

## **Chiddingly Parish Council**

**Spring Clean:** Could you spare a couple of hours to help clean up this beautiful village? This year's spring clean will take place on Saturday 30th March. Litter picking equipment can be collected from the Village Hall at 10 a.m. Volunteers are invited to litter-pick verges and ditches in the Parish. The collected rubbish can be left at the Recycling Centre in the car park.

Tea, coffee and cake will be available in the Village Hall at 12 noon.

Please contact Claudine (Clerk) to let us know if you can help. Email: [clerk@chiddingly.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@chiddingly.gov.uk) or call 01435 810439

If you would like to help but cannot make that date and time – please let Claudine know.

**Parish Council Elections May 2019:** The process of electing a new Parish Council has started. Nomination forms are now available from Claudine (the Clerk) or online at the Electoral Commission website. All nine seats are up for election, some current councillors will be standing down, and the rest will be up for re-election. We have some new people who have expressed an interest in standing so the chances are there will be an election. If you think you might be interested please talk to me, Mike Goss, or any member of the council to find out more about being a parish councillor.

Wealden has information available online at <https://tinyurl.com/Parish-Council-Elections>

If more than nine people come forward for the nine seats on the council there will be a contested election and every voter will have a say in who represents your interests.

Candidates do not have to live within the Parish of Chiddingly, they need only be able to demonstrate a strong connection with the parish. Each candidate will need a proposer and a seconder who must be on the Electoral Roll as a resident of Chiddingly.

Nominations close 4.00 p.m. Wednesday 3 April 2019 (2 days earlier is recommended to be sure you'll have no problem) so you don't have long!

**Email Lists:** thank you for your response to my appeal for you to register for the various email lists run by the Parish Council. Numbers are creeping up but the lists still reach only a small proportion of the community. Just email me [mike.goss@chiddingly.gov.uk](mailto:mike.goss@chiddingly.gov.uk) and I will add you to whichever of the mailing lists you ask me to.

If you want to know what social events are planned for the village you need to be on the Village Events list.

If you want to know the details of our meetings you need to be on Parish Notice Board List.

There is a Neighbourhood Watch List for emails relating to Neighbourhood Watch.

If you want receive council notices from us, Wealden District and East Sussex County Council you need to be on the Parish List.

Mike Goss, Chairman, 01825 872016, [chairman@chiddingly.gov.uk](mailto:chairman@chiddingly.gov.uk)

And should you want to email the whole council you can use [council@chiddingly.gov.uk](mailto:council@chiddingly.gov.uk)

Claudine Feltham, Clerk to the Parish Council, 01435 810439, [clerk@chiddingly.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@chiddingly.gov.uk)

**Talk To Us:** If you have any questions or comments please ask any councillor or the clerk. You will usually find a councillor in the village shop on the third Saturday of the month 10-11am, or at the Saturday Morning Market in the Village Hall on the first Saturday of the month 10-12 noon. You may also find a councillor or three on most Friday evenings in the Six Bells around 7pm.