



VOLUNTEER TREE WARDEN APPOINTED IN CROPWELL BISHOP

Cropwell Bishop Parish Council are aware and wish to meet our environmental and biodiversity responsibilities within the parish. As such the parish council are pleased to announce we have a new Volunteer Tree Warden for the Parish. Gill McKinnon has volunteered to be our Tree Warden and a little about the role is below. If anyone has any tree queries or wish to report any tree issues please contact Gill on the following email address: gill.treewarden.cbpc@gmail.com.

The Parish Council and Gill have resolved that the first job to be undertaken is to a put together a document listing where all our trees are and what condition they are in. This of course is going to take some time so if you see Gill out and about please say a cheery hello to encourage her on with this role.

How Tree Warden can make a difference in our parish

Tree Wardens are volunteers appointed by their Parish Council to:

- Be a contact and support for all things tree related in their local area.
- Protect trees by reporting on early signs of pests, disease and vandalism.
- Gather information, survey and record information about trees important for wildlife and the heritage of the parish.
- Help look out for opportunities to plant more trees in the local community, enhancing the environment for parishioners.
- Help find money to fund local tree planting projects (e.g. The tree Council has grants only available for Tree Wardens)
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Rushcliffe Borough Council will support the parish council by:

- providing support and guidance for Tree Wardens at a local level.
- providing at least two training courses and one networking event per year.
- providing links to funding schemes for community and private landowner projects.
- Acting as a link to the national Tree Warden Scheme.

Cropwell Bishop Parish Council will support our Tree Wardens by:

- including her in discussions about tree matters.
- inviting her to attend parish council meetings and report any tree related matters or report any issues on her behalf to parish council meetings.
- support her with any necessary resources needed to carry out their volunteering (within reason).
- and ensure that they are covered for health and safety and insurance as a parish council volunteer.

The Parish Council would like to thank Gill for volunteering for this role, and we are looking forward to taking the role forward as it develops.