

Your Parish Council

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Member of Parliament for the Amber Valley constituency:

Nigel Mills, who can be contacted on 01773 744341 or writing to Thomas Henry House, Church Street, Ripley DE5 3BU, or Nigel Mills MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

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Call 01629 580000 or Call Derbyshire 01629 533190 Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Saturdays 9.30am-4pm

Your Derbyshire County Councillors for the Alfreton & Somercotes Ward are Steve Marshall-Clarke and Paul Smith. Both can be contacted through the Derbyshire County Council number above.

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Your Amber Valley Borough Councillors are:

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Police Contacts: For Non Emergencies Dial 101 Emergencies Dial 999 or if you want to see what the police are up to in your area then log on to www.derbyshirepolice.uk

SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

JULY 2014

SWANWICK'S SUMMER ACTIVITIES

IF YOU ARE BETWEEN 8 AND 16 YEARS OF AGE THEN THIS IS FOR YOU:

Last year, the Parish Council organised three days of activities for youngsters from 8-16 years of age, some mums and dads came along as well. We are doing the same again this year and the dates are:

Tuesday 12, 19 and 26 August 2014.

The activities are FREE, so why not come along and enjoy yourself, experience something new and meet different people. These activities will be held at Chapel Street Recreation for the first two weeks and the last week will be at Crays Hill Queen Elizabeth Park, between 11.00am and 3.00pm on all three days.

We will have the climbing wall, archery, extreme wheels, multi sports and more. Check the notice boards and website for more information nearer the time.

Open to those who attend Swanwick Schools' or live in Swanwick.

These sessions will be supervised by fully CRB checked instructors.

Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan group continues to meet on a regular basis, currently the Group members are carrying out Character Assessments of the Village, compiling data to be included within the plan and finalising some of the Policies to be included within the Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan Draft for the first consultation should be available for consultation in the late summer, so keep an eye on the website from the end of the month onwards, as we want your views on the draft plan.

Dog Waste Bags – Are Still Free

The Parish Council continue to supply dog waste bags for free upon request, you can get bags from the village caretaker or from the office. Complaints about dog waste continue to be one of the most often received complaint. If you have any information about owners' who allow their dogs' to foul, then please contact Amber Valley Borough Council dog warden direct..

Speeding & Parking in the village

Concerns continue about the speeding of vehicles through the village, and also the inconsiderate parking of cars, this is particularly on High Street, Derby Road near to the new Tea Rooms and down The Green.

Crematorium and Natural Burial Ground

The building works on site continues, and should be completed December of this year and open in January 2015.

If you have any problems with any aspect of the work, please look on Amber Valley Borough Council's website and complete a Planning Enforcement Form, these are found on the Home Page on the Right Hand Side about half way down. If you do not have Internet access then I am afraid a good old fashioned phone call will do.

Councillor Information:

By now you are probably all aware that the past Chairman of the Council, Lynne Watson died very suddenly at the end of April. Lynne worked very hard for the parish council and the village to try and make it a better place to live and work. She will be sadly missed by her family, friends and colleagues.

George Soudah and Allen King have been voted in as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively, for what will be the last year of this Parish Council. There will be elections for positions of Parish Councillors' in May of next year.

'Switched On' Holiday Club

The churches in Swanwick will be working with Valley CIDS to put on a holiday club at the Centenary Centre (Scout Hut) for children aged 4-11 on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th August. The cost will be £3.50 per child with a maximum of £5 for families with two or more children. Drinks will be provided but children will need packed lunches.

We'll be learning about Jesus through story, song, craft and games and having a lot of fun along the way. To book ring Jenny Whittaker on 0753521 6571 or email jenny.vallycids@w3z.co.uk.

'Lights out' - World War 1 Commemoration

Every household in Britain is being asked to turn out the lights at 11pm on 4th August, to mark the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War. Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, on the eve of the 1914 conflict when he said, "The lamps are going out all over Europe; we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime." He made the remark as he gazed across St James's Park from his window at the Foreign Office at the gas lamps being lit.

The switch-off is being called Lights Out, and is backed by the Government as "one of the most dramatic UK-wide events ever organised." Throughout the UK, everyone is being invited to "turn off their lights and to replace them with one single light, to remember a day that changed the world forever."

At St Andrew's Church we shall mark this occasion by holding a Vigil Service at 6.00 pm on Sunday August 3rd. During this service we will extinguish candles between sections to mark of this momentous event which changed so many lives. The candle which will remain lit will represent the light of Christ, a light which cannot be overcome by darkness. We will also have prayers, readings - secular and sacred, hymns and music.

Anyone with memories (obviously passed on) or memorabilia please let the Vicar Carole Lloyd have details? Written down memories may be used in the service or displayed with the memorabilia.

Ring 01773 607947 or email carole.lloyd@amnos.co.uk