

South Heighton Parish Council



Autumn/Winter 2018 Newsletter

Since the last newsletter

We hope that all of our residents have had a wonderful summer. Since the last newsletter, the Parish Council has said goodbye to two Councillors, Mr Christopher Bradshaw and Ms Jane Miller. We would like to thank Mr Bradshaw and Ms Miller for their years of work for the Parish and the many things they achieved, most notably, bringing the fantastic refurbishment of the Hollow Playground to fruition at the beginning of the summer (more on the Hollow on the next page!).

The Parish Council has been hard at work over the summer ensuring the Village remains free of litter and fly-tipping which continues to be an issue, particularly around the Hollow. Councillors have also been actively working to combat the continued parking issues at the Hollow by long term or untaxed vehicles in particular. We helped get 4 untaxed vehicles clamped in August alone!

The council ran stalls at two wonderful community events over the summer - the Denton Challenge in June and the South Heighton Village Fete in July, where we met many local residents and asked for input on upcoming projects such as improvements to the Village Green. If you have any suggestions for these improvements, or any other projects you would like to see the Parish Council focussing on, please give us your feedback so we can ensure the Council is working for you.

Christmas Celebrations

The Christmas Tree will be back on the Village Green this year; join us on Wednesday 19th December from 6:30pm for carols, live music and there are even rumours of a visit from the big man in red himself!



The Hollow Refurbishment

On 19th June 2018, the newly refurbished Hollow playground was opened. The fantastic play equipment was purchased, and the play area fully renovated, following a grant from the Newhaven Community Fund, not to mention years of hard work and planning by your Parish Councillors.

The feedback we have had since the opening of the playground has been amazing with so many positive comments from



residents. It has been wonderful to see the play area in such constant use and being enjoyed by the children. Sadly, we have had our first instance of vandalism to the roof of the lovely new play hut. This has been reported and will be repaired. If you identify any damage to play equipment, please contact the Parish Clerk so that we can arrange to have it repaired. If you do see anybody in the act of vandalising the play equipment, please call the police immediately.

Your Parish Councillors devote much of their free time to keeping the play area free of litter, leaves and debris. Thank you to the many residents who have stopped to pass their feedback regarding the play area whilst we have been going about these tasks, it really makes all the hard work worth it!

Friends of the Hollow

We are starting a 'Friends of the Hollow' volunteer group. Thank you to those who have already signed up, we will be contacting you soon. Anybody else who would like to get involved, please contact the Clerk to express your interest.

Thank you

The Parish Council would like to extend their thanks to Veolia for funding a new Noticeboard to be sited at The Hollow. The noticeboards contain agendas for upcoming meetings, minutes from previous meetings and leaflets and notices relevant to our Parish. This will enable us to replace the small noticeboard at Norton too.

The Parish Council would also like to thank the Day Group for their generous donation of a leaf blower. This has already been put to good use keeping the play area free of leaves and autumn debris.

Elections

On 2nd May 2019 Local Elections will be held across England and Northern Ireland. South Heighton Parish Council consists of 7 Councillors who are elected for a 4 year term. Becoming a Councillor gives you the opportunity to have a say in how the Parish Council formulates policy and to give a voice to the residents of South Heighton and Norton. To stand as a Councillor, you need to attend one evening meeting a month and spend as much time as you are able to give reading Council correspondence or contributing to projects. Each candidate needs to be at least 18 years old and, for the past 12 months:

- Have been registered as an elector in the Parish OR
- Have occupied, as owner or tenant, any land or premises in the Parish OR
- Have their main place of work in the Parish OR
- Live in the Parish or within 4.8km (3m)

Find out more about becoming a Councillor at the Be a Councillor website: <https://beacouncillor.co.uk>

If you are interested in standing as a Councillor for South Heighton Parish Council, please contact the Clerk for more information.

New Facebook page

The Parish Council has a new Facebook page. This will be regularly updated with links to meeting agendas and minutes as well as news and information affecting the Parish. We would like to reach as many residents as possible so please follow the Facebook link from our website or go to:

www.facebook.com/southheightonparishcouncil

Dates for your diary

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council holds meetings each month in South Heighton Village Hall. Please do try and come along and let us know the projects and local issues that you think we should be focussing on.

Tue 20th November 2018 at 7pm

Tue 15th January 2019 at 7pm

Tue 12th February 2019 at 7pm

Tue 12th March 2019 at 7pm

Tue 19th April 2019 at 7pm

Tue 14th May 2019 (Annual Council Meeting)

Tue 28th May 2019 (Annual Parish Meeting)

Village Events

Sat 10th November – South Heighton Bonfire Night
Procession departs The Flying Fish approx 6.30pm, bonfire & fireworks at South Heighton rec. ground approx 8pm. Visit southheighton.org/bonfire for details. Organised by SHVHMC.

Sat 15th December – Santa's Grotto

Father Christmas will be resident in his grotto at South Heighton Village Hall from 4-6pm. Children are welcome to say hello to him and receive a gift. Mulled wine and mince pies to enjoy! This event is free. Organised by SHVHMC.

Wed 19th December – Christmas Tree and Carols

Join South Heighton Parish Council for our annual carols and live music around the Christmas Tree on South Heighton Village Green from 6:30pm plus a visit from the wonderful CTLA Santa.

**We wish all our residents
A very Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year**



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We also have 3 vacancies on the Council, contact the Parish Clerk to apply!

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