

Only five weeks to Christmas. Where has the year gone!

Its Official – Farnsfield is the best kept village in Nottinghamshire. Thankyou to Community Spaces and all of the volunteers that worked so hard to make this happen. A special thankyou to the businesses and residents along the Main Street and all the residents in Farnsfield who tended their gardens. Scoring excellent in every category was no mean achievement.

Over the last four months the council have been working on a number of priority initiatives to improve the village infrastructure and services.

The Village Centre has had extensive works to improve the safety and comfort for all users of the facility. These works included : 28 additional smoke detectors, 24 hour remote monitoring of the fire detection system, All new 30 minute fire rated fire doors, full electrical inspection and defect correction with the issuing of a satisfactory certificate of electrical compliance, additional emergency exit signage and lighting installed, upper and lower halls have had floors sanded and resealed, new windows with double glazed acoustic safety glass fitted in the uniform groups room and rear of stage . Works will continue starting in March 2020 with substantial amount of retiling and upgrading the roof insulation to current standards.

A proposed strategic plan has been created after receiving over 100 ideas and suggestions from residents, to upgrade facilities within the village. This plan is in the early stages and the Council are actively seeking further feedback from the village before updating and reissuing it. There is a drop in scheduled for 3rd December 2019 in the lower hall, village centre between 6pm and 8pm where people can speak to the councillors and give their feedback. The plan can also be viewed on the website and Facebook page.

The Parish Council website has had a makeover and has been expanded to incorporate additional information about Clubs and Organisations within the village, local businesses, new working party updates and councillor details. The Councils Facebook site has also been upgraded.

The Village Centre and Football pitch can now be booked online using the FPC website.

We are finalising preparations for the big Christmas Switch on from 4pm this Sunday. Lots of festive cheer supplied by St Michael and All Angels Choir, Southwell Dance School and Chris Pearse, our new vicar and his wife Trine. Plenty of food and drink with a special visit from a man with a white beard dressed in red.

Uniformed groups holding a Christmas Fayre at the Village Centre.

Competition for the best phone photos taken at the event. No prizes but we will put the best three on our social media pages and in our next newsletter. Send to stuart@farnsfield-pc.uk

New working parties have been formed to focus on : Environmental Issues, Improving communications between the council and residents, establishing a grants policy and fixing the car parking problems.

Over 30 people attended Defibrillator training during October.

Key Dates for your Diary

Christmas Lights Switch On – Sunday 1st December from 4pm outside the Coop

Drop In to review Strategic Plan – Tuesday 3rd December from 6pm – 8pm

Full Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 17th December at 7:30pm

CLUBS & GROUPS IN FARNSFIELD

Activity	Location	Activity	Location
Armchair Exercise	Cricket CLub	FLinnfit	Village Centre
Ashley Turton Dance	Village Centre	Guides	Village Centre
Baby Yoga	Village Centre	Metafit	Village Centre
Beavers (6 to 8)	Village Centre	Pilates	Village Centre
Bowling Club	Station Lane	Rainbows	Village Centre
Brownies	Village Centre	Reading Group	Library
Knit & Natter	Library	Rhyme rattle and role	Library
Cubs (8 to 10.5)	Village Centre	Scouts (10.5 to 14)	Village Centre
Dance and Recreation	Village Centre	Sewing Group	Village Centre
Explorers	Village Centre	Slimming World	Cricket Club
Pre School	Chapel Lane	Southwell Dance Club	Village Centre
Babies & Toddlers	Chapel Lane	Table Tennis	Village Centre
Community Allotment	Acres	Toddlers	Village Centre
Flower Club	Village Centre	Women's Institute	Village Centre
Friendship Club	Cricket Club	Yoga	Village Centre
History Society	Village Centre	Zumba	Village Centre
Tennis Club	Station Lane	Football	Acres
Cricket Club	Station Lane		

More information can be found on the Farnsfield Parish Council Website

Website : <u>www.farnsfieldparishcouncil.co.uk</u>