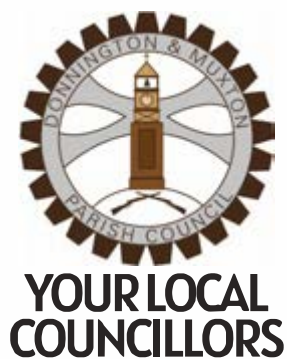
www.donningtonandmuxtonpc.org

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Cllr Iain Alexander
Chairman of the Council

Muxton Ward



Cllr Fiona Doran
Vice Chair of the Council

Donnington West Ward



Cllr Robin Coates

Donnington East Ward



Cllr Lisa Dugmore

Muxton Ward



Cllr Nigel Dugmore

Muxton Ward



Cllr Jay Gough

Donnington West Ward



Cllr Zoe Harrison

Donnington West Ward



Cllr Thomas Hoof

Donnington West Ward



Cllr Adrian Lawrence

Muxton Ward



Cllr Richard Overton

Donnington East Ward



Cllr Michael Rowe

The Humbers Ward



Cllr Jenny Urey

Muxton Ward



Cllr Ollie Vickers

Donnington West Ward

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BROAD OAKS FITNESS TRACK

Off Wellington Road, Donnington, TF2 8AW

Get moving! ✓

READY SET RUN



Dates: 26 weeks starting from
5th June 2023

Times: Every Monday from
7:15pm

Venue: Off Wellington Road,
Donnington, TF2 8AW

This is a 6-week beginner course led by Deb Wilding our qualified running and fitness coach. We are a fun friendly group accepting people of all abilities and have opportunities to progress to track sessions.



CALL DEB (TRAINER) FOR DETAILS
DEB: 07815086861

OR EMAIL US AT:
BROADOAKSRUNNINGTRACK@OUTLOOK.COM



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