

# COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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The Parish Council has been asked to co-ordinate events for the 'Collingham in the Great War' project and we have written to all the voluntary groups on the website. A lot of groups have responded and are planning events. If any more groups would like to do something to commemorate the centenary of the Armistice being signed please contact us. If any residents would like to help with events and be involved, again, contact us, we would be pleased to have help. The programme will be announced soon. Watch this space.

We are also looking for volunteers with knitting needles or crochet hooks to knit or crochet as many poppies as possible. It is planned to use these to signpost where events are taking place. Please contact me, Helena Pielichaty, Celia Finch or Caron Ballantyne, the Parish Clerk, if you wish to help in knitting, crocheting or with events.

Plans are moving forward for the Skate Park! Just to keep you updated - the grant application has now been submitted. We will let you know when we have a decision, this is expected in May. In the meantime we are still able to accept donations (no minimum amount) and in return your name or a name/s of your choice will be added to our 'thank you' plaque at the new Skate Park as a lasting record of all those who have helped make the project happen. If you would like more details or for how to donate please contact Jane Guest [Jane.Guest@Collingham-notts.org.uk](mailto:Jane.Guest@Collingham-notts.org.uk). Thank you to everyone who has donated so far!

It's Best Kept Village (BKV) time again, the Parish Council has entered the competition again this year. The judges look for whole village involvement and go all around the village looking at all different streets and buildings. Lee Marshall is co-ordinating all activities. If you wish to contact him to let him know what you are doing or what needs to be done his phone number is on the heading to this page. We were second last year - I think Lee has ambitions to go one better.

Councillors will have had training by East Midlands Trains about our station adoption programme by the time you read this. Perhaps I should say re-adoption, because the late Bob Imrie originally adopted the station with the Friends of Collingham Station as part of his hard work to improve the services offered at Collingham.

The Parish Council has benefited from a tree grant, with the support of Councillor Maureen Dobson, and you might have seen the results of their skills in the Community Park. When we are able to sit in the shade of a tree we should say thank to the Parish Councillors and Clerk, Rodney Bayes and the local young people who worked hard at the planting this week. Our thanks to them all.

*Rosie Scott*

*Collingham Parish Council meets on the fourth Thursday of every month and the second Thursday in December. The meeting in August may be cancelled if there is insufficient business. The meetings are held at the Youth and Community Centre on Low Street and begin at 7:15pm. The general public are welcome at all meetings, though they have no rights to participate except at the beginning of the meeting or at the Chairman's discretion and with prior notice to the clerk. Once the meeting is under way the public are welcome and encouraged to stay and listen to the Council. There may be times because of the sensitive nature of the business being discussed that the public and the press are asked to leave though this happens very rarely.*