GRIMLEY PARISH COMMUNITY OPEN DAY Presentedby Grimley Parish Council & The Peace Hall

Committee Sunday 3rd March 2019

10:30 - 3:00PM

Management





Collect resident SmartWater Packs, Playground Consultation Meet your PCSO, Preloved toy stalls Discover what it takes to become a Parish Councillor. History Talk on Grimley's famous Sir Samuel Baker, Tea and CAKE and chat, collection and drop off point for LITTER PICK AND (hopefully!) a defibrilator demonstration.

SAVE THE DATE - TIMINGS TBC

Uganda through the eyes of Victorian explorer Sir Samuel Baker - a native of Grimley Interred in the family plot at Grimley Church, Sir Samuel Baker was a Victoria explorer, officer, naturalist and abolitionist, who was loved in Uganda for overcoming slavery. He is mostly remembered as the discoverer (from a European perspective) of Lake Albert and as an explorer of the Nile and interior of central Africa. In 1863 a subspecies of Roan antelope was named in his honour: Baker's antelope. In Sri Lanka the Baker's Falls bears his name and, in 1906 a mountain in the Rwenzori Mountains, Uganda was named Mount Baker in his honour. His father, Samuel Baker Sr., was a sugar merchant, banker and ship owner from Thorngrove, Worcestershire, with mercantile ties in the West Indies. Join us on Sunday 3rd March, Peace Hall, Sinton Green, 11.30am, when his Great Great Grandson David Baker MBE MA FRGS will be present to give an insight into his famous relative. Free event, All welcome.

PRE-ORDERED **SMARTWATER** PACKS





Available for collection from the Parish Clerk Lisa Stevens, 07950256363, derkgrimleypc@gmail.com

by appointment:



Or available for collection at the COMMUNITY OPEN DAY Sunday 3rd March. 10.30 til 3pm. at the PEACE HALL. SINTON GREEN, WR2 6NP.

Drop in event. No appointment necessary.

Cheques made out to 'Grimley Parish Council' for £8.99 required please. These packs are subsidised by Grimley Parish Council and the Police Crime Commissioner West Mercia and normally cost £25.00 per pack.

New to the parish? Not pre-ordered? To Fryou are a resident of the parish and would like a SmartWater pack, please get in touch with the Parish Clerk. First come first served New Orders taken

Sunday

March

Grimley Parish Council meetings 2019

All meetings at Peace Hall, Sinton Green, unless otherwise stated.

Please always double check meeting dates and times before attendance, as meetings may unavoidably change at short notice. The below is correct as of 03/02/19.

Monday 11th February, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting.

(avoids 18th February half term)

Sunday 3rd March, 10.30am - 3pm

Parish Council and Peace Hall Open Day, Play Area Working Party consultation, community litter pick, distribution of SmartWater, meet your PCSO, cake and coffee and chat.

Also includes Parish Clerk Surgery Public Drop-in session. Residents can attend to discuss any item with the Clerk.

Monday 18th March, 7.30pm - Annual Parish Meeting

NB. The Annual Parish Meeting is not a 'normal' monthly parish council meeting. It is a meeting of the parish or town electors, organised by the Parish Council. Electors can contribute to the agenda and in practice these meetings often celebrate local activities and debate current issues in the community. It is an opportunity for parishioners on the Electoral Roll to raise any matters of concern to them that relates to their local community. It would be helpful to have written notice of any matters to be raised but it is not essential. Matters can be raised at the meeting without prior notice. (Annual Parish Meetings must be held between 1st March 1st June each year). This meeting is normally held in April each year, but national elections in 2019 have resulted in this earlier date in order to avoid purdah.

Monday 18th March, subsequent to above, pm – Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting consisting of planning matters, accounting matters and signing of monthly cheques.

Friday 29th March, 7.30pm (new date, previously advertised as 28th March)

Closed meeting by invitation only allowing Cllrs and Candidates to double check completed nomination papers against regulations and allow Clerk to verify all paperwork has been completed validly, prior to submission to Returning Officer at Malvern Hills. No other parish matters to be discussed. No public agenda will be issued.

April – date to be confirmed, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting.

Basic meeting - planning matters, simple accounting matters, planning for annual audit and signing of monthly cheques. Nb Within Purdah period. Was previously advertised as 15th April - this date is no longer possible.

Thursday 9th May, 10.30am til 2pm – Parish Clerk Surgery – public drop in session.
Useful for any new Clirs to drop in for first briefing.

Monday 13th May, 7.30pm - Annual Meeting of Grimley Parish Council

NB. The above is an annual meeting of Parish Cllrs, where appointments for the following take place: chairman, vice-chairman, committee members and representatives to other bodies. The public may not speak at this meeting, though they are cordially invited to attend to observe proceedings. (Standing orders states "In a year which is not an (parish) election year, the annual meeting of a council shall be held on such day in May as the council may direct at 7.15pm".). First item: Election of chair and sign declaration of office. Retiring/previous Chair will be in attendance in order to preside over this first item only, as necessary.

Monday 13th May, 7.45pm approx - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting.

NB. The above is the normal monthly Parish Council meeting.

Retired parish councillors will need to attend in order to return parish council paperwork for disposal as per General Data Protection Regulations.

Monday 17th June, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

NB. Important Audit accounts for 2016/17 will be signed off at the above meeting

Monday 15th July, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

(avoids 22nd which is start of school holidays)

Monday 19th August, 10.30am til 2pm - Parish Clerk Surgery - public drop in session.

Monday 16th September, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

Monday 21st October, 7,30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

Monday 18th November, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

Monday 2nd December, 7.30pm - Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting

WOULD YOU LIKE TO REPRESENT YOUR COMMUNITY? BE A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Local elections in the United Kingdom are scheduled to be held on Thursday 2nd May 2019

Would you like to have more of a say in what goes on in your local area? Are you passionate about a facility/service where you live or is a particular service missing? Do you believe that sections of the community need more representation? Do you feel that you could help local businesses to thrive? Whatever your motivation, stand for what you believe in - be a Parish Councillor. Contact the Parish Clerk today!

R. Woodhouse, Previous Chair and current Councillor of Grimley Parish Council, said: "Councillors make an enormous difference in the areas that they represent. Becoming a councillor allows you to influence change for the better. Through your work, smaller voices are heard."

Lisa Stevens, Parish Clerk, said "You don't need any special qualifications or expertise to become a parish councillor...work experience, life experience, volunteering, all are extremely valuable to a Parish Council. A Councillor with business acumen is just as valuable as a Councillor with a family background. As Clerk I support Councillors to be the best that they can be."

Previous Parish Councillor, said "How much time you spend on your duties as a councillor is largely up to you and will depend on the particular commitments you take on. As with most things in life, what you get back will depend on how much you put in."

If you think you could be a voice for your community please get in touch to talk about standing in the local elections on **Thursday 2 May 2019.** A parish election (to elect parish councillors) will only take place if there are enough candidates to contest the election. It would be wonderful for democracy, local moral and well-being if an election were to take place.

Need a more traditional job description?

- As a councillor representing your community you will help keep it a great place to live and work and make improvements for the benefit of all.
- You will be a community leader and represent the aspirations of the public that you serve.
- You will have a positive outlook and a can-do attitude and be willing to work as part of a team.
- You will be committed to all aspects of a Councillors' role, including:
 - decision-making. (Deciding where money should be spent and what services should be delivered);
 - monitoring to ensure that decisions lead to effect and effect services
 - getting involved locally, listening and responding. (As local representatives, councillors have responsibilities towards their constituents and local organisations and, depending on what you want to achieve may mean going to meetings of local organisations (for example the police) and making representatives to the district or county council).
- You will be supported in your role and advice and training will be made available.
- You should be comfortable working electronically.
- You should be able to attend Full Council meetings monthly.
- You will have due regard to parish council relevant legislation and to legislation as an employer and the data protection act NB training and support is always fully available in this respect and does not require previous knowledge or experience.

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Sunday 3rd March, 10.30-3pm All feedback welcome. VENUE: Peace Hall, Sinton Green



HAVE YOUR SAY

- * The Parish Council Playarea Working Party is collecting your comments * Equipment appropriate? Needed?
- * Previous consultations
 have not been conclusive
- * Location? Style?
- * Cost and Maintenance?
- * Ownership?
- * Fund raising?

Playarea Consultation Stall.

Organised by local residents
and volunteers.

Drop in event. Comments can also be emailed clerkgrimleypc@gmail.com



Collection & Drop off - Peace Hall, Sinton Green

LITTER PICK

GRIMLEY PARISH



SUNDAY 3rd March 10.30 - 3pm

VOLUNTEER AND HELP TO CLEAN OUR PARISH

YOU CHOOSE WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO LITTER PICK ON THIS DAY. COLLECT EQUIPMENT, HIGH VIS (AND A RISK ASSESSMENT) FROM THE PEACE HALL, SINTON GREEN, BETWEEN 10.30 AND 3PM. TRAVEL UNDER OWN STEAM TO LITTER LOCATION, COLLECT LITTER FOR AS LONG OR AS LITTLE AS YOU LIKE. BRING THE EQUIPMENT AND ANY BAGS OF RUBBISH BACK TO THE PEACE HALL. CHILDREN COLLECT A MEDAL OF THANKS.

Volunteers should not participate in litter picks unless they understand

PosterMyWall.cand accept that participation is entirely at their own risk