

COLLINGHAM *Parish Council*

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Following the local election, we have a new term for Collingham Parish Council. Some people may have wondered why we didn't have a voting slip this time. The reason for this was that there were less people who put in nominations than there were places on the Council. The remaining places have been filled by others who have since expressed an interest and we look forward to them using their skills and experience to help the Council continue to be highly successful. We would like to welcome Rosemary Fabian, Gillian French, Mike Lloyd and Derek Mackenzie. We would also like to thank those people who have left the Parish Council after the last term for all their commitment and effort to the community, some of whom have served for many years dedicating a significant amount of their own time and energy into helping our community to flourish. Thanks to Rosie Scott, Val Wright, Lee Marshall and Jane Guest.

A new term for the Council also means we need to determine what projects within the Parish would deliver the most benefits to the community. Whilst we have some ideas as individuals, we really want to know what you feel is needed most. If you, groups you are involved with or clubs you represent have any ideas for what would be good for the Parish please feel free to speak with any of us, email us at parishclerk@collingham-notts.org.uk or attend a Parish Council meeting to present your idea (we can help you do this if required). We will also be putting up a stand at the Collingham Show on Saturday the 21st of September, where ideas can be discussed and submitted. Please do come and visit the stand to talk with us.

Many of you will know the very successful and valued first responder pilot scheme run by our Fire Service has now been stopped. We recognise the value this scheme has brought to the Parish and surrounding villages and are looking to start a community first responder scheme to replace it. Community first responders attend local emergency calls and provide life saving first aid in those vital minutes before an ambulance arrives. Community first responders are trained to assess the situation, provide first aid if needed, and establish the patient's previous medical history. Sometimes they can simply be a very vital second pair of hands to an ambulance crew when they arrive. If you have any interest in this please do contact the Council. Whilst we don't have full details at the moment, we do know that full training will be given and there is no minimum commitment so please do consider helping the community with this scheme.

The Parish Council is looking forward to serving you over the next four years and please feel welcome to attend any of the meetings at the Youth and Community Centre, Low Street on the fourth Thursday of each month (except August and December). Full details are on the Parish Council website, www.collingham-notts.org.uk or in the glass noticeboards.

Rick Hatton & Gillian French

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.