

D'ARCY DIARY

MARCH 2023

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Full Council Meeting Dates **2022/23**:

Tuesday 28th March 2023 Tuesday 25th April 2023 Thursday 11th May 2023

Meetings are held in the Village Hall.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.



Visit our website to keep up to date with what is happening in your Parish:

www.tolleshuntdarcypc.org

You can also follow us on Facebook



Message from the Chairman

In this edition, we have included updates from John Barber on the Village Larder, Trish Heard on the preparations for the Coronation celebrations and Catherine Sanders on the First Responders. Please let us know if you have anything you wish to share in future editions.

We have also created what we hope to be a regular feature bringing the spotlight on Parish Personalities.

Finally, anybody interested in standing in the upcoming local elections should contact MDC for nomination papers.

John Smith - Chairman

P.S. Don't forget your photo ID when you go to vote.

Tolleshunt D'Arcy Village Larder



It's been 5 months since we opened our doors, and the coffee morning every Wednesday has started to pick up with more people attending each week. The larder is helping several families and singles in the village. We still need your support and donations. Let's keep the village community going throughout 2023 and beyond. Many Thanks to all – Chair Tolleshunt D'Arcy Village Larder Trust.

The Maypole

Polite Notice – The Maypole is a village monument; would you please refrain from parking around the Maypole

Elections

Local elections will be held on **Thursday 4th May 2023**, to elect Councillors for Tolleshunt D'Arcy Parish Council and Maldon District Council.

Tolleshunt D'Arcy is formed of 7 Councillors.

Becoming a Councillor is both a rewarding and a privileged form of public service. You will be in a position to make a difference in the quality of other people's daily lives and prospects

For further information, please visit www.maldon.gov.uk/elections

Voting - Photo ID

For the first time, residents in Maldon District will need to show photographic ID to vote at this year's local elections. Residents are being urged to make sure they are ready to vote in May by checking



they have an accepted form of ID.

Accepted forms of ID include a UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport; a UK, EEA, or Commonwealth drivers' licence; and some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card. Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo. Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk or by completing a paper form.

The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID, at electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID.

King's Coronation



The verge on the corner outside the school has now been cleared but it needs more professional work, quotations are being obtained. The tyres for the plant containers are being painted white and will be filled with red, white and blue flowers. The Parish Council

could consider planting a rose tree and a plaque in one of the containers.

A Coronation derby is being held in the Village Hall on Sunday 7th May 2023. Details will be available on the Village Hall Facebook page.

Parish Annual Assembly

The Parish Annual Assembly will be held on **Friday 19th May 2023** in The Village Hall, Tollesbury Road at 7.00 pm

The Parish Annual Assembly is YOUR opportunity to raise any matters of concern about YOUR parish. As a parishioner, you are invited to submit items to be placed on the agenda of the meeting.

Agenda items should be submitted in writing to the Parish Council Clerk no later than **Thursday 11th May 2023**

The agenda will be displayed on the Parish Council Noticeboard, Website and Facebook Page

The **Village Hall AGM** will immediately follow the Parish Annual Assembly.

First Responders

Funding total from the Community £2,800 Grants to date £2,500 (Parish Council and Locality Grant) Big thank you to everyone for supporting.

3 fully trained CFRs to be responding when we can use Tollesbury kit bag. Another 2 to be trained later this year Kit bag for D'Arcy on order with Ambulance service.

To ensure 24/7 cover we need more volunteers, please contact Catherine Sanders

(catherinewheddon@hotmail.co.uk 07837 679 656) if you would like to know more

Parish Personalities

Our first Personality is undoubtedly one of the most important people in our village, our school Lollipop Lady, Anne Bowring.

Anne has lived in the village since 1995 and first became our lollipop lady in 1997 when her children attended the school. Anne works mornings and afternoons every school day and in over a quarter of a century of



duty has only missed two weeks when she was unable to work after an accident. The best bit about the job? "I get to see the children and parents every day. Sometimes the weather is bad but that doesn't really bother me" Anne is now crossing the children of some of those children she crossed when she first started!

Thank you Anne and here's to many more years!