

Dear Resident,

Well, as I'm writing this the leaves from the trees are laying thick on the ground due to the high winds and constant rain over the last couple of weeks. However, it is a fairly mild day today which is good news if you are going out for a walk to stretch your legs.

We laid a wreath on behalf of Denham residents on **Remembrance Sunday**. It was a beautiful sunny day, and many turned up to hear what was a very moving sermon.

Many of you know our Co-Clerk Roy, and we are sorry to tell you that he retired in November due to health problems. We are very grateful to Roy for the experience and dedication he brought to the role. Whilst we are currently recruiting to fill this role, you may experience delays in responses from our office staff, so please bear this in mind.

Our thanks to those who responded to our plea last month for a Handyman to pick up on the work our current Handyman no longer has time for. Our Clerk is currently meeting the applicants and we hope to have someone in place soon whom we can call on.

The Allotment Committee are still hard at work to improve the site in New Denham and have been successful in their application for some 60 hedge saplings that will be arriving next year to tidy up the frontage which suffered when some sickly trees had to be cut down earlier.

In case you're wondering what's going on, following an update with **HS2**, we were advised that the Nation Grid are commencing work on moving the pylons in Denham Country Park.

The urgency remains to complete our **Neighbourhood Plan** and we hope our target date of January 2020 to prepare for a consultation will still be met.

Regrettably, no one contacted us following our plea for advice or interest in helping us plan to seed some areas with **meadow flowers** for next year, so we are currently having to go out to businesses for quotes in order that we maybe able to trial a couple of places, but we are still open to suggestions.

Our events committee are trying to fix some dates ahead for our very popular '**Sunday Tea Dance Social**' with Bingo and Dancing, which we hold in the New Denham Community Hall. As soon as these dates have been arranged, we will publish them here so that you can make a note in your diary. They are also progressing plans we have for celebrating **VE day** next year which will be over the May Bank Holiday 2020

Many thanks to the **Buckinghamshire Golf Club** management who have once again agreed to donate a **Christmas tree** that they will erect on Denham Village Green and will be in place by the time you read this. Residents give their time to decorate this tree on the first weekend in December so that it is in place to switch on the lights before the Annual Carol singing. Please make a note in your diary to join in with this early evening Carol singing.

We are still looking for funding opportunities towards buying our next two **defibrillators** that we would like to see located in Denham Green and Tatling End. If you work locally perhaps **you** could ask your boss if they would donate some funding to us for this purpose?

We are also still looking for a volunteer who can spare a few hours once a week to give us some

TYPING help in the office.

Save the Date: Friday 6 December, 6pm, Denham Village Green Annual Christmas Carols, with a Brass Band and free Hot Chocolate for the youngsters! **Friday May 8th to 10th 2020 VE Day Celebrations in Denham**

Get involved!! You are most welcome to attend our Monthly Parish Council Meetings that are held on the second Monday of every month (except August) in the Parish Office located at the rear of the Denham Village Memorial Hall off Cheapside Lane. If you are interested about the area you reside in and how we manage it, perhaps you would care to join one of our committees as an Associate to see if you are interested in a more permanent role?

Marilyn Heath

Chairman, Denham Parish Council

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