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Fernwood Parish Council

Fernwood Gazette



Thanks to Geoff Bowers for this photograph taken in Fernwood

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Fernwood Parish Council



Welcome to the October issue of the Fernwood Gazette. We've had a busy 6 months including our Jubilee Celebration at the beginning of June. Above are a few pictures which I hope you agree capture the spirit of the event. Thanks to Geoff Bowers and Jane Newton for these photos. It was with the greatest sadness that we learnt of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Her Majesty's death is a great loss to the nation.

On pages 3 and 4, there is a summary of what the Parish Council is working on. It is impossible to include everything but the work of the Parish Council can be tracked through our minutes and agendas on our website. We try to be as transparent as possible, with draft minutes published within a week of our meetings. Sometimes progress can be slower than we'd like, but I can assure you, the Parish Council is working hard on behalf of the residents we serve.

Parish Council meetings continue to be held on the third Monday of each month—see page 23 for details. Everyone is welcome to come.

Barry Smith, Chairman of Fernwood Parish Council

Parish Council/ Village Hall Office Opening Times & Contact Details

The office, which is situated in Fernwood Village Hall, is open from Tuesday to Thursday from 9.30am to 1pm. Occasionally the office may be closed for staff training/holidays – our website and Facebook pages will always be kept updated.

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Fernwood Parish Council

What the Parish Council has been doing since the last issue

Fernwood Parish Council prides itself in being one of the most open and transparent councils in the area. All our agendas, including supporting papers, are published on our website and we also publish draft minutes approximately a week after our council meetings. We have a social media page where we add our meetings as an event, and we also share this to the two Fernwood Facebook pages (MyFernwood Residents and Fernwood Village Newark). You'd be surprised how many councils do not do this! We also have 2 notice boards in the parish where agendas and minutes are posted (Goldstraw Lane and Village Hall).

Keep up to date with the Council's work: www.fernwood-pc.co.uk – click on the minutes and agendas tab under the Parish Council Meetings heading. Also, you are encouraged to like the Fernwood Parish Facebook page for regular updates and invites to our meetings.

Below is a summary of the key business the Council has been working on:

1. On June 2nd we held a Platinum Jubilee Celebration with live music, free entertainment, and fireworks – the event was a great success. Thanks go out to all our volunteers who worked to make this happen. Also, many thanks to the local businesses and residents who were understanding of our need to close Rubys Avenue to keep event attendees safe.
2. This summer we commissioned Newark and Sherwood Community Hub to provide summer play sessions at the village hall on four Wednesday afternoons in the Summer Holidays. These were well attended and enjoyed by all.
3. We have conducted an online consultation on Crime and Fear of Crime and the use of CCTV in Fernwood. After reviewing the results, we have submitted a request to Newark and Sherwood District Council to have two CCTV cameras, managed by a local CCTV partnership of local councils and easily accessed by the Police. The Parish Council will fund these using Community Infrastructure Levy funding that it holds if the District Council approves our request.
4. We have written to Nottinghamshire County Council to request an interactive speed sign on Dale Way. A recent survey conducted by Via East Midlands had indicated that some cars are exceeding the 30mph limit there. We had wanted to work in partnership with Via with the Parish Council covering the cost of the speed sign using Community Infrastructure Levy funding. However, we were disappointed to receive feedback from Via that they are unable to approve such an installation, irrespective of who provides/pays as they are not yet convinced of a problem in the area.
5. We are still waiting for the ownership of the open spaces in central Fernwood to be transferred to the Parish Council. We have met with N&SDC to progress this and are assured that the legal work is underway between the developer and N&SDC. Again, this is taking longer than we would have liked. Once the land transfer is completed, the Parish Council will look to work with FirstPort to improve the playpark next to the village hall. Residents will be consulted before any changes are made.

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What the Parish Council has been doing since the last issue

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6. We have requested a Coat of Arms for Fernwood and are currently working with the College of Arms on the design of this.
7. The Parish Council met with Robert Jenrick MP in May to once again discuss the need for rights for Freeholders on managed estates. Robert agreed to take this up with his colleagues in government and investigate whether rights for freeholders will be included (as previously this section of the Leasehold and Commonhold Reform had been taken out). He felt that as the bill has been delayed until next year, there should be enough time to include the freehold aspects.
8. The Parish Council still seek a review of the long term closure of Hollowdyke Lane and alternative options to the planned solution investigated. The Council received a letter in July from Nottinghamshire County Council detailing issues that would need to be overcome for this to happen. The letter didn't give a great deal of hope for the potential for Hollowdyke Lane to be kept open, but the Parish Council hope to discuss this further when they meet with NCC highways officers later this year. Fernwood Parish Council is acutely aware that with the closure of this road, we are left with one road in and out of Fernwood and want this to be addressed.
9. We continue to hold liaison meetings with Allison Homes, Barratt David Wilson Homes, and Welcome Break. We meet with these developers for updates on their work in the Parish and to try to tackle any issues as they arise.
10. We have received pre-application advice on the Council's proposed extension/alterations to the village hall. We are now working with our architect to assess whether to submit a full application.
11. The improved directional signage for construction traffic has not been installed on the B6326. We continue to ask questions to try to get this installed once and for all.
12. We have taken ownership of the woodland behind the nursery - see page 5 for more details.
13. The youth club is up and running in the village hall on Friday nights - see pages 6 and 7 for full details. We have worked with Nottinghamshire Youth Service to iron out teething problems and helped with their recruitment processes.



Summer Fun Days at Fernwood Village Hall

WOODLAND UPDATE

Fernwood Parish Council finally took ownership of the woodland behind Fernwood Day Nursery in May of this year; the legal process took considerably longer than we would have liked but since taking ownership we have started to take care of the area:

Maintenance

- The paths have been cleared and Fernwood Parish Council's Caretaker and Maintenance Operative is checking the area on a weekly basis.
- Fortnightly grass cutting around the verges is being done – N&SDC are doing this work on behalf of Fernwood Parish Council.
- We have installed 2 refuse bins and 1 dog bin which are regularly emptied by N&SDC who again are contracted to do this on behalf of the Parish Council.
- Lighting repairs were meant to be completed earlier in the summer but were delayed. We are pleased to report the lamps have been fixed.

Ecological Survey

In August, ecologists visited the woods and we have since received their report which advises how to fell trees safely amongst other advice. The Parish Council's contractor has applied to N&SDC to conduct tree work which includes the felling of 8 trees. At the time of this report a decision has not been made. Fernwood Parish Council will ensure the ecologist's recommendations are followed when working on the trees once the approval has been given by N&SDC. On 2 of the trees that have been recommended for felling, the ecologists have recommended further surveys to assess whether bats are present in the Spring.

Volunteer Group

In July, we invited residents to join a volunteers' meeting to discuss ideas for the area and address any concerns. Some residents were concerned that the Parish Council will not be mindful of the wildlife when looking after the area but were reassured that the Parish Council is taking expert advice before any tree work is done. Ideas were also discussed such as bat and bird box making and bulb planting which the Parish Council will be organising. The area behind Marron Court was also discussed including ideas for improving this area. (The ecological survey suggests leaving some of the area as it is but the Council is talking to potential contractors to deliver some of the suggestions that were made).

Communication regarding this area

We have set up a page on the Council's website with documents and updates relating to the area and will continue to try to keep residents up to date through local social media.



Bulb planting — we plan to hold a community bulb planting event on the afternoon of October 15th. Details will be published on our Facebook page. If you don't have access to social media and would like to be kept updated please email office@fernwood-pc.co.uk and we will let you know by email.

FERNWOOD YOUTH CLUB

Hello,

We hope that you have all had a great summer. Fernwood Youth Club is back open after our summer break. Just a little update on where we are now. We have had overwhelming interest in the youth club since its opening just after Easter, which has been fantastic, but it did come with some teething issues. Hopefully these have now been overcome with the new booking in system which has so far been successful. We now have a core group of young people which attend every week and things have settled down.

The autumn term is always a busy one for us and we have lots planned. We are lucky enough to have been able to book in some outside agencies to come and support us in our sessions. Sarah from Sexions will be coming to talk to our young people about healthy relationships and Green watch is attending to talk to our young people about how to stay safe around the time of bonfire night. And we have also booked the tennis courts at the request of the young people. We also have Halloween, Remembrance Day, and Christmas to look forward too. So, lots planned for our young people to take part in.

If you would like your young person to attend the session my details are laura.burrows2@nottsc.gov.uk

Best wishes,

Laura, Chris, Lee and the Team.

What the young people have got to say about the youth club.....

"Youth Club is somewhere to come and see my friends." Age 12



"I come to youth club to see my friends, meet new friends and do lots of fun activities." Age 13

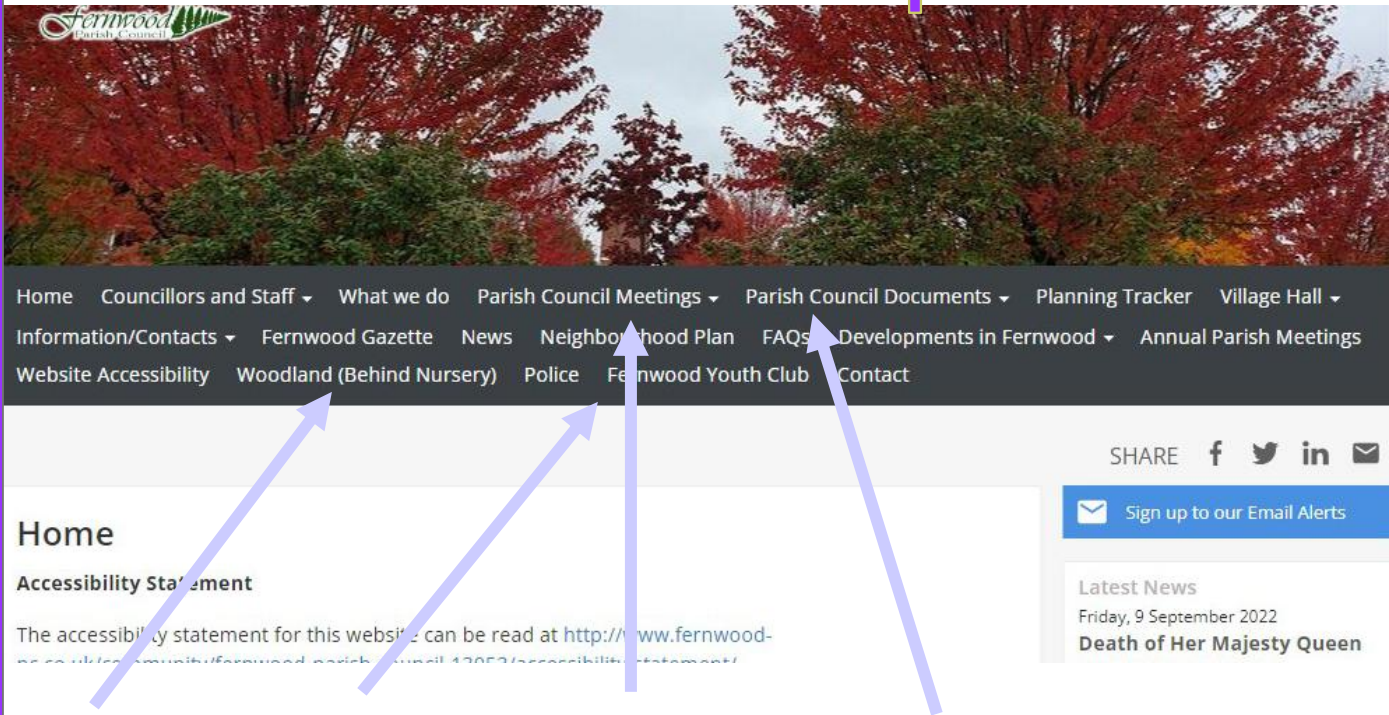


"I come to youth club to see my friends, meet new friends and do lots of fun activities." Age 13



"Personally, I enjoy the extra activities. It gives me a warm place to go and enjoy myself. Be with my friends and be social. I feel that the workers enjoy what they do. It breaks down the awkward adult child relationship. I truly hope I can keep coming here." Age 12

Fernwood Youth Club is on Friday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30pm during term time at Fernwood Village Hall. Email Laura to book a slot for your child (Year 6 to Year 11) for this term: laura.burrows2@nottsc.gov.uk

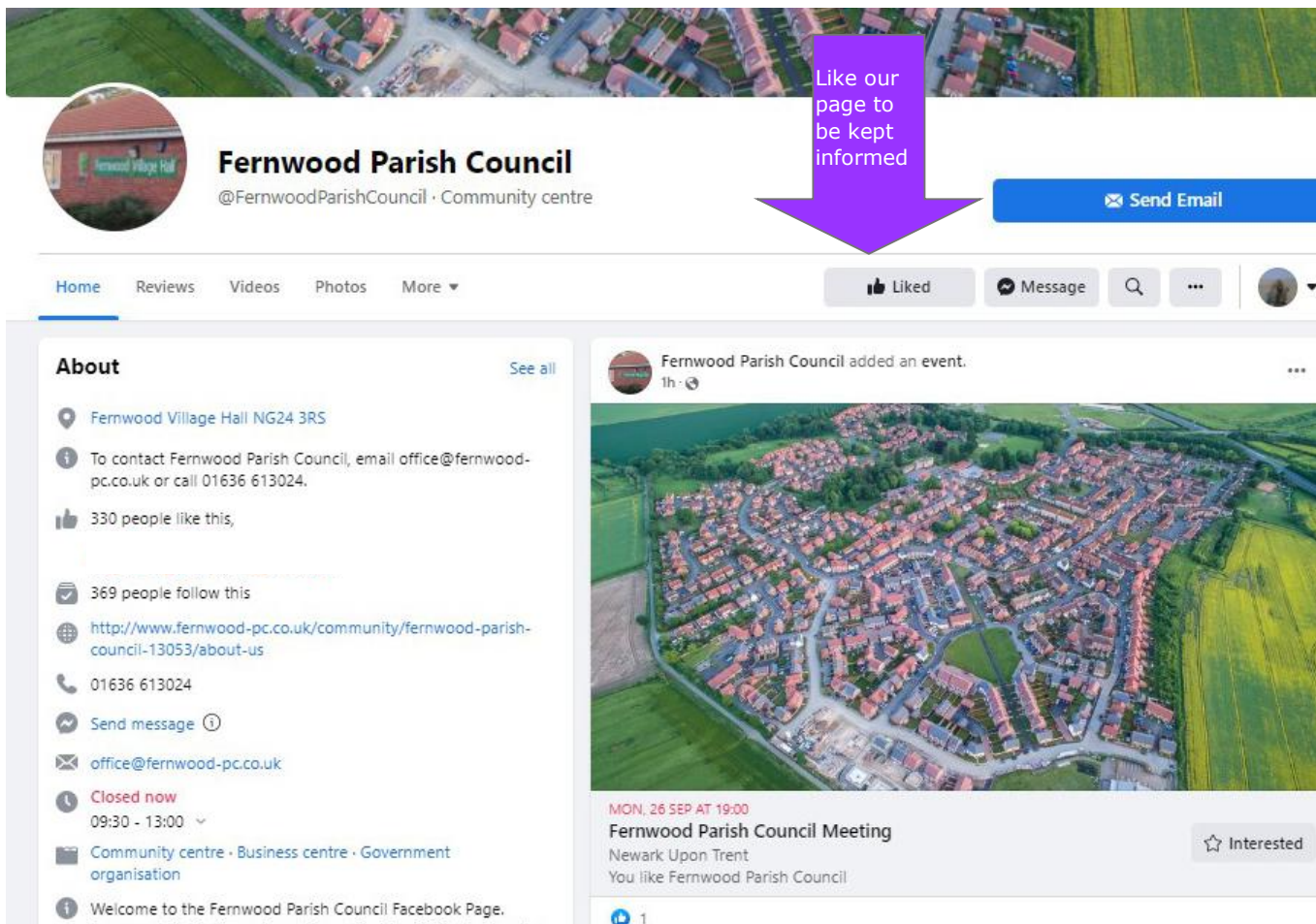


Newly added sections regarding recent projects such as the woodland behind the nursery and youth club

Find all agendas and minutes dating back to 2016. Our agendas now include supporting papers for transparency.

All the Council's policies are available through our website.

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Monday 26th September

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Monday 3rd October

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Monday 21st November

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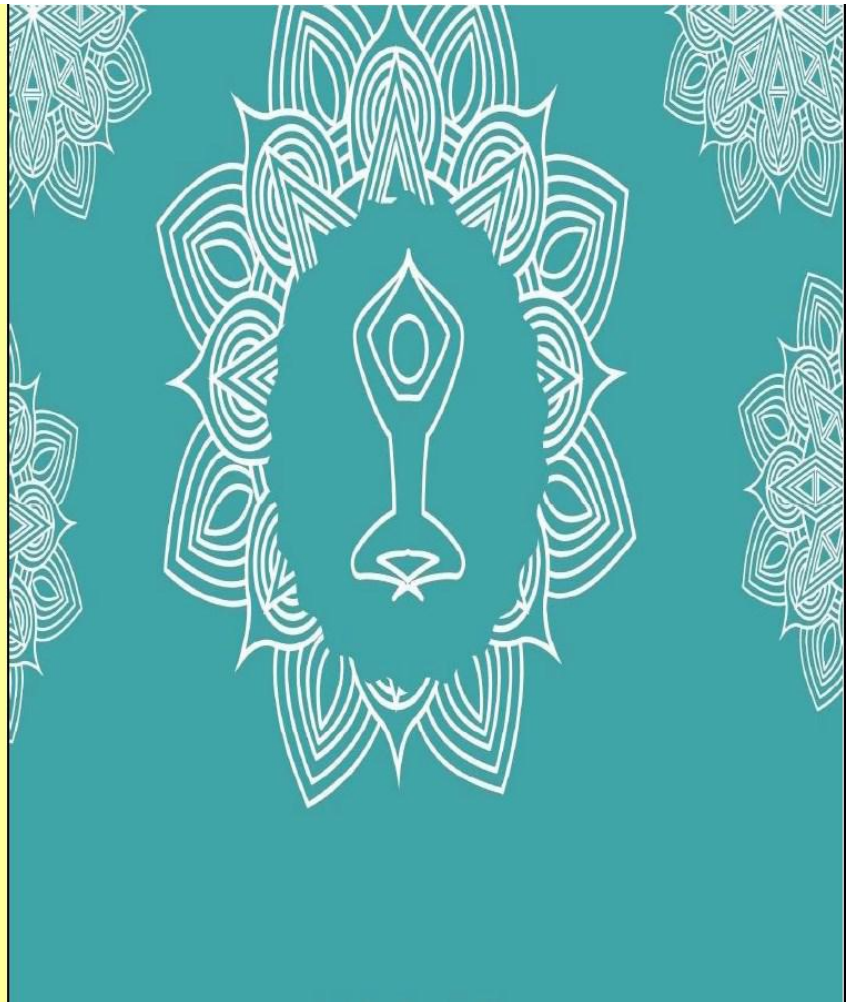
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Weight Watchers

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Yoga

9:30 - 11:30
Baby & Toddlers Group Caterpillar Music

9:30 - 11:30
Still Smiling Support
Group

16:00 - 18:30
Slimming
World

18:30 - 19:30
Lucina Mama Antenatal
Education

19:30 - 21:30
Youth Club

SATURDAY

09:30 - 11:30
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Fernwood Community
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For contact details of group organisers, please visit:

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Full Council meetings are on the third Monday of each month except August and December



2022

September 26th
October 17th
November 21st

2023

January 16th
February 20th
March 20th

2023

April 17th
May 15th
June 19th
July 17th
September 18th
October 16th
November 20th



Meetings start at 7pm. Agendas available on the Council website and notice boards.
All meetings are held at Fernwood Village Hall

Occasionally an Extraordinary meeting is called if the business arises that cannot wait until the next Parish Council - this will be publicised on the Parish Council's notice board and website and local social media.

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