

KILBURN PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council is the first tier of local government and acts as 'eyes and ears' for the parish looking after local issues. Members of the Council cannot always promise to solve problems but they will always listen, take action when possible and/or advise parishioners what their next course of action should be.

The parish council meets every 2nd Monday monthly (except for August) in the Community Room on Bown Close; parishioners are welcome to attend. A notice and agenda of the meeting is placed on the noticeboards a week prior to the meeting.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held this year on Monday 21 April 2008 in the Community Room, Bown Close commencing at 7pm. At this meeting residents are able to question members of the council on parish council matters.

The Parish Council holds a garden competition each year. There are three categories and notices are placed on the noticeboards at the appropriate time. All properties are automatically entered in the competition. The competition is sponsored by Plantscape Limited and a Director from Plantscape tours the village with a member of the council in order to make a short list of gardens. Final judging takes place by the Mayor of Amber Valley Council in July and presentations are made at the parish council meeting in September.

A Parish Warden is employed by the Council and you will see Mark working in various areas of the village throughout the week clearing litter, strimming footpaths and generally keeping the village looking tidy.

The Parish Council organises a parade for Remembrance Day followed by a service in the Baptist Church on Highfield Rd. The service is very well supported by local groups including the Scouts and Guides. A Carol Service is also held, on the first Friday in December (6.30pm), in the playground of the nursery school on The Flat. The Mayor of Amber Valley Borough Council is invited to switch on the lights of the Christmas tree.

Visit our new website - www.kilburnparishcouncil.org.uk. The web site holds local information and minutes of parish council meetings. You will be able to contact the parish council via the website and there will be links to local groups. If, after viewing the web site, you wish to make any comment or see something added, the Clerk to the Council will be pleased to hear from you.

For your information here is a list of the Members of the Council with their telephone numbers:

Cllr Gerald Hazelwood (Chairman)	01332 882315
Cllr Ross Watson (Vice Chairman)	01332 883494
Cllr Mrs Donna Archer	01332 881069
Cllr Peter Clarke	01332 780979
Cllr John Day	01332 880778
Cllr David Hall	01332 881492
Cllr Eric Hetherington	01332 881354
Cllr Peter Rowley	01332 882357
Cllr Carol Sayers	01332 781947
Cllr Toby Sturgess	01332 781404
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