



THE ROYDON ROUND-UP

The newsletter for Roydon Parish Council

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Vacancy for Parish Clerk – part-time

Roydon Parish Council is looking for a new Parish Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer with a genuine interest in helping us develop and deliver timely, quality and innovative services to our community. The hourly wage is £14.21 - £16.61 (depending on experience) for 8 hours per week.

The role requires administrative, communication, IT, financial and organisational skills and will require some evening and weekend working.

To find out more about the job, pay scales and other information, please visit the Parish Council website: roydondiss.gov.uk and click on the 'News' tab.

ROYDON'S BIG GREEN WEEK

Sat 10 – Sun 18 June 2023

Roydon's **Big Green Week** is part of the national Great Big Green Week initiative supported by The Climate Coalition (theclimatecoalition.org). The initiative has been running for three years now with villages, towns and community groups organising their own green events, but all of them running through the same week of the year. This is the first year that Roydon has joined in the fun!

Roydon Parish Council, in conjunction with Quaker Wood, has organised a schedule of events. It kicks off with our litter pick on the first Saturday, 10 June, there are several guided walks to choose from, activities for all ages, and a film commemorating the 70th anniversary of the 1953 floods.

More details can be seen on our Roydon Parish Council website and facebook page and on posters put up in local venues.

We look forward to seeing you at one or other of the events!



Please come and join our community litter pick on

Saturday 10 June 2023

9.30 am – 11.30 am

Grabbers, hi-viz vests and rubbish bags can be collected from **Roydon Village Hall** between 9.30 am – 10 am

Our **pop-up café** in the Village Hall will be providing refreshments, open to all (free to pickers, donations welcome from non-pickers).

Date for your diary – our autumn litter pick:

Sat 14 October, 9.30 am – 11.30 am

Thank you to all residents who litter-pick throughout the year, it makes a real difference and we all appreciate it.

**** PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS ****

Roydon had an uncontested election for the parish council. Two councillors chose not to stand again and we had two new nominations. This made a total of nine nominations for election. Roydon Parish Council has nine councillor places and, as there were just nine nominations, these nominees were automatically elected. This is what is termed an 'uncontested election'.

We welcome our new councillors: Stephen Finch and Keith Best, and we bid farewell and send thanks to Jenny Shorter and David Bartrum for their years of service on the council.

Roydon's nine councillors starting out on this new term of four years' office are: Trevor Ault, Keith Best, Angela Brown, Paul Curson, Andrew Daniels, Stephen Finch, Jane Jennifer, Pam Murton and Elizabeth Taylor.



The DDNP's Independent Examiner's report is very nearly complete. All seven parishes and the two district councils have completed a fact-checking exercise on his draft report and series of recommended modifications. Many of these modifications relate to matters of clarity and precision, designed to ensure that the Plan fully accords with national policy. We can share with you that the Examiner praises the Plan, regarding it as a major achievement, being based as it is on a market town and its surrounding hinterland, and where this collaborative approach might apply to other local councils, he regards the DDNP as having established best practice.

We hope to be able to inform you of the final outcome of the report in the very near future. Please keep an eye on our parish council website and facebook page for updates.

Graffiti

We've all seen the spate of graffiti across the parish and it's been discussed at parish council meetings. The police are aware, as are the councils at district and county level. We have requested the County Council rangers (who are due to carry out some work in Roydon soon) to clear the graffiti from our traffic signs.

If you see any new graffiti, do please report it, either to the police or take a photo and report it on the Fix My Street website, as described below. Many thanks.



If you see a problem like graffiti, fly-tipping, missing or damaged drain covers or dangerous potholes you can report it to the charity [Fix My Street](https://www.fixmystreet.org.uk/). Visit their website, mark where the problem is on a map, add a short description and send it off. It helps if you can take a photo of the problem and upload it with your description, but not essential.

You don't need to know who's responsible for fixing the problem – the website automatically sends it to the right place.

POND CORNER - correction

When describing the ponds on Brewers Green in our last newsletter, reference was made to the pond in the north-east corner of Brewers Green as "Steve's Pond". Having received concerns that this name could be taken to imply ownership of said pond, the Brewers Green Management Committee have agreed to choose another name by which to refer to this pond in the future.

RPC website: for PC info, full minutes and agenda of PC meetings <https://roydon-disspc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>
Roydon Parish Council facebook page:
www.facebook.com/Roydondissparishcouncil

If you would prefer to receive The Roydon Round-Up by email, please contact Wendy Benson, parish clerk at roydondiss@gmail.com.

A big thank you to all our volunteer deliverers of the RRU, your help is very much appreciated!