

## Clerk Report

### a) Mobile Phone

To consider purchase of a 1p Mobile PAYG Sim Card for £10 (which can then be used for calls / text or ‘boosts’– Unlimited Calls & Text Boost can be purchased for £3 per 30 days as and when required. No mobile data is required. [Business accounts \(1pmobile.com\)](https://www.1pmobile.com) Current Parish Council telephone number can be transferred to the new provider.

### b) Elections May 2023

Advice for candidates and election timetable can be found here: [Parish council elections in England | Electoral Commission](https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk)

Guidance for Candidates: [P and C - Overview - NDS \(electoralcommission.org.uk\)](https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk)

Election Timetable (Double-click object below)



## Local government elections in England: 4 May 2023

This timetable covers the following polls taking place on 4 May 2023:

- Local government principal area elections in England (i.e. district, borough, county, county borough and unitary authority elections)
- Parish council elections
- Local authority mayoral elections in England

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Please be aware that the timetable may change in the event of days being appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

This timetable has been developed based on the legislation as it currently stands and so it may be subject to change. We will update and re-publish the timetable as appropriate if further legislation is made.

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Publication of notice of election	All	Not later than 25 days	Not later than Monday 27 March
Delivery of nomination papers	All	From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election	From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on Tuesday 4 April
Deadline for withdrawal of nomination	All	19 days (4pm)	4pm on Tuesday 4 April

[Upcoming elections \(lichfielddc.gov.uk\)](http://lichfielddc.gov.uk)

### c) General Maintenance

- i) Spring Rocker at HPF has now been repaired.
- ii) Bench at HPF in need of maintenance, A Robey has been asked to look at this. Council may also wish to consider replacing this bench. Residents have requested picnic benches in the play area previously and some CIL Funding could be used to do this if desired:  
[Garthdee Picnic Bench: BX17 4016-1 | Broxap](#)  
<https://www.broxap.com/amfile/file/download/file/1552/product/2413/>  
[King Charles III Coronation Range \(recycledfurniture.co.uk\)](#)
- iii) Sign Technology due to provide a quote for the telegraph pole signage, 'Stop, Look, Listen' to meet with the Openreach requirements. Price TBC.
- iv) Gate Latch at on the playing field side of HPF is not catching, A Robey will look at this initially.
- v) Road signage has appeared upon the SIDs device, as this may belong to SCC and the 30mph sign has also been vandalised this matter has been reported to Staffordshire Police and to SCC.
- vi) A small litter bin has appeared upon a 30mph road sign in Dunstall Lane. LDC will not be emptying this bin and therefore PC won't be charged for any additional emptying. SCC are aware of this matter and will check whether appropriate permissions were sought by the individual to install the bin.

### d) Correspondence

- i) Request for information re: community litter pick in Hopwas Woods and provision of litter picking equipment. Clerk provided info of two local community groups – Lichfield Litter Legends and Tamworth Litter Pickers who organise picks and also provide equipment which is usually provided to the community groups via the District Council.
- ii) General correspondence forwarded to Councillors.

### e) Parish Online (Digital Mapping Software) / Maintenance of Grass Verges

Digital Mapping of assets to begin shortly.