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Letter from the Clerk

Well who would have thought that 13 months on we would still be in partial lockdown following the Covid-19 (Coronavirus).

What a time it has been, with community buildings and businesses having to close for months on end, children not at school and many people working from home and adjusting to a different life. We have all had our own personal challenges to deal with through this very difficult time, but there is light at the end of the tunnel. Vaccinations being rolled out and the Government's 'Road out of Lockdown' will hopefully be the start of life returning to some form of normality.

The Parish Council office at the Keene Hall has been closed since last March, with staff working remotely. This is mainly because our office is very small and we cannot accommodate many people. We are hoping to reopen from Monday 17 May, but residents will still not be allowed upstairs. If you need to call into the office in person please use the bell provided and a member of staff will come down to meet you. If you are unsure please telephone beforehand:
01245 358898/348756.

The public toilets were reopened in March and the Village Attendants were able to return to their litter collecting duties. Please help to keep Galleywood clean and tidy by making use of the many litter bins provided around the Village.

At the time of writing we are still not able to re-open the Telephone book exchange at Pipers Tye but we are hoping to do this at the Step 4 – from 21 June.

The monthly Councillor surgeries are currently being held by telephone on the last Saturday of the month. If you would like to speak to a Parish Councillor about issues in and around Galleywood please get in contact.

We are still accepting leaflets for the outdoor noticeboards around the Village, please drop these off at the Keene Hall post box and these will be collected when we are next in the office.

The Deputy Clerk and I are always on hand to help and assist residents with any concerns they have in and around Galleywood. Please either email us:

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Mrs Tory Melhuish

Clerk to Galleywood Parish Council





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A message from your vicar, Revd David Cattle

"Remembering Prince Philip"

Lots will have been said about Prince Philip in recent days, and I thought I would add my own brief thoughts.

Prince Philip has been at the Queen's side for the whole of my life. He is part of the fabric of the country and the Commonwealth. As Prince Andrew recently said, he is like the grandfather of the nation. He actually reminds me of my own grandpa who died a few years ago. And like my grandpa, Philip was a forthright man who sometimes said something that got him in trouble. Nevertheless his contribution to our nation and to the world is immense.

I admire Philip's humility. When he married the young Princess Elizabeth in 1947, he knew what he was letting himself in for – he knew that she would one day be Queen, and that his primary role in life would then be to support her. He sacrificed his own ambitions, for example in his naval career, in order to do this. And what an important role he played – the Queen could not have done what she has done, if she had not been able to rely on Philip's faithfulness over the years.

In this sense Prince Philip reminds of John the Baptist. Before Jesus started his public ministry 2,000 years ago, John prepared the way for him by preaching in the wilderness and baptising people in the River Jordan, as a way of helping them to return to faith in God. But John knew that it was his role to step aside so that Jesus could take centre stage. John has been appreciated by Christians ever since for the part he played, just like Prince Philip will be.

Another thing I admire about Philip is how he made the best of the life he lived. No doubt he was frustrated at times by being part of the royal family, and the constraints that the

institution placed upon him, but he made the best of his position to do a huge amount of good in the world. For example, the inception of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award has helped about 6 million 15-25-year-olds, many with disabilities, to challenge themselves and reach their potential, since its inception in 1956.

This is a reminder to all of us that we might not like everything about our lives, we might not have the freedom to live as we would wish, but life is still a gift from God, and with God's help we can make the best of it in order to bless others.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Her Majesty the Queen and her family at this time. And I know that the Queen will take comfort from her Christian faith, that life carries on after death. Christians believe this because we believe that God raised Jesus from death on that first Easter Sunday, showing that death is not the end. As I say at funeral services, Christian belief gives us the hope that we will meet our loved ones again some day, in the warmth and love of Almighty God.

So thank you Philip, for everything you gave to us. May you rest in peace and rise in glory.

God bless everyone,

David.

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(St Michael's Church is open for worship again, including our SONlight group for primary-aged children! Numbers are limited, so you will need to book a ticket to attend. See our website for details:

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It is a delight to see so many people on our footpaths at Parklands Farm again this spring.

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Back in Spring 2020 we introduced our lockdown learning logs. These are notes tacked on to logs which are scattered around the farm and give a bit of detail of what is in front of you. They seem to have gone down well and we will update and refresh them. It is my view that everyone should know about how their food is produced and I think it is up to us as farmers to be accountable to you and give you an insight to what we do and why we do it. After all, it might be our farm, but it is everybody's countryside.

My son Hew and I farm in quite a different way to my great grandfather Ernest Howard when he migrated here from Lancashire in the late 1800s, but in fact we are going back to some of the methods Ernest would be familiar with. For a start we have re-introduced sheep, but with a twist. Great grandfather Ernest would have earned good money from the wool he sheared off his sheep. We do not shear our sheep, they shear themselves. They are a self-shedding breed called Exlana. The breed has been developed to self-shed simply because there is too much wool in the world. It would cost us more to pay the shearer than the value of the wool per head.

Our sheep produce grass fed, slow grown succulent meat with a low carbon footprint.

They never eat anything but grass and other green crops around the farm which we grow in between crops such as bread making wheat, barley for beer, borage and linseed for oil. We have a much more diverse landscape now compared to just ten years ago when it would have been just wheat and oilseed rape in the fields. We also have areas for wildlife. You may have seen our wild bird mix areas full of sunflowers and other seeds for birds, or our wildflower areas to encourage good habitat for insects.

Our aim is to work with nature and reduce our reliance on fossil fuels, chemicals and manufactured fertiliser. We are delighted to see the benefits with a good population of hares, yellow hammers, green woodpeckers, field fares, owls, badgers and bats to name a few species. Keep visiting, you never know what you might spot.



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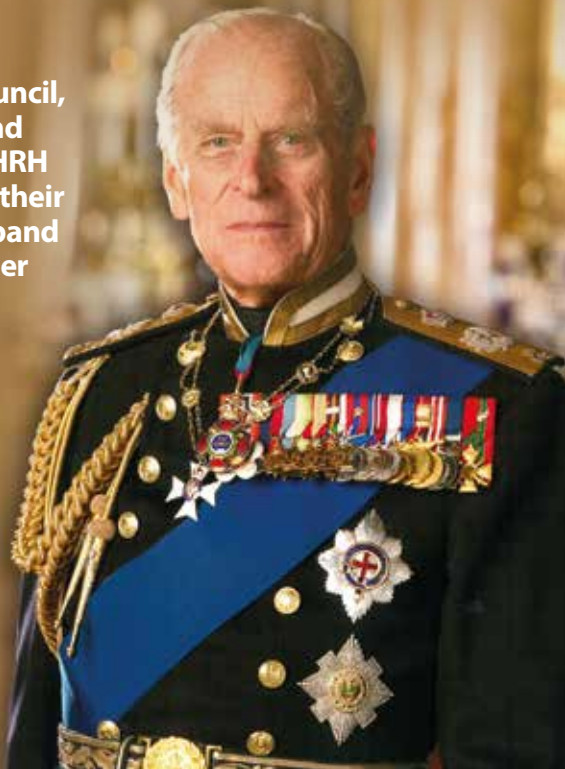
Galleywood Remembers HRH Prince Philip

On behalf of Galleywood Parish Council, Chairman, Councillor Richard Hyland offers our deepest condolences to HRH Queen Elizabeth and her family for their very sad loss of Prince Philip, a husband of 73 years, father of her children, her consort companion and support.

The funeral on Saturday 17th April provided a moment in time to remember a life well lived, a life of public service and personal commitment to family.

In this strangest of times many have had to deal with the loss of a family member, friend, or colleague and our thoughts are with all those who are left behind to mourn. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Councillor Richard Hyland
Chairman of Galleywood Parish Council



The Galleywood Heritage Centre

The Galleywood Heritage Centre as with other Village Hall type facilities has been closed for much of the last year, but we are pleased to say that we are now re-opening in line with Covid regulations.

Some of our regular hirers have returned already, mainly using our lovely gardens. More hirers are looking forward to the re-opening date of May 17th and hopefully, the freedom of the June 25th date.

The Horseshoe Tea Room has also re-opened for tea/coffee and cake in our garden setting where we have installed an awning over the kitchen door, some new garden chairs and a carpet on the marquee floor to improve our services to you.

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Community Speedwatch

In October 2020, The Galleywood Village Gateway signs were updated to show that Galleywood is a: "COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH VILLAGE".

Community Speed Watch is a traffic monitoring scheme, coordinated by the Essex Fire and Rescue Service (EPCRS) and supported by SERP, but managed and run by volunteers in the community.

By increasing the existing methods of education, recruiting and involving local volunteers, Community Speed Watch benefits the communities themselves by helping to reduce anti-social behaviour and the number of injuries from road traffic collisions.

In February 2021, Essex Road traffic accidents resulted in 1 person killed and 34 people injured. In addition Essex Police reported 30 mobile phone, 63 Drink Driving, 114 Drug driving and 257 seat belt offences.

Local Neighbourhood Action Panel (NAP) meetings have identified excess speed as an important issue for local communities and it is a known significant contributory factor in many road traffic collisions.

More than 95 Community Speed watch groups are now operating across the Essex Police area, providing regular monitoring of vehicle speeds within their own locations. Results are forwarded via log sheets to The Casualty Reduction Unit for processing and warning letters sent to the registered keepers of the vehicles monitored travelling in excess of the posted speed limit. In 2021, the Essex Police Roads Processing Unit will increase generation of warning letters to drivers of up to 30,000 per year via a full time Community Speed Watch Police Administrator.

Log sheets are also monitored to highlight those communities that would benefit from additional police enforcement based on evidence of poor levels of compliance. This additional enforcement is primarily conducted by officers from the Casualty Reduction Section including its own team of Special Constables.

All volunteers are required to attend quality assured training provided by trainers from SERP which comprises of a presentation followed by a roadside activity.

Each group is allocated a speed recording device which they are required to test prior to each session. Every device is calibrated annually as per manufacturer guidelines. All volunteers are required to wear hi-vis jackets and display signs approximately 100 metres (at a safe pre-assessed site) either side of the monitoring location.

The benefits of Community Speed Watch include:

- The opportunity for residents to increase road safety in their area and support activities to reduce road traffic collisions and injuries
- Enhancing the role of community members as volunteers and developing better links with the community
- Raising awareness of anti-social road use among who use them in local areas

For more information and interactive map, please visit the Essex Police website:

www.essex.police.uk

If you are interested in joining the Galleywood group please contact Galleywood Parish Council's Clerk on **01245 358898** or email **clerk@galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk**

Galleywood Parish Council

ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21



Welcome to Galleywood Parish Council's Annual Report. This summarises the work of the Council for the last financial year. At the time of writing, the UK was in lockdown due to Covid-19 pandemic. The Parish Council offices were temporarily closed and public meetings were being held remotely.

Councillor Richard Hyland, Chairman of the Parish Council.

Parish Councils are statutory bodies and are the first tier of local government. Galleywood Parish Council is made up of 9 Councillors supported by the Clerk and Deputy Clerk.

The Parish Council receives an income from Chelmsford City Council, the 'Precept' which residents pay as part of their council tax.

Through an extensive range of Powers we provide and maintain a variety of important and visible local services.

MEETINGS

The Parish Council meets on a monthly basis (except for August) and it is at these meetings where decisions are made. Meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity for residents to ask questions regarding items on the agenda.

Some of the Parish Council's work is undertaken at Committee meetings which are also open to the public. The Committees discuss future plans and details of projects.

The Parish Council Committees are as follows:

- Finance and Resources
- Planning and Highways
- Personnel

SERVICES

Galleywood Parish Council provides many services for its residents which include:

- Benches
- Bus Shelters
- Community Defibrillators
- Councillor Surgeries
- Grapevine magazine
- Grant Award scheme
- Litter Bins
- Litter Picks
- Noticeboards
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- Parish Office
- Play in the Park sponsorship
- Public Conveniences
- Senior Citizens Christmas lunch
- Village Attendants
- Village Book Swap
- War Memorial
- Youth Club

The work of the Parish Council is summarised in this report. Further information can be found on the Parish Council's website:

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The weekly Youth Club is funded by the Parish Council in conjunction with YMCA Essex and held in the Youth Centre in Watchouse Road on a Thursday evening.



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COMMITTEES

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FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Abides by the Parish Council's Financial Regulations; reviews the Parish Council's assets; manages the Parish Council's grants scheme; delivery of the annual programme of events; controls the provision of the Youth Club. Sets the budget and monitors expenditure.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Considers the levels of staffing; reviews staffing policies, including training needs.

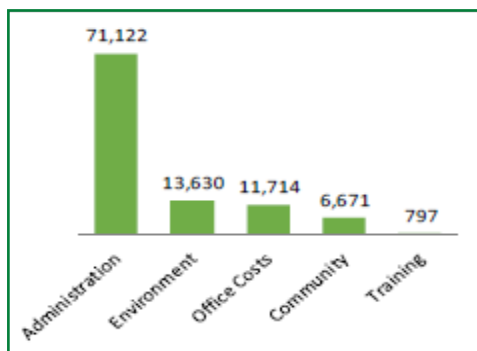
AGENDAS AND MINUTES

All Meetings can be found on the Parish Council's website.

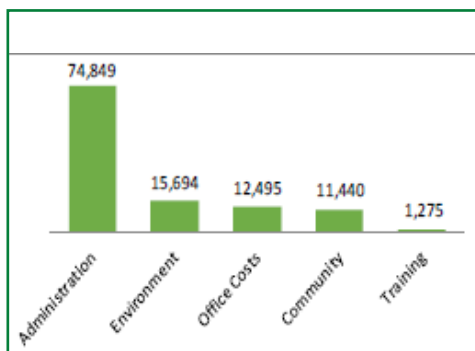
The Parish Council's 3 year Forward Plan and current Action Plan can be viewed on the Parish Council's website:

www.galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk

**Actual Expenditure
2020/21 £103,934**



**Projected Expenditure
2021/22 £115,753**



The Parish Council has made a Precept request to Chelmsford City Council for the sum of £107,223. Projected Income and funds from Parish Council Reserves will make up the difference of £8,530. The Band D Council Tax for 2021/22 is £51.14, an increase of 0.89%

Full details of the budget summary for the Precept 2021/22 is available from the Parish Council office or on our website.

PROJECTS AND EVENTS IN 2020/21

GRANTS PAID IN 2020

Galleywood Cottage Garden Society	£500
Galleywood Horticultural Society	£250
Galleywood Ladies Club	£250
Galleywood Make Lunch	£500
Galleywood WI	£250
Galleywood & District Social Club	£1,500
Galleywood Theatre Group	£990.50
tEG	£500

The Parish Council's Grants scheme will be open for new applications for 2021 from 30 September 2021.

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Open Spaces Maintenance work completed at The Spinney.



New outdoor furniture and bug hotel provided at Twitten Green.



EVENTS

Play in the Park - the Parish Council supports the cost of tennis coaching held in Chelmer Park each year and has booked this again for 2021.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE



Due to Covid-19 restrictions the usual service could not be held so a virtual Remembrance Service was provided on 11 November. Hand knitted poppies were kindly provided by Galleywood Women's Institute.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS



We were not able to hold the usual Christmas events last year, however, Christmas lights were provided in the trees at the Watchhouse Road shops area.

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OUTDOOR TABLE TENNIS

An outdoor table tennis was provided by Chelmsford City Council's Sport and Wellbeing Team. This initiative was supported by Table Tennis England and is sited in the Watchhouse Road shops area.

PARISH COUNCILLORS 2021/22

Galleywood Parish Councillors are as follows, their contact information can be found on the Parish Council website:

EAST WARD COUNCILLORS



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E Massey



N Paul



M Weald



B Woolward

WEST WARD COUNCILLORS



B Graves



C Lumley



A McQuiggan



S Troop (Vice Chairman)

Monthly Councillor surgeries are held on the last Saturday of the month for residents to speak to their local Councillor regarding issues in and around Galleywood.

PROJECTS FOR 2021/22

Open space and highways improvements | Future of Galleywood Library
Continued support of Galleywood Youth Club | Galleywood Wellbeing Initiatives
Installation of wildlife boxes | Upgrade of Village Information Boards
Consideration of items on the Parish Council's Action Plan for 2021-22

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Data Protection Act

Under the Data Protection Act 2018, the Parish Council now needs consent to be able publish personal information.

This relates to the contact names, telephone numbers and email addresses for all Clubs and Organisations previously published in the Grapevine.

All Clubs and Organisations were contacted and provided with a Consent Form for completion and only the ones that we have had returned can now be published. So, if you see your Club or Organisation missing from the directory this is the reason. If you would like to resume your listing please contact the Clerk for a Consent Form: **01245 358898** or email: **clerk@galleywoodparishcouncil.org.uk** or pop into the Parish Office, first floor at the Keene Hall, Watchouse Road.



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Summer 2021

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As we move out of lockdown, you can keep up to date with the availability of further services by calling in or checking at:

www.essex.libraries.co.uk

We have introduced new opening hours for your convenience: Tuesday 2-5.30pm, Friday 9-5.30pm and Saturday 9-5pm.

There have been some exciting developments since we last saw you. We have new self-service machines that take card payments and a new on-line catalogue, ultimately giving you a greater choice of books from a wider network of libraries beyond Essex.

Children can join and participate in this year's Summer Reading Challenge, Wild World Heroes, at your local library from 10th July 2021 and we hope to re-instate our rhyme-times soon.

The Essex Book Festival is back and this year we're hoping to make a splash! The Box Office opens on 29th April and the library events start on 1st July. Check out www.essexbookfestival.org for more information.

Remember that the library service is not restricted to your visits and is always available to you. Go to www.youtube.com/user/EssexLibraries for online rhyme time, stories, book reviews, craft times and construction club. You can also access electronic books and magazines. There are free on-line courses, encyclopaedias and more plus advice on setting up an on-line book group.

Additionally, our Home Library Service Volunteers can visit you if you are long-term housebound and unable to visit the library. Just ask us for details, so you can carry on reading. We would love to see you all soon and can reassure you that we can offer a safe environment. Please remember to wear your mask or face covering when in the library.

We ask that every visitor provides contact information for track and trace purposes. Returned books are quarantined before being shelved or processed.

Please contact Galleywood Library on **0333 013 2660** for more information.

Galleywood Womens Institute

Galleywood WI Committee is looking forward to welcoming its members back in July.

We have been waiting patiently to when we can begin our monthly meetings; listen to talks and meet with friends and also enjoy lunches and other activities that we have planned.

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INGREDIENTS

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- 2 bulbs of roasted garlic
- 1 cup cannellini beans, rinsed and drained if canned
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/3 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 1/3 cup oat flour, or all-purpose, wheat, etc
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 1 1/2 teaspoons smoked paprika
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon cumin
- 2-3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 avocado, sliced
- 2/3 cup plain greek yogurt or sour cream
- 1 teaspoon maple syrup,
- extra salt and pepper for seasoning yogurt/cream
- 4 whole wheat buns

INSTRUCTIONS

- Roast the garlic in a medium oven with a sprinkling of oil.
- Pierce potatoes all over with a fork and place on a paper towel, setting in the microwave. Microwave for 5 minutes, then flip and cook for 5 minutes more. Remove, slice in half and let cool until you can scoop out the flesh.
- In a large bowl, coarsely mash beans with a fork. Add in sweet potato and mash together, then add in spices, salt and pepper, minced garlic, egg, panko and flour. Mix together until combined, then place bowl in the fridge for 15-20 minutes. This helps form them into patties, but as a warning they are still somewhat messy.
- While mixture is chilling, combine yogurt/sour cream with 2 bulbs (squeezed out) of roasted garlic cloves, maple syrup and a sprinkle of salt and pepper in a blender or food processor. Process until smooth then set aside until ready to use.

- Heat a large frying pan over medium heat and add 2 tablespoons olive oil.
- Remove mixture from fridge and form into 4 equal patties, then place in the skillet once hot. Since the mixture can be wet and messy, do not move until they are fully cooked and golden on one side! This takes about 5-6 minutes. Then, add more oil if needed (this really helps cook them) and flip burgers very gently. Cook for another 5-6 minutes. Toast buns if desired.
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Wildlife Wellness Project

Galleywood Parish Council recently negotiated a grant from the Essex County Council Locality Fund for several bird and wildlife boxes as part of the 2020/21 Action Plan - Wildlife Wellness Project.

The local environmental group (tEG) was asked to install the boxes at sites owned by the Parish Council. As the units were gifted into the community, tEG also worked directly with other landowners at identified key sites throughout the village.

Here we are at Keene Hall on 3 March 2021 picking the boxes up.



Having filled our tool store at Parklands Farm with the boxes we then investigated the best way to install them using information from the RSPB and other specific sites.

We discovered that birds are quite fussy about where their boxes should be placed. Height above ground, which direction they should face, with an open aspect or foliage cover, a busy or quiet area, so we had to consider quite a lot of information.

We discovered from on-line comments that the design of the box provided recommended that two boxes should be installed close together, one for the family and the second for the male bird.

tEG has installed a total of 46 bird boxes, 3 hedgehog houses, 3 frog & toad abodes and 10 bee/bug hotels. 17 were installed at Twitten Green, 7 in The Spinney, 14 at the Galleywood Heritage Centre, 11 at St Michael and All Angels' Church, 1 at the Keene Hall and 12 within the wildlife area shared by the Galleywood Infant School and St Michael's CE (VA) Junior School.

One of the Blue Tit boxes goes up in The Spinney. We used a single stainless-steel nail to hang the box which avoided damaging the tree.



The Galleywood Heritage Centre – Tawny Owl boxes

The most difficult boxes to locate were the Tawny Owl boxes. These were big and heavy and needed to be 5m high on a 45-degree sloping branch. They also needed shade from direct sun and prevailing winds with the opening end of the

box visible to passing Tawny Owls so that they could discover a new home.



Two Blue Tit boxes on the edge of the main pond in The Spinney



The two Tawny Owl boxes at The Spinney to the west end of the main pond.

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**Malcolm Stuart
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