

# Donyland Despatches

Serving the village of Rowhedge

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**Chairman:** Cllr Phil George  
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**Cllr:** Tony Pullon  
**Cllr:** Doug Clay  
**Cllr:** John Rowland  
**Cllr:** Nina Crouchman  
**Cllr:** Peter Case

The council meets at 7pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month in the School Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Minutes & agendas are available in advance on our website.

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Office usually open 10am to 12noon Monday, Wed & Friday.  
To promote an event please contact the Clerk.

## What's happening around the village?

- We would like to welcome Cllr Phil George, as our new Chairman, he will be leading the Council from May onwards.
- A warm welcome to our new Ward Councillors, the Labour candidates Mike Lilley, Lee Scordis & Adam Fox.
- Open Garden at Donyland Hall 2-5pm 3rd July—Plant sale, Fun dog show, refreshments & horticultural society expert on hand for advice.
- BIG SUMMER EVENTS; the 2 biggest events in the Rowhedge calendar in the space of 2 weeks. Strawberry Fair 18th June 12-4pm REGATTA 12pm-Late!!!
- EDPC are sponsoring a free of charge health and wellbeing project for the over sixties, promoting core strength and balance. If you are in the age bracket and interested in exercise not only for body but also the mind, please let us know here in the office and state your preference to mornings or afternoon classes.

Are you aged 18 or over? Lived or worked in Rowhedge for over a year? Do you want to make a difference to our Community? Then why not consider becoming a Parish Councillor... There are currently two vacant seats on our Parish Council. We want to find two enthusiastic, committed people to fill those vacancies & become part of the team. The role of Parish Councillors to make decisions on behalf of the community - what to spend, where to spend it, what services to provide, what policies and by-laws to have. They also have to look at how effective and efficient the village's facilities and services are, and take action where necessary. In Rowhedge, all of this is achieved by 9 Councillors, supported by a part time Clerk & Assistant Clerk.

Parish Councillors need to be IT literate and have facilities to access emails and documents sent via the internet. They also need to be able to spend approx. 10 hours per month on Parish Council business (reading in preparation and attending Parish Council meetings) and, hopefully, would wish to get involved with new projects instigated by the Parish Council including outdoor work around the village as part of a team, e.g. helping to clear footpaths. In particular, we would welcome applicants with experience and skills in the following areas: Managing human resources, Finance and accounting & Communication and the media. We currently have an energetic and forward thinking team on our Parish Council; please consider joining us and making a difference to your community. Application forms are available online at [www.eastdonylandpc.co.uk](http://www.eastdonylandpc.co.uk) or from the Clerk. **The closing date is Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July.**

### Diary Dates:

<b>Village Market</b> St Lawrence Church	Sat 4 June 9.30-12
<b>Open Gardens</b> All day around Rowhedge	Sun 5 June
<b>Full Council Meeting</b> St Lawrence School	Thur 9 June 7pm
<b>Music in Rowhedge</b> Ye Olde Albion	Fri 10 June 8-10pm
<b>BIG Skip</b> Village Hall Car Park	Sat 11 June 8-9.15am
<b>Maintenance Meeting</b> Football Club	Wed 15 June 7-8pm
<b>Strawberry Fayre</b> Recreation Ground	Sat 18 June 12-4pm
<b>Village Lunch</b> Village Hall	Tue 21 June 1pm
<b>Music in Rowhedge</b> Rowhedge Social Club	Wed 22 June 8-10pm
<b>Regatta Day</b> River front & St Lawrence Church	Sat 25 June 12pm- Late
<b>Thursday Club</b> Rowhedge Social Club	Thur 30 June 12-3pm

### COMMUNITY AWARDS

Congratulations to Sarah Dorken for winning the Good Neighbour Award, Anny Bush for Young Person of the Year Award & Myles Paton (not pictured) for his Exemplary Achievement Award, working with Rowhedge Football Club. Worthy winners!



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