

EVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is a statutory, corporate body, established under the Local Government Act 1894. It is a local authority operating at the first tier of local government.

The Parish Council was awarded Quality Council accreditation in 2006, as part of the Government's initiative to give local people the opportunity to become more involved in the development of their communities.

It maintains public footpaths, notice boards, etc. and manages Barrow Hills SSSI jointly with English Nature. It pays the Parish Neighbourhood Watch subscription and grant-aids the Metcalfe Playing Field, Village Hall and HEDS Together. Together with Scaftworth Parish Meeting it acts as a Joint Burial Committee, administering Everton Cemetery. It represents the interests of the Parish in matters including crime and disorder, environment, planning applications and road safety. The Parish Council's administrative area covers Everton, Harwell and part of Drakeholes, and comprises an area of 1,545 hectares.

The population of the Parish is 768 (2001 census) and there are 674 electors on the current Register of Electors.

The Parish of Everton falls within the Everton Ward of the District of Bassetlaw and the Misterton Electoral Division of the County of Nottinghamshire.

There are nine Councillors on the Parish Council, and elections are held every four years. The next election will be in May, 2010, and any eligible person may stand for one of the nine seats. The current Council is non-political and has representatives on other village and local bodies.

Current members of the Parish Council are:

David Bardsley, Chairman
Patrick Woods, Vice-Chairman
Richard Bacon
Barbara de Bel
John Dunn
Lynne Ferrar
Liz Jefferies, MBE
Robin Maclagan
Krystyna Martin

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman are elected, from amongst the councillors, at the Annual Meeting of the Council, held in May. They hold office until the following Annual Meeting.

The Parish Council has one part-time employee, Clerk to the Council, David Wright. It is David's job to advise the Parish Council and to implement its policies. All correspondence, enquiries, etc. should be directed through him. His address is 3 Kingswood Close, Firbeck, Worksop, Notts. S81 8LJ. His telephone number is 01709 813360, and his email address is theclerk@evertonvillage.org.uk

The Parish Council's main assets are its lands, most of which were given to the Parish in the Enclosure Awards of the 1700s. Much of the land is currently let for farming. However, Barrow Hills SSSI is owned by the Parish Council, and managed in partnership with Natural England. The Parish Council also owns part of Pusto Hill.

Parish Council meetings are usually on the first Monday of the month (no scheduled meeting in August) at the Village Hall, at 7.15 p.m., with a 15 minute public discussion period at the start. Meetings of the Joint Burial Committee are held bi-monthly. They are usually quite brief, and are held on the same evenings as Parish Council meetings. Notice of all meetings is given on the notice boards and web site at least three clear days before meetings.

Meetings are open to all. Occasionally, if an item of business to be transacted is of a confidential nature, the public will be requested to leave. Such items are, however, always taken at the end of the meeting.

Separate from the Parish Council is the Parish Meeting. This again, is a statutory, corporate body, established by the Local Government Act 1894. The Parish Meeting comprises all the electors of the Parish. There is an Annual Parish Meeting every April, but the legislation provides for other meetings in certain circumstances.

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