

Teffont Website and Email Town Crier Annual Report for 2023/2024

The Teffont Website has now been visible since 2013 and is funded by the Teffont Parish Council.

The website was built using free content management software (called Joomla), which is supported by volunteers throughout the world. These volunteers constantly monitor security issues on websites with Joomla and offer security fixes on a regular basis.

The website is hosted on Ionos and with the package of hosting, email addresses can be created with Teffont.com. The Parish Councillors all have a dedicated email address and also the Teffont Town Crier is one of these dedicated email addresses - Info@teffont.com.

The Teffont Town Crier is a popular service to the community with some 200 email addresses subscribed. Many people who leave the village stay subscribed.

With 200 email addresses often receiving email servers are likely to reject emails as Spam especially with large embedded images. To alleviate this the 200 email addresses are split into 4 distribution groups. That seems to work but of course means that each email received on INFO has to be sent out four times, which is an extra administrative burden but seems to ensure delivery.

The INFO emails are a broadcast method so if a member of the community needs to send a message on INFO the email is simply forwarded to the four distribution lists.

INFO is not an answering service SO PLEASE DO NOT ANSWER TO INFO unless asked to do so. Check the email for contact details of who sent the message when replying.

A volunteer is sort to be secondary Website Manager, please contact Mick Audus on info@teffont.com if anyone is interested. Not good to have all the eggs in one basket.

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Website Manger