



PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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POST OFFICE OUTREACH SERVICE

Residents may be aware that the Post Office has been looking for a new home following the passing of Goostrey's own Mrs Kettle. The Parish Council views the Post Office Outreach service in Goostrey as vital for our rural community and has been keen to offer whatever support it can to ensure that it can be retained in the village. Goostrey Methodist Church has done a fantastic job in finding the Post Office a new home on its premises, and is in the process of funding the work to make the new service accessible and securing the necessary permission for change of use. At its meeting in October, the Parish Council voted unanimously to provide a grant of £1,800 as a contribution towards the architect's fees. Well done to everyone at Goostrey Methodist Church for their hard work so far.

NEW TREE WARDEN NEEDED

Thelma Carter has decided to step down from her role as Tree Warden and the council would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her hard work over the last four and a half years in this important voluntary role. Trees are important because they provide a habitat for wildlife, shade and shelter and are appreciated by people for their beauty and the sense of wellbeing they bring. Would you be interested in being a contact and support for all things tree related in the village?

Tree Wardens are not expected to be experts in tree matters but rather help to keep the Parish Council advised of any concerns regarding;

- the removal or mistreatment of trees with Tree Protection Orders on them,
- the replacement of trees with Tree Protection Orders on them which have been removed
- trees which merit having a Tree Protection Order on them,
- sign posting people to the correct service.

If you think you could be our next Tree Warden then please contact the Clerk.

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

The Parish Council Office will be closed for the Christmas break from 4pm on Friday 22nd December and will reopen at 1pm on Wednesday 3rd January. The Clerk can be contacted on her mobile number 07726 460477 in an emergency.

The Parish Council wishes everyone a very merry Christmas and a peaceful new year.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next council and committee meetings will take place in December as follows:

- **Village Hall Management Committee Meeting – 5th December 2023 at 6pm.**
- **Parish Council Meeting – 12th December 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

PSCO Graham holds beat surgeries in the Village Hall Lounge, the dates will be published on the council website. If you have any issues or concerns please come along and discuss them, everyone is 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.

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