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WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Recent Parish Council Successes

Following the evidence submitted by Winshill residents the County Council has now accepted that the path between Berry Gardens and Jacobean Court is a public footpath. It should be reopened soon.



Peter Rose has lobbied Arriva on your behalf regarding problems with the number 3 bus arriving early, late or not at all, and we understand that there have been improvements in the service. Please keep

Peter informed of any public transport problems in the parish.

The Borough Council have now provided a number of planters which the Parish will maintain. The locations are at the bottom of Tower Road, Dalebrook and Melbourne Avenue and the top of Empire Road. We hope to add further planters in the future.



Winshill Residents Association

What is a Residents Association?

They are community groups which are open to all members of the community not just to Trent and Dove tenants.

They aim to give local people a collective voice and encourage them to work together to develop community or environmental projects that will improve the quality of life for all members of that community. Funding is available to help to achieve this.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th September 6pm at Winshill Neighbourhood Resource Centre in Canterbury Road.

Do come along and find out how you can make a contribution and what we have achieved so far.

Health Trainers in Winshill

This is a new service set up by the South Staffordshire PCT and Citizens Advice Bureau in 5 areas of Burton including Winshill. The Health Trainers offer **FREE** help to

- * Get Active
- * Eat Healthy
- * Stop Smoking

By offering basic health checks, giving individually tailored advice, formulating an action plan, offering 1 to 1 support and monitoring progress.

Contact the Health Trainer Advice Line:

01283 527982

Orbit Housing Care & Repair Handy Person Service

Are you a home owner?

Are you over 60 or disabled?

Are you worried about minor repairs to your home?

If so contact us on 497415
Winshill Parish Council will pay for the first 1 hour

PACT

Police and Communities Together hold meetings at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre in Canterbury Road at 7pm on the first Monday of each month. People attending the meeting highlight problems which they would like to be resolved. At the end of the meeting a vote is taken and the three problems with the most votes are then acted upon by the police, Parish Council and other agencies working together. They then report on progress at the start of the next meeting.

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WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Winshill Parish Council meets on the 4th Thursday of each month, except August and December, at the Winshill Neighbourhood Resource Centre starting at 7.30 p.m.

If you are interested in seeing local democracy in action then please come along. There is a short session at the start of each meeting where members of the public can make their views known.

Your Parish Councillors are :-

David Bartram	512547	Dennis Fletcher	568218
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Editorial

Looking back

As we start a new term with a newly elected Council, it is, perhaps, a good time to look back on the last four years to reflect on what we have achieved.

Amongst our achievements are:-

- * Appointed a lengthsman to keep Winshill clean and tidy
- * A Neighbourhood Resource Centre which houses Money Spider Credit Union, Umbrella Parent and Toddler Group, Council Link, CAB and many other community services
- * Grants given out to local organisations such as local churches, St Mark's Scout Group, Ashby Road Tennis Club, local schools' soccer teams
- * Regular Parish Newsletters and Parish Council website
- * Contribution to a footpath on Winshill Recreation Ground
- * Successful opposition to unacceptable planning applications such as the proposed development around the Water Tower
- * Represented you at P.A.C.T. meetings
- * Collected evidence to present to the County Council to preserve the right of way on the footpath between Berry Gardens and Jacobean Court

The main feature of our existence has, I believe, been our willingness to work with the Borough and County Councils and other organisations for the benefit of Winshill.

Where Do We Go From Here?

That really depends on you. As I mentioned in a previous editorial, we have begun the process of consultation in order to produce a Parish Plan. The next stage will be to send consultation letters to every household, school, sports club, church and any other organisations we know exist within the parish. This consultation will be your opportunity to contribute to the Parish Plan by saying what it is you would like to see for Winshill.

How have we done?

We would like to hear your views on the first four years of the Parish Council.

You can write to us with your views at

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