

Sandiacre Parish Council Newsletter

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2022 has certainly been a memorable year. For the first part, communities around the country were delighted to celebrate the historic Queen's Platinum Jubilee, but deeply saddened to hear in September of Queen Elizabeth's passing.

Queen Elizabeth had a remarkable reign and displayed outstanding devotion and dedication to public service. Her sense of duty and moral compass remains an inspiration to everyone holding public office. We all sensed our time in history with her passing and then with the ascension of King Charles 111.

To mark the Platinum Jubilee, the Parish Council commissioned a daffodil bench for Springfield Park, which displays a commemorative plaque. Most recently, hundreds of daffodil bulbs have been planted by volunteers around the bench and the top of the park, so this area is now a special place to remember her legacy.

The Parish Council focused on investment for Springfield Park over the past year in order to modernise the green open space and make it more attractive for all park users. Earlier in the year, Councillors were delighted to receive £60,000 from Landfill Communities Fund for new play equipment and picnic benches.

The Parish Council contributed £6,540 to the project and it is intended to apply for further funding to install a perimeter pathway. The new play facilities have been warmly welcomed and are well used by young children and local families.

Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground also

received play area investment with new goal and netball posts for the Multi-use Games Area provided through the DCC Community Leadership Fund and this has proved very popular with young people now using the facilities throughout the day.

Sandiacre Parish Councillors have remained hard-working over the past year and a number of large projects have been considered, including development of the old Stanton Site for industrial use and overseeing the implementation of a new Sandiacre Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillors are very aware that Sandiacre remains adversely affected by HGV traffic coming through the area and it has remained a priority for the Parish Council that impact on the community and



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Chairman

surrounding areas should be minimised. The Council did petition the Secretary of State for Transport to introduce a new M1 Junction (J25A), but it was confirmed this is unlikely to happen due to costs.

A Neighbourhood Plan will offer residents an opportunity to have their say on how Sandiacre can be developed over the next 10 to 15 years, with planning numbers and design, retaining open spaces and helping to reduce the impact of HGV with improved highways, so gaining the views of the whole community is vitally important.

Funding has been received to obtain the services of a consultant and a website provider, so a separate NP website has been developed. All residents will be asked to attend public consultation meetings and participate in discussions before a referendum is called to finalise the scheme. sandiacre.neighbourhoodplan.uk

One important issue that arose in the Summer was the illegal encampment of travellers on Springfield Park. I would like to thank everyone involved as it proved to be a difficult time, both for residents and the Parish Council as the travellers were reluctant to move on. With the ongoing support of EBC and enforcement, the encampment was disbanded within a few days and life



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Vice-Chairman

returned to normal.

In order to ensure the problem doesn't arise again, the Parish Council immediately invested in concrete bollards and new entrance gates. Everyone pulled together and worked as a team and the clean-up operation was undertaken quickly and effectively. My personal thanks go to Cllr Steve Bilbie for all his assistance at the time and for helping install the bollards in his own time.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone connected with the Parish Council for their services and to the volunteers who go out of their way to improve life in their community to make Sandiacre a great place to live and work.

Andrew Wallace and Steve Spencer are two of our regular contractors who have worked tirelessly over the past months to ensure Sandiacre looks well cared for.

Steve has improved the Cemetery and St Giles' church grounds and cleared areas of Springfield Park. Andrew works 6 days a week to litter pick two parks and Derby Road on a Saturday morning and now maintains the flower beds and mows in the centre of Sandiacre to a high standard to make the areas look neat and tidy.

My thanks also go to Michelle Bloor for her continued support and guidance as Clerk and Finance Officer, besides being Cemetery Manager. She has been with us for 15 years and is a valued member of the team and helps bring in additional funding to support projects.

In conclusion, I would like to express my grateful thanks to Councillors for working as volunteers and giving up their time throughout the past year for their community.

Sandiacre has approximately 9,000 residents and is the largest Parish Council in Erewash consisting of 14 Councillors.

Sandiacre is a place to be proud of and I look forward to working with Councillors and residents over the coming year to make a difference to our community...

Cllr Wayne Major

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THE SANDIACRE MALE VOICE CHOIR

The Choir was founded in May 1920, when a group of men with a passion for singing met in the Methodist Church in Butt Street to discuss the possible formation of a male choral group. Within two years the group had grown to around thirty and was practising each week in the White Lion public house, singing part-songs and choruses, both sacred and secular. The choir moved to the Ladycross school in Victoria Road, which was its home until 2014, when it moved back to the Methodist church, where it all started.

In the early years there was a tradition of long service – several members clocking up in excess of 40 years. Two members, one of whom is still with us, served for over 70 years and another current member has been with us for more than fifty.

There have been only five conductors, the first two, R G Longmire and J Dunford covering the first three years, after which Horace Wagg wielded the baton for 49 years and Peter Barber for 41. The present conductor is Stuart Graham who succeeded Peter in 2012. The choir continued to exist during the war years, but inevitably all meetings were suspended, as they were during the recent COVID pandemic.

The pandemic of 2020 also resulted in the abandonment of our planned Centenary celebrations, which was very disappointing. However, the choir was able to recommence normal activities late in 2021 and is now starting to rehearse for the coming season. Over the years it has raised many thousands of pounds by promoting and taking part in concerts for the benefit of charities, both local and national. In May this year and again in July we joined with other local choirs in two charity concerts, one in support of Ukrainian refugees and the other for the local Air Ambulance. These were both very successful, the second one, with free admission, raising over £1,100 in donations. We are also planning to stage a concert in Trinity Church, Long Eaton for a local charity, probably in November. Further details will be released shortly.

The choir continues to prosper, with a regular membership of just under thirty, but new members are always welcome – at present we could do with one or two more in the bass section. Please visit our website or contact our Secretary, Anthony Taylor on Tel: 0115 8778669.

FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Parish Council meets at 7.00pm in The Memorial Institute, Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre NG10 5FJ

Meetings are held on the FIRST Tuesday in the month, unless shown otherwise.

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings to raise questions and/or observe proceedings.

Questions may only be raised during the 10 minute Public Session.



FRIENDS OF HAYWORTH ROAD PARK

You are welcome to enjoy this local hilltop park which has three entrances. Two are on Hayworth Road, NG10 5LL. One, with a tarmac path, is from Netherfield Road.

The Park is known for its superb views, trees and wildflowers, small woodland area, play equipment of both old and new styles, picnic tables and seating, as well as somewhere to stroll, walk your dog or just sit and relax.

Over 20 types of trees have been labelled and guided walks are available on request. Areas of wildflowers and long grass are encouraged with over 90 species having been identified.

In the past, community events each year have included an Easter egg hunt, a summer fair, teddy bears picnic, moth watch, sky-at-night with telescopes, also

work parties to trim vegetation and plant trees, shrubs and wildflowers. The committee welcomes new ideas, such as kite-flying and family events.

Friends and users of the park help pick up litter and report matters needing attention. The Friends Group is properly set up and has an agm. The group work well with EBC staff.

The Friends of Hayworth Road Park would like to work with local residents to organise small-scale events for the community, so please do contact us if you would like to be involved with this.

If you would like more information or to contact the Friends Group, please phone Katharine on 0115 849 0005 or email David on fohrp@outlook.com.



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SANDIACRE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN VISION AND OBJECTIVES

In 15 years' time Sandiacre's residents will be well served with a range of shops and businesses in a vibrant Local Centre. The heritage of the Parish will be protected and enhanced and the benefits of the River Erewash and the Erewash Canal, will be maximised, acting as a focus for improved leisure and recreational opportunities. Progress will have been made on opening up the Derby Canal to enhance the natural and recreational asset that the presence of water provides.

Development in the Parish will be low carbon with a mixture of housing to suite all ages and incomes. Sandiacre will continue to provide high quality sports grounds, parks and green spaces that provide outdoor spaces for a wide range of community groups. The natural environment will be improved with tree and hedgerow planting an important part of new development and the biodiversity of the existing green spaces will be improved.

Walking and cycling around the Parish will be easier and more pleasant with routes to shops, local employment areas, parks and along the water ways improved to encourage active living that promotes physical and mental well-being.

OBJECTIVES

Community Objective 1 Creating a Central Hub

To repurpose key spaces and vacant or underutilised areas to create a vibrant Local Centre attractive to residents and shoppers.

Community Objective 2 Making the most of the Canal and River

To maximise the benefits of the Erewash Canal as walking and cycling routes and as green corridors for wildlife and to support the opening of the Derby Canal.

Community Objective 3 Protecting the Parks

To protect and improve the parks and other green spaces that are highly valued assets for local people.

Community Objective 4 Greening the Streets

To promote urban greening works like tree planting particularly on grass verges and in public parks and along Derby Road and Station Road. This will contribute to improving biodiversity and climate change resilience by introducing shading and reducing the amount of impermeable hard surfacing. On Derby Road and Station Road this will also create a more attractive shopping area.

Community Objective 5 High Quality Design

To ensure that all new development is designed to a high standard that reinforces existing character with boundary treatment including trees and hedgerows where possible. Where development is located near the Canal or River and in a Conservation Area, that it respects the historic character of the area in the use of materials, form and layout.

Community Objective 6 Homes for all ages

To ensure new development brings forward a mixture of house types suitable for all income levels. This should include housing suitable for older people which should be close to local services.

Community Objective 7 Getting Around

To create a well-connected, accessible and legible neighbourhood street network that prioritises active travel, making walking and cycling a convenient choice.

Community Objective 8 Net Zero Carbon

To support innovative solutions to the construction of new buildings and energy generation that accelerates development to net zero carbon.





SANDIACRE COMMUNITY NETWORK



The Sandiacre Community Network is a partnership of community groups, organisations and individuals that have an interest in improving the health and wellbeing of Sandiacre residents as well as encouraging the local community voice within the network.

The network has a Community Wellness Action Plan based on priorities and needs identified by the community.

The Erewash Health Partnership have made funding available to the Sandiacre Community Network to support development costs. Erewash Voluntary Action coordinate the network and hold the funds on behalf of the network. The Sandiacre Community Network has developed as part of the Erewash Health Partnership community wellness approach.

The network has been meeting virtually for the last twelve months and has welcomed various groups and organisations to the network meetings. Meetings are informal and new members are very welcome to join.

The Sandiacre Community Network supported projects and activities that are linked to the Sandiacre Community Wellness Action Plan. There are several projects that have received some funding and some include:

- Funding to support the printing of the Sandiacre Historical Trail leaflet. This has been a joint project with Sandiacre Heritage Group and a volunteer from Friends of Hayworth Road Park. Copies of the trail leaflet have been distributed across venues in Sandiacre. There has been lots of interest and several guided walks have taken place using the trail leaflet.
- The Sandiacre Lock Cottages received funding to produce a Lock Cottages leaflet which has been circulated and prompted more visits and interest with the Lock Cottages.
- She Will girls empowerment group for young women received funding to run an eight-week course for Sandiacre girls to develop confidence, self-awareness and take part in activities and group work.

The network has lots of ideas to take forward over the next twelve months.

If anybody would like to become involved with the Sandiacre Community Network or would like to have further information please contact the Erewash Voluntary Action Community Activator Becky Daykin email becky@erewashcvcs.org.uk

SPRINGFIELD PARK - BULB PLANTING

When you think about spring time, you may think about lighter nights, the promise of finer weather and the spring flowers starting to appear.

For the last five years or so, members of the Parish Council and a team of keen volunteers have been involved in planting thousands of bulbs in to our park areas to make the village look a brighter place in the spring time.

It has been a most enjoyable event, and we sometimes were treated to a selection of pastries and warm drinks that were kindly supplied by some of the volunteer groups.

I would like to thank the Parish Council and our clerk Michelle, for organising the event, Cllr. Wayne Major, voluntary groups, the Girl Guides and members of the public who helped over the last few years with the planting of the bulbs. All of your help was greatly appreciated. We hope that we will have a beautiful display of daffodils next spring and for many years to come.

Cllr Caroline French



NEW PLAY AREA



CONNECTING EREWASH FORTNIGHT – SANDIACRE

Erewash Voluntary Action in partnership with the many Sandiacre community groups and organisations held a Connecting Erewash Fortnight Open day at Sandiacre Library on 4 July 2022.

The Connecting Erewash Fortnight was part of the Erewash Voluntary Action Connect Erewash project funded by Derbyshire County Council Public Health to combat isolation and loneliness.

The overall aim of this initiative was to support people to find out more about local groups and organisations and what is on offer in their local area Sandiacre to help create more opportunities for people to make connections.

The Open Day at the library was a tremendous success. 15 groups attended in person and 6 additional groups supplied information to be given out. 136 people attended on the day and the groups have reported some valuable connections and links being made. The Sandiacre library was a great venue to hold the event and brilliantly supported by the libraries team. Included on the day was a display of groups and activities available in Sandiacre which attracted lots of interest with many leaflets being taken away.

During the Connecting Erewash Fortnight various other activities were organised including the Kings Road Neighbourhood Watch group who hosted a luncheon event with activities linked to community safety and the Methodist Church hosted their own open day and community groups active in the building hosted stalls and put on taster sessions.

Based on the success of the Connecting Erewash Sandiacre event the Sandiacre Community Network hopes to arrange a similar event next year.

For any further details contact Becky Daykin Community Activator email becky@erewashcvcs.org.uk



HOLIDAY PLAY SCHEME

We have been working with Sandiacre Parish Council now for 8 years providing the play scheme during the summer.

We have a great relationship with both Cloudside Academy and Ladycross Infant School who promote the scheme in their schools. We currently use Cloudside to hold the scheme as it has brilliant facilities to host such an event.

Parent feedback:

'My kids both had a fantastic time at the play scheme, it's brilliant for the holidays giving kids some activities to do without over the top costs you pay at other clubs. As a working parent it has helped me massively with childcare costs this summer.'

'My daughters really enjoyed the scheme. It kept them busy and we were free to work and pack for our summer holidays. Thank you to everyone at A.M Sports & Sandiacre Parish Council for making it happen, both financially and logistically with it being in the local area'

As well as working with Sandicare Parish Council, we also provide summer play schemes for Draycott, West Hallam and Sawley Parish Councils. During term time, we work with over 10 primary schools offering PE, Sports & Physical Activity. We also work with nursery's, colleges and care homes.

You can keep up to date with what we have going by searching for us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Search A.M Sports and look for our logo.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

We now have our Food Stall with Coffee Mornings at St Giles Hall on Monday and Tuesday and at the Methodist Hall on Butt Street on Friday and Saturday, all 10-12.



This is a Safe Place where people meet, make friends and we seek to teach principles of safety and Well being. We are including computer support and access to reduce Digital Exclusion as well as Chair Based exercises to help increase mobility. We try to refer people to where they can get help if needed and we promote and collect soft recycling to help the environment.

We also have activities: Tea Dances, lunches and this year a Sandiacre Scarecrow Festival.

We hold the principles of keeping everyone Safe, Valued and Cared For and we seek to do this through our regular meetings and Newsletters about staying safe at home and in the community.

We invite you to come and join with us and make Sandiacre a safer, healthier and fun place to be.

For more information contact Tony Ford, Coordinator,
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What's on in Sandiacre



REPORTING INCIDENTS

EBC	0115 907 2244	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noise and disturbance <p>Environmental issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fly tipping Graffiti Abandoned vehicles Dog fouling Litter Fly posting Discarded needles
DB's POLICE	<p>Emergency: Call 999</p> <p>To give information about a crime or anti-social behaviour (ASB)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Criminal damage Verbal or physical abuse People causing a nuisance or being rowdy in public places Street drinking, underage drinking or being drunk in public Nuisance motorbikes Harassment
Crime Stoppers	0800 555 111	To give anonymous information about a crime or anti-social behaviour
DB's Fire & Rescue	Emergency: Call 999	Fires in waste bins, on grassland and public land and small scale fires anywhere which are not an immediate emergency threatening life or property
Reporting ASB	When reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe what happened Where When How often Who was involved How were you or other people affected
DB's Victim Support	0800 612 6505 www.derbyshirevictimservices.co.uk	Helps victims and witnesses deal with the effects of ASB

SANDIACRE HISTORY GROUP

Sandiacre History Group was founded in 2000 and currently holds five meetings per year on a Thursday evening in February, April, June, September and October at Sandiacre Methodist Church Hall on Butt Street. Refreshments are available from 7pm with the talk or presentation on a subject of historical interest commencing at 7.30pm. A Members' Social Evening, with entertainment or talk followed by seasonal refreshments is held at Sandiacre Cricket Club, Longmoor Lane on a Thursday evening in December with doors opening at 7pm.

The membership year starts on 1st September and costs £10 per person or £15 for two people at the same address. There is a meeting charge of £1 for members and £2.50 for visitors who are most welcome.

Following the Covid -19 pandemic, meetings recommenced with the AGM in September 2021 after which members enjoyed refreshments including a slice of 21st Birthday Cake. During the past year there have been talks on a Potted History of Tea, Christmas Music Hall, W.W. Winter, Photographers of Derby, Nottingham's Fight for Survival from the Flames in WW II and Andrew Carnegie, his Philanthropy and Libraries, three of which were built locally. Those in Long Eaton and Ilkeston are still functioning as libraries while that in Stapleford is now the Carnegie Civic and Community Centre.

The Programme of Talks for the next year is as follows:-

Thursday 22 September 2022	AGM followed by a showing of Vintage Films of the Local Area
Thursday 20 October 2022	The Widow, the Clergyman and the Milkman: an Exploration of Nottingham's Edwardian Landlords by Mo Cooper
Thursday 8 December 2022	Members' Social Evening including an Evening of Music and Mirth with Dave Moylan at Sandiacre Cricket Club on Longmoor Lane
Thursday 23 February 2023	Footpads, Kings and Highwaymen: the Route of the Old Great North Road in Nottinghamshire by Ian Morgan
Thursday 20 April 2023	The More Mature TV Fun Quiz: How Much Do You Remember? Presented by Ian Maber
Thursday 22 June 2023	The story of Two Crosses: the Life of William Harold Coltman VC, DCM & bar, MM & bar as told by his great grandson, Tim Coltman

If you would like more information or would like to become a member, please contact the Chairman on 0115 9398057 or email sandiacrehistory@hotmail.co.uk

Sandiacre Parish Council

Community Consultation

Councillors would like to hear from residents about ways of improving their local community and in particular, areas maintained by the Parish Council.

Please email your comments to the Clerk: clerk@sandiacreparishcouncil.org or return the questionnaire to the address shown below.

1. In one or two sentences, please let us know what you think is good about Sandiacre.

2. In one or two sentences, tell us what you would like to see improved.

3. The Parish Council spends your money as efficiently as it can and is always trying to save money without reducing any service we provide. The parish Precept for Sandiacre is £19.24 per year = only 37p per week. What are your views about this? Your decision could affect the level of services already provided.

Pay £2 More A Year

Pay £1 More A Year

Pay The Same

Pay £1 Less A Year

Comment

4. We are in the early stages of starting a Neighbourhood Plan for Sandiacre. Do you support this?

Support it

Don't Support it

5. A Neighbourhood plan:

1. Identify a vision for the local area and set objectives for the next 5 to 20 years.
2. Provide detailed planning policies setting out for example, where new development should be located and how it should be designed.
3. Allocate sites for different types of development, such as housing, retail and office space and designate areas of community greenspace.

Please give your thoughts

