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ASHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER – November 2012

We need your help!

Volunteers are needed for the winter salt scheme to clear snow and spread salt in priority areas of the parish such as outside Ashingdon Primary Academy and Ashingdon Hill.

If you are willing to help out, please contact the Clerk on 01702 257457 or ashingdonparishcouncil@essexinfo.net

Parish Councillor Vacancy

Following the resignation of Councillor Prestige, there is now a vacancy on the Parish Council. If you would be interested in becoming a Councillor, please contact the Clerk on 01702 257457 or email ashingdonparishcouncil@essexinfo.net.



Christmas Buffet Thursday 6th December 12.30pm – 3pm



The Parish Council will be holding the Christmas Buffet at Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall on Thursday 6th December 2012 from 12.30pm – 3pm. There will be representations from the local art group, recycling for Rochford and the local Neighbourhood Watch plus historical items.

We are happy to announce that pupils from Ashingdon Primary School will be performing Christmas carols at 1.30pm.

Entry is free, so come along and enjoy some delicious food and drink. A raffle will be held, all proceeds to Peaceful Place.



Dates for your diary



Saturday 24th November 2012 from 2pm – 4.30pm

Christmas Bazaar

St Andrews Church Hall, Church Road, Ashingdon

Thursday 6th December from 12.30pm – 3pm

Ashingdon Parish Council Christmas Buffet

Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall, Ashingdon Road, Ashingdon

Jubilee Bench

The Parish Council purchased a bench to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the bench will shortly be installed in the grounds of St Andrew's Church.

King Georges Field

We have been receiving complaints regarding litter and broken glass at King Georges Field. If you come across this, please report it to Rochford District Council on 01702 546366.

Skate Park at King Georges Field

The original location for the skate park has not been approved by Rochford District Council as it is too close to the old oak tree. The District Council are now considering a new location in front of the tarmac area, thus removing a football pitch. We would welcome your comments on this new location.

Allotments

Some residents showed an interest in allotments in the parish. The Clerk is investigating suitable land and hopes to arrange a meeting with local landowners to see if they would be willing to sell or lease a part of the land to the Parish Council for allotment plots.

If you are a landowner and would be interested in this, please call the Clerk on 01702 257457.

Free information and advice for all

Rochford & Rayleigh Citizens Advice Bureau provide free, confidential, independent and impartial quality advice to all on all aspects of daily living. If you are facing any problems, including issues such as debt, they encourage you to seek help before the problems become overwhelming. Advice can reduce stress and improve your physical health. See www.adviceguide.org.uk for general information on a whole range of issues or contact the bureau for an initial assessment. They will determine how they can best help you.

Contact them on 0844 477 0808 Monday – Friday 9.30am – 4pm or drop in during their opening hours

Rochford Office, Back Lane, Rochford SS4 1AY Tuesday and Thursday 10am – 2 pm

Rayleigh Office, Civic Suite, Hockley Road, Rayleigh SS6 8EB Monday, Thursday and Friday 10am – 2pm

Grant Applications

The Parish Council have a pot of money available that community groups can apply for. If your group could benefit from a grant from the Parish Council, contact the Clerk on 01702 257457 for an application form.

A grant was made to Rochford Hundred Rugby Club's under 13's team towards a new kit for the season. Go to our website to see the new kit.

Congratulations!

1st Ashingdon Beavers and Cubs held a 'coffee evening' and raised £43.70 for Macmillan Nurses!

Proposed closure of Rochford sorting office

The Post Office are considering closing the sorting office in Rochford from February 2013. This would mean that residents would have to travel to Short Street in Southend to collect any undelivered parcels. We will keep you updated with any developments.

Congratulations to Greensward Academy!

Deborah Stokes, Principal of Greensward Academy is delighted that the students' examination results this summer were not only the best ever, but put the academy in second place in the whole of the county.

Other successes have been reaccreditation of the Recognition of Quality Award, Customer Service Excellence and the recent receipt of the British Safety Council Silver Sword of Honour for Health & Safety – the only school in the country to have achieved this.

The students have also seen success in sports, particularly with the netball and cross country teams who will hopefully win their way through to national finals like our U14 girls basketball team who are national champions.

Exciting times lie ahead now that planning permission has been given for the part refurbishment/part rebuild of Greensward Academy to commence in March 2013.

Quality Parish Council status

The Parish Council have been accredited with Quality Parish Council status. In order to achieve this, the Parish Council had to demonstrate that it reached the standard required by passing several tests including a qualified Clerk, communications and community engagement, promoting local democracy and citizenship and training.