

In and Around Article July 2020

Dear Resident

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Chairman of Denham Parish Council. My thanks go to Cllr Marilyn Heath for her hard work and efforts as Chairman over the last seven years.

July 2020 sees us in unprecedented times, the Covid-19 Pandemic may have restricted our movements and daily lives but I am pleased to say the Parish Council has been working continuously, running virtual meetings and home working to push on with major projects and local issues.

The Neighbourhood Plan

The Parish Council has been working on the **Denham Neighbourhood Plan** since 2017 and it has now reached a stage where we are able to consult with residents on the document before it goes to the planning inspector. This is an extremely important document and we encourage you to take time to read it and feedback your views and comments.

A Steering Group made up of both residents and councillors identified key green spaces, views, historical sites and building characteristics that make Denham unique. The Group felt that these characteristics must be considered when planning decisions are made to ensure Denham is preserved and protected in years to come.

Please look out for a leaflet which will be coming through your doors with details on how to view and comment on the Neighbourhood Plan. The consultation will run from **Monday 22nd June 2020 to Friday 31st July 2020**.

For further information please visit our website www.denhambucks-pc.gov.uk

Denham Community Support

We are delighted to have been able to champion the great work of the volunteers at the Denham Community Support group who have offered a lifeline to vulnerable residents in Denham, collecting medication, shopping and also running the new Food Bank during Covid-19. The Parish Council would like to congratulate them on their great work.

If you know of a neighbour or resident who could benefit from some support please call 01895 725105.

Parish Events

At this time of the year we had planned numerous community events for Denham residents however the current restrictions have meant cancellation of our Annual Parish Meeting, Music on the Green events, the annual Beating The Bounds walk, tea dances for our older residents and our special VE Day children's tea party. We hope to start running events again once it is safe to do so.

Around The Parish

Covid-19 restrictions have meant that there have been some interruptions in our regular maintenance programme. We would like to assure you that our contractors are now returning to full operation and will be regularly maintaining our grass verges.

Some residents may have also noticed that we are starting to clean and brighten up Denham. We have started by cleaning our road signs and cutting back vegetation that had been blocking the signs for years. We are working our way around the Parish and will reach your area soon.

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that we will be installing some new flower arrangements around each of the five settlements of Denham. Please look out for our fantastic new planters at road junctions and around the Parish.

Get Involved

Did you know that all Parish Council meetings are open to the public you can watch and even attend? All of our meetings are currently being held virtually via Zoom video conferencing. As a Denham resident you can watch the meeting and even contribute your view at the start of the meeting.

For more details please visit our website www.denhambucks-pc.gov.uk

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