Parish Council Meetings

23th May 6.30pm 25th July 6.30pm 26th September 6.30pm 28th November 6.30pm 23rd January 2023 6.30pm

All Parish Council meetings are now held in Coughton CofE Primary School's hall

THERE WILL BE 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 and noticeboard

Parish Council Meeting & Parish Assembly March 2022

At this meeting we were told that Covid is still prevalent in the school, with teachers and children alike suffering from this. The head has had to take classes due to lack of teachers. In the report from DC Forman, she informed us that households in band A-C would receive a refund of £150. She encouraged everyone to make payments for Council Tax, via Direct Debit as these refunds are being processed much faster. There is a SCAM circulating at present from an 020 number, they are claiming to be from Stratford DC and requesting your bank details for this payment of £150 to be refunded to you. STRATFORD DC WILL NOT CALL YOU REGARDING THIS. Cllr Kerridge informed us that there is an issue regarding 4x4 vehicles, which is being investigated by the police. A suggestion of planting a Walnut tree by 'Pete's Perch' for the Queens Canopy was made and this will be investigated. The Chairman's report was read out by Cllr Lewington in the absence of Cllr Piddington. In this report it asked for volunteers for the Parish Council & the village. DC Forman informed us that should a village loose it's Parish Council, it would be put into the hands of Stratford DC and decisions about the village, building, planning, etc would be made by councillors who do not live in Coughton. This is why it is imperative we keep our Parish Council. Reports on Flooding, Community and village issues were given. After a short break allowing councillors and villagers to chat, the meetings were followed by a defibrillator training session from Alcester First Responders, which was very successful

Coughton Parish Council

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NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2022



Easter Already!!!!! Well where did those few months go?

We have a lot to look forward to over the coming months from Mothers Day, and Easter to Coughton Community Choirs Charity Concert and the Annual Scarecrow Competition

We will also be celebrating Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, & hope it will be a wonderful day for everyone. This should entail a street party, singing by the choir and lot's more! Perhaps the scarecrow competition could be based on this theme? We could then utilise the scarecrows throughout the village for the jubilee.

Don't forget to come & pop into 'The Mews' for a coffee and a chat with councilors every month, dates inside.

Well have a wonderful Easter and stay safe everyone



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Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 5th June 2022 @ 2pm Coughton Lane

We are trying to organize a street party to celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. The Parish Council are looking into a possible road closure. Not A435 ha-ha! Obviously this has to suit the residents of the village. Bring a picnic and a chair & let's all have some fun and games to make it a day to remember!



Coughton Choir

Our Choir mistress, Fiona is doing a simply amazing job bringing us all together to make a great sound Everyone is welcome on a Thursday evening at 6.45pm @ Kings Court Hotel, who are kindly allowing us to use one of their rooms. Whether you can sing or not, come & join in the fun.. The après choir is fantastic too!!

Please contact Christine for info: christine.coughtonpc@gmail.com

Coughton Calendar & Photo Competition

Our 2023 Coughton Calendar is taking shape, we have several months filled so far. If you can not download your photo entry for the month onto the 'Coughton Village Facebook Page' Please send them to Lynne @ lynnestanton.cpc@gmail.com and they will be uploaded for you. The proceeds from sales will go towards Coughton Community Fund, REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR YOUR FAVOURITE PHOTO TOO!

Parish Council Informal Coffee Mornings

Join us again for a coffee morning in 'The Mews' on April 23rd, May 21st & June 25th. It is just an informal coffee and chat with 2 of your Parish Councillors. You can bring up any questions and ideas you have with them or just pop in for a coffee.

Community Help

Coughton Parish Council need volunteers & assistance to organize community events, such as the Ford Group, Cemetery Tidy, Book Club, Walking Football, Yoga. The Barn Project, Hog Roast, Coughton Fete & Flood issues are also projects with which we need help. We appreciate time is valuable but even if it's just an hour or two you have to spare, this would be greatly appreciated. Please contact a Councillor or the Parish Clerk to add your name to our list. Thank you in anticipation.

Scarecrow Competition 21st & 22nd May Judging 2pm 22nd May

Join us again for our Annual Scarecrow Competition, we have brought it forward to May as November is very busy. So, get your thinking caps on and see what you can come up with. There could be a theme of Platinum or Jubilee and we could put them out for this too. Remember there are prizes for 1st 2nd & 3rd places. GOOD LUCK & GET BUSY



Dates for your Diary

Coughton Community Choir Practice every
Thursday @ Kings Court Hotel 6.45pm

02 & 03 April Cemetery Tidy Weekend 11am to
4pm Volunteers for an hour or two would be much
appreciated. Some garden tools available. Tea &
Coffee supplied

23 April Parish Council Coffee Morning in 'The Mews' 10am-12pm

20 May Coughton Community Choir Charity
Concert in aid of Ukraine @ Kings Court Hotel.
Tickets from Chris Lewington

21 May Parish Council Coffee Morning in 'The Mews' 10am-12pm

21-22 May Scarecrow Competition, Judging 2pm on 22nd

05 June Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

10 June West Side Story @ Coughton Court

11 June Mama Mia @ Coughton Court

12 June Pretty Woman @ Coughton Court

<u>25 June Parish Council Coffee Morning in 'The Mews' 10am-12pm</u>

09 July Coughton Village Fete

31 October Halloween Celebrations

13 November Remembrance Sunday 11am

There will also be the Sunflower Competition and Cemetery Tidy later in the year

Watch this space for more Dates to keep free!!

Coughton Ford

We do not have any volunteers for the ford group at present. If you would like to help maintain the ford area please contact the Parish Clerk who will forward your name to the relevant Councillor.

Stray Dogs/Animals

If anyone finds a stray dog please take it to your local vets to be scanned for a chip. If you do not have time, please contact your local dog warden

McGettigan Vets 01527 893016 Dog Warden 01926 456734

Parish Councillor Required

We are still looking for a new Parish Councillor. If you



would like to join us and help with village matters, please contact the Parish Clerk. It does not take up too much time and it is vital we keep the parish of Coughton from merging with other villages & towns. Just pop in to a Parish Council meeting & see what we do, or call a councillor for a chat.

Roads & Drain Repairs / Flood Issues

If we have any bad weather, can we ask you to keep an eye on the drains in front of your properties. If they are covered with leaves can you please clear this away, if they are blocked please contact a Parish Councillor, who will in turn contact the Highways Agency. Whilst we appreciate this is not really your responsibility, the water that does not go down the drains, floods down the lanes onto the A435 and sometimes into the properties on this road. Any help to alleviate this issue would be much appreciated. Any flooding issues should be reported to Highways straight away.

Please contact Lynne if you would like to put something of interest to the village into the newsletter