

Ropsley & District Parish Council

Spring 2021 Newsletter



What a year it has been! We hope you have all coped with the support and kindness of loved ones, friends & neighbours. The good news is that 'Spring' is nearly here and lockdown is nearly over. Despite the difficulties there have been a huge number of community initiatives over the last year, and we thought we would highlight the wonderful things you, the parishioners have done, our unsung helpers and heroes and also the positive things that have happened and what's to come this year.

WHAT'S HAPPENED IN THE LAST YEAR...

- The new Ropsley Hall was built & finished. Well done to the team...we're all looking forward to using it
- The Best Kept Garden Competition Run on Facebook, 200 amazing photos, 100 entrants, 4 worthy winners.
- Parish 2021 Calendar 13 amazing photos were used from over 250 photos sent in and your donations made £555 for the village hall. The calendars went as far as Australia!
- The keeping of all our lovely Greens and the Cemetery carried out by a dedicated voluntary team
- Our Defibrillator helpers who weekly kindly keep all the defibs in working condition
- Newly refurbished Notice Boards on Ropsley High Street, Grantham Road and School Lane
- Huge thanks for the amazing efforts of the Green Man team free meals for the elderly/vulnerable and serving the community, and donation for the new village sign. Plus, the amazing food deliveries and takeaways to keep us all going!
- ♥ Painting Humby phone box quite a task! Plus, painting rails and benches throughout the villages
- The stocking and keeping of the beautiful planters on Peck Hill and Grantham Road
- Spring bulbs planted in Ropsley and Little Humby to cheer up the villages
- Thanks for the ongoing sterling work of our hard-working Parish Litter Picker
- The WI for all their work and care with the support packages, hampers delivered throughout the villages
- And finally thank YOU for all the small 'acts of kindness' selflessly given this last year

We haven't named people individually, but you know who you are, and we thank you for your help \odot

IN THE YEAR TO COME WATCH OUT FOR...

- ✓ The Best Kept Garden Competition 2021
- ✓ Gates for the entrances to Ropsley, enhancing the drive in and helping with speed awareness
- ✓ The new Village Sign and bench for the Memorial Green will at last be here this summer
- ✓ Refurbished red phone boxes for Braceby and Sapperton
- ✓ New bench for Sapperton
- ✓ New pictorial maps are planned to make the most of our wonderful footpaths and quiet roads



Finally - PLEASE GET OUT AND VOTE AT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REFERENDUM ON THURSDAY 6TH MAY

After five years, the making of the Neighbourhood Plan process is at last nearing its conclusion. All it needs now is your vote YES or No!



Please see a full copy of the plan here or with the QR code above: <u>http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/RDNP</u>