

FRANKLEY COMMUNITY NEWS

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It is with honour we offer our congratulations and best wishes to

Eric Carter B, E, M.

On his 100th Birthday

In 2017 Eric received the Medal of the Order of the British Empire

For services to the Community of Frankley in Birmingham.

He also received the Ordre national de la legion d'honneur in
acknowledgement of his military service in

France in the Second World War.

Birmingham Bin Strike

From Thursday January 2 an overtime ban will be in place as well as work to rule, which will mean workers adhering to official start and finish times

The dates from February to April will be

February 7, 10, 18, 26 March 6, 14, 25, April 2.

If you bin is not emptied on its normal day leave it out.

It is up to you to not produce an excess amount of waste by recycling

Thank you

I would like to thank everyone who took part in organising all of the events during 2024.

A lot of work went into getting these events off the ground and if it wasn't for the few regular volunteers who give up their time to help we wouldn't be able to put these events on. Majority of us are over 55 and quite a few of us over 70 but we do it for the residents' children to give them a bit of fun and hopefully not cost the parents too much in fact majority of them are free.

We would also like to thank,

The Parish Council for the grant they give us each year to enable these events to take place.

Frankley Carnival Events

Dates for the year 2025 Look out for posters

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 19th 11am-2pm

Carnival Event Saturday June 28th times to be arranged

Halloween Event Friday 31st October 3-6pm

Christmas Event Friday 5th December 3-6pm

If anyone wants to join the committee contact Linda on 07925233738 or come along to one of the meetings at the Parish Office, 12 Arden Road the next one is Thursday 20th February at 6pm. We only have a meeting every 2 months so the next one would be Tuesday 15th April again at 6pm. If you can't make meetings but are interested then please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks Linda Coates

If you are looking for a venue to hold a party or run a group, rooms are available at both.

They both have full working kitchens and disabled facilities

Reaside Community Centre Ormond Road contact on 07944537515

Deelands Halll Contact on 0121 226 5829 or 07734882237

Room charges at Deelands Hall are £12 p/h non commercial hire/ £15 ph Business hire

We would like to say thank you to the volunteers on the Parish Council Truck, for all their hard work in clearing the continuous Fly Tipping on the Lickey Banker Car Park and Cornwall Road Car Park. Truck loads of rubbish have been collected from these spots by volunteers over the last few months and both sites are now clear.

These volunteers are working effortlessly to combat the fly tipped rubbish on the estate. We are all very grateful and appreciative of the time and hard work these volunteers do on a daily basis. **Team leader Sam Goodwin**

**We are always in need of extra volunteers for the truck,
and we would welcome any one who like to join the team**

FLY TIPPING

We would like to remind residents that they need to report fly tipping direct to Birmingham City Council on the 0121 303 1112.

You can also report it on line this is the quickest way to report it and gets faster action. The reason is you report direct to the fly tipping team.

And you can report it seven days of the week

If you ring the Parish Council office all they can do is pass it on to BCC

THIS ESTATE IS RUBBISH!!!!

Everywhere you go on this estate you see rubbish!!! Bottles, cans, paper bags, furniture, to name but a few items dumped. We as residents have had enough!! So what are we going to do about it???

We as the Parish Council are going to participate in a mass action campaign to clean up the litter on our estate. This will take place from 17 March 2025 to 2 April 2025. The Parish Council will be taking part in conjunction with Rubery Wombles. We also want as many residents to participate too, even if they just clean up their own area. Equipment will be supplied by the Parish Council and the Wombles.

This is a one off but we would hope people will continue to clean up their own areas to assist the Wombles with the work they already do. The Wombles are always looking for volunteers so get involved and try to make this estate a place to be proud to live in. Ideally, we would love to create a litter picking group on a weekday from 10-12 followed by free tea and coffee and perhaps even cake!!

So come on residents of Frankley. Get your wellies on and get involved! Show us how much you love where you live!!!

Follow the Wombles on Facebook for dates and times of their picks!!

Councillors Joanne Walker and Kathleen Strachan

NEW FRANKLEY IN BIRMINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF 2 CASUAL VACANCIES

Join our local team and become a Parish Councillor

Are you passionate about your community? Do you want to help make a long-lasting changes?

Do you have innovative ideas for the council? Do you have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it? then we need you. We need people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect their community to put themselves forward for co-option to the Parish Council. There are now two vacancies on the Parish Council in the Frankley ward.

No special qualification is required to be a councillor. It is important that all sorts of people serve as Councillors so that all parts of the community are represented.

If you think you'd like to join the Parish Council or would like to know more, please get in touch with the Clerk on tel. 0121 457 9410 (between hours of 9am – 1pm) who will be more than happy to talk with you about the role and what's involved.

What do Parish Councillors do?

New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council is made up of 12 voluntary councillors. They meet once a month to discuss and act on issues that are important to the local community.

The Parish Council gets a proportion of local taxes to be spent only in the Parish, comments on planning applications in the Parish and run projects that help maintain, improve or enhance the local area.

Local Government is changing and parish councils are seeing an increase in the responsibilities and opportunities to influence decisions made that affect our local community.

Email: clerk@newfrankleyinbirminghamparishcouncil.gov.uk before the 28th February 2025

Rachael Ansty (Clerk)

What is a Parish Council, this is the question asked by residents.

Let us start by defining the words Parish Council.

PARISH A district area within a principle authority, constituted for the purpose of local government.

COUNCIL An assembly of people to advice, discuss, or organize.

An elected body organizing municipal affairs .

Frankley Parish Council have up to twelve councillors who are all volunteers,

There are three part time administrative staff, A Parish Clerk a person designated to assist in various duties of the council, An assistant clerk to assist the principle clerk.

A finance officer to oversee the council's revenues

New Frankley Parish Council is not Birmingham City Council it is described as a minor authority with its own powers.

They are not the same as those of a major authority (i.e. Birmingham City Council)