

Holme Pierrepont &
Gamston Parish Council
Newsletter

Summer 2026

A few words from the Vice Chair

Welcome to the Summer 2026 edition of the Holme Pierrepont and Gamston Parish Council Newsletter.

After several weeks of hot weather, the 'Fun in the Sun' theme for this year's Summer Play Day feels particularly appropriate. As usual, the event will take place at Ambleside Play Park, although this year it will be held on the afternoon of Thursday 20th August, rather than the usual Wednesday. We have organised plenty to keep the children entertained, so if you are looking for a free family friendly afternoon, please come along.

We also wanted to share an update on the parish council's new website and email addresses, which have now been

introduced to make accessing information and contacting councillors more straightforward. The new site can be found at hpg-pc.gov.uk, bringing together council news and local information in one place. We will continue to add more content over the coming months.

Thank you to the councillors and staff who have helped organise this year's Play Day and supported the launch of the new website. Their work highlights how valuable local involvement can be. We are always keen for more residents to become parish councillors, so if this is something you may be interested in, please read on.

Cynthia Stacey



Fun in the Sun Play Day
THURS 20TH AUG 2PM - 4PM
AMBLESIDE PLAY PARK, NG2 6NA
INFLATABLE CLIMBING WALL
story telling & music
children's have-a-go sports equipment
balloon modeller
sand pit
bouncy castle
drumming workshop
children's crafts
ice cream van
AND SO MUCH MORE! COME JOIN US!
FREE EVENT
Organised by Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council www.hpg-pc.gov.uk

Parish Council Website

The parish council is pleased to announce the launch of a new website, which can now be found at hpg-pc.gov.uk.

The new site has been developed around the latest GOV.UK standards, ensuring it is simple, clear, and easy for everyone to use. Behind the scenes, the new setup also makes it much easier for the council to update information and to add new features when needed.

The website can be accessed from a computer, tablet, or smartphone, so residents can catch up on local news wherever they are. Please take a look and see what is new.

In addition, gov.uk email addresses have now been introduced, so all parish councillors and staff will only use unique, council-managed email addresses for council business. This ensures GDPR compliance and aligns with the audit requirements the council needs to follow.

This means that councillors' email addresses now follow the format cllr.firstname.surname@hpg-pc.gov.uk while the parish clerk can be contacted at clerk@hpg-pc.gov.uk and the bookings clerk at bookings@hpg-pc.gov.uk.

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Gomi Hiroi

At every FIFA Football World Cup, Japan's national football team fans do something almost no other supporters do. After the final whistle, they stay behind and pick up litter from across the stadium, leaving it as they found it.

The tradition is called Gomi Hiroi, which literally means 'picking up litter'. It is a practice rooted in Japanese culture, emphasising responsibility and respect for shared spaces.

In 2018, Gamston resident Angie Mugford was also keen that local people should take responsibility for keeping the area tidy and suggested forming a litter-picking group in the parish. With a grant from Rushcliffe Borough Councillor Jonathan Wheeler, and support from the parish council, the Gamston Litter Pickers group was formed, and monthly litter picking began in January 2019.

Seven years later, in June this year, with the help of Roadgas in Colwick and their support for the Great Big Green Week, the Gamston Litter Pickers celebrated the collection of their 900th bag of litter. An astonishing achievement.

As they say in Japan: Minasan arigatō gozaimasu.

Become a Parish Councillor

If you have ever thought about doing more for your community, the parish council is looking for residents who are interested in becoming councillors. Whether you are young or old, have lived in the area for many years or have recently arrived, the council would like to hear from you. Residents of Adbolton and Bassingfield are especially encouraged to get in touch, as these parts of the parish are currently under represented.

You do not need any special experience, just an interest in your community, a desire to get involved, and a willingness to work with others. Every contribution matters, and every councillor brings their own knowledge and perspective to add to the mix.

If becoming a parish councillor appeals to you, please contact the parish clerk at clerk@hpg-pc.gov.uk and she will be very happy to provide more information.

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