

WYTHALL PARISH COUNCIL RECEIVES AWARD IN NATIONAL SCHEME

Wythall Parish Council has received a prestigious award as part of the Local Council Award Scheme. This achievement recognises that the Council achieves good practice in governance, community engagement and Council improvement. Moreover, Wythall Parish Council goes above and beyond their legal obligations, leading their communities and continuously seeking opportunities to improve and develop even further.

The Award Scheme highlights the Council's particular areas of strength, including its twice yearly newsletter, delivered to all residents.

The Local Council Award Scheme is a peer assessed programme that has been designed to both provide the tools and encouragement to those Councils at the beginning of their improvement journeys, as well as promoting and recognising Councils that are at the cutting edge of the sector. It is through the sector working together to share best practice, drive up standards and supporting those who are committed to improving their offer to their communities that individual councils and the sector as a whole will reach its full potential.

Councillor Mrs Sue Baxter, Parish Council Chairman and also Chairman of NALC (National Association of Local Councils), was quoted as being particularly delighted as "I spend a lot of time travelling around the country presenting these awards and it was nice to be on the receiving end for a change".

In terms of the future, the council is now reviewing ways in which it can keep on improving its services to the local community and welcomes input from local people and partners. Wythall Parish Council, and similar Councils, are at the front line of the government's localism agenda and are doing as much as they can to deliver services whilst being efficient and cost-effective. Currently the Council provides a range of services and wants to improve its community engagement through this.