



'Oyez' - Clapham Parish Council Newsletter - June 2022 - Issue 11

A Message from Tony Bird

As of March this year I have taken over as Chairman of the Parish Council. I would like to thank Stuart Ray the previous incumbent for his sterling work and efforts over the past four years: his contribution will be greatly missed. Also, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of our Clerk Sarah - easy to go unnoticed but without which things would not run as smoothly as they do nor the parish have benefited in the ways that it has.

We are hoping that as many residents as possible will be able to join us on Saturday 4th June to celebrate a truly momentous occasion marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

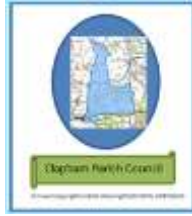
A programme of events accompanies this newsletter if you can bring it along on the day as your passport to free food! The running order may be subject to change at short notice although hopefully the sun will shine and everyone will have some wonderful memories of this special occasion.

There has been lots of very favourable feedback on the new gates and fencing on the Recreation Ground. There is more good news as we have also received grant funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to replace the old circular seat and install two lovely new noticeboards, all with commemorative inscriptions as a reminder of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The items may not be installed in time for the Jubilee weekend but we are pulling out all the stops to see if this can happen!

A native walnut sapling has been provided by the Trustees as part of the Queen's Green Canopy to 'plant a tree for the Jubilee' and there will be an official tree planting ceremony too.

Andrew Griffith MP, who helped secure the future of the village school, will also join us to officiate at the playground opening, along with some very important people from the Parish - watch this space!

In the meantime all that remains is for me to share the agenda for the Annual Meeting of the Parish. This newsletter is therefore much briefer than usual with the meeting scheduled for Thursday 26th May. Do please join us on this occasion, details overleaf.



Dear Parishioners,

Notice of the Annual Parish Meeting for Clapham

**I hereby give notice that Clapham's Annual Parish Meeting will be held
At Clapham and Patching Village Hall, Long Furlong, BN13 3UT
On Thursday 26th May 2022 at 7 p.m.**

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence
2. Approval of the minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting 28th March 2019
3. Public Participation (for those on the Electoral Register)
Please contact the Clerk at least 24 hours before the start time if you are unable to attend in person and would like either to comment on any matter, provide feedback or raise a question.
4. Reports for the Parish including any from Organisations and Clubs in the Parish.
5. Meeting Close.

Tony Bird

Councillor Tony Bird, Chair of Clapham Parish Council

17th May 2022