# Winter Issue **November 2023**

# Drayton Bassett News

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#### A word from the Chair

The Parish Council have been busy with the regeneration of the Village Park this year and the installation of a new Heritage Board. These projects were made possible through grants from various partners.

The £75k received from HS2 has enabled the development of the tennis and basketball courts, a new circular path in the park, new planting areas, new picnic benches, goal posts, bird feeders and a new notice board. BBV donated the nesting boxes, planters, a bench and topsoil. Lovells added to parish council funding to provide the Heritage Board which shows the rich archaeological history of the parish.

We would like to say a special thanks to Su Werran who retired from the Council this summer. Su was the key driving force behind the Heritage Board.

One of the key issues which the Council answers questions on is overgrown hedges blocking the pavements for those walking around the village. Please keep your hedges trimmed so villagers don't have to walk in the road unnecessarily. As we are planning to enter the Best Kept Village Competition in 2024, please help out with keeping planters weeded and watered and ensuring front garden are looking neat and cared for.

## Bag it and bin it!

As always, a reminder to **bag it and bin it!** We have a dedicated dog poo bin near the W.I. Hall, and you can also use the standard waste bins.



## **Speedwatch**

Our Councillors have been working with the police to set up a dedicated SpeedWatch group. Training took place in October but it's not too late to join in. If you are interested in being part of this, please contact the parish clerk: <a href="mailto:parishclerk@draytonbassett-pc.gov.uk">parishclerk@draytonbassett-pc.gov.uk</a>

Get Involved...

### **Interested in being a Parish Councillor?**

We have one vacancy for a Parish Councillor. This gives a great opportunity to give something back to your local community.

Ideal Attributes:

Good interpersonal skills

Constructive listener

Ability to contribute opinions whilst willing to see the views of others

Team player

Solid interest in local matters

You need to be over 18 and live or work within 3 miles of the village.

If you would like to express an interest, or find out more, please contact the parish clerk: parishclerk@draytonbassett-pc.gov.uk.

#### Christmas is back...

Village Christmas plans are in full swing so here are some dates for your diary:

**10**<sup>th</sup> **December**, 1pm – Over 60s Christmas lunch at the Village Club. Please contact Sue Holmes ASAP on 07715 578923 if you would like to enjoy a fabulous festive lunch completely free of charge! The closing date is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

**15<sup>th</sup> December**, 7.00pm – Carols in the Croft at 'The Courtyard' next to the Village Club. Mince pies and mulled wine will be in the Village Club afterwards where a raffle will also be drawn. All welcome.

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm, the WI meet in the WI Hall. Why not drop in and see what's happening.

### Dates for your diary...

The Parish Council meets on the  $3^{rd}$  Tuesday of every month except August and December. Here are the upcoming meetings:

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Annual Parish Assembly

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 – Annual Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> october 2024

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024

All are welcome to join our meeting and if you would like an item to be discussed by Councillors, please contact the Parish Clerk at least 1 week prior to the meeting date.

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