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Hellaby Newsletter

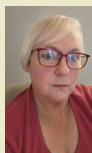


Welcome to our two new Parish Councillors

We would like to send out a huge welcome to our two new Parish Councillors, who were co-opted onto Hellaby Parish Council during our monthly meeting on 1st June.

We are delighted that Kath Thomas who lives on Barrie Grove and Rob Siddle, who lives on Grange Drive have decided to join us. They are both lovely people who we know will do their best to serve and support the Community. You will most probably know Kath as Chair of the Community Group, Rob has also attended most community meetings and events recently and they have both been attending Parish Council meetings as visitors over the past year.

Both new councillors have a vast experience of working with all sorts of people in a wide variety of situations and have plenty of ideas to bring to the table.



PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Please note the **website** for the Parish Council is hellabyparishcouncil.gov.uk

General contact details for the Parish Council
Clerk@hellabyparishcouncil.gov.uk

For any enquiries about community hall bookings please send an email to Clerk@hellabyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Or phone Kate Butler - (Interim Parish Clerk) on: **07307448451**

Or complete the booking form on the website (details above)

Straw available for the scarecrow making:

If you bring a carrier bag along, straw will be available free of charge up at the Centenary Hall on Saturday 18th July from 4pm-6pm enough to stuff the heads, hands and feet of the scarecrows.

The remainder of the scarecrow bodies should be stuffed with newspaper or old rags.



New Community Group information:

Please note that it was decided at the Annual Community Group meeting that Anne Markham and Rob Siddle are now joint Vice Chairs of the Community group, with Kath Thomas continuing as Chair.



The Parish Council are organising a scarecrow competition around the streets of Hellaby to coincide with this year's school Summer Holidays. We are hoping that lots of residents in our lovely village will put on their creative heads to come up with some amazing ideas for making their own scarecrows!

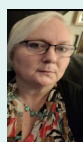
Additional Scarecrow information:

Application forms to enter a scarecrow into the competition will be made available for competitors to complete and submit from **Monday 6th July to Friday 17th July** at the latest, so that we can make a plan and map of who is participating with a route to follow. The application forms will be made available in paper form or by using an online QR code.

The competition will then run from Monday 27th July to Monday 10th August. The judging will be done by Hellaby residents who walk around to enjoy the trail, they can join in the judging whether they have entered their own scarecrow or not ... but no voting for your own scarecrow!!!

A prize will be given to the winning scarecrow and there will be two further prizes for runners up.

For information regarding the Community Group, Facebook, Community Group page or Hellaby Watch



Phone: Kath Thomas
Community Group Chair Person,
on 07711839522

Important!Community Governance Review Stage 1 - Public Consultation ends 26 June

Ann Rowley has previously put a link to this, and through the information shared on the link we attended an open session at Maltby Library last week where we were able to discuss possibilities and likelihoods with representatives from RMBC who deal with electoral matters for the authority.

The local authority are looking at making possible changes to parish boundaries which could involve:

- Changing, merging or abolishing parishes
- Changing the names of parishes
- Changing electoral arrangements so that the numbers of parish councillors and parish wards could change

This is in the first consultation phase - it is your opportunity to make your opinions known about this before it goes any further

ie - would you prefer Hellaby to keep its own parish, with its own Parish Hall as a meeting place and a hub and also a Parish Council and a precept which is to be spent purely on Hellaby? Obviously Hellaby Parish Council is currently run by people who know the area and have a close and genuine interest in our unique and small community.

(Previous Parish councillors fought hard to get Hellaby its own Parish Council and save the Parish Hall from being sold as building land.)

OR would you prefer to be taken over by a larger parish council such as Maltby town council where Hellaby would have a small share of the precept and not have the same uniqueness or individuality that we have now and possibly not the same choices.

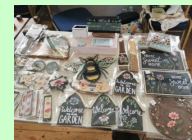
If you wish to use this opportunity to make your point of view known please either follow this link:

www.rotherham.gov.uk/elections

OR if you prefer to have a paper copy of the consultation, please contact David or Maggie Latimer (phone numbers on the newsletter) as we have acquired a limited number of consultation questionnaires with envelopes included for posting.

The Table top sale, which was held on Sunday 7th June, was a success, with a lot of variety in the types of stalls and many home made items which were on sale.

It was also a great opportunity for a neighbourhood natter as many Hellaby residents enjoyed sitting down for tea, coffee and cakes.



BABY Announcement

Congratulations to Paige, Ashley and Violet, who live on Kevin Grove on the birth of their beautiful baby boy Ellis Arthur, who was born on Friday 29th May, weighing a healthy 8lb 4 oz.

Violet is now a proud big sister.



Seasonal feeding of birds

To help stop the spread of diseases

MAY - OCT

Stop putting seeds or nuts in your bird feeders. You can carry on offering small amounts of mealworms, fatballs or suet, as finches don't usually eat these.

NOV - APR

You can feed garden birds a range of healthy bird foods, including seeds and nuts.

TOP TIPS

- **Clean feeders at least weekly**, drying them before refilling. Rotating where you put your feeders will help reduce the transmission of disease.
- **Stop using flat feeders**, like bird tables. Even daily cleaning isn't enough to reduce the risk of healthy birds eating food regurgitated by sick birds.
- **Attract birds all year round** by growing bird-friendly plants, like sunflowers, teasels, ivy, and thistles.

RSPCA.

DON'T WEAR HEADPHONES WHILE VACUUMING.

I'VE JUST FINISHED THE WHOLE HOUSE BEFORE REALIZING THE VACUUM WASN'T PLUGGED IN.



"THE DOCTOR TOLD ME I NEEDED TO BURN SOME FAT, SO I'M GRILLING A STEAK!"

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2026

Monday July 13th	7pm
No meeting in August.	
Monday September 7th	7pm
Monday October 5th	7 pm
Monday November 2nd	7pm
No meeting in December.	

Please note that although it is unlikely that these dates will change, there is a possibility that they could, subject to unforeseen circumstances.

Councillor's Corner

Welcome to this months Newsletter.

Firstly could I thank the Parish councillors for their support and confidence in voting for me to continue as chair of Hellaby Parish Council for the 3rd year running. As promised before, I will always continue to do the best I can, alongside our other Parish Councillors for Hellaby community.

As Stated on the front page we extend a very warm welcome to our two new parish councillors Kath Thomas and Rob Siddal.

Frustratingly, as we write this, we are still awaiting the erection of our three tiered planter. We are pushing the suppliers to get a move on and sort this asap as it has been on order since the beginning of this year.

Hellaby events:

The community group table top sale was well attended by Hellaby residents, who managed to pick up a few bargains. There was a wide variety of stalls from bric-a-brac, crocheted items and hand crafted soft furnishings and decorations, hand made chocolates, wooden crafted items to individually hand made jewellery items.

Seated aerobics

Look on Hellaby social media WhatsApp and Facebook as dates and times are very close to being finalised, but the finer details just need to be 'ironed out'

Yoga

There are still places for this on Sundays from 10-11 am. Just turn up to the Community Hall if you are interested.

Scarecrow event

In preparation for the school summer holidays, as hopefully you have seen on the front page, the Parish Council are holding a scarecrow competition, which is open to all residents and should be a good opportunity to have fun and socialise with people in your neighbourhood.

Please read the details closely, as they have been slightly amended from previous notices.

We need as many of you to join in as possible to make this more fun for everybody and build on Hellaby's Community spirit!

Please note the Community Governance Review information on the facing page. It is about your community.

Best wishes David Latimer



Your Local Parish

Councillors are:



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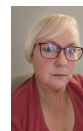


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Kath Thomas

Further details
to follow



Rob Siddal

Further details
to follow



The link for any issues with inconsiderate parking:

<https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/xfp/form/222>

The link to our local police team contacts:

<https://www.southyorks.police.uk/find-out/your-neighbourhood-policing-team/rotherham-south/>

Jake Richards—MP for Rother Valley contact details:

Email: jake.richards.mp@parliament.uk

Phone: 01909 384605

Address : 39 Laughton Road, Dinnington, S25 2PN

Ward Councillor contacts:

Simon.Ball@rotherham.gov.uk

Lynda.Stables@rotherham.gov.uk

Great summer B-B-Q Recipe!

Greek Souvlakia

Ingredients:

1kg boned lamb cut into 2.5cm cubes

(You can use chicken or fish instead)

2 medium onions peeled and quartered

Juice of 1 lemon

1 garlic clove crushed

4x15ml spoons oil

Salt

Freshly ground pepper

1x5ml dried oregano

1x15ml chopped fresh parsley

2 bay leaves

3 tomatoes quartered



Cooking Time about 10– 20 minutes

- ◆ Lay the lamb cubes in a shallow dish and add the onions.
- ◆ Mix the lemon juice, garlic, oil, salt and pepper to taste and herbs together and pour over the lamb.
- ◆ Allow to marinate in the fridge for at least 12 hours.
- ◆ Thread the lamb onto skewers with the tomatoes and onions.
- ◆ Place on the B-B-Q turning from time to time.
- ◆ Serve with pitta bread, a pepper, cucumber and lettuce salad, or with rice.

Dates For Your Diary



All Events are held at Hellaby Centenary Hall
unless stated otherwise:

Please Note all bookings are on an hourly rate.

Monday Club-Monday 1pm

Dog Training-Monday 6pm (Except 1st Monday of the month)

Burlesque-Wednesday 6:30pm—7:30pm

Burlesque-Sunday- 5pm-6pm

Music Bugs-Thursday 10 am -1100 am

Music Bugs-Thursday 11am -1200

Karate-Thursday 6pm-7pm (Juniors)

Karate-Thursday 7pm-9pm (Seniors)

Radio Club - Friday 7pm-9pm

Yoga—Sundays 10am 11am

Coffee Morning:

Tuesday 23rd June, 7th July and 21st July

Next Community Group Meeting:

Tuesday 14th July 7 pm

Next Parish Council meeting :

Monday 13th July 7 pm

(Ward Councillors aim to be available 6—7 pm)

Litter Pick:

Any further offers of help would be very much appreciated.



HELLABY CENTENARY HALL

Bateman Road, Hellaby

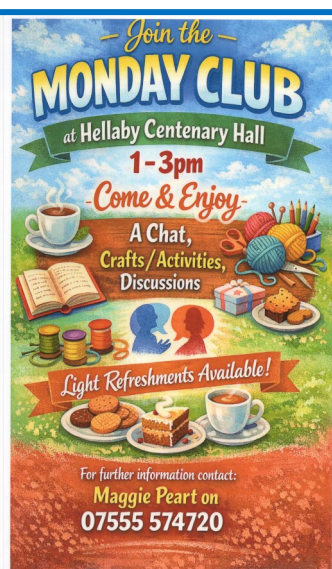


HALL FOR HIRE

Birthdays • Groups • Meetings
Get Together

Outdoor space available

For more information contact the Clerk on:
clerk@hellabyparishcouncil.gov.uk



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Does anyone else have any interesting stories of Hellaby's past or any other interesting information?

Such as:

Hellaby news, photos of Hellaby, significant birthdays or celebrations, recipes, short stories, adverts or poems?

Please send to hellabynewsletter@live.co.uk