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SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2013

SWANWICK'S CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

SWANWICK CIVIC & VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE

Will be held on Monday 16 December 2013 at St Andrews Church
at 7.00pm. The Discovery Club and Crich Band will all be
performing.

Afterwards, refreshments will be taken in The Old School House, 22
The Green, Swanwick.

Remember all members of the parish are welcome to the service
and to the refreshments afterwards.

St Andrews, Swanwick

8th December 4.00 pm Christingle and Crib Service

24th December 4.30 pm Village Carol Service
11.00 pm Midnight Communion

25th December 10.00 am Swanwick Churches Christmas
celebration

Swanwick Baptist

15th December 10.45am Family Christmas service
6.00pm Carols by Candlelight

22nd December 10.45 am Family service

Swanwick Methodist

15th December 10:45am Nativity & Gift Service - for Rowthorne
residents

22nd December 10:45am Christmas Service with Revd Dermot
Thornberry.

22nd December 6:00pm Traditional Carol Service with The
Church Choir.

19th December Beer and Carols - CROSS KEYS

Everyone welcome to come and share in this Christmas celebration
and join together to sing the carols we know and love.

Neighbourhood Plan

The neighbourhood plan is coming along nicely, if you still want to be involved, then let us know.

Dog Waste Bags – Free

The Village Caretakers' have a free supply of dog waste bags on their street barrow, just ask them if you would like some bags, or drop into the Old School House to see the Clerk and pick some up, (Tues & Thurs 10am – 12noon).

We are receiving complaints about dog walkers picking up the waste in bags, and then leaving in the hedges on their walk round. You can put waste in litter bins, don't leave in the hedge for someone else to get rid of. Act Responsibly. The Parish Council caretakers are having to attend some of the public footpaths just to clear up the bags of waste left in the hedges, when they have other duties to perform.

Parking

The parish council have been campaigning on your behalf to help to combat 'bad' parking in Swanwick. We have received confirmation that 23 notices have been awarded since January of this year.

Speeding

As well as parking, speeding is becoming an issue in the village, the Safer Neighbourhood Teams have been involved with this and a speed camera van was seen parked on Derby Road near to the Methodist Church on 24 October around 9.30am hopefully some vehicles were caught on camera.

High Street Swanwick – traffic problems

If you can recall, the Parish Council were contacted by some concerned residents about the congestion and parking problems on High Street. We surveyed the residents on the street, and their views were then passed onto Derbyshire County Council.

Derbyshire County Council "have reviewed the road safety record on High Street over the past 3 years and can confirm that no personal injury collisions have been recorded. As such the good

safety record does not give a high priority to road safety improvements at this time.

The general support for a one-way system, indicated in your letter, is noted. However, there are reservations. The removal of the opposing traffic flow invariably raises the speed of through traffic which can compromise road safety. I am also concerned by the angle that High Street meets the B6179. Depending which way a one-way system would operate it could cause problems for large vehicles turning into or out of the street."

So there will not be a one way system operating on High Street.

Have Your Say:

Come along to a Derbyshire County Council Member Surgery. County Councillor Steve Marshall-Clarke is holding surgeries on the following dates:

Saturday 14 December 2013

Saturday 15 February 2014

Saturday 19 April 2014

Time 12.30pm until 2.00pm at The Old School House 22 The Green Swanwick.

Any changes to these dates will be advertised in the Ripley & Heanor News.

Derbyshire Fire Service are currently carrying out a consultation exercise called 'Fit To Respond', which is to transform service delivery for 2022 and beyond. If you wish to comment on this, as there are plans in the document for our local fire stations, then go to www.derbys-fire.gov.uk to have a look.

Don't forget the Swanwick Photography competition, open to Swanwick residents or children attending Swanwick Schools'. More details on our website or from the Clerk to the Council.

Christmas Lights – some decorations may have been moved location—stress testing of the columns have shown that some are too weak to have decorations on them until the columns are replaced.