

Your Parish Council

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Our Parish Council meetings are usually held on 3rd Thursday of the month, except for August, and you can attend the meetings, there is a specific period at the start of the meeting to enable members of the public to speak about matters relating to Swanwick.

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

Derbyshire County Council:

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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SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER MARCH 2015

Elections 2015

Remember that there are General and Local Elections on Thursday 7 May, please make sure that you are registered to vote and that you make an effort to vote.

Parish Council Elections

The last date for nominations to be received at Amber Valley Borough Council for a Parish Council seat is 9 April. More information about this can be found on Amber Valley Borough Council's website at www.ambervalley.gov.uk or by contact the clerk at Swanwick Parish Council.

Neighbourhood Plan

Enclosed in this newsletter is a summary of Swanwick neighbourhood plan, you are invited to make comments about the plan, details on how to do this are included

We have been lucky in that we have received nearly £7,000.00 in grant funding from Locality to help with the costs of the neighbourhood plan.

Amber Valley Local Plan

The Amber Valley Local Plan is currently in suspension, as more information is presented to the Inspector, when this has been provided the Inspection will recommence.

Dog Waste Bags – Are Free

The Parish Council have issued 20,000 dog waste bags to local residents in the last year, but still there is a massive problem of dog waste being left on the ground, making it an unpleasant and unhealthy thing to deal with. Please make sure that you bag your dogs waste and place the bags in litter bins throughout the village, don't leave them hanging in hedges or tucked behind grit bins and so on for other people to have to move.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on 16 April prior to the Full Council meeting. An agenda will be available on the website and in the noticeboards. If you wish to attend the meeting then please feel free to do so.

Crematorium and Natural Burial Ground

Now that the crematorium is open for business, there have been a number of complaints to the Council about the traffic going to and from the crematorium. If you see any drivers making U turns and so on, then please report this either to the police or direct to DCC at Matlock.

Well Dressings

This year's well dressing is taking place on Saturday 16 May 2015, at Swanwick Hall School as usual.

There will be Six Wells as last year, and the theme will be Ages (i.e. Jurassic, Medieval, Stone, Ice and so on). If you want a stall and are local to Swanwick then contact the clerk about this. The attractions will be, Pinxton Puppets, Steel Band, Kev's Circus.

There will be the 'Colouring Competition' once again, where plates will be decorated using felt tips or crayons, this will be mainly through the schools, but if you want to enter and don't go to a Swanwick School then look on the website and see what to do or contact the clerk. The Closing Date is 8 May 2015.

Village Hall

The Parish Council are currently in negotiations to buy the old Andrews Builders site, on Derby Road in the centre of the village.

The aim of this is to be able to build a community building and ancillary Units with car parking.

Working Group

Members of the Parish are welcome to sit on the working group, and we welcome individuals expertise and knowledge of project management, user knowledge, running a charity, grant finding and applying. It would be nice to have a cross section of the community represented on the group when we are considering the design and build.

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. If cars are parking on the pavement then please report this to the police at the time, so that they may be able to take action.

Church Services this Easter

St Andrew's, Swanwick

Good Friday 3 April

12 noon Christians Together Walk of Witness - Starts from St Andrew's with short service on Pentrich Rd (opposite Post Office)
2.00 pm Meditation on the Cross

Easter Day 5 April

11.00 am Holy Communion

St Matthew's, Pentrich

Good Friday 3 April

10 am - noon Church open for quiet reflection on Stations of the Cross

Easter Day 5 April

9.30 am Holy Communion