



**BURTON JOYCE VILLAGE SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday June 15th 2022 7.30 p.m.

BURTON JOYCE LIBRARY (corner of Church Rd and Meadow La.)

AGENDA

This Agenda is provisional. Final Agenda will be posted on the BJVS official Notice Board on Main St. with minimum 7 days notice before 15th June and will take account of suggestions from members.

1. **Minutes of AGM held 22nd October 2021.**
2. **Matters arising**
3. **Update on campaign for better rail services.**
4. **Elections:-**
 - (a) Chair
 - (b) Vice-Chair
 - (c) Treasurer
 - (d) Secretary
 - (e) Additional Trustees (if required)
 - (f) Non-executive Officers: Membership Secretary;
Research & Records Officer; Communications Secretary.
5. **Discussion: contents/organisation: Membership Survey**
6. **Current Village issues**

2022 Subscriptions. We are keeping the rates the same as before: £3 for an individual, £5 for a household and £5 for affiliated organisations (clubs, businesses organisations etc.)

Last year's subscriptions are still valid to attend and vote at the AGM but we are now collecting for this year.

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Contact us on Facebook, or email burtonjoycevillagesociety@yahoo.co.uk
0115 931 2213. In writing BJVS c/o Old School Building, Main St. NG14 5DB

NEWSLETTER

**For Members, friends,
supporters (including
Facebook supporters) and
interested local people.**

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YOU AND THE VILLAGE SOCIETY KEEPING IN CONTACT VIEWS AND INFORMATION

Many of our Members still rely on ink on paper – like this – for important information and communication. We publish a printed Newsletter as often as we can, though delivery is a challenge.

Now there is a better way, through THE MAGAZINE. The Magazine is now FREE, online or having a printed copy delivered to your door, and the Village Society has the promise of regular space. We will keep you up to date this way.

Simply apply to distribution@themagazine.org.uk, or telephone Alan at 07581 456253, or send or deliver a request in writing to BJVS c/o Parish Office, Old School Building, Main St. NG14 5DZ. Or go online to <https://themagazine.org.uk>.

Lend a hand. Volunteers to deliver the Magazine can offer help to the above points of contact. If you can, please help to keep this vital local service going. Small routes, six times a year.

THANK YOU STEVE WRIGHT

Steve Wright will be retiring as Chair at the next AGM. He has been Chair of the Village Society since it was set up in its present form in 2014. Before that he was Chair of one of our "Parent societies" the Burton Joyce Preservation Society.

Steve was brought up in the village. He attended the Infant School in the Village Hall and the Junior School in the Old School Building, now the Parish Council office. He first joined a local committee aged 15, as Treasurer of the Men's Institute. He has also been chair of the Bridge Club, and has been Chair of the Local History Society for 17 years.

Professionally he was a mining engineer. He worked at various pits in Nottinghamshire including Gedling before retiring as a Colliery Manager. He then worked as a tree surgeon.

Steve would like to thank past and present members of the Committee for their help and support over the years, especially Dinah Dudley, Richard Fife and Helen Metcalfe. The good news is that he agrees to remain a Committee member (if elected) so his valuable knowledge and experience will still be available to us.

The Society YOU WANT BY Helen Metcalfe, Vice Chair.

I want to thank all Members for their continuing support and interest in the aims of the Society. These aims are many and varied and include protecting and enhancing the built and natural environment and campaigning on behalf of the membership for better local services, facilities and infrastructure. The Society's constitution is set out at <http://burtonjoycevillagesociety.org/about/>. The Village Society was set up as a Preservation Trust and became a very successful campaigning body responding to County Council proposals in recent years. There are many local issues that we could focus on and later this year we will launch a survey of our membership's views on our priorities for the next three years. This will be on Burton Joyce Village Society website (paper copies will be available as well.) Please look out for this survey and give your feedback, so ensuring we can continue to work for our membership.



OUR JUBILEE COMMEMORATION

by Martin Roe, Treasurer.

One of the standard NHS tests for coherency is "who is the reigning Monarch? For everyone under 70 the answer is always the same; HM Queen Elizabeth II. In all history, only one Monarch has reigned longer than Her; Louis XIV of France, the Sun King.

To recognise this remarkable dedication to the nation and her duties, the Village Society proposes a permanent reminder within the Village: refurbishing the Old School Clock.

The existing timepiece was erected in 1877 for the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria by public subscription at a cost of 40 Guineas. Smiths of Derby, who originally installed it, have estimated the restoration to cost £9000. Whilst this seems a large increase, 40 guineas in 1877 equates to over £20,000 today!

Once again, we would like to raise the money by public subscription and have established a Queen Elizabeth Appeal Fund. Donations can be either online via our website, burtonjoycevillagesociety.org or by cheque or cash left at the Parish Council Offices, for the attention of the Burton Joyce Village Society; cheques should be made to us as payee.

We are now registered for Gift Aid and will receive an extra 25% from HMRC, if you are an eligible UK taxpayer. For us to get this additional amount, please just add your name, house number and postcode to your donation and we'll take it from there.

I do hope that we can succeed today, as the local residents did in 1877 and provide a lasting tribute to Queen Elizabeth, our Sun Queen!

ON THE RAILS. Our Public Transport Policy Leader John Flynn was for years almost a lone voice calling for more frequent stops at BJ Station. It's now a big campaign. Laurence King, a member of our Executive Committee as well as Parish Council Chair, and Chris Helmore, former Chair of almost everything, are very active in Friends of the Station and the Train Action Group. Why should Lowdham and Carlton stations have twice as many stops as we do? The same trains come through our station, they just don't stop!

GET ON BOARD. Nottinghamshire Libraries are run by a Charity, Inspire. The Library in our village is a valued institution and it would be nice to have a local person on the Board of the organisation. There is a vacancy. You can find out all about it and make an application at inspireculture.org.uk/boardrecruitment2022 or phone 0115 804 4449 or email katharine.say@inspireculture.org.uk.
Closing date is 27th May 2022.

