

Village Events Diary

Betty from Church Langton will be receiving the **Maundy Money** from Her Majesty the Queen at Leicester Cathedral on 13th April.

Look out for the **Steeple Jack!** Shrubbery will be removed from the church spire next month.

Parish Council Meetings are held in Tur Langton Village Hall and are open to the public.

Annual Parish Meeting – in the Village Hall on Tuesday 9th May at 7pm

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Full Parish Council Meeting – in the Village Hall on Tuesday 11th July at 7.30pm

The Parish Council Meetings are an opportunity to hear what the Council has been doing and for you, the electors, to raise matters of importance that you wish to be considered. Please do pop in!

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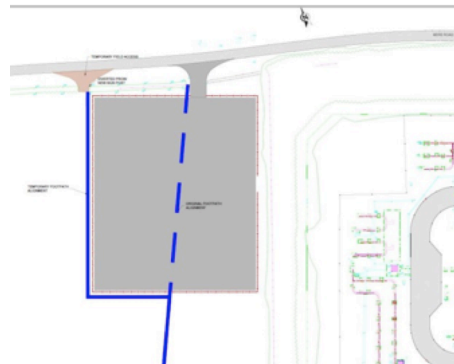
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Temporary Closure of Footpath B11

Footpath B11 will close temporarily on 13th June 2017 for a period not exceeding six months to enable works to take place to improve a sub-station.

A diversion will be put in place as shown on the diagram.

The Parish Council expects to receive confirmation of these details approximately two weeks before the work commences and details will be put on the Notice Board.



Neighbourhood Plan

Following the successful open Event held in the Village Hall on 21st February the comments are being considered to see what changes are to be made to the Neighbourhood Plan.

The next stage will be to submit it for formal pre-submission consultation at which point people will have the opportunity to comment on the document as a whole.

Village Hall Lease Signed!!

The Parish Council has obtained the lease for the land that the hall stands on.

Work has started on preparing the proposed floor plans and elevations so grant applications can be made.

A celebration event will be held and a fund raising initiative launched to get the hall up to the standard the village deserves. The Village Hall Management Committee will be looking for volunteers to help to make this happen.

In the meantime the garden needs some attention. If anyone is interested in volunteering to join the Village Hall Committee, help with the fundraising initiative or help with the gardening please give your details to the clerk.

Grass Cutting

The Parish Council has a Service Level Agreement with Leicestershire County Council for the cutting of the verges in the village between the 30 mph signs. The council has a contract with 4 Counties Ground Maintenance Ltd for 14 cuts between March and October. They charge £50 + VAT a cut and the council will receive reimbursement of £334.62 for the 2017 season from the County Council and can also reclaim the VAT. The map showing the areas for which the Parish Council has responsibility can be seen on the website.

Cutting of grass on the roads in between towns and villages (40 mph and above, classed as rural grass cutting routes) is the responsibility of Leicestershire County Council. More information can be found on their website or by contacting the Clerk.

Defibrillator is live!

The Defibrillator located in the phone kiosk on Main Street is now live!

The model is a Lifeline View Semi-Automatic Defibrillator and it is in a Rotoid cabinet. An Awareness Session was held in the Village Hall on 19th March. No training is required to use the Defibrillator because the equipment takes the user through the process step by step. The cabinet is unlocked and so you do not need a code or key to access the equipment BUT ALWAYS dial 999 before opening the equipment. This is not only to call the Emergency Service to start making their way to you but also to note the equipment is being used and therefore not available to others.

The equipment has been obtained through a Managed Solution with the Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT). This is a cost effective option which addresses the many liabilities as CHT remains the owner of the equipment in law and has group insurances, including Public Liability and Theft / Damage. CHT has the contract with the Ambulance Service. The Parish Council has agreed a "Support Package" with CHT of £126 per annum. This includes all consumables, annual servicing and replacement equipment plus loan equipment if ours went missing. The parish has responsibility for carrying out weekly and monthly checks which are reported to the Ambulance Service via the WebNos Governance System.

The Parish Council is in the process of adopting the phone kiosk and it will be transferred to the council in October.

The Village performed brilliantly in raising a grand total of £2,020. The cost of the equipment, installation and the first year Support Package was £2,001 and the remaining £19 went towards the rent of the hall for the Awareness Session.

Parish Council Precept, Budget, Aims & Objectives

At the Parish Council meeting on 10th January 2017 the Parish Council agreed a budget and precept of £5,117.00. This is an increase of £1,017 on the previous year's budget. The main reasons for this increase are:

- Defibrillator – The Parish Council's responsibility for this is covered through an Annual Support Agreement with the Community Heartbeat Trust of £126 a year. The initial payment included the first year's subscription, with subsequent years being paid for through the precept. As this is a new annual cost it has an impact on the final budget.
- The Contingency has been increased from £754 in the 16/17 year to £1,000 in 17/18. This is on the advice of the council's Internal Auditor
- The amount for the Village Hall is increased from £345 in 2016/17 to £1,000 in 2017/18. This is to enable the Parish Council to meet the estimated charge of £3,500 which Merton College require to oversee the renovation work on the Village Hall, a requirement of the lease recently signed by the Parish Council as Custodian Trustee. The Parish Council had already built up reserves of £2,000 in anticipation of this charge. The remaining £500 will be raised through subsequent years' budgets if this becomes necessary.

A breakdown of the budget can be seen on the website on the "The Parish Council" tab, clicking "Transparency Code" and choosing "Financial Information".

At the meeting on 7th March 2017 the Parish Council agreed its Aims and Objectives for 2017/2018. These can be seen on the website on the "Transparency Code" pages which can be accessed through the "The Parish Council" tab. They can also be seen on the noticeboard.

Pavement etiquette

Several residents have raised complaints concerning the presence of dog dirt on our pavements. This is not acceptable and is a nuisance as well as being unsightly and dangerous to the health of humans and other animals. All dog dirt should be picked up and taken home (please do not put it in other people's bins this can cause deep offence).

The rules have changed recently, not picking up or not having the means to pick up can face an on the spot fine of £100. This also applies to public footpaths or any area that the public have a right of access.

CUTTING BACK ON GARDEN CRIME

Protect your garden equipment from opportunist thieves

- ➔ Put tools and equipment away after use
- ➔ Always lock shed or garage doors behind you and remove the key from the lock
- ➔ Ensure garage doors are closed and valuables are out of sight
- ➔ Install an alarm and security lighting on your shed or garage to act as a deterrent
- ➔ Prevent easy access to your shed, garage or allotment with locked gates, fencing or prickly hedges
- ➔ Check shed frames and fence panels and replace if damaged or rotten
- ➔ Mark your postcode and house number on property with UV pens or paint
- ➔ Gravel paths make it harder for a thief to approach unnoticed
- ➔ Register your belongings with www.immobilise.com

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