

Somercotes

A Somercotes Parish Council Newsletter



A Joyful Occasion

Carol singing, a fantastic Choir and Band and wonderful readings ... all the ingredients that made our 2016 Christmas Carol Service in St Thomas Parish Church a huge success on Friday 7th December 2016. The event with an ever increasing audience of over 120 shared refreshments in the Village Hall following the Service.

A Collection of £294 was raised for Councillor Paul Smiths' (Chairman) chosen Charity: Derbyshire Air Ambulance. The Parish Council Members wish to thank all participants; Somercotes Guides, Brownies & Rainbows Choir; Heage Band; Lyn & Sue's Catering;

The Revd. Imogen Black; St Thomas Church Church Wardens and Parish Council Staff for all their hard work and continued dedication to the event. And a Huge Thank you to the audience who by their attendance numbers convince the Members that the event should continue to be held.



DIG DAY!



Chairman and Members of the Council at commencement of works

31st January 2017 was the day that Groundwork (Crestra Ltd) commenced excavating the Feature Garden site, adjacent to the Village Hall, Market Place Car Park.

The theme of the feature is to celebrate the community by providing information on the community's heritage; buildings and local industry past and present.

The site at present is a bare plot of land. We at the Council have a vision for this to be a welcoming space, accessible to all. We can't wait to see the finished project, which should be completed by the end of March 2017.

Waste Metal for Charity!

Your Parish Council provides a waste facility once a month. Our two Parish Wardens, Les and Colin have again been collecting waste metal disposed of and weighing the metal in for payment. A further £150 has been raised.

Dear Friends

Thank you to Somercotes Parish Council for your very kind donation of £150 to Macmillan Cancer Support from your waste disposal facility. Your generosity and support will help us to make sure that no one faces cancer alone.

How you're helping

The money you raised will help fund vital services to support people affected by cancer and their families. So when they're facing a difficult time, they can start to feel more in control.

Christian was one of the many who benefited from having a Macmillan nurse. He recalls: "I was lucky that I had a fantastic Macmillan nurse who could speak to me and come and visit me. She was wonderful and helped me with a lot".

If you'd like to know more about our work and how you can get further involved, please visit our website: www.macmillan.org.uk

Thank you once again for being a part of Team Macmillan.

WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT



Letter from your County Councillor

Dear Resident
Well, four years have gone by and the County Council elections will take place on 4th May 2017.

Councils up and down the country are facing huge financial pressures from Central Government and Derbyshire County Council is no different. I have continued to fight for deals for this community for improvements to Highways and local schools. I have also fought to ensure that funding is continued for services provided in the area, which benefit the wider community. Also, funding for local community priorities has been high on my agenda.

I'd like to share with you some examples of the money that has been spent by DCC on initiatives and projects in this area in the past four years and the investment made to community priorities, these projects are close to my heart and I am confident that they will be a real benefit to the community now and in years to come.

Highways & Transport
Somercotes, Leabrooks & Pye Bridge
2013 - 2017 **£471,554**

Significant spends being: resurface to carriageway from Tiger PH to roundabout £60k; Leabrooks Railway path upgrade to Greenway standard £100k and Leabrooks Road replacement of old signal equipment £90k.

Schools Evolved Funding
Somercotes, Leabrooks & Pye Bridge
2013-2016 **£48,646**

Property Maintenance
Somercotes, Leabrooks & Pye Bridge
2013-2017 **£32,650**

Community Priority Funds
Alfreton & Somercotes
2013-2017 **£91,096**

One funded project has been for a Superkitchen at Somerlea Park Centre £8k.

Adult Care Grant Funding
Amber Valley
2013-2017 **£770,000**

Contributions to voluntary and community sector organisations that provide services in Amber Valley such as: Derbyshire Mind; Cruse Bereavement Care; Age UK etc.

Public Health Funding
Amber Valley
2014-2017 **£280,000**

This is just a brief example of significant spending on projects, initiatives and improvements. There are, of course other issues, which are important to residents and businesses, which I am addressing on a daily basis and some of which inevitably put some pressure on decreasing budgets.

Councillor Paul Smith – Deputy leader and Cabin et Member for Adult Social Care



Skills for a Healthy You

Healthy eating and behaviors can lead to a long and healthy life. A 5 week course run by Derbyshire County Council 'Skills for a Healthy You' has recently been held in the Village Hall. Covering topics such as: 5 a day; the traffic light system on food; healthy food options and basic food preparation skills.

Our own Parish Warden Colin Rick has participated in an effort to improve his own eating habits and lifestyle says " I have really enjoyed attending and the course has made me think about what makes up a healthy diet. I have learned new skills in the kitchen preparing healthy food."

NO EXCUSES!

Dog fouling is a major concern to members of the public. There also appears to be a bigger problem that has arisen in that increasing amounts of bagged dog faeces are being left behind as people fail to dispose of their bags after cleaning up after their pets. Everyone walking a dog must clean up after it. No excuses! Always take a bag with you, close and tie it and dispose of the mess in either a dog bins or any street litterbin provided by the council. Otherwise you can put it in the bin at home. Somercotes Parish Council provides free bags, which can be collected from the Village Hall. Amber Valley BC provide and empty dog waste bins and general use litter bins for disposal of the bags.

So what is the excuse for this?



Over 50 bags left by the footpath behind the Winding Wheel, Somercotes. If you notice somebody allowing their dog to foul and not clearing it away please report it to us.

There's no such thing as the Dog Poo Fairy

Bag that poo - any rubbish bin will do

KEEP BUSTON TIDY
Love where you Live

SOMERCOTES ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

6:30pm Friday 19th May 2017
Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYONE LIVING AND RESIDENT IN THE PARISH OF SOMERCOTES TO 'HAVE THEIR SAY' ABOUT ANY PARISH ISSUE THEY WISH TO RAISE.

IF YOU WISH TO 'HAVE YOUR SAY' ON ANY MATTER ABOUT THE PARISH OF SOMERCOTES (INCLUDES 'PYE BRIDGE' & LEABROOKS) PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL (AT LEAST 5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING)

IF A VOTE IS TAKEN YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT WHO IS A REGISTERED VOTER IN THE PARISH



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

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

Use of kitchen (by arrangement) included in hire cost

Derbyshire Ancestral Research Group

Thanks to Margaret Brooksbank for this contribution. Contact for Margaret: Tel 01773 604916

Throughout all editions was a regular item headed: Notes, whilst not about the Somercotes area, they did affect everywhere, as most were Government edicts.



The following is taken from an old programme:

Salem Methodist Church Somercotes MAYTIME FAYRE in the schoolroom on Saturday May 1st 1948. Opening Ceremony at 2.30pm by **Her Grace The Duchesse of Devonshire**. Chairman **Sir George Kenning JP Sheffield**.

Supported on the platform by – **Rev J L Crawford, Lady Kenning, Mr & Mrs RAC Palmer Morewood, Mrs M Watson JP, Mr & Mrs GA Beastall, Mr & Mrs CAM Oakes, Mr & Mrs A Shipman, Mr & Mrs Owen Taylor, Dr Colgan and other kind patrons.**

The "Bazaar" is a further effort to raise funds to renovate our Church and to rebuild the organ. Admission by Programme only. All Day 1/-

Chairman's Remarks – **Sir George Kenning JP**

Her Grace the Duchesse of Devonshire presented the children with gift purses and then declared the Fayre open.

List of stalls – Embroidery & Crochet- Young ladies Fellowship, Crockery – Sunday school, Pound & Miscellany – Youth Club, Confectionery - Mrs Beet, Buffet by the Ladies Bright Hour.

While at the Fayre don't fail to pay a visit to **Madame Zara** who will reveal your future to you.

Concert 7.15pm **The Stanley Lathwell Orchestrette** and Guest Artistes

Adverts

- NELSON & HAYCOCK** Nottingham Rd Family Butchers for 50 years
 - G GODBER & SON** Somecotes Hill High Class Bakers
 - J HOWARTH** 98 Somercotes Hill Newsagent & Tobacconist
 - BOBS** Premier Shop Cigarettes, Chocolates and Biscuits
 - E HILL** 64 Somercotes Hill Gents Hairdresser
 - LAWRENCE WATERS** Ladies Hairdresser
 - EDGAR WHITE** 57 Nottingham Rd The Jeweller
 - J LEONARD WALLER** 97a Nottingham Rd Photographer
 - Miss E SLANEY** Nottingham Rd General Dealer
 - WH BAKEWELL** Leyland Nurseries, Wreaths, Bouquets etc
 - WL SANSOM** 71 Leabrooks Rd Gifts of Distinction
 - TARLTON'S** Nottingham Rd Boot Store
 - LEONARD MILES & SON** Complete House Furnishers
 - Mrs I FROST** 61 Nottingham Rd Fruit, Vegetables & Canned Goods
 - C COOPER** Premier Buildings Electrical Appliances, Radios & Cycles
 - ALBERT MORRIS & SON** Nottingham Rd Newsagents & Cards
 - GIBSON'S RADIO** 9 High St Ironmongery & Hardware
 - FS BERRISFORD LTD** Nottingham Rd Chemist & Opticians
 - DAVID GIBSON LTD** Sleetmoor Lane High Class Maker of Gowns
- Plus many more*

A Surprise for Somercotes Salvation Army Corps!



Nikita Briggs's of Weight Watchers' surprised the Salvation Army's Territorial Envoy, Terence Carpenter and his Friends and Fellowship Group, when she brought over 75 children's gifts that weight watchers members have collected throughout the year and kindly donated for Somercotes Salvation Army Corps to distribute to local children in need this Christmas.

With an annual total weight loss of over 8,000lbs the Weight Watchers' Group has shown how big hearted they are, and the Salvation Army thanks them for their most generous gifts.

KIND TESCO CUSTOMERS



Alfreton Tesco's Community Champion, Joanna Dronfield, has for many years worked closely with Territorial Envoy Terence Carpenter of The Salvation Army, and here they are pictured with members of the Salvation Army from Somercotes Corps and the Tesco Store Manager collecting baskets full of toys that were bought and kindly donated to the Salvation Army by Tesco customers, and which were distributed this Christmas time to needy local children and their families together with food parcels from The Salvation Army.

New & Refurbished Businesses in Somercotes



THE BIRDCAGE TEAROOMS

Opening Times 9am to 4pm Mon – Sat
 Email :thebirdcageterooms@outlook.com
 FB: The Birdcage Tearooms

If You Miss This You are Missing A Real Treat!

The Birdcage Tearooms opened on 26th November 2016. Owners Richard & Mel have brought their Tea Room experience from Cromford to Leabrooks along with their unique style, talent for quirkiness and huge personalities. A chance to unwind in the welcoming atmosphere and relaxing surroundings. Richard & Mel are all about treating customers to that personal touch with fine bone china, a very tempting Menu of freshly cooked food to order and scrumptious Afternoon Teas. 'The Birdcage' as inspired by the film of the same name, starring the late Robin Williams. Private parties are now being catered for along with 'Themed Evenings', the most recent being a 1940's night with entertainment and a themed 3 course meal.

What is not to like? And if all this isn't tempting a visit to see and hear Gay'org (named after Georg Von Trapp (Sound of Music)), the resident canary, is an absolute must.

Afternoon Teas will be served for Mothering Sunday treats on 26th March. Book Early!



Somerlea Park Centre has a large Function Room, two Conference Rooms and a Licensed Bar area located just outside its main Function Room. The main Function Room on the first floor has seating capacity for 160 people with capacity for 40 people in the Bar area.

A disability lift is available for the first floor rooms. Its Conference/Committee Rooms are located on the ground floor and are the perfect venue for small meetings or smaller corporate events.

**For Enquires or to make a Booking contact: 01773 528181
 Sherwood Street, Leabrooks.**

BIRCHWOOD LANE ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION A GREAT PLACE TO GARDEN



Now is the ideal time to get yourself a plot at Birchwood Lane Allotments.....The time has come to prepare the soil ready to plant your seeds and plants and start this years growing process.....All of our gardeners find tending your own plot has many benefits.....

- a) You grow the best tasting vegetables and fruit you have ever tasted, (no food miles).
- b) Tending a plot is a great source of exercise, a much needed pastime.
- c) Mixing with other gardeners increases your social circle.

A 300m² plot at Birchwood Lane only costs £19.50 per year. We do half plots!
 We supply composts, fertilizers, slug pellets, Seed Potatoes and Onion Sets etc at very cheap prices.

See our website www.birchwoodallotments.co.uk, or ring Col on 07912887904, or email secretary@birchwoodallotments.co.uk for more info.



New Look Somercotes McDonald's®



Some of the team at the new look sit up bar in the restaurant

McDonald's restaurant on Nottingham Road has undergone an exciting transformation. Jacqueline Moore (franchisee) is resolute in her intention to improve the dining experience for customers. Digital innovation is part of the transformation. Customers will now be able to order from new digital kiosks and then have the option to have their delivered to their table. For customers who prefer to order and collect food at the till, that option is still available.

Jacqueline says "We're thrilled with the transformation because we're committed to offering our customers' more choice and fast service."

Table service will be rolled out to many McDonalds restaurants, following a trial in 14 restaurants, which proved very successful.

At the self-order kiosks customers will be able to browse the entire menu and check out the nutritional information of their meal. Once their order is completed payment is made by card or contactless, their order can then be either collected at a designated area of the counter or choose table service. Free to use tablets have been installed at some tables for customers who want to check newsfeeds, and emails or play games. Together with a striking new décor, the new look McDonald is a great, welcoming place for all to enjoy. And for the staff – a larger and more comfortable staff room with lockers and the facility to charge their phones securely and a new look uniform.

It is so pleasing that McDonald's organisation recognises their responsibility to protect and preserve the environment for future generations and to that end have a sustainable sourcing policy for food and packaging. By supporting grassroots football and helping to fundraise for Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), which provides 'home away from home' accommodation for families with children in hospital and hospices across the UK, their belief in the importance of having a positive impact on the hundreds of communities in which they operate is obvious. As is their commitment to keeping local areas clean and litter free by organising litter pick and larger clean-up events.



Pooch Pampering Experience!

It is evident when you step into Shampell's, Somercotes Hill, dog grooming parlour that the proprietor Ellie Miles really loves her work. Ellie, who lives locally, has dog grooming experience following her work at a Nottingham City Veterinary Practice.

Ellie offers a professional, fully insured, one to one service. The parlour which opened in early February has a comfortable and relaxed atmosphere. Ellie offers the whole pampering experience or grooming to keep your dog looking good all year round.

For those unable to make day time appointments, late night appointments Mon-Fri are available on request. A Loyalty Card system gives the 5th groom free!

Contact Ellie on 01773 605001.

Check out her FB page to see some happy customers.

Weekly Events at Somercotes Village Hall

| Day | Times | Event | Contact | Contact Details |
|------------|--|--|--|---|
| Mondays | 1.30 pm – 4.00 pm In the Lounge | Welfare Rights (Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre) | No appointment needed | |
| | 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm In the Hall | 1st Somercotes Guides Group for girls aged 10-15 years | Call into a meeting for more details | |
| Tuesdays | 10.00 am 12.00 noon and 7.00 pm -9.00 pm In the Lounge | Watercolour Classes Newcomers always welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. | Norma Gent | 01773 836907 |
| | 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall | Somercotes Beavers Group for Boys and Girls aged 6 to 8 | Paul Williams | 07768 109674 |
| | 7.30 pm – 10 pm In the Hall | Somercotes Ladies Every Tuesday except 1 st in each month | Eileen Wilkinson | 01773 603177 |
| Wednesdays | 10.00 am – 12.00noon In the Lounge | Cameo Coffee Club Pop in – have a coffee – make new friends | Just call in | |
| | 1.00 – 3.00 pm In the Lounge | FREE Maths Class Get into Learning (re-commences 14 th September 2016) | Alfreton Adult Education Centre | 01773 832201 |
| | 5:30 pm – 7.00 pm In the Hall | Weight Watchers | Just call in | |
| | 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm In the Hall | Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness | Dey | 07812 837969 dlzumba@hotmail.co.uk. |
| Thursdays | 9.00 am – 11.00 am In the Lounge | Watercolour Classes All abilities welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. | Norma Gent | 01773 836907 |
| | 6.00 pm – 7.15 pm In the Hall | 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Brownies Group for girls aged 7-10 years | Call into a meeting for more details. | |
| | 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm In the Lounge | 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Rainbows Group for girls aged 5-7 years | | |
| | 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm In the Hall | Classical Yoga Philosophy & Posture, relaxation and breathwork. Newcomers welcome | Linda | 01773 528264 |
| Fridays | 10.00 am – 11.30 am In the Hall | Hatha Yoga Calms your mind and strengthens your body. All ability class | Rav Paul | 07963 350868 |
| | 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall | Somercotes Cubs Group for boys and girls aged 8 to 10 | Paul Williams | 07768 109674 |
| | 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall | Somercotes Scouts Group for boys and girls aged 10 to 14 | Paul Williams | 07768 109674 |
| | 7:30 -8:30 pm In the Hall | Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness | Dey dlzumba@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 |

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
Fridays: 9am -1pm & 2pm – 5pm
Thursdays: 9am – 1pm & 2pm – 7pm
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) 540514
E-Mail: somercotes.library@derbyshire.gov.uk or view the website
www.derbyshire.gov.uk

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.



156 Derby Road, Marehay, Ripley, Derbyshire DE5 8HU
Tel + Fax: 01773 570976
Email: info@hearinghelppambervalley.co.uk
Website: www.hearinghelppambervalley.co.uk

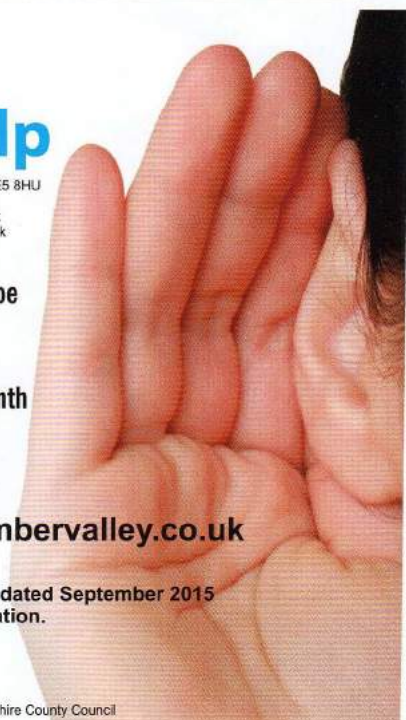
The Hearing Help Clinic will be held in the Lounge of Somercotes Village on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of each Month
11:15 am – 12:30pm

A full calendar is available on our website on the clinics page.

www.hearinghelppambervalley.co.uk

All of our information booklets dated September 2015 have the updated clinic information.

Registered Charity No: 1037481
Supported by Southern Derbyshire CCG & Derbyshire County Council



Places of Worship

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS

The Revd. Imogen Black 01773 603793 | Mobile No: 07949304436
Churchwardens Rachel Watson 01773 607131 and Michael Woods 01623 723653

Regular Services:

Sunday: 9:30 am Sung Mass
9:30 – 10:00am Sunday School in the Village Hall
6:00pm Evening Worship (Last Sunday in the month)
Wednesday: 10.00am Said Mass followed by refreshments

Coffee Mornings -4th March; 1st April; 6th May - 10.00 am – 12 noon

Services and Events

9th April Palm Sunday – Mass and Procession of Palms 9:30am
13th April Maundy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm
14th April Good Friday – Stations of the Cross & Hot Cross Buns 10:00am
Passion Liturgy 3:00pm
15th April Easter Eve – Easter Vigil 7:30pm
16th April Easter Day – Mass 9:30am
Evensong & Benediction 6:00pm

All are welcome to join any of our services and events



Somercotes Salvation Army

Sleetmoor Lane, Somercotes, DE55 1RB

Meetings led by Terence Carpenter, Territorial Envoy, unless otherwise stated. Enquiries phone: 01773 606945

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Weekly

Sunday 10.30am – 11.45am 'The Jam Club' (Sunday School) includes breakfast
Sunday 3.00pm All age Family Worship Followed by refreshments
Monday 2.00pm – 3.00pm Friends and Fellowship -
For the over 50's (except Bank Holiday weeks)
Tuesday 9.30am – 11.00am Care and Share Coffee Morning
(except Bank Holiday weeks).
Sale of new and second hand goods with lots of BARGAINS!

Monthly

Café Church – last Sunday of each month 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Exploring the Christian Faith in a relaxed informal setting.

Craft & Cake - First Friday of the month 2.00pm – 4.00pm. Come and share in fellowship with a cup of tea/coffee and cake. All materials provided to make craft items for various charities or bring your own. A donation of £1 would be appreciated to cover the cost of materials/refreshments etc.

The Somercotes Corps are continually appealing for tins and packets of food. These are re-distributed in emergency food parcels for individuals and families suffering severe poverty and distress referred by Social services and other agencies. If you can help in any way this would be greatly appreciated.

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.

Coffee Morning – 2nd Wednesday in the Month 10am -12noon

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

Mothinger Sunday Service – March 26th 10.30am

Palm Sunday Service – April 9th 3pm

Good Friday Service April 14th 10.30am

Easter Sunday Service – April 16th 10.30am

Anniversary Day Service – May 14th at 3pm

Please see our Notice Board for details of Services and forthcoming events
Everyone Welcome

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 | Praise Time at 6pm
Tuesday: Ladies' Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon
Discussions, prayer and praise. Light lunch.
Prayer & Praise 6pm – 7pm A visiting speaker when available from 7pm onwards.
Wednesday: Kids Club 5:15pm 3 yrs – 11 yrs
Games, projects, bible story, lunch

More than a Meal

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

No charge but a donation appreciated.

SAFER

Neighbourhoods



Safer

Neighbourhoods Policing Team

In response to concerns regarding speeding drivers in the Somercotes area, the data below has been released by the SNT on enforcement measures taken using Laser Gun speed detection.

| Date | Location | Duration | Advisory Letters issued | Tickets issued |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 18.01.17 | Victoria St Ironville | 45 mins | 3 | |
| 18.01.17 | Pye Bridge | 45 mins | 13 | |
| 18.01.17 | Greenhill Lane | 37 mins | 0 | |
| 18.01.17 | Derby Rd, Swanwick | 45 mins | 1 | |
| 10.01.17 | Sleetmoor Lane | 30 mins | 1 | |
| 10.01.17 | Derby Rd | 30 mins | 3 | |
| 18.12.16 | Pye Bridge | 45 mins | 7 | |
| 18.12.16 | Lower Somercotes | 45 mins | 4 | |
| 18.12.16 | Victoria St Ironville | 45 mins | 0 | |
| 05.12.16 | Lower Somercotes | 35 mins | 2 | |
| 05.12.16 | Derby Rd | 40 mins | 4 | |
| 15.11.16 | Lower Somercotes | 45 mins | 3 | |
| 15.11.16 | Crays Hill | 40 mins | 1 | |
| 10.11.16 | Derby Rd | 55 mins | 3 | |
| 07.11.16 | Sleetmoor Lane | 30 mins | | 1 |
| 07.11.16 | Pye Bridge | 30 mins | | 3 |
| 31.10.16 | Pye Bridge | 40 mins | | 4 |
| 31.10.16 | Lower Somercotes | 30 mins | | 1 |

The next Somercotes and Swanwick Community Panel Meeting is Wednesday 26th April at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall, Somercotes.

You can contact the Somercotes and Riddings Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team with any issues you would like to raise by calling 101 or emailing alfreton.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk.

The team can also be found on Twitter: @SomercotesSNT.

Somercotes and Swanwick

Community Panel Meetings 2017

Would you like to help set priorities or have any concerns about your neighbourhood?

Residents are invited to discuss any issues or concerns at the next set of Community Panel Meetings which will be hosted by the team at Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes.

The meetings will take place in the Village Hall on Nottingham Road from 6pm on:
Wednesday, April 26th 2017

Wednesday, July 26th 2017

Wednesday, November 1st 2017

The meetings are also a chance for you to meet officers from your local Safer Neighbourhood policing team and catch up on current issues and priorities.

If you cannot attend the meetings but have concerns that you would like to raise then please contact the Somercotes and Riddings Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team by calling 101

You can also follow the team on Twitter: @SomercotesSNT



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.

Councillor Paul Smith
Councillor Brian Lyttle
Councillor Colin Addison-Lees
Councillor Martin Barron
Councillor Tracy Cole
Councillor Paul Curran-Bilbie
Councillor Gary Edgson

Councillor John McCabe
Councillor Sian McCabe
Councillor J Middleton
Councillor Jason Parker
Councillor Paul Price
Councillor Scott Walker
No Vacancy

Parish Council Staff

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|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Clerk to the Council | Soo Massey | Tel: 01773 603810 |
| Assistant Clerk /RFO | John Richardson | Tel: 01773 603810 |
| Caretaker: | Carol Hopkinson | Tel: 01773 609397 |
| Relief Caretaker | Virginia Smithurst | |
| Parish Wardens: | Colin Rick Les Briddon | |
| Bar Supervisor: | Victoria Jones | |

Please make all Booking enquiries for the Hall or Lounge by calling in calling 01773 609397 or 07516 493430 or email: caretaker@somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk

For all other enquiries contact:

Somercotes Parish Council, Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes, DE55 4LY

www.somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk email: Somercotespc@btconnect.com

Parish Council Meetings

In the lounge of the Village Hall

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| Ordinary PC Meeting | Friday 17th March 2017 |
| Annual Parish Meeting (Not a PC Meeting) | Friday 19th May 2017 (Commences 6:30pm) |
| Annual Parish Council Meeting | Friday 19th May 2017 |
| Ordinary PC Meeting | Friday 21st July 2017 |

All Ordinary PC Meetings commence at 6.30pm, except on 19th May 2017 (Annual Parish Meeting 6.30pm – APCM 7pm)

Your Amber Valley Borough Councillors

Councillor Brian Lyttle | Councillor John McCabe will be holding surgeries in the lounge of Somercotes Village Hall on:

Saturday 1st April 2017 Saturday 5th May 2017
Saturday 3 June 2017

All Surgeries 11am to 12noon.
County Councillor Paul Smith will also be present.

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:

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| 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 572 938 |
| 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 | | |

Call anonymously with information about crime

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 2015-16, 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:

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 Colin Addison-Lees Tel: 07912887904

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

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.

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Somercotes Parish Council Waste Disposal Facility

Somercotes Parish Council Waste Disposal Facility will be 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**

Dog Fouling & Litter

The Parish Council takes the offences of dog fouling & litter very seriously, and would ask that people pick up their dogs mess – The Council provides FREE Poop Scoop bags and these are available at The Village Hall, Stop N Shop Convenience Store, Nottingham Road and Somerlea Park Centre (on the Recreation Ground). There is no reason why Somercotes should not be free of dog mess (that can cause serious illness to children).

Litter is another problem that need not happen, but there is an element of many, particularly younger people who seem to think chucking down litter is normal. Keeping a clean environment is essential for future generations to be able to enjoy green space. So please put litter in the nearest litter bin or take it home.

Amber Valley Wardens have been instructed to prosecute offenders, for dog fouling & litter in public places, so you have been warned.



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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