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SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL APRIL NEWSLETTER

Well Dressing Celebration

Saturday 12 May 2012 between 12 noon and 3pm

There will be The Pantonics All Stars Steel Orchestra, Archery
tournament, Cricket Club barbeque, Refreshments Stall, Ripley
Morris Men, Charity Stalls, Sponsored Walk and much more.

Competition

Scarecrow Competition – this year it takes on a Royal theme.

Painting/Sketch Competition – this year's theme is taken from the
Olympics.

For more details of all of the above then take a look at
www.swanwickparishcouncil.org.uk and take part.

Let The Games Begin 2012 Sunday 20 May 2012

The Parish Council supports this event, which takes place at
Swanwick School & Sports College between 10am and 12noon.
The event starts with the arrival of the original 1948 Olympic torch.
There is the chance to try outdoor sports such as archery, football,
hockey, demonstrations and tasters. After 12noon the event moves
to Ripley Leisure Centre for 1.00pm, this venue offers variety of
indoor sports including boccia, martial arts, sitting volleyball,
swimming and dance.

The event closes with a demonstration by the fabulous Derby
Wheel Blazers.

Throughout the day there will be guest appearances from some of
Amber Valley's talented athletes.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Swanwick Parish Council wants help from any individual, business
or local organisation to put together a Neighbourhood Plan. Briefly,
the Plan would set out the vision for the area together with planning
policies for the development and use of land. If you would like to be
involved then look at the website or ask the Parish Clerk or Any
Councillor for more information.

CALLING ALL SWANWICK RESIDENTS

The **VOICE** of **SWANWICK** needs to be heard!!!

The **SWANWICK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION** was set up several years ago to represent all local residents to campaign against unwanted developments affecting our village, and it has successfully fought off many unwanted planning applications.

Today, SWANWICK needs the SRA again to fight new battles for us in 2012 and beyond. By having a Residents' Association the authorities have to listen to our arguments as the SRA will formally represent the village. Without going through this process we risk having our concerns disregarded.

The SRA will take the lead and speak on behalf of all its residents. Our collective VOICE will be heard. To help us achieve this, the SRA needs to elect new representatives who can give their time and commitment to help defend Swanwick.

YOU can be part of this process. Maybe you would like to become a member of the SRA yourself, or simply would like to support someone you know and vote for them.

You are therefore invited to come along to a **PUBLIC MEETING at Swanwick Hall School on Tuesday 24th April at 7.30 pm**, when 10-12 candidates will be nominated and elected.

As well as elections there will be updates on current issues which will affect all Swanwick residents, namely the proposal to build 500 houses in the area, and also the planning application to build a crematorium on Derby Road.

What is the view of Swanwick Parish Council?

Swanwick Parish Council fully supports the refreshing of the SRA and will continue to provide updates on their website:

www.swanwickparishcouncil.org.uk

Update on the threat of housing developments and crematorium....

Proposed new housing development in Swanwick

The two sites identified in Swanwick by AVBC as potential housing development (Derby Road and Lily Street Farm) are still subject to their consultation process.

To date, the "Save Swanwick" petition has received over 2,200 signatures and also 100s of objection letters. All this has been submitted to a Full Council Meeting on 18/01/12 and also to the Local Development Framework Working Group on 20/02/12.

An interim report is expected by AVBC following further "technical investigations" on all possible sites in April/May this year.

Planning application to build a crematorium in Swanwick

What is the latest with the threat of a crematorium?

The application was due to have been considered by AVBC planning board in March but there has been a delay. This is because Derek Stafford, Director of Planning at AVBC, has decided to commission a consultant to assess if a crematorium is needed in Amber Valley.

What is the likelihood of the crematorium proceeding?

It is difficult to say. AVBC fear losing an appeal and so are being very cautious with how they process this application.

If the application gets rejected, is there a risk of an appeal?

Yes. Memoria have already sunk a lot of money into this application so an appeal is extremely likely.

What should residents do now?

Keep objecting! So far AVBC have received over 500 letters objecting to the crematorium together with a 645 signature petition. Residents also need to prepare themselves for a likely appeal, hence reforming the Swanwick Residents' Association.

