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# Farnsfield Parish Council

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At the May Meeting the Officers and Committees for 2010-11 were elected

**Chairman** Matt Hamilton

**Vice Chairman** Lynda Selby

## Recreation Grounds Committee

Geoff Stafford Karen Clarke

Bob Reeves Paul Elliott

## Village Centre Committee

Karen Clarke Alison Farr

Geoff Stafford

## Finance and General Purposes Committee

Roger Davis Derek Jepson

Frank Reynolds Bruce McDowall

## Representatives at organisations

Football Bob Reeves

Cricket Karen Clarke

Bowls & Tennis Paul Elliott

PCC Frank Reynolds

Churchyard/Clock Roger Davis

Snow Warden Geoff Stafford

Police Liaison Lynda Selby & Matt Hamilton

## Items included in this issue:

- **Parish Council elections**
- **Public Place Order (Alcohol related disorder)**

**Street Parties**—If you require information regarding the organisation of a street party go to the following website

**<http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/roadevents/>**

## PARISH PLAN REPORTS

### Development & planning

Cllr Derek Jepson

No major developments are planned at present. The number of planning applications has fallen sharply during 2010.

Details of the proposed changes to the planning system are awaited.

### Environment & Tourism

Cllr. Bruce McDowell

The County Council have provided us with a second notice board, located on Parfitt Drive, from the Building Better Communities fund. This will be used to provide local information to this part of the village.

### Public Transport

Cllr. Roger Davis

The bus shelter on Mansfield Road, near to Bell's Field, has been removed as it was in danger of collapsing. Nottinghamshire County Council will be replacing the bus stop in the near future

### Communications

Cllr. Paul Elliott

**Your dedicated Farnsfield Parish Council website [www.Farnsfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.Farnsfield-pc.gov.uk)**

Please contact us via the web site. [info@farnsfield-pc.gov.uk](mailto:info@farnsfield-pc.gov.uk)

### Library

You will be aware from the recent survey that the opening hours of the library are currently being reviewed. Nottinghamshire County Council have stated that they do not want to close down libraries but are seeking economies by a reduction in the opening hours. Following the survey a preliminary meeting has been held and further information will be released in the near future when all of the staff consultations have been completed. As soon as more information has been received this will be circulated.

If you feel you can contribute to the Newsletter editorial or webmaster teams, contact the Parish Clerk Mike Salt or Paul Elliott. Helps us build a 'What's On Section' - tell us of your events.

### Education and Sport

Cllr. Bob Reeves

**Sporting Farnsfield— The Dominoes season draws to an exciting close.**

All three village teams are in the cup still and have avoided each other in the Quarter Finals. The Plough Pirates are chasing a League and Cup double, just one point behind the leaders with three games to go. One of those is against joint third Cricket Club, will they prove good neighbours? The Pirates Double pairing have made it to the Final.

**Farnsfield Villa** have shown better form in recent weeks against tougher opposition after last season's promotion and the new pitch is providing a good surface and additional asset in the village.

**For booking arrangements see Page 4.**

**The summer days are upon us and the outdoor clubs are ready for you.**

**Farnsfield Tennis Club** Once again a full programme of coaching and team matches across the ages. The progress of the teams is available on [www.nottinghamshire.totaltennis.net](http://www.nottinghamshire.totaltennis.net).

**Farnsfield Bowls Club** New members always welcome and Tuesday afternoons are a great time to 'try it out'.

Contact Stan Chadwick 882386 or Tony Williams 883392 for details.

### Local Crime—Community Safety Group

Following a fairly quiet time the village has been subjected to a spate of vandalism resulting in damage to property and vehicles throughout the village.

We are led to understand that the alleged culprits have been identified and the Police are considering what action is appropriate.

**PCSO Charlotte Appleby** reported to the recent Safer Neighbourhoods group

**Farnsfield** - Major problem of car vandalism on Feb 4th, 20+ cars damaged, culprits have been caught and await sentence. Walls knocked down, illegal parking in Main Street causes congestion. Alcohol exclusion order now in force in central area of the village which should help control under age drinking.

## Parish Council Elections

**The election of members of Farnsfield Parish Council will take place on Thursday 5th May 2011. All eleven places are open for nominations and if more than 11 nominations are received there will be an election.**

The Parish Council Election to be held on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011. The hours of poll will be 7.00am until 10.00pm. The Count will be held on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at Kelham Hall.

Copies of the Nomination Pack can be obtained direct from the Elections Office by contacting the office at . Newark & Sherwood District Council, Kelham Hall, Newark, Notts. NG23 5QX: Telephone: 01636 655245; Fax: 01636 655250.

Alternatively, copies can be downloaded from the Newark & Sherwood District Council website:

[www.newark-sherwood.gov.uk/elections2011](http://www.newark-sherwood.gov.uk/elections2011)

Nomination Papers can be delivered to the Returning Officer, Kelham Hall, Kelham, Newark, Notts, NG23 5QX from the day after the publication of the Notice of Election. The final day for the receipt of Nomination Papers is 12 noon on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011.

### Qualification for Candidature

To be elected a member of a Parish/Town Council, a person must be 18 years of age or over on the day that the person is nominated. They should also be a Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland or a citizen of another Member State of the European Community.

The candidate must also comply with at least one of the requirements listed in subparagraphs (a) to (d) on the Consent to Nomination. **If candidates have more than one qualification, they are encouraged to complete all relevant sections in the Consent to Nomination.**

There are certain grounds for disqualification of which the main ones, as set out in Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972, are as follows:-

- holding a paid office with a Parish/Town Council;
- bankruptcy or composition or arrangements with creditors;
- having been sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not less than three months during the five years preceding the day of election; or
- being disqualified under any enactment relating to corrupt or illegal practices. The Notice of Election, the Statement of Persons Nominated, the Notice of Poll and Situation of Polling Stations and the Declaration of Results will be displayed on public notice board(s) and in prominent places around the Parish. The Parish has a web site ([www.farnsfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.farnsfield-pc.gov.uk)) will be linked to the Elections 2011 pages on the Newark & Sherwood District Council website.

Electors who are not included on the Register of Electors or those who have recently moved address must complete a voter registration form. The last day to complete a voter registration form to be included on the register used for this election is Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011.

Electors who would like to apply to vote by post must complete an application form. This form must reach the Returning Officer by 5.00pm on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011 if they are to be effective for the Elections. This also includes electors and their proxies who wish to make alterations to their existing arrangements.

All applications regarding voter registration or absent voting, must be sent to the Electoral Registration Officer, Kelham Hall, Kelham, Newark, Notts, NG23 5QX.

## **Alcohol Exclusion Order—Designated Public Places (Newark & Sherwood) (Farnsfield) Order 2011**

Under section 13 of the *Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001* (CJPA), local authorities can designate areas that have experienced alcohol-related disorder or nuisance so that there can be restrictions on public drinking. The orders are called Designated Public Place Orders (DPPOs).<sup>1</sup> While it is not an offence to consume alcohol within a “designated” area, the police have powers to control the consumption of alcohol within that place. If they believe someone is consuming alcohol or intends to consume alcohol they can:

require them to stop; and

confiscate the alcohol from people

If someone, without a reasonable excuse, fails to comply with the officer's request they are committing an offence which can result in a penalty notice or a fine.

**The Order in respect of Farnsfield came into force on 7th March 2011 and signs are in the process of being erected.**

## **Future Meetings of the Parish Council commencing at 7.30pm**

12 April 2011

14 June 2011

26 April 2011 Parish Meeting at  
7pm followed by the Council meet-  
ing at 7.30pm

28 June 2011

10 May 2011

12 July 2011

24 May 2011

26 July 2011

**To book the Village Centre**

**please contact Jane Cowlshaw on 01623 882214**

**or by email to [jane@farnsfield-pc.gov.uk](mailto:jane@farnsfield-pc.gov.uk)**

**To book the Acres Football Pitches**

**contact Bob Reeves on 01623 882265**

**Access to the ground and changing facilities is by prior booking only.**

**Keys will be collected from and returned to The Plough Inn.**