PENKRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Lesley Hough Haling Dene Centre, Cannock Road, Penkridge, Stafford, ST19 5DT Tel: 01785 714157 email: clerk@penkpc.co.uk

<u>RECEPTION</u> - Opening times 9am - 5pm (Monday - Friday) - Tel: 01785 714157 email: reception@penkpc.co.uk

Parish Council Meetings are held at 7.30 pm in Room 1, Haling Dene Centre every second Thursday of the month except August

WHAT DOES THE PARISH COUNCIL DO?

Curious? Why not come along to a future meeting -Thursday 14th March, 11th April or 9th May 2019 at 7.30pm. Members of the public have the opportunity to speak in our Public Participation session.

Haling Dene Centre, Penkridge



A variety of rooms available for hire for Weddings, Receptions, Parties, Meetings, Corporate Events - Competitive Rates

Please telephone 01785 714157 or email reception@penkpc.co.uk

Vacant Allotments

We now have available plots. For further information please telephone the Haling Dene Centre on 01785 714157 or email reception@penkpc.co.uk



Report Highways Matters

For Lighting, Road Repairs, Blocked Drains etc

Telephone: 0300 111 8000 or Email: highways@staffordshire.gov.uk or you can report a problem on-line

Report Fly Tipping

Telephone: 01902 696200 or Email: environmentalcrimesr@sstaffs.gov.uk

PENKRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



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March 2019



Penkridge Parish Council Precept 2019-2020

The Parish Council, at their meeting of 10th January 2019, agreed to set their Precept at **£245,000** for the financial year 2019-2020, an increase of 13.8%.

Parish Councillors justified the Precept increase by including an additional budget to take on the Library Services at Penkridge.

Penkridge Library

In 2018 Staffordshire County Council undertook a consultation process which resulted in Penkridge Library becoming a Community Led Library in April 2019. Penkridge Parish Council felt strongly that the Library should remain in its current building together with all the activities it provides. The Parish Council submitted a Procurement Bid in November 2018 and they were offered the contract to manage and deliver Penkridge Library for five years.

The Parish Council, at its meeting of 14th February, accepted the offer and look forward to continuing to provide the Library and its services.

If you would like to put your name forward to help in the Library as a volunteer please do so by either contacting the Haling Dene Centre on 01785 714157 or by email at clerk@penkpc.co.uk.

Annual Parish Meeting

Your Annual Parish Meeting is to be held on <u>Thursday 21st March</u> at 7.00 pm

All parishioners are welcome and can take part in discussions. Your Chairman will give his annual report.

Come along and speak to Councillors or raise questions on important issues both current and in the future.

MAKE A CHANGE, BECOME A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Penkridge Parish Council is calling on residents, passionate about their community to stand in the local elections in 2019.

What Do Councillors Do?

Councillors are the champions of their Community and give residents a voice on the decisions the Council makes. Becoming a Councillor will allow you to make a real difference in your Community by engaging with residents, local groups and businesses to find out their needs; making decisions on which services and projects the Council should take forward; and getting involved locally to ensure the services are meeting your community's needs.

How Long Does It Take?

The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Local Councillor Census Survey found that Councillors put aside, on average, three hours a week for council work. This often includes attending meetings, engaging with residents and speaking on behalf of the council to other bodies.

Can I Stand?

There are only a few rules to stand for election. You must be:

- A British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth, or the European Union
- 18 years of age or older
- Live in an area that is served by a local council

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS MADE AN EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO VILLAGE LIFE?

CIVIC AWARD 2019

If you know a parishioner who has contributed to the village community and would like to nominate him/her to be considered for this year's Civic Award please fill in the slip below and return it to the Parish Administrator. The closing date is Friday 26th April 2019.

I wish to nominate _____

Reason for nomination _____

_____(You may attach additional information)

Signed ______ Name _____

Address _____

Please return to the Parish Administrator's Office by not later than Friday 26th April 2019.



The Haling Dene Centre prevents LIVE MUSIC NIGHT with

The Magpies Acoustic Duo Saturday 16th March 2019 7.30pm in the Bar Area



Free Admission

The Magpies are an acoustic duo playing a wide variety of songs from the 60's, 70's through to today.

