



**ECCLESFIELD**  
PARISH COUNCIL

# ***Ecclesfield Parish Council***



## **A Message from the Chairman, Councillor Terence Bowden**

In May 2019 I stood for the first time as Parish Councillor. If that wasn't enough I had the honour of being elected as Chairman of the Parish Council during its 125th Year. It has been a privilege to meet and support so many of the electorate at different events across the Parish and indeed the City. Not only have my fellow Councillors and I been working hard for our communities but we have also provided more funding to community groups and on local events, than was awarded in the previous 3 years. After years of neglect the Parish Council has agreed to refurbish and significantly improve the Alan Greaves Community Room, a public space available to rent at a minimal cost for social and/or community events. If you need a space why not contact the Council office for further information.

## **COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL**

### **Finance and Premises Committee**

The Finance and Premises Committee has continued its work, processing grant applications to local organisations. The list of grants can be found on the Parish Councils website. It is always a pleasure to support the local community groups. In 2019 the Parish Council awarded grants to local primary schools for Christmas activities and Groups towards the provision of Christmas trees and lights across the Parish. The Committee has also continued its work in overseeing and monitoring the Council's finances and in 2019 purchased a bespoke Parish Council finance software package to ensure that all income and expenditure is properly accounted for. This year the Committee has recommended an increase of £11.72 per household per annum (for Band D equivalent properties) for their council tax and this has been approved by Full Council. This increase allows the Parish Council to put more money back into the local community.

### **Environmental Planning Committee**

The Parish Council's Environmental Planning Committee meets to examine planning applications both commercial and domestic to consider their impact on the local environment and residents across the Parish area. Most are received via Sheffield City Council which is the planning authority for the Parish Council area. Meetings of the committee are held monthly. They are open to the public and members of the public can come to make comments about current applications and ask for the Parish Council to take these into consideration when making their comments to the Planning Authority. The committee also monitors licensing applications received in the Parish. Planning applications can be viewed online on our website at [www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk) and going to planning applications or at [www.sheffield.gov.uk](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk) by following the links to Planning Applications online. Plans may also be inspected at the Parish Council offices by appointment between 9 am and 12 noon Monday to Friday.

### **Staffing Committee**

The Staffing Committee was appointed to manage, recruit and retain staff, review and recommend policies that impact on staff and to ensure that each member of staff is dealt with fairly. I believe having this robust system of management in place helps staff to feel valued and listened to. This year a member of staff was promoted due to their hard work and endeavour. A new Admin Assistant has been appointed and whilst we have been without a Clerk since March 2019 we have had the support of an Advisor to Council throughout the year.

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***Visit our website at [www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk)***

***which includes details of the Council's work and minutes of Council meetings.***

**YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS WORK WITH MANY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS INCLUDING**

Ann Resesby Trust	Chapelton Library
Local Schools	Ecclesfield Library
Thornccliffe Conservation Group	Chapelton Forum
Friends of Chapelton Park	Friends of Ecclesfield Park
Grenoside Community Association	Friends of Grenoside Park
Friends of Charlton Brook	Grenoside Reading Room
Angram Bank Youth Club	Burncross Action Team
In Bloom Groups	Bowls Clubs
Scouts & Guides Groups	Chapel Green Advice Centre

Local voluntary community groups are invited to apply to the Parish Council for grants in aid of their projects. The budget has been set for 2020/21 to provide up to £45,000 in grants for local organisations. Please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Council if you require any further information or an update on the legal and financial requirements in order that a grant may be considered by the Council.

**Civil Parish Past & Present Archiving Project**

Our *Past and Present* Archiving Project has been running since 2014. It was initially funded by a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. The Parish Council supports the project. A group session is held weekly in the Community Room, next to the council offices. New volunteers are always welcome. We have a website <http://www.ecclesfield-district-archives.com/> with over 3,000 images covering various aspects of Parish life. We are currently recruiting for a Community Liaison/Archive Coordinator post, further information is available on the Parish Council's website.

**ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE  
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
TO BE HELD AT 7.00 P.M.  
ON 2 APRIL 2020  
MINERS WELFARE, 56 ANGRAM RD, HIGH GREEN,  
SHEFFIELD S35 4GD**

# **YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCILLORS**

(as at May 2019)

## **BURNCROSS**

Mr J Brownrigg (Vice Chairman)  
Mr Paul Swift

## **CHAPELTOWN**

Mrs A Brownrigg  
Mr J Housley  
Mr P Brunt  
Mr J Swift

## **ECCLESFIELD**

Mrs V Bowden  
Mrs K Guest

## **GRENOSIDE**

Mr A Hooper  
Mrs C Levery

## **HIGH GREEN**

Mr A Henstock  
Mrs T Grantham  
Mr D Ogle

## **THORNCLIFFE**

Mr T Bawden (Chairman)  
Mr G Lakin

All Councillors are contactable via the office on 0114 2845095 and their email addresses are available from the Parish Council's website <http://ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk/>

**THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING IS USUALLY HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**THE FINANCE & PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE USUALLY HELD ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEET THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**STAFFING COMMITTEE MEET AS AND WHEN REQUIRED**

**ALL FULL COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC WITH TIME TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AT THE START OF PROCEEDINGS. ON OCCASION THE MEETING DATES HAVE TO BE CHANGED AND THE WEBSITE AND NOTICEBOARDS ARE UPDATED ACCORDINGLY.**

**(PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR THE LIST OF DATES OF ALL THE MEETINGS).**

In 2020/21 the Parish Council will start work on the Parish Survey and Neighbourhood Plan consultation. **It is very important that you take part in the consultation.** Events will be held throughout Ecclesfield Parish Area. Please look out for further information on noticeboards and our website.

## **COMMUNITY ROOM FOR HIRE**

The room is available for the use of community groups and businesses at very competitive rates. The Community Room is situated to the rear of the Council offices. Please contact the office for details of the charges. Tel. 0114 284 5095.

# ECCLESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

## BUDGET FOR 2019/20 & 2020/21 AND PRECEPT LEVIED

	2019-2020	2020-2021
<b>INCOME</b>		
Estimated balances brought forward	£127,900.00	
Precept	£160,515.00	£267,735.00
Income	£ 2,600.00	£ 7,565.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>£291,015.00</b>	<b>£275,300.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Admin/Print/Stationery etc.	£46,000.00	£ 18,000.00
Grants	£40,000.00	£ 45,000.00
Staffing costs	£85,000.00	£ 82,000.00
Premises costs	£36,445.00	£ 20,000.00
Archive Project	£7,205.00	£ 8,000.00
Courses/Training	£5,106.00	£ 5,000.00
Chairman's Allowance	£ 800.00	£ 800.00
Election fees	£25,000.00	£ 5,000.00
Chapel Green Advice Centre		£ 9,000.00
Community Liaison/Env. Function	£ 4,000.00	Nil
David Chadwick Centre Fund	£14,459.00	Nil
Public Toilets	£10,000.00	£ 7,500.00
Defibrillators		£ 3,500.00
Thorncliffe Leisure Centre Grant	£17,000.00	£ 17,000.00
Unforeseen Expenses		£ 10,000.00
Parish Survey		£ 10,000.00
RBL, Schools and Bloom Groups		£ 4,500.00
Disabled Access to Council Office		£ 10,000.00
Neighbourhood Plan		£ 20,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£291,015.00</b>	<b>£275,300.00</b>

**The Parish Council want to support the local residents and in 2020/21 we will ensure the people are heard through implementing Neighbourhood Planning Consultation and Parish Survey consultation events throughout 2020 and 2021. Come along and let us know what you feel is good, bad and in need of improvement in the area where you live.**

### PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Local events appear on the home page of our website [www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk) which is updated regularly. If you have a community non-profit event that you would like advertised please contact us for inclusion on the website. We can also display small posters on our noticeboards.