

A Message from the Chair

The Remembrance Sunday parade on 13th November was a sombre event, and the continued efforts to provide a 'sea of red poppies' around the village during the period was heart warming. It keeps getting better year on year. The Council continues to recognise and appreciate the valuable contributions for the event, including the Royal British Legion, Sgt. Esther Taylor, Killamarsh Poppies teams, Killamarsh Wombles and Reverend Helen Guest for leading the war memorial service alongside others.

As we move into the festive season, pockets will feel tighter and putting the heating on will be a worry for most. There are a number of warm space events going on around the village where elderly and vulnerable residents can grab a cuppa and meet with others. I encourage our younger and more able residents to call in on any vulnerable neighbours over the winter to check they are ok and not alone.

I'm pleased to see the long awaited opening of Killamarsh Active, with positive feedback being received on activities now available in the centre, along with the new library in operation. We are also seeing much needed resurfacing work to roads continuing to take place, such as Sheepcote Road and other areas of the village.

As we look to 2023, we are planning a community summer festival next July, preparation of the council budget where we are looking to deliver more for less and reduce the tax burden on residents. We're also aiming to get the Parish Suite back to a usable and modernised space, alongside the Council offices moving into the old CLOC building which has now been renamed the Killamarsh Community Hub. Killamarsh Parish Council wishes our community a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year for 2023.

Cllr Steve Clough, Chair of Killamarsh Parish Council

Remembrance Fayre Event Raises Further Funds for the Royal British Legion



The Travellers Rest held their annual Remembrance Fayre on Friday 11th November, kindly hosted again by Tracey Warnes and her team.

The fayre offered a range of stalls with gifts & cards, baked goods, festive items and sweets promoting local crafts and small businesses.

The proceeds raised totalled around £145 from the Tombola and knitted wreaths which were donated to the Royal British Legion. Landlady Tracey stated that 'it's important that we remember what local residents sacrificed for our future. We hope the funds are valuable in going towards helping veterans and those who may be in need that have served our country.'

Festival of Trees at St. Giles Church

St. Giles Church will be holding its annual Christmas Tree Festival beginning with a very special **Festival of Trees Service on Sunday 4th December at 4pm.**

Local groups, organisations and businesses are invited to donate a free-standing Christmas tree, real or artificial, approximately 3-4 foot in height and decorated by community groups to represent their place in our community.

Christmas trees will be on display throughout the festive season. For those wishing to take part, **Christmas trees will need to be placed in Church on Saturday 3rd December between 10am and 4pm.**

The Council Christmas tree will be on display, and will also be hosting the Christmas bauble entries we receive in our Christmas bauble competition.



One for the Children... Christmas Bauble Competition

For any creative youngsters out there that like making a decoration for the tree leading up to Christmas, then this might just be up their street. Any child aged 12 and under are asked to create their own seasonal bauble and send this into to the Parish Office to win a chocolate selection box for Christmas. Children and parents are also able to collect coloured paper from the Parish Office to create their masterpiece too. (Monday to Friday 10am until 4pm).



When returning entries, please enclose a name and family phone number with the bauble and return it to the Parish Office at Stanley Street, Killamarsh by Friday 16th December. The competition is open to Killamarsh residents only. All entries are intended to be added to the Council Christmas tree on display at St. Giles Church.

Parish Council Commissions Install of more Defibrillators across Killamarsh

The Parish Council has commissioned the installation of four further defibrillators across the village, increasing the existing units available for public use.



Near the front entrance of the Travellers Rest at Mansfield Road, Highmoor.

On the front of the Sandwich Junction shop front at Sheffield Road, Norwood.



To the left of the Rai's Convenience storefront on Delves Road near the Police Station.

To the rear of the Killamarsh Community Hub, on Stanley Street.

Cllr Wendy Tinley stated 'These additional units will compliment the existing sites in Killamarsh. This valuable life-saving equipment will be of great benefit to the community over the coming years, with further sites to be confirmed providing more availability.'



Driver sessions with the Institute of Advanced Motorists

Starting at the end of February 2023, the Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM) will be holding free driver training sessions on the last Sunday of every other month. The bi-monthly events will run from 10am until 12pm in the sports centre car park.



The sessions are intended for members of the public to be assessed on driving style with basic guidance provided to improve driving skills, fuel economy and coping with increasing traffic on the roads to ensure safety. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Extreme Wheels to Return in 2023



Following the positive impact of the Extreme Wheels

Roadshow events taking place during the summer, the Parish Council are pleased to extend the programme into 2023 for 29 weekly sessions of activities.

The council has been successful in securing £5000 of funding towards the programme through a bid from the Police & Crime Commissioner projects funds. Dates are to be confirmed in the new year and updates will be shared in newsletters, via social media and directly with schools.

Cllr Alex Platts said 'following interaction with the young people attending sessions during the summer, those participating were keen for more of these activities going into 2023. It's important to support our local youngsters and provide activities in the community to keep them entertained.'

Crime Numbers in Killamarsh

Killamarsh Crime Figures 2022	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
Anti-Social Behaviour	20	5	4	29
Burglary	1	3	5	9
Criminal Damage & Arson	11	4	3	18
Drugs	2	1	0	3
Other Theft	1	0	2	3
Other Crime	1	3	2	6
Possession of Weapons	5	0	0	5
Public Order	7	1	9	17
Robbery	0	0	0	0
Shoplifting	1	1	0	2
Theft from the Person	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Crime	2	2	5	9
Violence & Sexual Offences	24	25	21	70
Total	75	45	51	171



Warm Spaces for the Elderly and Vulnerable

For the elderly and vulnerable in the village, there are a number of warm spaces open for a free cuppa and to meet with others to help keep those energy costs down at home. The timings are:

Monday, Wednesday and Saturday – 9am-12pm
Killamarsh Community Hub (CLOC), Stanley Street

Tuesday - 10am-12pm - Ebenezer Gospel Hall,
Stanley Street and 1.30pm-3pm
St. Giles Church Hall, Sheepcote Road

Thursday, Friday - 9am-12pm, Sunday 9.30am-12pm
Killamarsh Methodist Church, Sheffield Road
(to the front of ALDI)

Cost of Living Support and Resources

With Christmas upon us, the financial challenges of energy, housing and food costs spiralling will be a worry for most. The Government has a range of mechanisms in place to support households under the Help for Households programme at <https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk/>.

In addition, cost of living support and advice is provided by North East Derbyshire District Council at: www.northern-derbyshire.gov.uk, or you can contact the Council by phone on **01246 231111** to be directed to advice and support for your specific needs. NEDDC will be circulating additional support information to residents to help throughout the winter. The Parish Council will also be publishing tips on the Council website at www.killamarsh-pc.gov.uk.

For those aiming to be frugal in the lead up to Christmas, there are savings to be made around gifts for loved ones with various offers coming up for the season from a range of well known retailers.

Boots will be offering some of their No.7 range for half price from 7th December. Clothing sales start with the big retailers **ASOS (online) and H&M with up to 70% off from 19th December.** **The Body Shop will have up to 50% off in store on Christmas Eve.**

Value can also be found in gift vouchers for various major retailers, including those online as **sales start Christmas day with up to 50% off at Argos, Currys, John Lewis, M&S, Selfridges,** with in store sales following on boxing day for most.

Food retailers such as Aldi, Asda, Lidl and Tesco will start offering Christmas veg priced as low as 14p from 12th December. Sainsbury's and M&S will also carry some bargains.

Upcoming Parish Council Meetings

Monday 19th December 2022 - 7pm - 9pm -
Killamarsh Parish Suite

Monday 23rd January 2023 - 7pm - 9pm -
Killamarsh Parish Suite

Winter Warming Food on a Budget...

Winter is almost upon us and with the cold weather we'll be looking to fill up on warm hearty food during the winter season that doesn't cost the earth. How about a warming Beef Casserole for four for less than £5?

Aldi Ashfield British Diced Beef (400g)	£3.79
Aldi Nature's Pick Casserole Veg (600g)	£0.95
Aldi Bramwells Beef Casserole Mix	£0.25
Total:	£4.99

(Prices correct at time of going to print)

This can be cooked in the oven, though for cost savings if you have jacket potatoes or other items that can be cooked and reheated at a later time in the microwave, this will cut down on cost. If you have a slow cooker, this is also a thrifty alternative to the oven.

Look out for the freezer deals still available at the Co-op. They come in at £6 compared to the previous £5 they were available for, though still offer great value for money on freezer items.

What's On

Christmas Market, Killamarsh Methodist Church, Killamarsh - Saturday 3rd December 10am-2pm

Weston Park Fundraiser, Killamarsh Methodist Church, Killamarsh - Saturday 10th December 10am-12pm

Christmas Fayre, St. Giles Church Hall, Killamarsh - Saturday 10th December 2pm-4pm

Christmas Fayre, The Travellers Rest, High Moor - Saturday 10th December 2pm-5pm

Christmas Nativity, Killamarsh Methodist Church, Killamarsh - Sunday 18th December 10am-11am

Christmas Carol Service, Ebenezer Gospel Hall, Killamarsh - Sunday 18th December, 6pm

Local Mentions...

Thanks goes to Killamarsh Wombles and local volunteers once again for assisting with Marshall support for the Remembrance Sunday parade.

Praise also go to all the venues in the village that provided bright and colourful displays, and their generosity in committing time and effort to a strong community tradition.

Thanks also go to our Parish Clerk, Gail Blank, for the Remembrance Day afternoon tea at the CLOC.

Newsletter Feedback

If you would like to:

- Advertise your group or trade
- Suggest any news articles which would be of interest to the Community

Please contact the Parish Office Team on 0114 247 2260 or email parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk.

