

Glen Parva News

September 2013

Parish Gala

The 12th Annual Glen Parva Summer Gala was held on 10 August 2013 and was officially opened by Mr D Clements, Vice Chairman of Blaby District Council with Mr B Boulter, Vice Chairman of Leicestershire County Council and Miss Blaby in attendance. Amongst the entertainment were games, rides, rock climbing wall, bungee trampoline, birds of prey display, Enderby Senior Band, the BB19 Bus and once again this year proved a success with the inclusion of the National Festival Circus which was great fun with clowns, plate spinning, juggling and other traditions of a circus. Face painting, bead workshops, tabla drumming,

Blaby Society of Artists and refreshments were all arranged inside the hall.

Funding from 'Community Games Cash' enabled a mobile skate park from Blaby District Council to attend. A donation from this event and others during the year will be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Thank you to everyone who supported the event. We are always looking at ways to improve this community event for the future and if you have any views or comments or would like to help with next year's events please contact the Parish Office.



New Councillor

We welcome Mr G Mather as a recently co-opted Parish Councillor for the South Ward. Parish Councillors can be

contacted via the Parish Office on 0116 2771450.

Parish Councillors

EAST LUBBESTHORPE WARD

MR J SUTCLIFFE
MR S SIDOROWICZ — *Vice Chairman*
MRS K M MOORE
Mr M PRIDEAUX

NORTH WARD

MR J BUTTON
MR G GOODE
MRS J MARTIN — *Council Chairman*
MRS F TURNER
MS S OWENS
MRS J BUKIEL

SOUTH WARD

MR S GREATWOOD
MRS J BAIRD
MR A METHVEN
MR O WARD
MR G MATHER

To contact your local Parish Councillor please call 0116 277 1450 for further details.

Parish Plan

The steering group met in June and it was agreed to undertake the analysis of the completed questionnaires during July and August. The meeting held on 27th August discussed the findings of the analysis which will form the basis of the plan. It is intended to complete the process by the end of the year with implementation during 2014.

A number of Parish Plan Questionnaire returns implied

Glen Parva War Memorial Hall

The Parish Council has recently redecorated the small hall and corridor of the Glen Parva War Memorial Hall as well as the football changing rooms. It is planned to redecorate the large hall and other areas next year.

Knightsbridge Road Estate

The Parish Council has been working together with Blaby District Council in order to assist residents in improving this area which is not adopted.

It is hoped to improve the condition of the faulty streetlights as well as clear away litter, waste and fly tipping as a “one off” initiative in order to improve the area for the residents. If anyone is interested in joining a residents group please contact the Parish Office on 0116 277 1450 or email j.small@gppcouncil.org.uk

Glen Parva Local Nature Reserve Site

The working group continues to meet regularly to oversee the management and maintenance of this site, together with Blaby District Council, Leicestershire County Council and other agencies.

The Group hopes to improve signage and publicity and we are hoping to apply for a green flag award in the future.

The Parish Council has been successful in obtaining a grant of £350 from Stepping Stones to plant wild flower plugs in the Glen Rise entrance to Aylestone Holt Spinney later in the year.

Audit of Accounts 2012/2013

Following the audit of account held on 7th June 2013 the completion of the audit will be displayed by 30 September 2013.

The Parish Council has appointed Mr K Shaw as the Council’s internal auditor for 2013/2014.

that the Parish Council was instrumental in the decision for the bus lane to go ahead. This is not the case. As a Parish Council we were against the project and made our feelings known to Leicestershire County Council. The decision to go ahead with the project was made by the County and City Councils.

Bat Walk — 5 September 2013

The Parish Council will be holding a bat walk on 5 September 2013 at 8.00pm with Mr J Partridge County Council Wildlife Officer. Limited spaces available – tickets from the Parish Office or call 0116 2771450.

Glen Parva Youth Club

The Parish Council is delighted to announce that a new youth club is being operated in partnership with Young Leicestershire Ltd.

The Club meets every Thursday from 6.30pm – 9.00pm at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall for age groups 11 – 18. For further information please contact the Parish Office on 0116 2771450 or 0116 2750489 – Young Leicestershire Ltd.

County Arms Site — McCarthy & Stone

The Parish Council understands that the redevelopment of the site is currently being reviewed by McCarthy & Stone. The Parish Council will continue to monitor this development.

A426 Bus Corridor — Leicester Road

Following the six week closure period of Lutterworth Road between Wigston Lane and Soar Valley Way, the 2 week temporary one way closure from Soar Valley Way to Woodbank will commence on 9 September. This work will be undertaken in three phases in order to minimise disruption. The County Council and contractors are liaising with Arriva about bus diversions and temporary bus stops during this period.

For further information please contact the Public Liaison Officer on 07923 470376 or a426buscorridor.tarmac@outlook.com or 07901 001863 (24 hour answer machine).

Parish Council Events 2013

Remembrance Service — Sunday 10th November 2013

The annual remembrance service will be held at 2.30 pm on Sunday 10th November 2013 at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall. Refreshments will be available. All welcome to attend.

Christmas Fair — Sunday 8th December 2013

This year we are holding a Christmas Fair which will commence at 2.00 pm on Sunday 8th December 2013 at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall. Stalls will be available, together with refreshments and Father Christmas. Further information will be available nearer the time.

Family Pantomime Sunday — 29th December 2013

The family pantomime will be held on Sunday 29 December 2013 at 1.30pm at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall. This year the show is Beauty and the Beast. Further information and tickets will be available nearer the time.

For further details about any of these events please contact Mrs J Small Parish Council Manager on 0116 2771450

School Crossing Patrol – Leicester Road

Glen Hills Primary School children urgently need a School Crossing Patrol.

Location A426/Westview Avenue

Session Times 8.20-8.55am and 3.00-3.40pm

Full uniform provided £6.38 per hour

For more details please contact the Road Safety Education Team on 0116 305 7233 or visit the website at www.leics.gov.uk/lollipop

Leicestershire County Council – Streetlight and Energy Saving Scheme

Leicestershire County Council proposed a part-night lighting scheme (where lights are to be switched off between midnight and 5.30am GMT), for the parish of Glen Parva. Leicestershire County Council are currently undertaking a project to reduce street lighting levels in the County in order to make savings on energy costs, reduce carbon emissions and reduce light pollution.

This formal consultation expired on 31 May 2013. A plan implementing the proposals can be found on the County Council's website and available at www.leics.gov.uk/lighting. There is already useful information on this site giving more details about the changes to street lighting in Leicestershire. The Parish Council will monitor the effects of this scheme in the Parish.

For further information please contact: Environment & Transport Department, Leicestershire County Council 0116 3050001 or etd@leics.gov.uk. Mrs J Small, Glen Parva Parish Council Manager 0116 277 1450 or j.small@gppcouncil.org.uk

Fields In Trust

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that most of its open spaces have been protected with the Fields in Trust as part of the Queen Elizabeth 2012 Fields Challenge Scheme. We would like to thank Asda, partner of the Fields in Trust for donating a bench for one of the sites. Commemorative plaques will be installed in due course.



Responsible Dog Owners

The Parish Council supplies dog waste bags on behalf of Blaby District Council and there has been a recent shortage of supplies from Blaby District Council.

The Parish Council has been advised that once the dog waste bag stock has been replenished, the bags should only be used for emergency situations and should not be relied upon for general use.

We welcome and encourage responsible dog owners to ensure that they have adequate resources to clean up after their dog.

For further information please contact the Dog Warden Service or Environmental Health Services at Blaby District Council on 0116 275 0555

Police News for Glen Parva

The team has seen a slight increase in the number of burglaries and issues surrounding anti-social behaviour (ASB) with those on mini motors.

Police have arrested and charged a male for theft of a cycle from a property in Glen Parva and other linked offences in the county.

4 x Burglary

2 x Cycle Theft

4 x Theft from Motor Vehicles

As the above figures show an increase, I would like to remind you to make sure all your windows and doors are locked and secure every time you leave your property, even if you only go into the back garden and before you go to bed.

A lot of vehicle crime results from criminals seeing opportunities and taking them. You can easily outsmart

Councillor Surgery Dates

Glen Parva Parish Council is pleased to announce that the Parish Council will be holding a Parish Councillor surgery as follows:

Monday, 16th September 2013 at 6.30 p.m. at South Wigston High School Hall

Monday, 4th November 2013 at 6.30 p.m. at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall

Monday, 20th January 2014 at 6.30 p.m. at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall

Monday, 17th March 2014 at 6.30 p.m. at South Wigston High School.

Monday, 14th April 2014 at 6.30 p.m. at Glen Parva War Memorial Hall

It is anticipated that there will be at least two members of the Parish Council available at these new surgeries and that they will provide the opportunity for Parish Councillors to engage with the local community on an informal basis and discuss issues with local residents.

The County Councillor, District Councillors, Member of Parliament and Police have also been invited to attend.

the car thief if you never leave anything on display and close all windows and secure your vehicle even if you only leave it for a few seconds.

Further crime prevention advice is available from www.leics.police.uk/burglary

If you have any concerns in your area and would like to discuss them with a local officer, why not take part in our monthly joint webchat with Blaby District Council. Webchats are held on the last Thursday of each on the at 6.30pm just log on to www.leics.police.uk/blabywebchat

PC 4214 Kit Chauhan,

Beacon Officer for Blaby, Whetstone, Glen Parva and Cosby

Rural Community Energy Fund

Would you like to generate your own energy? Should we be doing more to generate energy from renewable sources such as solar or wind? Please give us your thoughts and opinions by taking our online survey to help us to understand what you think of renewable energy generation. The survey will be available to complete from 2 September 2013. All you have to do is put this link in to your browser and follow the online prompts:

www.surveyface.com/study/Attitude-to-Renewable-Energy-Generation-8290.php?l=y

Why are we asking you to do this?

Following on from our very successful Local Energy Assessment Fund bid we have decided to make an application to the Rural Community Energy Fund for a grant to fund a feasibility study for renewable energy generation in Glen Parva. Once again we have enlisted the expertise of Flourish Partnership to help us with this project and as part of our bid we want to understand the current attitude and understanding in the community of renewable energy.

So please take a few minutes of your time to help us with this project that could be of immense benefit to our community. Paper versions are also available at the Parish Office or the Library.

How to Contact the Parish Council

To contact the parish council, you can telephone or fax on 0116 277 1450, email at j.small@gppcouncil.org.uk, write to Dorothy Avenue, Glen Parva, Leicester LE2 9JD, or visit the website on glenparva.leicestershireparishcouncils.org