

PC monthly report Mar 2023

There was no public comment.

Planning – Butt Lane South & the Conservation Area

At the time of writing, there are no further documents listed for Butt Lane South and the application has not yet been sent to the RBC Planning committee. Borough Councillor David Simms confirmed that his objection remains active, whatever happens in the local election.

RBC has been consulting about the Conservation Area and, after PC involvement together with some village organisations, will soon bring forward proposals for further consultation, including a promised exhibition in the village to allow residents to view them and make comments.

Butt Close and pavilion matters

Repairs to the tangle logs climbing frame have been completed, and further bark will be added there and on the zip wire landing areas. A rolling programme of maintenance will continue in response to the regular inspections of the equipment.

The solar panel installation has been completed, and is generating electricity for use in the pavilion and for export to the grid. Monitoring will take place to enable thorough evaluation of its impact & how to maximise any SEG payments due.

Climate Change

In addition to the solar panels above, the PC has liaised with the Blue Diamond Garden Centre over the past year to encourage them to provide EV charging opportunities in their car park. They have now confirmed that the company has negotiated to have chargers installed across the whole group and there should be some at the EB centre by the end of the year. The PC is also investigating how best to get involved in the Trees for Climate Change initiative, which could result in a significant number of trees being planted at sites around the parish.

Allotments

The PC is reviewing the tenancy agreement, and a proposed new agreement will be available soon and then will be subject to consultation with tenants.

Election

Residents are reminded of the need for photo-id when voting in the election for Parish Councillors and a Rushcliffe Borough Councillor on Thursday 4th May. The local polling station is the Chapel on Main Street.

Community Plan – Youth activities & traffic

The PC resolved to contract the installation of an all-weather cricket wicket as proposed by the cricket club to support youth coaching & use by the school.

The recent very large pothole on Main Street was felt to be the last straw. After repeated lobbying about the extremely poor condition of this thoroughfare, it was decided that much

stronger intervention was needed to try and persuade the local authority to re-surface the road as soon as possible. In addition, the PC is aware of the problems on the pavement, and the impact on the adjacent historic wall near East Bridgford Hill, caused by water from the road being washed on to the pavement, and the inadequate drainage, which it is following up with VIA.

Coronation weekend

The PC has applied for funding available from RBC to support activities related to the Coronation on the 6th May. This will be used primarily to purchase bunting etc for display on street furniture and at key locations around the village. Families may use Butt Close for picnics, but please be considerate of others. Normal prohibitions on the use of BBQs, e scooters, mini motor bikes, drones etc will still apply. As stated last month, road closures need special permission (see NCC Highways website). There will be an opportunity to contribute to the Big Help Out day by assisting the Friends of Springdale Wood planting bulbs etc in the wood on Monday 8th May.

Annual Parish Meeting

Final arrangements were agreed for the APM on Friday 28th April – please see the separate notice. There is an opportunity to shape the priorities for the new Council which will begin the next 4-yearly cycle in May after the election, and everyone is invited.

The next full meeting is later in the month because of Easter, on Monday 17th April at 7.30pm in the Chapel, but there is an Assets & Environment Committee meeting on Tuesday 4th April.

East Bridgford Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting

Friday 28th April 2023, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

AGENDA

Welcome & apologies for absence

The Chairman's Report

Report from our County Councillor, Cllr. Francis Purdue-Horan

Report from our RBC Ward Councillor David Simms

Forum – the role and future priorities of the Parish Council

- REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AFTER THE MEETING

