

Newsletter from Maresfield Parish Council – June 2022

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee is being marked by the Parish Council by the planting of a maple tree at the Maresfield Recreation Ground. A simple ceremony to unveil a commemorative plaque will be held later. In Maresfield a **Jubilee Picnic** is being organised on the Recreation Ground on Sunday 5th June – please come along; (contact the Parish Office for details). And there will be **Jubilee Teas on the Green** at Fords Green Nutley on 3rd June.

The Maresfield Jubilee Fete is being held on Sunday June 12 and includes the Jubilee Dog Show

Nutley's Village Fete this year is on Saturday 25th June followed by **Fairwarp** on 9th July.

Annual Parish Assembly: This was held on May 24th when our speaker was the Police and Crime Commissioner, Katy Bourne. This year the Parish Annual Report has not been sent to all households but is available on line at www.maresfieldparish.org.uk. A printed copy is also available on application to the Parish Office.

Maresfield Recreation Ground Pavilion: The refurbished pavilion is available for hire for meetings and appropriate events. Please contact the Parish Clerk on 714555.

Highways Issues: We have pressed the County Council Highways department on a number of occasions to remove the massive upturned beech tree which is blocking the footpath in Nutley High Street outside Nutley Hall. It seems to me to be disgraceful that three months after Storm Eunice there is still this safety hazard in Nutley. Please let the Parish Clerk know of any other particular road safety or highways issues we should raise.

New Councillors: We have recently lost two councillors and would welcome volunteers to fill these vacancies. Please consider putting yourself forward for this worthwhile community service and contact the Clerk for further information.

Parish Council and Committee Meetings: These meetings are open to the public. Dates and times are in the parish magazines and the Agendas are displayed on the notice boards in each of our three villages. If you wish to address the Council/Committee or ask questions or are just curious do come along.

The litter bins on our streets are provided by Wealden District Council and are not an extension of your domestic dustbin so would the person depositing cat litter and other household waste in bins in Maresfield please desist.

New Parish Clerk. We are delighted that our Assistant Clerk, Mrs Nancy O'Hanlon, has accepted the position of Parish Clerk with effect from 25th June when Mrs Claire Goossens leaves us. Claire has served the Parish tirelessly in her four years with us and it is a tribute to Claire's training that Nancy feels able to step up to greater responsibilities. Nancy will be an excellent Clerk and we wish her well in her new role. We are advertising for a part time Assistant Clerk and full details are on the web site of the East Sussex Association of Local Councils which is helping us recruit for this vacancy. <https://esalc.co.uk/>

Useful links are:

<https://my.wealden.gov.uk/>

<http://www.maresfieldparish.org.uk/>

<http://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/> <https://www.ashdownforest.org/>

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Martin Craddock – Chairman Maresfield Parish Council