

FLINTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH NEWS

March 2023

D-DAY NEARS FOR COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Would-be councillors — for both the parish and Borough council elections, due on May 4 — will need to submit their nominations from 10.00am Tuesday March 22 up to 4pm on Tuesday April 4. Papers should be submitted to the Rushcliffe Borough Council offices at West Bridgford. None will be accepted outside of the stated times.

Nomination papers can be obtained direct from Rushcliffe Borough Council or from the parish clerk, Mike Elliott.

This year, for the first time, those voting will need to show photo ID to vote in person at a polling station. More information can be found on the [Electoral Commission's website](#). Voters can use any of the following accepted forms of photo ID: Passport, driving licence, local travel pass, proof of age identity card or other government issued documents.

If you don't have an accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, known as a Voter Authority Certificate. [An application can be made on the government website](#).

If you do not wish to vote in person, you can apply to vote by post, no photo ID is required.

If voting is necessary, it will take place between 7am and 10pm on May 4, with the count taking place on the following day. Permitted membership of the parish council is seven but currently there are only six in office.

From April, the monthly parish newsletter will be available online or delivered in paper format. Have you indicated which you prefer? To receive a paper copy, please ring 525641 so that we know where to deliver.

**Urgent appeal for village
Volunteer Drivers
see story overleaf for details**
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Parish church activities

A Mothers Day service will be held at Flintham parish church on Sunday March 19 at 11.00am.

Informal worship suitable for all ages as we celebrate mothers and those who have been like a mother to us. There will be the traditional blessing and giving of flower posies and refreshments after the services.

There will be a Messy Mothering Saturday event from 10am-12pm on March 18 in Flintham Village Hall The parish church invites you to join in a morning of crafts and activities for families, ready for Mothering Sunday. All children must be accompanied. To book your place email: thefossegroup@hotmail.co.uk

A Messy Good Friday event takes place on April 7 10-12am, Flintham Village Hall. Join us for a morning of Easter activities for families with hot cross buns and a retelling of the Easter story, finishing with an Easter egg hunt. All children must be accompanied. To book your place email thefossegroup@hotmail.co.uk

Table tennis back on the sports programme

Table Tennis is back at Flintham Sports Pavilion after a long lay off caused by Covid regulations.

Every Wednesday evening 6.30 - 8.00 pm come along to have a few games of table tennis. We have two competition tables and supply bats and balls. All ages welcome, £1.00 per person, starting on Wednesday March 8th.

At the moment this is just a leisure activity, rather than competitive, so beginners and experienced players are all welcome. Accompanied children especially welcome.

Drinks and nibbles are available from a reasonably priced bar.

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Village groups are invited to send items in for publication

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Flintham Village Hall

Do you need a venue for your forthcoming event or maybe you would like to promote a community activity? Then look no further. The Village Hall is an ideal place to hold Parties, Educational or leisure pursuits, or family events.

The Hall can accommodate up to sixty people in a spacious and friendly atmosphere. For more information please contact John Wyles on 01636 525572.

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ADVERTISING IN THE NEWSLETTER

The Newsletter can accept advertising and invites anyone interested in taking space to contact parish clerk Mike Elliott on 0115 9893397 for full details and charges.

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### **News #here#and #there#**

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Be vigilant. There have been a number of incidents recently in the village whereby tyres on residents' vehicles have been let down during the night. Please be vigilant is the plea made to everyone.

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Early morning bird walk: Our resident bird expert David Chalmers has kindly offered to do an early morning bird walk within the village on Saturday 29th April at 7.30am. Places are limited to 12, so please book your place by contacting Jacqui Turrell on 07971 643025. More details to follow on starting point.

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A fitness class for the Over 60's is currently being held every Tuesday in the village hall. There is a £6 charge to attend the sessions which start at 1pm. Organiser is Sharon on 07967 756311.

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Road closures because of work by Severn Trent Water in Flintham to improve the water supply are planned on Inholms Road/ Main Street: from 6 Mar-10 Apr, Town End Lane: 10 Apr-15 May and Woods Lane 16 May-19 June.

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The parish council at Flintham are seeking more details of an application made to them for grant funding to the village scouts to allow them to install sound absorption panels in their HQ. Total cost of the scheme would be £2,175.

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# **CAR CARE MEDICAL SERVICE CRISIS**

**An important and much needed service to transport Flintham residents to the East Bridgford Medical Centre, or on occasions to hospital, could cease because of a shortage of volunteer drivers from Flintham.**

Angie Adams, Chair of the East Bridgford Care Group who currently offer the service to help Flintham, says there are village residents registered with the surgery at East Bridgford, mainly elderly or with mobility problems, who her group have helped because of not being able to make their own arrangements.

Says the chair, "We have had no new volunteers come forward to serve Flintham, (or indeed other outlying villages) and given the demand within our own village of East Bridgford, and dwindling numbers of volunteers, feel that we are coming to the point where our volunteers will no longer drive out to serve outlying villages, and that their residents must make alternative arrangements."

Mrs Adams has asked the parish council at Flintham to make one last call for help. "It would be a matter of certain volunteers committing to help their own village residents when the need arises, and again, we will offer the umbrella of EBCG should they wish to do so."

"If we have no response within the next month, we will then confirm with the parish council that the service will cease," says Mrs Adams, asking the council to then make it known to all local residents who need to use the service of it ceasing.