

COOKHILL PARISH COUNCIL DETAILS: -

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Cllr Bob Pinfield (Chairman) Leigh Lodge, Cladswell Lane 01527 892578

Cllr Anne Sumner (Vice-Chairman) 8 Church Lane 01527 894434

Cllr Terence Bennett 33 Wood Lane 01527 894442

Cllr Mavis Churchill West Winds, Brandheath Lane 01527 893673

Cllr Vinu Gupta Highfield, Cladswell Lane 01527 894149

County Councillor (Harvington Division) Cllr Clive Holt 01386 792490

District Councillor (Inkberrow Ward) Cllr Audrey Steel 01386 792266

District Councillor (Inkberrow ward) Cllr David Wilkinson 07979 802848

MP Karen Lumley 01527 591334 Karen.lumley.mp@parliament.uk

Clerk, Kerry Johnson 9 Terrys Close, Redditch, B98 8ET, 07584 687283

Summary of Cookhill's Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 12th May 2015

Following the election, the first order of business was for the four elected Parish Councillors to sign their Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms. Councillor Pinfield has been elected as Chairman to the Council and Councillor Sumner as Vice-Chairman. Councillor Vinu Gupta has been co-opted onto the council. There are currently five councillors and two vacancies.

John Roberts has now retired from the Parish Council after over 10 years service as a Councillor. He was presented with a long service award in recognition of his hard work and dedication.

Planning: the Parish Council has asked Wychavon District Council (WDC) to send notification to us of all planning applications that fall within the parish boundary, these are discussed at a parish council meeting and comments are submitted to WDC. All these applications and comments can be seen online via www.wychavon.gov.uk

The following applications were considered for comment:

- a. W/15/00853/PP **Location:** 4 Woodridge Court, 4 Edgioake Lane, Astwood Bank, B96 6BX. **Proposal:** Demolition of existing garage and new two storey side extension with new double garage, relocated kitchen and new bedroom with en-suites. **Comment:** Recommend Approval – letter sent to meet the consultation date.
- b. W/15/00982/PP & W/15/00983/LB **Location:** The Turret House, Evesham Road, Cookhill, Alcester, B49 5LJ **Proposal:** Conversion of existing double garage into annex living accommodation to Turret House. **Comment:** Recommend Refusal.

Wychavon Planning Decisions:

- a. W/15/00447/PU **Location:** Ridgeway Barn, Evesham Road, Cookhill, B49 5LJ **Proposal:** Construction of a garden wall. **Decision:** Approved 1/5/15.
- b. W/15/00512/OU **Location:** Clerkcroft, 10 Church Lane, Cookhill, B49 5JS. **Proposal:** Outline app with all matters reserved for erection of 2 detached dwellings & the demolition of an existing garage. **Decision:** Approved 1/5/15.

The Parish Council APPROVED the following decisions:

1. To renew the annual subscriptions to the What's On Magazine, Clerks & Council's Direct and Community First as they become due.
2. To purchase a projector for training sessions at the Computer Club for £279 plus delivery. It can be also used for other Council events & meetings at the Village Hall.

3. To accept Zurich's 3-year council insurance policy at £515.03 per year.
4. To agree the invoice of £212.58 for servicing the salt spreader.
5. To approve the installation of a poly tunnel on Plot 20 at the Cookhill Allotments.
6. To approve Astwood Bank's Carnival Committee's request to site a 1m³ planter on Edgioake Lane, opposite Botany Bay plant centre.

Parish Council Updates:

1. District Councillor Audrey Steel has been re-elected and Cllr David Wilkinson will join her as the representatives for Inkberrow Ward.
2. Residents are starting to send in their suggestions for new equipment at the play area. Adult fitness equipment is a recurring suggestion.
3. Defibrillator training is to be booked for the Village Fete in August and possibly one evening now that there are 3 defibrillators in the Parish.
4. Negotiations are still ongoing with Worcestershire County Council regarding the position of the new vehicle activated sign (VAS) on Edgioake Lane. The new VAS with traffic counter will be installed on The Ridgeway in the interim period.
5. The litter pick weekend on 18th & 19th April was a success. Councillors thank all those who gave up their spare time to help collect litter in the parish.
6. The VE celebration weekend at the Village Hall was a huge success. The Village Hall has thanked the Parish Council for its donation of £200 towards the event.
7. Contractors for the drainage and resurfacing of the Village Hall car park have now been appointed. Once the work is started it is intended that all the work will be completed within 3 weeks. The start date is yet to be set.

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

**COOKHILL PARISH COUNCIL HAS 2 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES
TO BE FILLED BY CO-OPTION.**

**THE PARISH COUNCIL IS NOW SEEKING APPLICATIONS FROM PEOPLE WHO
LIVE OR WORK IN THE PARISH; WHO CARE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS IN
COOKHILL AND CAN HELP INJECT FRESH IDEAS, NEW PERSPECTIVES
AND ENTHUSIASM WHICH BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY.**

DOES THAT SOUND LIKE YOU?

If your answer is yes, please contact Kerry Johnson, the Clerk for an application form.

Email: info@cookhillparishcouncil.com or telephone 07584 687283

**If you are interested but are unsure what is involved, then please come along to the
next Parish Council Meeting at the Village Hall on 9 June 2015 at 7.30pm**