

New Councillors on Lympstone Parish Council

Lympstone Parish Council are pleased to announce that at the PC meeting on the 7th May, five new Cllrs were co-opted on to LPC.

Please read the following information about the new Cllrs. They very much look forward to working with members of the community and support where they can. They will be specially assigned to different areas in the Parish, and we shall update you once agreed.

Cllr Lisa Staddon

I have lived in Lympstone for about 3 years and have fallen very much in love with this amazing village having been originally from Wiltshire.

I have two children, one in the fantastic village primary school and one in the pre-school. I am at present a stay at home mother but am actively involved in the school being a member of the school council and the school's PTFA.

I am very much into the outdoors and the environment. I would like to use my interest in both to help find new ideas for our local environment by encouraging more active involvement from groups to help monitoring items such as litter in the village and a riverfly monitoring group for the Wotton Brook, hopefully both would form a fresh link from youth groups, the village school and local villagers.

The children from the school recently got involved with a Lympstone History week which went down an absolute storm with the children and I think the feedback to all involved in this process from the village was fabulous, was great to see the school working with the village on this project.

I care for this village very much and feel very fortunate to have been welcomed so greatly by so many. I would love to help to give something back to the village and show how much I appreciate living where I do. I have relished meeting villagers and hearing the history and tales of this village.

I hope to help ensure that future generations get to enjoy this amazing jewel of a village as well as it is looked after now.

I'm often seen down at the water having a dip all weather (tide permitting) or chasing my children around the fields, but always got time for a chat or hello.

Cllr Nick Linfoot

I lived in the Chertsey / Addlestone area for almost 36 years. During this period I worked full time and upon returning home would have little time or energy to engage in community matters. I was content to let others take matters forward and was happy and pleased with the outcome.

Moving to Lympstone in February 2019, I feel I have stepped back in time to a village which is well maintained, friendly and welcoming. I have met and engaged with more people in the village in 2 years than I did in 36 years in Surrey. There is a pride in both the maintenance of houses and public areas which makes this an extremely good village to live in.

I am semi retired and wish to use my spare time to contribute to village life.

I have a background in policing, having served 30 years in the Metropolitan Police, and although I retired in 2008 have a good working knowledge of public safety law, and anti social behaviour control. Having worked as a London black cab driver for 11 years, and more recently an East Devon private hire driver, I am good with people and can engage with people easily.

I have a growing interest in gardening / sustainability and knowledge around planning within the Emergency Services (albeit for operational scenarios).

Cllr David Tyrrell

I was born and grew up in Lympstone. I went to the local primary school, as did my children and now my grandchild also attends.

I have been actively attending Parish Council meetings since I was 14 years old when I was the Scout representative.

Throughout my life I have always been involved with and supported village events and local people. I am passionate about the wildlife and environment. I have been Lympstone's tree warden for the last thirty years.

My work has evolved from farming the local land to preserving the green and open spaces. Today I still educate the local school children on the flora and fauna of the waterways and green areas.

I am keen to remain involved with the Parish and the decisions made that will ultimately affect today and future generations. I feel my life experiences and knowledge would add a dimension of benefit to the Parish and look forward to getting more involved with the community.

Cllr Joanne Payne

I have two children who attend the village school and pre school and we regularly attend the church Tick Tock playgroup.

My partner is a Royal Marine at Lympstone CTCRM and I have my own business as an Interior Designer working on lots of local projects. I have the capacity to offer my time to other interests one of which is community projects and I would especially like to work with the youth given my two children will benefit from any future projects.

Although we are a military family, we are firmly rooted in the area and have lived here for 7 years.

I feel I have involvement in all aspects of our local community in Lympstone, from the school, pre-school, sports clubs, military life, shops, pubs, café, I also run, walk, drive, socialise using all facilities available to me. This makes me someone who is invested in the community and its upkeep and progression. My job allows me to be available to take on extra roles and responsibilities of which I would like to help maintain and improve what I see around me. My career has seen me work within a number of key industries, purchasing and procurement which has given me great skills in negotiating and planning, construction and renewables and interior design. These roles make me equipt to source, plan and deliver effective projects.

Cllr Carol Eastley

I have been a District Councillor on the East Devon District Council and gained a lot of experience sitting on the various Committee's, particularly Planning and Housing, in the past.

I have experience in Community Service and currently I am Chairman of a Charity called TRIP which deals with Community Transport.

I have a legal background and I do feel that I could contribute to the community of Lympstone.