

Grassmoor Community Centre

New Community Newsletter

Welcome to Issue 1 of the new Grassmoor Community Newsletter. The Newsletter is jointly produced by the Grassmoor, Hasland and Winsick Parish Council and the Grassmoor Community Centre Management Committee and it will be published quarterly. We hope you find it useful and informative.

Councillor Betty Hill, Chairman of the Parish Council

Community Centre Re-opens

As you will probably have noticed, the Community Centre has been undergoing a major refurbishment. The project has cost £964,359 and has been financed from grant funding from a variety of organisations including the European Regional Development Fund, the Community Fund, the Coalfield Regeneration Trust, the East Midlands Development Agency, WREN, Derbyshire County Council and the Parish Council.

The new facilities available at the Centre include additional meeting rooms, a community café, IT area, a lift and other disabled facilities.



Activities available at the Centre will include adult education classes, advice sessions, health support sessions, Luncheon Club, OAP Club, Youth Club and leisure activities (dancing, keep fit, tai-chi, bowls, bingo etc). The Centre will also be an ideal venue for parties and wedding receptions.

The Centre will be formally re-opened by Betty Hill on 12 March. From **Saturday 13 March**, when the Centre will be open to the public, an open week will be held which will feature activities for all age groups and also give you an opportunity to come along and see the facilities on offer for yourselves. For further information on the activities at the Centre please look out for the posters displayed around the village and also in the local press. Alternatively contact the Centre Manager.

New Centre Manager

The Community Centre now has a full-time Manager, Brian Furness. He can be contacted on 01246 859186 to book the Centre or for a chat about the activities on offer. Alternatively, call in to see the Centre at first hand.

Management Committee

The Centre is managed by the Community Centre Management Committee. A list of Members is set out opposite. The Secretary is Roy Ackrill: Telephone 01246 236878.

Member	Telephone
Mrs EA Hill	01246 852216
Mr RW Marriott	01246 854587
Mrs J Bedford	01246 856306
Mr AH Booker	01246 856073
Mrs J Booker	01246 856283
Mr CJ Clarke	01246 851533
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Parish Council News

Parish Council Members

The Grassmoor, Hasland and Winsick Parish Council has 11 Members, details of whom are provided opposite. Betty Hill is the Chairman of the Council and Pam Hemsley is Vice-Chairman.

The Council employs a Clerk, a Handyperson and a Street Cleaner, all on a part-time basis.

Meetings of the Parish Council are held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month (except August) commencing 7.00pm at the Community Centre. A public forum is held at 6.30pm prior to every meeting.

You can get in touch with the Parish Council by contacting Roy Ackrill, the Clerk on 01246 236878 or by email: roy.ackrill@ntlworld.com

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What does the Parish Council provide?

The Parish Council pays for the services it provides by setting an annual precept. In 2003/4 the precept was £75,500 and in 2004/5 the precept is £78,500, an increase of under 4%.

A variety of services and facilities are provided by the Parish Council including:-

- Street Cleaning
- Providing the play equipment and maintaining Barnes Park and Winsick Park

- Supporting local voluntary groups
- Grant assistance to the Community Centre to help with running costs
- Hanging baskets
- Maintaining Hasland Cemetery
- Mill Lane and Gill Lane Allotments

The Parish Council are here to represent you. If you have any problems or if you need support in dealing with other agencies, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk or Chairman.

The Grassmoor Community Website

www.grassmoor.org.uk

The Council and the Community Centre Management Committee has worked in partnership to set up the **Grassmoor Community Website**. The website provides information about Grassmoor in general, the Parish Council and the Community

Centre. Some of the pages are still under construction but will be completed in the near future.

Please take the opportunity to look at the site, the address of which is given above.