



### A message from the Chair

2023 has opened with a mild winter, which has hopefully helped residents to save on some of their heating costs given the significant increases we all face going into this year. It has been pleasing to see the local support from various groups to support warm spaces across each week, and that the council also provided support by opening up Killamarsh Community Hub for public use to share in supporting our local residents. The Parish Council will be moving the office into the building shortly to help maximise its use going forward, and hope residents take the opportunity to drop in and take a look.

Since consultation, the Parish Suite refurbishment is currently progressing through supplier quotations to minimise costs wherever possible and hopefully employ local contractors to bring the building up to a usable standard for customers, community groups and Council events.

Since re-opening, Killamarsh Active has been increasing its membership numbers and feedback regarding the facilities is generally very positive. The additional parking will now allow for more residents to enjoy the great facilities that are on offer, including the new children's play area, café and library. We are currently awaiting the refurbishment of the skate park, and the Council is looking to invest in further parks in the village, this year. Alongside this, the Council has also appointed a consultant to support the delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan under an externally funded package to look at the future development of Killamarsh and its local amenities.

While the tiered support for Killamarsh Active tapers off, further savings and careful budgeting has also allowed the Council to commit to a 10% reduction in the Parish Council precept part of the Council tax for 2023-24, which is hoped will reduce the impact of cost of living rises a little, whilst maintaining services across the community.

We look forward to more activities taking place, including the summer festival planned for July and the extended Extreme Wheels activity programme which is to take place across the summer for our younger residents with a start date to be confirmed. Saturday the 6th of May will also see the coronation of King Charles III, following Parish and District council elections on the 4th of May. While King Charles has requested a more low-key celebration due to the cost of living challenges, we hope people will celebrate and enjoy this special occasion.

**Steve Clough, Killamarsh Parish Council (Chair)**



### Killamarsh Community Hub is available for Community Activities

Killamarsh Parish Council is pleased to announce that Killamarsh Community Hub is now available for group hire and meetings. The Parish Council offices are moving into the former CLOC building, with all future council meetings intended to take place in the revitalised facilities. Anyone wishing to book space at the Community Hub, should contact the Parish Office on 0114 247 2260, or via email: [parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk).



### Parish Summer Festival planned to take place in July at the Community Campus

Killamarsh is to see a Summer Festival take place at the Community Campus at Stanley Street on Saturday 15th July from 11am - 4pm. The occasion will provide a number of activities for residents, with a variety of stalls, caterers, young peoples activities including Extreme Wheels displays and activities, rides for younger children and other entertaining activities to come. These will take place across council venues at the site, with North Derbyshire Radio joining the event. Local artists and entertainers are invited to contact us at the parish office on 0114 267 2260 if they want to showcase their talents. We hope you'll join us for an afternoon of fun and entertainment!



entertainers are invited to contact us at the parish office on 0114 267 2260 if they want to showcase their talents. We hope you'll join us for an afternoon of fun and entertainment!

## Changes to Voting for Upcoming Elections

The government has passed a new act called the Elections Act 2022 that will mean changes to UK elections and the way we vote in person (postal votes remain the same).

The government will introduce the various parts of the act in stages. The following first changes will come into effect in the May 2023 local elections:

- **Voter identification**
- **Accessibility at polling stations**

### **Voter ID (Identification) - what's changing:**

Electors will have to show an approved form of photo identification to vote in a polling station. Photographic identification that can be used to vote include passport, driving licence, immigration document, a PASS (Proof of Age Standards Scheme) card, Ministry of Defence Form 90, concessionary travel pass (excluding railcards) or national ID card.

Electors without an official form of photo identification can now apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate. **The deadline to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate is 5pm on Tuesday 25 April 2023 to be able to vote at a polling station on 4 May 2023.**

Forms can be downloaded online at: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate>, or you can contact **North East Derbyshire District Council - Electoral Registration Officer** at: **District Council Offices, 2013 Mill Lane, Wingerworth, S42 6NG, Tel:01246 217069 / 01246 217068, email: elections@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk** who will be able to assist with your registration or postal forms.

### **Accessibility at polling stations - what's changing:**

Voters with disabilities will have access to extra assistance in polling stations. This means that anyone over the age of 18 can attend the polling station to support a disabled voter.

## Make a Change and Become a Local Councillor

**If you care about where you live and are passionate about your community, we need you!**

The Parish Council elections are to be held on the 4th May 2023 when residents get their say of who they want to represent them at a very local level.

Anyone who meets the criteria below can stand for election:

- A British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union, and
- 18 years or older on the day you become nominated for election, and
- Live or work in or near the parish.

You cannot stand for election if you:

- Are the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order
- Have, within five years before the day of the election, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine.

There are also some other disqualifications relating to candidacy, but they are too complex to outline here.

If you would like to know more information about the role, what is expected, and how to become a Councillor please contact the Parish Office on 0114 247 2260 or email us at [parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk).

## Upcoming Parish Council Meetings

**Environment & Climate Committee - 15th March - 7.00pm**  
**Health, Safety & Wellbeing Committee - 20th March - 7.30pm**  
**Full Council - 27th March - 7.00pm**  
**Events & Communications Committee - 4th April - 7.00pm**  
**Finance Committee - 17th April - 6.00pm**  
**Full Council - 24th April - 7.00pm**  
**Annual Parish Meeting - 15th May 6.00pm**  
**Annual Meeting of the Council - 15th May - 7.00pm**

**Meetings will take place at Killamarsh Community Hub.**



## Council looking into CCTV

The Environment and Climate Change Committee are currently looking into improving the village CCTV provision on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Committee has met with local Police officers to identify sites for the cameras and quotes are being obtained from companies to supply the system.



## King Charles III Coronation

On 6th May this year, His Majesty King Charles III will be coronated alongside Queen Consort Camilla following the passing of the late Queen Elizabeth II.



To mark the occasion in Killamarsh, the Parish Council will look to decorate primary areas of the village with bunting and aim to have flowers in village planters presented in red, white and blue. Residents wishing to plan a street party can benefit from NEDDC waiving road closure application fees as part of the celebrations and are also offering grants for those organising events. To make an application, please contact NEDDC on **01246 231111**. Additional information can be found at [www.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk](http://www.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk).

## Norwood Play Area Plans

A grant application has been submitted to the NEDDC's Shared Prosperity Fund to refurbish the very tired looking play area at Norwood. Council representatives spoke to local children to ask them what equipment they would like to see and these ideas, where possible, have been incorporated into the design plans. We hope that our younger residents in this area can look forward to a new, fit for purpose, play area to enjoy for many years to come.



The Council continues to look for ways in which to improve facilities for its younger residents and would love to hear views from residents. A Youth Council has been suggested to look at ideas and work with the Council to put these into place. If this would appeal to your son / daughter please get in touch as we really would love to hear from them.

## Killamarsh Crime

### Figures 2022

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Anti-Social Behaviour	7	6	5	18
Burglary	1	3	3	7
Criminal Damage & Arson	7	4	3	14
Drugs	0	1	1	2
Other Theft	1	1	1	3
Other Crime	0	2	1	3
Possession of Weapons	1	0	0	1
Public Order	6	3	2	11
Robbery	1	0	0	1
Shoplifting	2	2	2	6
Theft from the Person	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Crime	0	2	6	8
Violence & Sexual Behaviour	16	19	17	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>126</b>

## Speed Indicator Devices Update

The Environment and Climate Change Committee have recently consulted with the Police and DCC for 6 hotspot locations in the village to place speed indicator devices to assist in making roads safer in key areas.

The Council are now at the stage of getting approval to have the brackets fitted to the Street Lighting columns with DCC assessing locations for safe and secure placement, which can also be moved on a regular basis.

These devices will not only highlight speeds to drivers who pass the devices, they will also collect traffic volume and speed data over time which will aid the local authorities and Police to assess where significant risks are to pedestrians and other road users.



## Village Green Parking Issues

The Council would like to kindly remind residents that parking on the village green at Westthorpe is not permitted and the council will shortly be installing signs as a reminder.



Not only is it a criminal offence under Section 34 of the road Traffic Act 1988 to park on a designated village green, parking vehicles on the green causes damage to the grass/ground and is a danger to recreational users of the green.

## Meatballs with a side of Garlic Bread

Keeping it cheap and cheerful, how about trying spaghetti with meatballs and a side of garlic bread on a budget under £5 for a family of 4?

Aldi 5% Fat Beef Meatballs x12 (340g)	£2.79
Cucina Tomato & Basil Meatball Sauce 500g	£0.85
Aldi Everyday Essentials Spaghetti 500g	£0.28
Carlos Twin Pack Garlic Baguettes 338g	£0.85
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£4.77</b>

(Prices correct at time of going to print)

Brown off your meatballs in a pan with a little oil for 7-8 minutes. Add your jar of meatball sauce and add approx. 350ml of water along with half your pack of spaghetti. Bring this to the boil, then simmer until your pasta sauce has reduced nicely and your spaghetti is cooked through. Slice up your garlic baguettes and lightly grill until golden.

# County, District & Parish Councils - Who does what?



- Adult Social Care
- Animal Welfare
- Buses & Public Transport
- Bus Shelters
- Care Homes
- Child Protection
- Economic Development
- Education
- Gold Card
- Gritting
- Highways
- Libraries
- Licensing
- Public Rights of Way
- Recycling Centres
- Social Services
- Street Lighting
- Street Furniture
- Trading Standards
- Youth Services

**Tel: 01629 533190**

**Web: [derbyshire.gov.uk](http://derbyshire.gov.uk)**



**North East  
Derbyshire**  
District Council

- Air Quality
- Cemeteries
- Community Safety
- Council Tax Billing
- Dog Wardens
- Economic Development
- Electoral Services
- Environmental Health
- Food Safety
- Grounds Maintenance
- Health & Safety
- Housing (via Rykneld Homes)
- Leisure & Culture
- Licensing
- Planning
- District Council Owned Play Areas
- Street Cleansing
- Unadopted land and vegetation
- Waste Collection

**Tel: 01246 231111**

**Web: [ne-derbyshire.gov.uk](http://ne-derbyshire.gov.uk)**



**Killamarsh  
Parish Council**

- Allotments
- Bus Shelter Maintenance
- Grit Bins
- Litter Picking
- Minor Grounds Maintenance
- Parish Suite
- Parish Council owned Play Areas
- Sports Field
- Street Furniture

**Tel: 0114 247 2260**

**Web: [killamarsh-pc.gov.uk](http://killamarsh-pc.gov.uk)**

## Other Key Contacts

Chesterfield Royal Hospital  
Tel: 01246 277271

Killamarsh Medical Practice  
Tel: 0114 251 0000

Samaritans  
Tel: 116 123

Citizens Advice Bureau (NE Derbys)  
Tel: 0808 250 5702

Rykneld Homes  
Tel: 01246 217670

Western Power Distribution (Power Services & Power Cuts)  
Tel: 0800 6783 105

Severn Trent (Water Leaks)  
Tel: 0800 783 4444

National Grid (Gas Leaks)  
Tel: 0800 111 999

BT Openreach (Unsafe telecoms equipment) Tel: 0800 023 2023

Roadworks (Live jobs)  
<https://one.network/uk/derbyshire>

## Newsletter Feedback

If you would like to:

- Ask any questions or raise any issues relating to the village
- Promote your business
- 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](mailto:parish.office@killamarsh-pc.gov.uk).

## Your Parish, District\* & County Councillors

### East Ward

Cllr Nick Challenger (Vice Chair)	07970 718056
Cllr David Drabble*	07583 413859
Cllr Tony Lacey*	0114 2482587
Cllr Wendy Tinley	07464 965882
Cllr Eva Thompson	0114 2473932
Cllr John Windle	07988 506755

### West Ward

Cllr Brian Clamp	organiser2122@hotmail.com
Cllr Steve Clough* (Chair)	07828 211725
Cllr Chris Curzon	0114 2514119
Cllr Susan Jackson	susan.jackson89@gmail.com
Cllr Carol Lacey	0114 2482587
Cllr Alex Platts*	07522 773736
Cllr Mo Potts*	mpottskc@gmail.com
Cllr Bill Rice	0114 2481744

### County

Cllr Mark Foster	07803 902698
Cllr Carolyn Renwick	07711 765124