

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO THE SPRING 2023 EDITION OF THE CATCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER. WE HOPE IT WILL BE OF INTEREST TO EVERYONE.

As you're reading this edition of our newsletter the trees should be in bud and some still in blossom. The daffodils, crocuses, tulips etc have already announced the coming of spring. We are fortunate to have displays of these throughout the village. We would like to see more but despite several appeals to the community at large we cannot attract volunteers to help us manage such ventures.



With the spring comes a new budget. Our budget relies on the precept of course. We cannot escape the drastic cost of living issues that are affecting us all and we have had to make a slight increase to the precept. Thanks to prudent trimming of last year's costs and good management we feel we can maintain our standards and look forward to the challenge.

We had a recent setback when the pavilion became unusable due to a major water pipe burst. We do have insurance and work to refurbish the building is taking place.

There will more events taking place on the recreation ground this year. Many of you were delighted to welcome the alien moths from FLUX to the village recently. They will be creating an event at Easter which will be taking part in a circus tent and not to be missed. There is also a summer fete planned for the summer and details will be posted once finalised. We continue to pursue other possibilities and we welcome your suggestions.



Thanks to a Towns and Country grant from R.M.B.C. we were able to invite residents to suggest some changes to the area around the main street viaduct and roundabout. When finished we hope this will add to the ambience of the village. We have to thank R.M.B.C. Neighbourhoods and our local Ward Councillors for their lead in this matter and very much appreciate the input received from everyone.

The bookings at the hall continue to increase and this adds to our optimism for the coming year. It is an excellent facility and our users are always very complimentary.

For latest updates please visit our web site or Facebook page.

THE PARISH COUNCIL

What do we do?

- As the first tier of local government, Catcliffe Parish Council are responsible for some of the land and activities in the area. We are responsible for:
- Poplar Way Recreation Ground with 2 football pitches, pavilion, basketball net, youth shelter and children's play area.
- Running a Playgroup
- Running a youth club
- Providing a weekly chair exercise group
- Providing kids holiday activities
- A summer fete on the recreation ground
- A Christmas event in the hall
- Regular litter pick around the area
- We run regular drop-in sessions for residents to call in to speak to someone from the parish council, ward councillors, housing, and police.
- We are sole trustee of Catcliffe Memorial Hall Fund, which runs the Memorial Hall to be rented out to groups for regular activities and private hirers for parties.

The Allotments and Bowling Green are rented out for a small fee and managed by the Allotment Society and Bowling Club respectively.

Our next project will be to look at options for the Highfield View area that has been unused since the last lot of play equipment had to be removed. We continue to research funding options for this area. We currently employ 5 part time staff to do all of this (covering approximately 50 hours per week between them all) and have 1 volunteer.

How is this paid for?

- All of our work is funded by the precept local people pay alongside their council tax, apart from the toddler group and youth club which is part funded by the lottery.

Are we part of Rotherham Borough Council?

- In a word – no. While we often work closely with Rotherham Council, we are 2 separate organisations, responsible for different things in the area so issues to do with housing, fly tipping, highways, dog fouling and flooding are unfortunately not something we can solve. We can however pass information on or point you in the right direction of who to contact. We have arranged drop-in sessions at the Memorial Hall so residents with any issues have access to parish councillors, ward councillors, Rotherham Council staff, and police.

How does the Parish Council work?

- The Parish Council is made up of 9 councillors although there are currently 4 vacancies.
- We meet once a month for a full Council Meeting to make sure our planned projects and budget are on track and to discuss any local issues.
- Every 2-3 months there are meetings for the Memorial Hall Trust.
- Other committee meetings are arranged for Events and Staffing as and when needed.

How can you help?

- If you would like more information on becoming a councillor, please let the Clerk know.
- We would also love to hear from local residents who are interested in volunteering or other community groups that we might be able to link with to work together on certain projects.
- Please email Josie – clerk@catcliffepc.com – for more information.

LOTTERY GRANTS

We were delighted to receive lottery awards grants for a couple of very special projects. These grants pay for the group leaders salaries and allow members to attend for free.

You asked for and we got. We need your support to keep these activities going.

YOUTH CLUB

Thursdays 6.30 – 8.00 pm, Term Time, FREE!

Funded by lottery awards for all, our youth club is for kids in school years 7-9. Run by Sarah and Josie, we have games, sports equipment (we're getting pretty good at badminton!) and loads of crafty stuff. Some activities are themed each week. We are open to requests to get new equipment and activities to suit what young people want. Feel free to bring your own stuff along too – we learned all about Pokemon cards recently and would love to find out about what's important to you. For more information on the Youth Club, contact Josie – clerk@catcliffepc.com, or just turn up on the night.

WE DO NEED PARENT/CARER CONSENT FORMS COMPLETING FOR ALL KIDS ATTENDING FOR SAFEGUARDING REASONS.



THURSDAYS, TERM TIME

THURSDAYS 6.30 - 8PM
CATCLIFFE MEMORIAL HALL

YOUTH CLUB

For school years 7-9
(age 11-14)

We have games, crafts,
sports equipment and more
to be decided by you!

Contact Josie -
clerk@catcliffepc.com



PLAYGROUP

Wednesdays, 9.30-10.30 am, Term Time, FREE!

Run by Natalie, our playgroup is becoming very popular. Further to our lottery funding to get everything up and running, we have been lucky to receive CLF funding from our local ward councillors – Amy Brookes and Firas Miro – to provide special end of term activities for the group.

We also have Aughton Years attending every month for baby weighing.

We have loads of equipment to keep your little ones entertained, a reading corner, and a weekly craft. For more information about the playgroup see Facebook for Catcliffe Memorial Hall Playgroup.

Email Josie – clerk@catcliffepc.com.

Or just turn up on the day!

Mums, Dads or Carers have to remain with their kids.



EVENTS



FLUX

fluxrotherham.org.uk/

Some of you were lucky enough to see the Alien Moths drop in on an impromptu visit recently. Well they're coming again for a 2 day trip on the Recreation Ground because they loved you all.

They will be in a Circus Tent and will have lots of their friends coming round to visit. (Can't guarantee they'll all be aliens). And they are looking forward to meeting you, putting on a show and teaching everyone their skills and artistry.

Sooooooo put 15th and 16th April in your diary.

See our web site for more details and events as they unfold.

www.catcliffeparishcouncil.com and [Facebook](#).

We are delighted that Rotherham United Community Sports Trust have agreed to work with us.



Catcliffe Memorial Hall Rotherham United Healthy Holidays

Easter Camp 2023

This camp features multi-sports & fitness for 10 - 16 year olds

The camps will run from 10am - 2pm & a meal will be provided daily for all participants

(Vegetarian options will be available)

Rotherham United CST | Privacy Policy available at:

rucst.co.uk/privacy-policy/ Address - Old School Ln, Catcliffe, Rotherham S60 5SP

You will need to book @

<https://forms.office.com/e/eSyNU9EP7s>

- Tue 11th April
- Wed 12th April
- Thu 13th April
- Fri 14th April

Tel: 01709 827767

Email us: community@rotherhamunited.net

There will be a link also at www.catcliffeparishcouncil.com



RUCST also cater for the ones who are no longer school age and might be just over 21 years of age. The grown ups can have as much fun as the kids. Why not come and join in.

CHAIR, AEROBIC and WELL BEING CLASSES ARE BACK.

EVERY THURSDAY MORNING

CATCLIFFE MEMORIAL HALL

10:00 - 12:00

Qualified Instructors.

Programmes to suit all abilities.

Coffee/Tea and Chat @ 10:00 am

Aerobics @ 11:00 am.



MEET THE TEAM

CHAIR Cllr Pete DeVeaux petedeveaux@catcliffepc.com Tel: 07721 601128	VICE CHAIR Cllr Garry Marsh garrymarsh@catcliffepc.com Tel: 07977 192154	COUNCILLOR Cllr Wendy Green wendygreen@catcliffepc.com Tel: 07712 670119
COUNCILLOR Cllr Nigel Simpson nigelsimpson@catcliffepc.com Tel: 07709 849493	COUNCILLOR Cllr Tony Bayliss tonybayliss@catcliffepc.com Tel: 07764 796000	COUNCILLOR VACANCY x 4
CLERK Josie Huddleston clerk@catcliffepc.com 01709 837550 / 07783 001496	PLAYGROUP Natalie Rebeck 01709 837550 / 07783 001496	YOUTH CLUB Sarah Carney 01709 837550 / 07783 001496
	HALL CARETAKER Mark Pickering 01709 837550 / 07783 001496	PAVILION CARETAKER Tina Downing 01709 837550 / 07783 001496

Cllr Amy Brookes 01709 255943
Cllr Dr Firas Miro 01709 807960

amy.brookes@rotherham.gov.uk
firas.miro@rotherham.gov.uk

Cllr PETE DEVEAUX:

I spent my childhood in Catcliffe, left after my marriage and returned in 2009. Catcliffe is a good place to be. I've volunteered most of my life. I know most folk don't get it but without volunteers the world would stop. I've organised football and cricket teams and served on committees involved with dog showing and several community groups, run writers groups, edited publications and web sites. I've been a parish councillor for about 8 years. Working for the Parish Council is a very fulfilling role. Meeting and helping others, making new friends and generally doing something for the village gives me a great deal of pleasure and pride. As Chairman or councillor I'm hoping I can carry on for a while longer if you'll have me. I believe our community is worth it.

Cllr GARRY MARSH:

I have been a parish councillor since 2015, 3 years as chairman 2018 to 2021. I currently serve as vice chairman.

I've lived in Catcliffe for over 30 years. Prior to joining the parish council I was chair of Catcliffe Flood Action Group working with a number of agencies to help protect our village from flooding. My career background is in IT and project management.

Being a councillor can be both rewarding and frustrating. You get to meet your fellow residents. My advice to anyone considering becoming a councillor is give it a go, manage your expectations and you might just make a difference!

Cllr WENDY GREEN:

I have been a councillor for 6 years. In the beginning I started by attending meetings before becoming a councillor in order to raise issues that concerned me about the village.

I progressed to wanting to make a difference to the place where I live and knew the council was how I could achieve this. It is very rewarding when you bring a suggestion forward and then see the outcome. It's also a good way of helping residents with issues even if we cannot resolve it we can give support and advice. I would suggest to anyone that they should come along to a meeting and see how things are done. Perhaps bring along an idea and see how it develops. You need commitment but it doesn't take up a huge amount of your time. But it's a great feeling working together to make where you live a better place.

Cllr NIGEL SIMPSON:

I became a Ward Councillor in May 2016 and shortly afterwards was co-opted onto the Parish Council. So I have served for almost 8 years because I wanted to offer my experience and knowledge to help the community. It's good to be involved in the improvement of the local area, to offer ideas and to listen to residents wishes about all aspects of Catcliffe. I would recommend anyone becoming a volunteer Councillor.

Interested people who are considering joining us should be aware that the traditions of running a local parish council have changed. It is simply a meeting of residents to help get things done for the betterment of the community - without politics. I heartily suggest residents getting in touch with our clerk and playing a part in village matters.

Cllr TONY BAYLISS:

I have been a councillor for just over a year. I wanted to contribute to the area I live in and see if we could create some community events. In particular I wanted to set up a youth club so that the young had a place to go to be safe and talk freely once a week. Getting involved with the monthly meetings and organising events for the community is very rewarding. The success of the toddler group and hopefully the youth club gives me enormous pride. I really do hope our team will soon be back at full strength. Based on my own experiences I can guarantee a warm welcome if you join us. In my time in the village the community spirit has been excellent but there is more to be done.

Could You Fill This Box?

Qualities. Community orientated. Willing to contribute.

Required: Aged 18 years or over. Living within 3 miles of Catcliffe.

Commitment: Approx 2 hours per month minimum.

Skills: Everyone has a skill that could contribute to the community.

Rewards: Immense satisfaction of giving something to the community.

Contact: Josie: clerk@catcliffepc.com or 01709 837550.

ASHFIELD ANGLING CLUB

Following the tenure of Brinsworth & Catcliffe Angling Club coming to an end, the stretch of the River Rother previously managed by them has been taken on by Ashfield Angling Club. They manage several stretches of rivers and lakes in the Yorkshire, Newark and Notts area.

Taken from their web site: *Ashfield AC are really pleased to have taken on an amazing stretch of the River Rother with some incredible sport. The closest parking is Orgreave Road, Catcliffe, ST60 5TG with loads of room and a very short walk to the right. This venue has had some serious strimming to reveal all the platforms but is an absolutely stunning little water with all sorts of different swims. The river has some incredible specimen Chub, Roach, Barbel, Pike and Silvers. This venue does have day tickets available. Follow the link to our website.*
<http://www.ashfieldangling.com/index.php>.



The following vehicles are not permitted on any Ashfield venue: Motor homes, Vans over a Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) of 3.5 Tonne, Caravans and Trailer Tents. The use of items such as pop-top roofs, awnings, and wind breaks is strictly prohibited. Vehicles must be parked so as not to block tracks and access routes.



REMEMBER

- Please put all fish back in the river unharmed and able to swim away.
- Please take ALL your rubbish with you. There are bins available.
- The club run regular litter picks and maintenance days. Could you volunteer?
- The club membership is open to all levels of skill and all genders and ages.



The website is packed with information and advice. Members have further access to members only sections.

<http://www.ashfieldangling.com/index.php>



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CONTACT	PHONE
Emergency Services	999
Police (Non-Emergency)	101
Crimestoppers	0800 500 111
Gas Emergencies	0800 111 999
Power Cut	105
Water Emergencies	0345 124 2424
Floodline	0345 988 1188
Rotherham Council	01709 382121
Council Housing Issues	01709 336009
Rotherham Neighbourhoods	01709 254325 / 07717 450973
Young Person Concerns	01709 336080
NHS Advice Line	111
Rotherham Hospital	01709 820000
Samaritans	116 123
Citizens Advice	01709 515680
National Debt Line	0808 808 4000
Tax Credit Help Line	0345 300 3900
Age UK Advice	0800 678 1602
Catcliffe Post Office	01709 365094
Catcliffe Chemist	01709 382266
Plough Cafe	01709 838303
Family Shopper	01709 362794
Ace of Fadez	07955 358674
Riverside Restaurant	01709 836777
Lords and Ladies	01709 366999

CATCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

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1. EASY TO USE.
2. NO FIRST AID SKILLS REQUIRED.
3. FULL INSTRUCTIONS.
4. AUTOMATIC STEP BY STEP ORAL GUIDE.

The Parish Council fund and maintain a Defibrillator located outside the Post Office on Brinsworth Road.

There is one at the MS Centre on St Marys Drive.

The Primary School have their own but this can only be accessed during school opening hours.

Morrisons Catcliffe have theirs located at Customer Services during opening hours.

Established by William Fenney in 1740, Catcliffe Glass Cone is the oldest surviving structure of its type in Western Europe.

It is a Grade I listed building and Scheduled Ancient Monument



Visit our Facebook page for more information about us and our Programme of Events

Catcliffe Cone Community Group

Visiting the Cone -

Also known locally as 'The Kiln' or 'Skittle Alley'

Tristford Close
Catcliffe
Rotherham
S60 5JG

2023 Summer Open Days

Free entrance

Saturday: 11am - 2pm

29th April
3rd June
8th July
19th August
30th September

Private viewings can be arranged by appointment

Contact us

catcliffecone@gmail.com

Donations are welcome



2023 Summer Open Days
Free Entrance

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council



JACK'S THEATRE SCHOOL
VOCALS - DANCE - DRAMA
TOTS to ADULTS
BUILDING CONFIDENT ALL-ROUNDER
Contact: 0777 958 2155
JacksTheatreSchool@gmail.com

COFFEE POT
EVERY TUESDAY @ 10:00 AM
ST MARY'S CHURCH
FREE
INCLUDES: TOAST, CAKES

Saturday Morning 9:00 am



Every Monday
5:00 pm
Memorial Hall



SHORT MAT BOWLS
EVERY TUESDAY 7:00 pm
Memorial Hall



ZUMBA CLASS
WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM
MEMORIAL HALL
Wednesday Evening @ 7:30 pm, Memorial Hall

Thursday 10:00 am

Friday 6:00 pm

MEMORIAL HALL



ACTIVITIES AT THE HALL

If you intend to take part in any of these sessions, it is advisable to check with the clerk as activities may be cancelled due to public holidays, school holidays, illness etc.

clerk@catcliffepc.com

Tel: 01709 837550

MONDAY	GIRL GUIDES	17:30 - 21:00
TUESDAY	TALK n TRAIN	13:00 - 14:00
	SHORT MAT BOWLS	19:00 - 21:00
WEDNESDAY	PLAYGROUP	09:30 - 10:30
	ZUMBA	18:00 - 18:45
	CPC MEETING (Meeting Room)	18:30 - 2nd in month
	SCOTTISH DANCING	19:30 - 21:30
THURSDAY	CHAIR AEROBICS n CHAT	10:00 - 12:00
	YOUTH CLUB Years 7 - 9	18:30 - 20:00
FRIDAY	APHASIA LIFE	11:30 - 13:00 Monthly Variable
	CHANCE TO DANCE	18:00 - 20:30
SATURDAY	BORN TO PERFORM	09:00 - 12:00





BOXING FITNESS

Tuesdays 1pm - 2pm
Catcliffe Memorial Hall
FREE to join in
Improving mental and physical wellbeing

Come and join us for:
boxing fundamentals
pad work
fitness
have a cuppa & a chat
All abilities welcome
no experience necessary

Facebook: @talkntrain
Old School Ln, Catcliffe, Rotherham S60 5SP



THE MEMORIAL HALL

A FANTASTIC VENUE TO HOLD SPECIAL EVENTS

THE MAIN HALL HOLDS 150 GUESTS

£20 PER HOUR (this price includes full use of the kitchen facilities; garden area and car park)

THE MEETING ROOM HOLDS 36 GUESTS

£16 per hour (this price includes full use of the kitchen facilities and car park)

There is a 20% discount for Catcliffe residents and regular users.

Full terms of hire at our web site including application forms.

www.catcliffeparishcouncil.com.

