

## **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE 2025/6**

The above committee is one of five committees and this one deals with the nicest things that the Parish Council carries out on behalf of the residents.

### **DEMENTIA FRIENDLY VILLAGE**

The Council is dedicated to supporting our residents particularly those caring for friends and family members.

The Parish Council has organised sessions where residents can pop in and seek advice from officers from the Derbyshire Alzheimer's Association and Derbyshire Carers' Association or just pop in for a break.

### **BREASTON PARISH NEWS**

Residents seeking the latest news can find this in The ILKESTON LIFE newspaper which is available in the Co Op and the chemist shop. This is also available on social media. You can also sign up to receive the newsletter via email, contact the clerk.

### **MAY DAY GALA**

Another very successful Gala. Well attended with excellent stalls, entertainment, food and drinks. The Dog Show was well supported with lots of prizes. Thanks again to Cllr Patrick and site manager Pete. The weather was kind and a profit was made which was used to provide extra dates for the climbing wall.

### **HOLOCAUST DAY**

Councillors turned out to commemorate those that died. The flag was lowered to half-mast and comforting words spoken.

## **CAROL CONCERT**

Due to weather issues in December and the risks associated with erecting a marquee in winter and equally taking it down in the dark, it was agreed that future Carol Concerts would be held in St Michael's Church which provides a warm and dry facility. This year proved popular with children singing carols and plenty of mulled wine and mince pies!

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

A large turnout for this important day was noted with wreaths laid by various village groups With an excellent service conducted by Lay Preacher Jo Whitehead.

## **SUMMER BRASS BAND CONCERT**

The weather was kind and we all enjoyed The Ilkeston Brass Band who provided an excellent selection of music. The council provided refreshments, and everyone agreed it was an excellent day.

## **PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

The Parish Council took on responsibility for the running of the public toilets in Blind Lane, following the decision of Erewash Borough Council to close the facilities across the borough. We now provide public toilets at two sites in the village; Blind Lane and Perks Park.

**Cllr George Mounsey**  
**Chairman General Purposes Committee**