



S137 Grant Awards Presentation

Proposed Changes to the Core Strategy

AVBC issued the proposed changes to be submitted Core Strategy and the consultation period is for 6 weeks between the 28th July 2014 & 8th September 2014. At this stage comments are only requested on the proposed changes and representations should only be made in respect to these changes. If you wish to make representations these must be made before 8th September only a few days away.

Each year the Parish Council makes grant awards to local organisations and those who support the Parish of Somercotes. On Friday, 13th June 2014, Cllr Paul Smith (Parish Council Chairman) made presentation of the grants, at the Village Hall, Somercotes.

The council awarded 21 organisations grants totalling £4.7k. Cllr Paul Smith (Parish Council Chairman) said 'It always gives me great pleasure, each year, to make the grants award presentations to all the local organisations that bring a benefit to the community of Somercotes, and I applaud them for the work they do.'

New MUGA Area

Bonnington Drive, Somercotes

Due to request from residents on the South Spires Estate for sports facilities for young people Derbyshire County Council, AV Borough Council, Futures Homescape and the Parish Council (£5k contribution) have provided a new MUGA area.

Cllr Paul Smith (Parish Council Chairman) said, 'I am highly delighted after calls to support this project the Parish Council has helped provide a new facility that we hope will be enjoyed by many young people on the South Spires Estate.'



Bringing Colour to Somercotes

The Parish Council is cultivating the roadside verge, outside B&Q, as a wild flower area, in an effort to make a colourful entrance to the village, along the B600. Once permission is granted from DCC the Parish Council will prepare the ground area so it will be colourful from spring 2015.

The area of the former toilets on Market Place will be another location brought into bloom in 2015 when the land is in the ownership of the Parish Council

Somercotes VILLAGE HALL

Available for Weddings, Dances, Parties etc.
Hall or Lounge available

Use of kitchen (by arrangement) included in hire cost

Licensed Bar available
Ample car parking available

We cannot take bookings for 18th Birthday Parties
Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road,
Somercotes DE55 4LY Tel: 01773 609397



Car Park Improvements

In June 2013 the Parish Council took over the running of Somercotes Car Parks and the areas of the recycling bins and the parking area to the rear of the former toilet block, on Market Place, need maintenance work which has now been completed, together with the Village Hall car park. The works on the Market Place has created 3 new disability car parking bays (near the Co-op store) and 10 additional parking bays. The project cost £13.5k. The council is proposing to make improvements to the former toilet block footprint once ownership is transferred from AVBC so there is a community area.



The Great War Centenary Service of Commemoration

1914 - 1918 2014 - 2018



Somercotes Parish Council and the Parish Church of St. Thomas will be holding a Service of Commemoration for the fallen and those who served in WWI, at 11am, on Sunday, 21st September 2014.

Members of local Army & Air Cadets, Scouts, Beavers, Cubs, Guides, Brownies & Rainbows will be invited to attend with a short gathering and parade outside the church. All members of the community, both Serving & Ex-serving members of the armed forces and not forgetting those who helped with the war effort locally supporting the armed services are cordially invited to join the Service of Commemoration. Any other groups who wish to be involved should contact Gordon Blackmore (Clerk to the Council 01773 - 603810). A WWI Exhibition will be held in the Village Hall between 11am -1pm, with teas and light refreshments available. It would be very much appreciated if anyone who has any WWI Exhibits or Photographs that they would consider loaning them to the Council.

The Parish Council has donated a new flag pole outside the Church of St Thomas' as part of the commemorative service."

'We Will Remember Them'

Any WW1 photographs of servicemen, families, female workers or anything associated with WW1 will be of interest for the exhibition.

(All photos and information supplied will be returned - Thank you.

WWI History - Can You Help?

The Parish Council & Somercotes History Society are seeking WWI photos, historical records, letters from the trenches or those involved in the Great War for an exhibition and producing a book on those who served, lost their lives and supported the war effort, at home.

Please bring along anything you may have to the Heritage Day and we will be pleased to copy, photograph & acknowledge your support.



Remembrance Day Services

St Thomas' Church: 6pm, Sunday 9th November (meet at the War Memorial at 5.55pm)

Birchwood Methodist Church: 10.30am, Sunday 9th November.



Derbyshire Ancestral Research Group (DARG)

Thank you to Margaret Brooksbank of DARG for sharing with us some Miscellaneous Items from the Local Newspapers during WW1 - 1914 & 1917

- 27th August: In response to the Military Authorities call upon Ambulance volunteers, 10 members from BIRCHWOOD have gone.
- 1st October: One of the consequences of the War is the shortage of CUBAN CIGARS, as very little tobacco is being planted.
- 15th October: Owing to the War no new WALLPAPER PATTERNS will be issued during 1915 and the price of all paper will be advanced 10 per cent.
- 14th December: The Shefford (Beds) SPARROW CLUB reports that during the past year its members have killed 17,856 birds bringing the total for the four years the club has existed to 100,000.'s
- 1917**
- 16th February: The QUEEN OF BULGARIA is seriously ill, tis a pity it is not her husband!
- 16th February: The Food Control Dept., yesterday announced that the supply of SUGAR will be increased by one fifth this month also they will issue an order immediately forbidding the sale of BREAD except by weight. A wise precaution!
- 25th August: At Alfreton Petty Sessions, Private GEORGE RILEY of Somercotes attached to the Yorkshire Light Infantry was charged with being a DESERTER from his regiment

Men who were issued their call-up papers could go before a Tribunal to plead for exemption

- 10th May J.J.BROCKLEHURST 20, of New Birchwood, a loader and filler asked for time to finish his garden. His father was a Deputy at Birchwood Colliery and he had a brother dangerously ill in France. CASE DISMISSED
- 12th June: ALPHENS WRIGHT 26, Assurance Agent of Birchwood Lane, stated he received his call-up papers and later a notice cancelling them. 6 MONTHS WITH LEAVE
- 3rd August: Some amusement was created when a BIRCHWOOD MAN appealed for his CARTER on the grounds that he wanted him for the HARVEST. When granted the exemption and told to go and get on with the harvest he said WE HAVE FINISHED!.



Somercotes
Local History Society



HERITAGE DAY

Saturday, 8th November 2014
10am – 4pm

Exhibitors:
Somercotes Local History Society; JACH's; DARG;
Ripley History Society; Ripley Video Society; Friends of
Cromford Canal; The Magic Attic; Local Photograph
Exhibition by Terry & John; Kirkby History Society and
more.



Papplewick pumping station WW2 event
Oct 2013

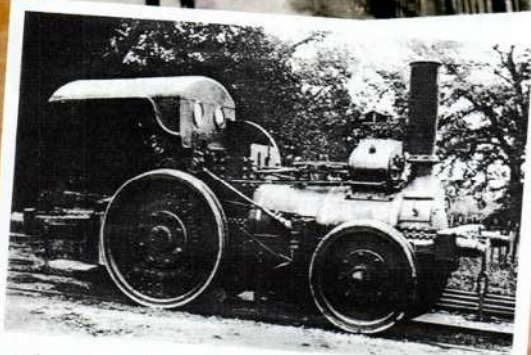
Special Exhibition: Notts & Derbys 1939-1945 Living
History Group – come and see the Land Army Girls &
the history of the period during WWII.

Please bring along any photographs, letters, documents
or anything that will help us retain our heritage for
others to enjoy. All items will be photographed or
copied and returned.

Light refreshments are available on the day at a
reasonable charge.



Somercotes Greyhound Track



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Support Your Community

Local Shops and businesses are a very important part of the local community and they need your support in these times of austerity. Unless the community supports local shops and businesses they will close and be lost forever and once they are gone they will be missed, so don't let our community be without its own local shops and businesses. The Parish Council wishes to support the community and over the next few issues we will be featuring some of our local businesses.

Ruby Shop

Nottingham Road, Somercotes



Please call in a meet Dawn who has a new range of autumn stock in store. The shop has a diverse array of items for sale Ladies & girl's fashions, travel & fashion bags all items at bargain prices. Now is the time to get ready for the cooler weather so call in and have a look at our range of knitwear.

New to Ruby's this autumn is a good range of baby wear, which is now in stock.

Taylor's Corn Stores

Nottingham Road, Somercotes



Taylor's Corn Stores is one of the area's leading suppliers of corn, gardening and pet products. Established in the early 1900s, still family owned and run, we aim to offer a personalised service to all customers and stock an outstanding range of pet and animal foods, goods and accessories in addition to bird seed, gardening products, flour, oats and yeast.

The Lounge Hair, Beauty & Nails

165 Nottingham Road, Somercotes DE55 4JD

Tel: (01773) 609806



Unisex Hairdressers
The Lounge Hair & Beauty styles the hair of the men and women of the Somercotes area.

JDC Hairdressing Salon

90 Nottingham Road, Somercotes



Open
Mon – Sat
(Closed Wed)
Call in and enjoy the experience
telephone Jackie on
(01773) 602632

A. Tarlton Shoes

A local business that has stood the test of time, opened 103 years ago, let's support this business and shop locally. Visit the shop for a 'calming experience' no hassle and a friendly supporting service.



A large variety of shoes from £20 to £100 for weddings, events and all occasions – bands include: Lotus, equity, Marco Tozzi, Waldauff, easy b, adesso and many others. A selection of handbags is also available.

Free limited 30 minutes parking outside or nearby free on Mill Yard Car Park

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DE55 1LB

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Tel: 01773 528181

working for your community
40% of net profit given back to the community by way of price subsidy. 60% of net profit retained for repairs and renewals.

Weekly Events at Somercotes Village Hall

Day	Times	Event	Contact
Mondays	1.30 pm – 4.00 pm In the Lounge 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm In the Hall	Welfare Rights (Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre) 1st Somercotes Guides Group for girls aged 10-15 years	No appointment needed Call into a meeting for more details
Tuesdays	10.00 am – 11.30 am In the Hall 10.00 am 12.00 noon and also at 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm In the Lounge 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall 7.30 pm – 10 pm In the Hall	Hatha Yoga Calms your mind and strengthens your body. All ability class. Watercolour Classes Newcomers always welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. Somercotes Beavers Group for Boys and Girls aged 6 to 8 Somercotes Ladies Every Tuesday except 1 st in each month	Rav Paul 07963 350868 Norma Gent 01773 836907 Paul Williams 07768 109674 Eileen Wilkinson 01773 603177
Wednesdays	10.00 am – 12.00noon In the Hall 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm In the Hall 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm In the Hall	Cameo Coffee Club Pop in – have a coffee – make new friends Weight Watchers Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness	Just call in Just call in Dey and Liz dzumba@hotmail.co.uk 07812 837969
Thursdays	9.00 am – 11.00 am In the Lounge 6.00 pm – 7.15 pm In the Hall 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm In the Lounge 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm In the Hall	Watercolour Classes All abilities welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Brownies Group for girls aged 7-10 years 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Rainbows Group for girls aged 5-7 years Classical Yoga Philosophy & Posture, relaxation and breathwork. Newcomers welcome	Norma Gent 01773 836907 Call into a meeting for more details. Linda 01773 528264
Fridays	10.00 am – 11.30 am In the Hall 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm In the Hall 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm In the Hall	Hatha Yoga Calms your mind and strengthens your body. All ability class Somercotes Cubs Group for boys and girls aged 8 to 10 Somercotes Scouts Group for boys and girls aged 10 to 14 Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness	Rav Paul 07963 350868 Paul Williams 07768 109674 Paul Williams 07768 109674 Dey and Liz dzumba@hotmail.co.uk 07812 837969
Saturdays		None at Present	
Sundays	9.30 am onwards In the Lounge In the Hall	Parish Church of St. Thomas Sunday School Coffee after Church Service	Rachel Watson (Churchwarden) 01773 607131

Home Library Service

The Home Library Service now delivers to around 120 people in the Somercotes area. The service works from Alfreton Library and delivers once a month. For people who enjoy reading or listening to books, but who cannot get into a local library, or for those who are unable to carry the items they need, the service is free and could help. Books, large and normal print, books on tape and CD and also music CD's. All are available.

Hearing Clinic

Hearing Help (Amber Valley) will be holding clinics in the Lounge of Somercotes Village Hall (formerly the Parish Hall) on the following dates:-

Tuesday, 9th Sept 2pm – 3.30pm
Tuesday, 14th Oct 2pm – 3.30pm
Tuesday, 11th Nov 2pm – 3.30pm
Tuesday, 9th Dec 2pm – 3.30pm

Hearing Clinics are now only on Tuesdays

Somercotes Library



Somercotes Library provides an excellent service to the local community and has been doing so for the last 25 years. The library staff are very friendly and always willing to assist those using the services.

Opening Hours:

Mon: 2pm – 5pm
Thursdays: 9am – 1pm & 2pm – 7pm
Fridays: 9am -1pm & 2pm – 5pm
Saturdays: 9.30am – 1pm.

The library has a Reader's Group on the first Friday of the month. Contact the library for details of which book is currently being read.

Bank Street Somercotes DE55 4JE

Tel: (01773) 550514

E-Mail: somercotes.library@derbyshire.gov.uk or view the website www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Letter from your County Councillor

Dear Resident,

I am pleased to announce that the evening and Sunday Rainbow 1 Bus Service, which was being trialled until July 2014 has now been extended until April 2015 to give the route the chance to build up passenger numbers and help it become a viable bus service.

The Multi-User Games Area on Scott Drive is now finished and open for use by the community. This games facility has been funded by Derbyshire County Council, Somercotes Parish Council and Futures Homescape and will provide a brilliant play area for many years to come.

We are pleased to announce that that Pennytown Ponds has received the Prestigious 'Green Flag Award' again. This is a great testament to all the hard work done by the Fishing Club and the volunteers who along with the Council have worked hard to maintain and improve the site.

I have supported many local groups with grants via Derbyshire County Council's Community Leadership Fund and if any organisations would like to apply please get in touch and I will try to help.

Yours sincerely

Paul Smith

Councillor Paul Smith

Deputy Cabinet Member for Health and Communities



Jacqui Moore – McDonalds, organised a team on 18th August to undertake a litter pick as part of our Keep Britain Tidy Love Where You Live Campaign.

Pennytown Fishing Club Competition 2014

Photograph on right - Cllr Paul Smith with the competitors in the 2014 Junior Fishing Competition, held at Pennytown Ponds.



Junior Fly Fishing Competition

Places of Worship

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS

Churchwardens Rachel Watson 01773 607131 and Michael Woods 01773 723653

Services

Sunday: 9.30am Sung Mass
9.30 – 10.00 am Sunday School in the Village Hall
6.00pm Evening Worship (Last Sunday in the Month)

Wednesday: 10.00 am Said Mass

See Notice Board in the Church porch for other times of services.

Harvest Festival Service: 9.30am Sun: 28th September
Church Supper: 7.30pm, Monday 29th Sept, Village Hall

Concert (in Church): 7.30pm, Sat. 25th October: Pye Hill Male Voice Choir

Remembrance Service: 6pm, Sunday, 9th November (meet outside at 5.55pm short service at the war memorial, before main service)

Mother's Union meets in Church on the 1st Tuesday of each month

Parish lunch Friday, 19th September
17th October and 21st November
11.30am to 1.30pm

There will be no church lunch during August

Coffee Mornings - 1st Saturday in the month
10.00am – 12 noon

SOMERCOTES SALVATION ARMY CHURCH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

Sleetmoor Lane

Tel. Terence Carpenter on

01773 606945 or 07948 998507

Weekly Activities

Sunday: All age Family Worship 3pm followed by refreshments.

Monday at 3pm - Over 50's Friends and Fellowship,
Tuesday from 9.30 am – 11 am Care/share Coffee Morning.

Monthly Activities

Messy Church 5pm-7pm last Friday of each month for families - bible stories, games, crafts, film, singing, meal provided. Cafe Church 7pm - 9pm last Sunday of each month -exploring the Christian Faith in a relaxed style.

Craft/Sewing Group - 2pm-4pm first Friday of each month. (Sewing, knitting, crocheting, card making, arts)

PENIEL CHRISTIAN CENTRE

67 Main Road, Leabrooks
Telephone 01773 608737
www.leabrookspcc.com

email:penielchristiancentre@leabrooks.freemove.co.uk
Leader: Mrs Elaine Whittingham

Sunday Services:

Morning Service at 10.30am
Evening Prayer Meeting at 5.30pm
Praise Time at 6pm

Tuesday: Ladies' Coffee Morning 10am – 12noon
Discussions, prayer and praise. Light lunch.
Prayer & Praise 6pm – 7pm A visiting speaker when available from 7pm onwards.

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 8am – 10am
Friday: Youth Club 7 pm-9 pm (RIOT) 11 yrs -16 yrs
Saturday: Kids Club 10am – 12noon 3yrs – 11yrs
Games, projects, bible story, lunch

More than a Meal

A meal provided for senior citizens once a month on a Monday.

BIRCHWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

Minister – Rev. M. Dilley Tel. 01623 752349

Service each Sunday at 3pm and a morning service once a month at 10.30am.

Sunday, Sept. 14th – Harvest Festival, at 3pm. Service to be taken by Mr. N. Biggar. Tea will be served afterwards in the school room.

Remembrance Sunday, 9th November at 10.30am

COME FOR COFFEE AND CAKE

Where Ruby, Nottingham Road, Somercotes

When 26th September 2014

Why So people facing cancer can have the support they need to feel more in control of their life, from the moment they're diagnosed, through treatment and afterwards.

Come and join us – everyone is welcome.



County Matters



If you want to report a matter to Derbyshire County Council you can ring 'Call Derbyshire' on 08456 058 058 They are open Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 9.30am-4pm



Amber Valley Borough Council,
Town Hall, Ripley, Derbyshire Tel: 01773 570222
Planning applications can be viewed and commented on using Amber Valley Borough Council website www.ambervalley.gov.uk then click on the planning application register.



Police Contact Numbers
If you want to contact the Police or Police Community Special Officers to give information or report crime you can telephone:
Non-urgent Police matters 101 (calls charged at 15p)
www.derbyshire.police.uk
Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Please do report incidents. We are all aware that incidents such as vandalism, theft, etc. are occurring in Somercotes. However, unless the police have reports the assumption (based on reported statistics) is that there are no problems and the end result is that police resource will be redeployed.

Other useful numbers:

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue	01332 771221
Central Networks	
(Electricity) (loss of supply helpline)	0800 056 8090
Gas Emergency line	0800 111 999
Floodline	0845 988 1188
Severn Trent Water (water leaks and bursts)	0800 783 4444
Derbyshire Neighbourhood Watch	01773 572938
Victim Support Line	0845 3030900
NHS Direct	0845 46 47
UK Flu Information Line	0800 1 513 513
Amber Valley Housing	01773 573 100
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
CRIMESTOPPERS -	Call anonymously with information about crime

Your Local Police

At present we have no information regarding upcoming Surgeries/Panel Meetings, but you can check the Police website – www.derbyshirepolice.co.uk. You can also follow them on twitter and find them on facebook.



PROBLEMS WITH PESTS? WHO YOU GOING TO CALL?

Amber Valley Borough Council offer competitive rates for treatment of pests

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DOMESTIC
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COMMERCIAL
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COMMERCIAL
ANTS &
WASPS
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE
CALL HEIDI OR KATHERINE ON 01773 841335

*Contracts for commercial premises available on request.



Question YOUR Perception...

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service strongly advises that you consider the risk of fire to your home and family. By taking a few simple steps, you can prevent a fire occurring in your home, keeping yourself and your family safe from the devastating consequences.

Make sure you have a working smoke alarm on each level of your home. Test your smoke alarm weekly.

Plan your escape. Ensure your family is aware of what to do and how to get out if a fire occurs in your home.

Plan a night time routine. Switch off appliances, close internal doors and remember to take a spare key and telephone to bed with you.

Never leave cooking unattended. And try to replace your chip pan with an electronic deep fat fryer.

Always ensure smoking materials are extinguished properly, use a deep ashtray when smoking, and never smoke when you are tired or in bed.

Never tackle a fire Get Out, Stay Out, Dial 999.

For further information and advice please visit our website www.derbys-fire.gov.uk

www.derbys-fire.gov.uk

TRUSTED TRADER

NEW LOOK
DERBYSHIRE COUNTY
COUNCIL TRUSTED
TRADER SERVICE

Derbyshire County Council has a new-look Trusted Trader Service which makes it easier for you to find tradesmen you can trust. Derbyshire Trusted Trader can help you find honest and reliable traders who commit to doing a good job for a fair price. You'll find plumbers, builders, roofers, decorators, joiners, electricians, gardeners, retailers and many more.

Visit the website:
www.derbyshire.gov.uk/community/trusted_trader
and follow the instructions. Businesses can use the pages to find out more about the benefits of being a Derbyshire Trusted Trader and learn how to sign up.

Be Alert

As the nights draw in we all need to remember that burglars see this as an opportunity to target houses in darkness, as this generally means no one is at home. Leave on a couple of lights and a radio so you don't become an easy target when you are out for the evening. There have been an increase in bogus callers and so called traders offering great deals on things like solar panels – if it's too good to be true, it probably is. It is recommended that you do not accept any 'cold callers' either by phone or at the door. Selling is their art and paying is what they want you to do and this can be costly.

'Be Wise' do not accept 'Cold Callers.'



Derbyshire Approved Personal Assistant Register
Are you looking for a personal assistant for your support needs in Derbyshire?



If you are looking to employ someone to meet your support needs, we know it can be a daunting and sometimes expensive task. Finding the right personal assistant is important and it can be difficult to know where to begin to find that right person.

As a resident of Derbyshire, you can now access a list of approved personal assistants looking for work in your area. Simply click on to www.derbyshire.gov.uk/approvedpa and use the criteria to find the right personal assistant for you.

Developed jointly by Penderels Trust and Derbyshire County Council, we have launched the Derbyshire Approved PA Register. All PAs on the register have been vetted and checked by our staff and meet our standards of training and aptitude. We will also have checked their history and references.

The register is free to use for everyone living in the Derbyshire County Council area, whether you are receiving community care funding or paying for your own support.

You will still be able to choose which person you employ and they will work for you, not for Penderels Trust or for Derbyshire County Council.

- Benefits to you**
- You can access a list of potential personal assistants 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
 - You can use the selection criteria to ensure you find the right person for you
 - You know that all PAs listed on the register have met our high quality standards and passed our screening procedure
 - You will be recruiting a PA who has signed up to our code of conduct and has met the minimum training criteria
 - Accessing the register is free of charge

Are you a personal assistant or interested in a career in support in Derbyshire and looking for work?

Join the Derbyshire Approved Personal Assistant Register and make finding the right job much easier.

- Joining the register is free of charge.
- Potential employers can see your profile at any time
- You can say where and when you would like to work
- Employers will know you have met our high quality standards
- You will be provided with a PA handbook and other information to support you

The Register will be accessible to potential employers via the Derbyshire County Council website and will be promoted throughout Derbyshire.

All PAs must be approved to go on our register. This does mean that you will have to meet certain standards and maybe do some training (we can help you with this). For the potential employer, they will have peace of mind that we have approved all PAs, making this register an appealing option.

- Applying to be part of the Register is free and easy - choose one of the following options:
- Go to the website at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/approvedpa
 - Email us at derbyshireapprovedpa@penderelstrust.org.uk
 - Call us on 0845 6000 683

Please note you will not be employed by Derbyshire County Council or Penderels Trust, your employer will be the person you support.



Farewell to Glynis

The Parish Council said farewell to Glynis Kenney (Assistant Clerk) after over 7 years of service with the Council. A presentation was made to Glynis by Cllr. Paul Smith (Chairman) on 13th June 2103. Cllr. Smith said "I would like to thank Glynis for her dedicated service with the council and to the community and we wish her every happiness in her retirement."



PARISH COUNCIL

Your Parish Councillors

Councillor Paul Smith
Councillor Bryan Lyttle
Councillor Martin Barron
Councillor Paul Curran-Bilbie
Councillor Sydney Grotier
Councillor Cyril Langton
Councillor John McCabe
Councillor Terry Marriott
Councillor Jason Parker
Councillor Paul Price
Councillor Scott Walker
Two Vacancies by Co-option

Parish Council Meetings

In the Lounge of the Village Hall
Ordinary Meeting
Friday, 19th September - 6.30pm 2014
Friday 21st November - 6.30pm 2014
Members of the Public are welcome to attend.

Parish Council Staff

Clerk to the Council	Gordon Blackmore
Assistant Clerk	Susan Massey Tel: 01773 603810
Caretaker:	Stephen Evans (01773) 609397 or Mob: 07516 493430
Relief Caretaker:	Carol Hopkinson
Parish Wardens:	Colin Rick Les Briddon
Bar Supervisor:	Victoria Jones

Somercotes Parish Council, Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes, DE55 4LY
www.somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk
e-mail: somercotespc@btconnect.com

Booking forms for the hall or lounge can be obtained by calling in or telephoning
01773 609397 or 07516 493430

Your Amber Valley Borough Councillors

Councillor Brian Lyttle and Councillor John McCabe will be holding surgeries in the lounge of Somercotes Village Hall on:
Saturday, 6th September 2014 from 11am - 4pm
Saturday, 4th October 2014 from 11am - 4pm
Saturday, 1st November 2014 from 11am - 4pm
County Councillor Paul Smith will also be present

Next issue

If you have any forthcoming local events you would like to advertise in the the Parish Newsletter, or if you have any interesting stories to tell about the Parish, or pictures you would like to share with other readers, you can contact Gordon on 01773 603810 or call into the Parish Council Office between 10.30am and 2.30pm, Tuesday to Friday.

Allotments

The Parish Council recognises the importance of healthy eating and the demand for allotment plots so people can "Grow their Own" vegetables. The Council has resolved not to raise the rent to the allotment associations for 2014-15, so why not take on your own allotment and 'grow your own' vegetables? Plots are available at Bridle Lane (Leabrooks); Birchwood Lane and Sleetmoor Lane, Somercotes - Contact details for the allotment associations are on the back page of the newsletter.

Bridle Lane Allotments, Leabrooks
To register an interest in an allotment, please contact
Mrs Louise Calow
Tel: 01773 609485

Birchwood Lane Allotments
To register an interest in an allotment, please contact
Christian Tonnies, Secretary
Tel: 07841 471043

Sleetmoor Allotments
To register an interest in an allotment, please contact
Georgie Butt on 07950 537210

Parish Council raises concerns on Dog Fouling & Litter



The Parish Council has raised its concerns about litter and dog fouling in the Somercotes Parish. The Parish Council provide 'FREE' poop scoop bags that are readily available at the Village Hall, Ruby's Shop and Somerlea Park Leisure Centre, so the public should make use of the poop scoop bags and clean up after their dogs. Dog fouling is becoming the scourge of some areas of the Parish and particularly in the park areas where people walk and young people play. Dog excrement can cause health problems particularly for children if rubbed in the eyes (can lead to blindness).
Please bag up the mess made by your dogs - THANK YOU

Somercotes Parish Council Waste Disposal Facility

on Somercotes market place between 8am and 10am the first Saturday in every month.
No waste accepted after 10am
This facility is for the residents of the parish of Somercotes only. Please bring some form of identity.

**NO TRADE WASTE NO TOXIC WASTE
NO ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
NO ASBESTOS**

Dispose of Needles Safely

Modern Living involves many hazards. One problem can be needles and syringes that have been discarded without care. If you find a needle, DO NOT PICK IT UP! Please call Amber Valley Borough Council's needle hotline 08000 92 51 31 free anytime day or night. Their aim is to collect a needle within two hours of any reported incident.

Don't forget

The Parish Council can be found online at www.somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk for details of local services, forthcoming events and up to date news. The website can be used to send us information you would like included on the website. We are also on Facebook; just click the like button on our website to be taken to our Facebook Page. Minutes of Parish Council Meetings are now available for perusal on our website.

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