



PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

April 2023

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Main Hall. In addition to a review of the council's activities over the past year, we will also have a guest speaker. Cllr. Andrew Kolker is your Dane Valley Ward Councillor and he will be talking about Cheshire East Council and Services. There will be an opportunity to comment and ask questions and light refreshments will be served in the Lounge after the meeting. The Annual Parish Meeting is hosted by the council on behalf of the community; it is your meeting so please do consider attending and taking part. We look forward to seeing you there.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Voting will take place on 4th May to elect a new Parish Council and all 10 of the Parish Council's seats will be up for election. The Parish Council and the village need passionate and committed individuals with a desire to represent the community to stand for election. To find out more about becoming a councillor visit <https://www.chalc.org.uk/about-local-councils/how-to-become-councillor.html> for more information or contact the Clerk.

The Parish Clerk provides an induction for all new councillors and part of her role is provide advice and support. Experienced councillors are also happy to support new councillors. Councillors are encouraged to undertake training relevant to their roles and the needs of the council.

DON'T MISS OUT

Don't miss out on your opportunity to vote in this year's local elections. Make sure that you are registered to vote, you can check this by visiting www.gov.uk/contact-electoral-registration-office or you can register online using this link www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

For the first time residents in Cheshire East will need to show photographic ID to vote and are being urged to make sure they are ready to vote in May by checking they have an accepted form of ID. Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online via the gov.uk website or by completing a paper form. The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID, at www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

The Parish Council email addresses have changed so that all staff and councillors have the same .gov.uk address which is best practice for local councils. There is no change to the Clerk's email address which is still clerk@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk, the new email addresses are as follows:

Councillors:

lan.odonoghue@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

paul.morgan@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

ken.morris@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

terence.rathbone@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

neil.beckham@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

arthur.freeman@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

david.craggs@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

colin.ross@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

julian.sulej@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Village Hall Supervisors:

villagehall@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Don't worry if you use the old email addresses by mistake your email will be redirected while everyone gets used to the change.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

- **Finance Committee Meeting – 4th April 2023 at 7.30pm**
- **Parish Council Meeting – 25th April 2023 at 7.30pm**

Members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings which are held in the Village Hall. Time is set aside at our monthly Parish Council meetings for you to have your say and ask questions. All meeting notices will be displayed on the notice boards at the Village Hall and on the corner of Bank View and Main Road and on the website at <https://goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

PCSO SURGERIES

PCSO Chadwick will be holding beat surgeries in the Village Hall from 10.30 to 11.30 am on the following Saturdays:

- 1st April – Lounge

Please come along to see PCSO Chadwick if you have any concerns you would like to discuss. **Everyone welcome!**

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS AND CONTACT DETAILS - The Parish Office is open from 1pm-4pm on a Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Phone 01477 535825 (answerphone out of office hours) or, in an emergency call the Clerk on 07726 460477. Email the Clerk at clerk@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

NEW VILLAGE HALL CONTACT DETAILS – villagehall@goostreyparishcouncil.gov.uk or 07425 511680.