

Parish Council Meetings

22nd November Ordinary 6.30pm

24th January 2022 Ordinary
6.30pm

28th March 2022 Ordinary 6pm
Parish Assembly 7pm

You will be pleased to know all future meetings will be at Coughton C of E Primary School

THERE ARE 15 MINUTES AT THE START OF EVERY MEETING FOR YOU TO BRING UP ANY ISSUES, CONCERNS, IDEAS & QUESTIONS. IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT IS BOTHERING YOU PLEASE COME TO THE MEETING AND LET US KNOW. EACH PERSON HAS 3 MINUTES TO HAVE THEIR SAY

Our meetings are only for an hour every couple of months.

We welcome ideas for bringing this wonderful village together and making us an even greater community.

Agendas & Minutes of all meetings are available on the Parish Council website

Parish Council Meeting 27th September 2021

The evenings meeting was attended by 3 Parish Councillors, DC Gill Forman, CC Justin Kerridge & School Head Alex Kolb, unfortunately no residents. It was decided to make a donation of £25 to Royal British Legion for a remembrance cross.

The issues with the bridge are now being looking into by WCC. CC Justin Kerridge commented, if you see any problems in the area please report them on the Stratford District Council website, where there is a 'REPORT IT' function.

We were updated re possible merger between WCC and SDC. At the garden meeting we had kindly been gifted a derelict barn for erection and use as a village hall. It was decided that a 'group' needed to be set up to discuss all the options this entails, i.e. purchase of land, application for grants etc. Alex suggested a possible position for this which will be considered in due course. If you would like to join the group to help with this, please contact a Parish Councillor, as this is something that can not be done by CPC alone. The offer is very generous and greatly appreciated, this would be a considerable asset to the village for future generations.

The meeting was closed at 7.30pm

Parish Council Informal Coffee Morning

Wow, what a response to the coffee morning in 'The Mews', despite us being under brollies at some points, we had a plethora of people attending, with fabulous suggestions, offers and ideas. The next date for the informal coffee & chat with your Parish Councillors is, Saturday October 23rd, 10am-12pm. See you there!

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NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2021



My goodness, I cannot believe I am preparing the October edition of the newsletter! Where has this year gone? I hope you are all now getting back to some sort of normality (not in my house!).

Preparations are now beginning for winter and dare I say Christmas!!!

So get out your woolies and wellies.

Firstly though we have our fantastic Halloween Night in the village and Scarecrow Competition to look forward too. I hope you can all join in once again, I look forward to seeing some fabulous costumes & decorations.

STAY SAFE

We still require a new Parish Councillor for Coughton. If you would like to join us and help with village matters, please contact the Parish Clerk

Parish Clerk

Your new Parish Clerk is Sarah Whittaker and we would like to welcome her to our community. She is doing an amazing job so far, if you need to contact Sarah, please see reverse of newsletter.



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Community & Village Events

The Parish Council need help to set up a group of volunteers for the Community Group. We need assistance to organize community events, such as Coughton Fete, Cemetery Tidy, Ford Group, Hog Roast etc. Hopefully, we will be starting a Book Club, Choir, Walking Football and Yoga **WE DON'T WANT THESE TO DISAPPEAR FROM OUR VILLAGE'S HERITAGE BUT WE CAN'T PUT ON THESE EVENTS WITHOUT YOUR HELP.** Please contact a Councillor or the Parish Clerk to add your name to our list.

Scarecrow Competition

We will be once again holding a scarecrow competition in Coughton. Which will be held from 1st—7th November, with independent judging on 7th. Prizes will be given for the best 3 entries. To enter please contact Lynne Stanton. We had so many wonderful entries last year, we hope you will all join in again this year. So get your thinking caps on and lets see what fabulous scarecrows you can make.



Coughton Calendar & Photo Competition

Our 2023 Coughton Calendar is coming along nicely, we have three months filled so far. We thought that the December's entry should be a picture drawn by one of Coughton's children, so please ask them to draw a super picture suitable for December in the calendar. Send them to Lynne @ The Old Post Office for judging, with name age and address. In the mean time carry on uploading your photo's every month onto the Coughton Village Facebook page. The proceeds will go towards Coughton Community Fund. Don't worry if you do not have access to Facebook, send your photo to lynnestanton.cpc@gmail.com and it will be uploaded for you. **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR YOUR FAVOURITE PHOTO TOO!**

Coughton Choir

Practice for this will be on a Thursday evening at 6.30pm @ Coughton CofE Church, starting on 7th October. Whether you can sing or not, come & join in the fun.. Please contact Christine christine.coughtonpc@gmail.com



Sunflowers. Just For Fun.

Many thanks to all who entered the sunflower competition, we had many entries and all of the sunflowers were stunning. The winners for the tallest sunflower at 110" were Karen & Den, the winners for the shortest sunflower at 19" were the Evans family. The certificate for the most sunflowers goes to Nick Turner, but the certificate for the cheekiest entry must go to Pete Thornley, I hope everyone managed to see his entry suddenly appear!!! Well done to all who entered.



Throckmorton Arms

Coughton Ford

We are still awaiting the new saplings to be planted at the ford and also the log to be resituated. It has been suggested that we have 2 solid benches on the grass, this is something we are now looking into.

The new dog waste bin is being used & now emptied on a more regular basis. The bridge movement is still being looked into, update to follow. **Since the resignation of Olly Stiley from the Parish Council, we do not have anyone to take on the ford group. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Clerk who will forward your name to the relevant Councillor or ford group member.**

Roads & Drain Repairs / Flooding issues

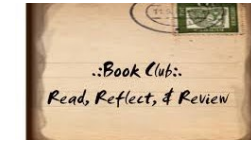
Warwickshire County Highways have been supplied with a list of road problems in the village. They have now been to inspect these and we have received an email from highways confirming the list of jobs they are to undertake in the near future. If you notice any issues regarding the roads or pathways, please contact a Parish Councillor and also report directly to Severn Trent, for them to log the problem. Photographs are in the process of being taken of all the drains through Coughton on the A435, as some of these have not been cleansed due to the fact they can not be lifted. If you spot any others please photograph & log the 'my 3 word' for this drain and send the details to a Parish Councillor.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Ladies are your bra's blooming yet? Have you started to plant them so they are ready to hang out in October? All for fun and for a good cause



Coughton Book Club



Christine is also starting a book club in Coughton. This will

meet every few weeks TBC, reviewing books and getting villagers together for a drink & chat. Please contact her on the above email address, if you would like to join us.

Halloween

Last year Coughton households dressed their gardens for Halloween and it



looked fabulous. Let's all do this again and make the village look Spooktacular. Woohahahahaha!

Remembrance Sunday

Our Parish Council Chairman Roy Piddington will once again be placing poppies at the cross on the Birmingham Road at 11am on 14th November. He would be pleased if you would care to join him



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