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# September 2020

# YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCIL IS HERE TO HELP

Help is on hand from your local parish councillors. If you or anyone you know of is in need of help or wants to help during the current Coronavirus crisis, please contact your local parish councillor who will initially try to coordinate help. It is not going to be a short crisis and obviously as time goes on and the Government/Shropshire Council adapt and legislate, things will change.

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# CORONAVIRUS - RULES ON FACE COVERINGS FACE COVERINGS MUST BE WORN IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACES IN ENGLAND

This includes shops, supermarkets, shopping centres, banks, building societies and post offices. It also extends to public transport including railway and bus stations and airports. Customers must wear a face covering before entering any enclosed space and keep it on until they leave.

In England, face coverings do not have to be worn where it would be "impractical" to do so. That includes restaurants, pubs and gyms. They must be worn in a shop or cafe when buying food and drink to take away, but can be removed if you sit down to eat and drink.

#### SOME PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING. INCLUDING:

- Children under 11
- Those unable to put on or wear a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or disability
- People for whom wearing or removing a face covering will cause severe distress
- Anyone assisting someone who relies on lip reading to communicate

#### HOW TO WEAR YOUR FACE COVERING

- Make sure both mouth AND nose are covered
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth at all times
- Store used face coverings in a plastic bag until you have an opportunity to wash them
- Wash a face covering regularly it can go in with other laundry, using your normal detergent

Different rules may apply in other parts of the UK. Information correct at time of going to press.

# COVID-19 Coronavirus Corvedale Helping Hands

If you, or anyone you know of, is need of a 'helping hand' and would like to take advantage of these kind offers of assistance, please feel free to contact any one of the people listed below.



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Aston Munslow	John	07718 637001	✓	✓	✓	
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Peaton/Bouldon	Nic	01584 841753	✓	~	✓	~
Peaton/Bouldon	Lesley	01584 841753	✓	✓	✓	~
Seifton	Loren	01584 861873	✓	✓	✓	~
Seifton	Mark	01584 861754		✓		
Seifton	Bryan	01584 861433	✓	✓	✓	
Stanton Lacy	Ann	07901 935435	✓	✓	✓	~

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10am - 3pm Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday or by ringing the Countrywide Telephone Advice Line: 03444 991100

10am - 3pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday and Tuesday 10am - 6pm or *www.adviceguide.org.uk* 

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#### DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE OFFICER

Diddlebury Parish Council has a contract with a local resident, Mr Gary Trim. He is our EMO (Environmental Maintenance Officer) and carries out minor maintenance work around the parish, excluding along the B4368.

If you are aware of any ditches which need clearing, vegetation which needs to be cut back, road signs, bus shelters, noticeboards or bridge railings which need cleaning, repainting or repairing, please let either the Chairman or the Clerk know, so that instructions can be passed on to the EMO.

Chairman - 01584 841068 Clerk - 01568 770741

# CORVEDALE COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

The Corvedale Community Environmental Group usually meets monthly at **The Swan Pub** at **7.00pm** on the **2nd Tuesday of the month.** Anyone interested in discussing environmental issues in a friendly atmosphere is welcome to come along.

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#### **Church** News

#### Letter from the Dean of Hereford Cathedral

Hereford Cathedral has seen great

upheavals during its 1300-year history. In 1055, when the Welsh invaded Hereford, the cathedral was sacked and burned and the cathedral clergy killed. Later, in 1349, Hereford City was gravely hit by the Black Death, and here and across the diocese over one quarter of all clergy died of the plague. The Reformation dealt a great blow to cathedral worship and although many of our treasures were spared, there was seismic change in the community and in our forms of worship. In the next century, during the Commonwealth, the cathedral choir was disbanded for 14 years, only to be re-instated in 1661. The list continues: there was a huge disruption in the 1860s, when the cathedral, in a parlous state of repair, was closed for five years. While restoration work took place the cathedral congregation worshipped at All Saints'. The cathedral has seen more recent upheavals, like the Mappa Mundi crisis of 1988-9 and, in between all these major matters, the constant round of 'ups and downs' of life, as in any community.

And our story can be re-told in the parishes of the diocese. Like the Mother Church, parishes have seen major upheavals in their lives through the centuries and have been borne through them by faithful clergy and congregations.

Like you, we have been weathering the storm of Covid-19. It has brought huge challenges to us all - challenges to our worship and ways of living and worshipping. Nearly all of our events planned for the celebrations surrounding the 700th anniversary of the canonisation of St Thomas of Hereford have had to be cancelled. There have been challenges to our pastoral care; challenges to our finances. In the cathedral, we have had little or no visitor income for months and our commercial operations have been dormant, with several staff made redundant, and we expect to end the year with a £210,000 deficit. But thank goodness for faithful giving through the Parish Giving Scheme: this has continued throughout this difficult period and has enabled us to have a source of income on which we can rely. I hope and pray that you, too, have been able to rely on regular givers to continue to support your work and ministry, even in these difficult times.

What we all find difficult is the uncertainty. What will Christmas look like? How will we ever return to 'normal'? You know what the 19th century Danish philosopher, Schopenhauer said? *We live life forwards but understand it backwards*. That's why a sense of history is so important, whether it be in cathedral or parish - we look back to previous times of upheaval, and when we look, quietly and prayerfully, we so often find that God was there, supporting us, with His 'everlasting arms'. As I write this, I have been thinking about the gospel for this Sunday, the ninth Sunday



after Trinity, where Jesus bids Peter come to him. Peter sets out, but is overwhelmed by the tumultuous waves. It is Jesus' words and actions which save him, re-assure him, and encourage him. As we look back to our past, may we be even more aware of Jesus' abiding care for us, may our God sustain us in this uncertain future and may He give us real hope for all that shall be.

God bless you all

Michael Tavinor

#### Letter from the Rectory

It has been good over recent weeks to enjoy some aspects of the easing of lockdown

restrictions. The greatest benefit, it seems to me, has been being able to meet up more easily with family and friends, even if some restrictions as to numbers are still in place. For the past few weeks we have been able to gather in the churches for services again and it has been great to see the buildings with people in them, coming together to worship God - even if we are not, at present, allowed to sing and we have to be socially distant from behind our masks.

Many of the things that were absolutely routine up until March have now become things we need to think about will I need a mask? where did I put the hand sanitiser? - but being able to return to doing them has been good even so. I wonder how quickly we will go back to taking it all for granted. I wonder, too, if the experience of not being able to do all sorts of routine things might give us a bit more appreciation of the things we usually simply expect to be able to do. For people in some parts of the world empty shelves in shops are normal. For people in some parts of the world travel is routinely limited. For many of the world's Christians being able to go to church and to worship freely with other believers is just not an option. Whilst we are not yet completely back to the usual pattern of services the plan is that there will be two services in the group of churches on every Sunday in September - worshipping with us is an option and we'll be delighted to see you if you do!

Rev'd John Beesley

#### Flowers and Brasses - Diddlebury

#### September

6th

13th Mrs. C Morgan27th Mrs. Kirkby

Please only do this is you feel you are able to

#### From the Registers

20th Mrs. C Morgan

Mrs. J Woodhouse

#### Weddings

25th July Maggie Hickman & Phil Swatman Diddlebury 15th August Emily Northern & Jack Gilbert Diddlebury

#### Funerals

31st July Rita Margaret O'Driscoll



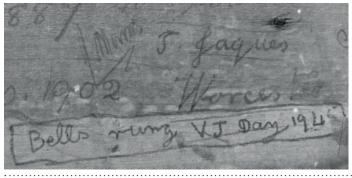
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#### Church News (continued)

#### **VJ 75 Commemoration**

If you were in Culmington on the morning of Saturday 15th August you may have wondered why the church bells were rung but nothing appeared to be happening at the church. Earlier in the year whilst we were in the tower of Culmington Church Andrew Pike and I noticed that someone had written on a piece of woodwork to mark the fact that the church bells were rung for VJ Day in 1945. It seemed appropriate, 75 years on, that we should do it again and so, at 11am, prayers were said in the church and then the bells were rung to mark the anniversary. We wondered afterwards - is there anyone in the area now who remembers hearing them being rung on VJ Day in 1945?

Rev'd John Beesley



#### Wordsearch - Shropshire Rivers

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#### Westhope Village Hall - Reopening

The committee has held a meeting to discuss the way forward with our village hall.



We are investing in all the necessary equipment, as used in hospitals, doctors surgeries etc. to comply with all the Covid-19 government guidelines for the reopening of public places.

Obviously, we have a lot of preparation to do but the village hall committee is very excited to announce that we will be open for public lettings as from week commencing **Monday 7th September 2020.** 

All enquiries to: Amie 07486414742 or Betty 07860447397

We look forward to welcoming you all back and hearing from anyone interested in hiring the hall.

#### Munslow – SmartWater project

Munslow Parish Council, having now made available SmartWater pens throughout the Parish, is pleased to announce that the 'We Don't Buy Crime' Police Support Group has now put up the signs which advise that Munslow Parish is using SmartWater. We believe this initiative will deter thieves from being active in our Parish.

I asked how the campaign was going and was told by the officer in charge that the number of burglaries had dropped considerably. This is good news.

Munslow Parish Council would like to remind households that you need to put a sticker in a suitable window and that you actually do mark your valuables with the pen. Apparently, it has been known to have a registered pen but not get round to marking things!

Barbara Archer - Chair Munslow Parish Council



Photo shows PC Dave Baron, Cllrs Barbara Archer & Linda Charie with one of the new signs

#### **Readers' Photos**

#### September's theme is wildlife. Here and throughout this month's edition you will find pictures sent in by our readers.



**Poplar Hawk-Moth** Mike Green



Day Old Goslings Barrie Archer



**Tortoiseshell Butterfly** Valerie Francis



Four Spotted Chaser Dragonfly Miles Leach



Marbled White Butterfly Miles Leach



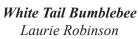
**Greater Spotted Woodpecker** Barrie Archer

#### **Readers' Photos**



*Lime Hawk-Moth Mike Green* 

**Wasp Nest** Valerie Francis





**Puss Moth** Miles Leach

Nosey Parker - The Pet Lamb Nicky Fuller

Common Blue Butterfly Jayne Husband

# **PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED**

For the October magazine we would love to receive your photographs for on the subject of

# AUTUMN

We will continue to have a different theme for the magazine each month for the duration of the lockdown. Also, please let us have any pictures which you would like us to consider for use as a cover photo of the Corvedale News.

Please send all photos to: photos@corvedalenews.co.uk

#### **Poetry Corner**

**Some verses for September.** If you have written any poems, or have any favourites you would like to have printed in future editions of the Corvedale News, please send them to editor@corvedalenews.com *Geoff Neden* 

#### **Charles Causley: Eden Rock**

A wonderfully heartfelt poem of nostalgia

They are waiting for me somewhere beyond Eden Rock: My father, twenty-five, in the same suit Of Genuine Irish Tweed, his terrier Jack Still two years old and trembling at his feet.

My mother, twenty-three, in a sprigged dress Drawn at the waist, ribbon in her straw hat, Has spread the stiff white cloth over the grass. Her hair, the colour of wheat, takes on the light.

She pours tea from a Thermos, the milk straight From an old H.P. Sauce bottle, a screw Of paper for a cork; slowly sets out The same three plates, the tin cups painted blue.

The sky whitens as if lit by three suns. My mother shades her eyes and looks my way Over the drifted stream. My father spins A stone along the water. Leisurely,

They beckon to me from the other bank. I hear them call, 'See where the stream-path is! Crossing is not as hard as you might think.' I had not thought that it would be like this.

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#### **Edward Thomas: Adlestrop**

So wonderfully evocative of hot summer Sundays on branch line stations before Dr Beeching axed them

> Adlestrop Yes. I remember Adlestrop— The name, because one afternoon Of heat the express-train drew up there Unwontedly. It was late June.

The steam hissed. Someone cleared his throat. No one left and no one came On the bare platform. What I saw Was Adlestrop — only the name

And willows, willow-herb, and grass, And meadowsweet, and haycocks dry, No whit less still and lonely fair Than the high cloudlets in the sky.

And for that minute a blackbird sang Close by, and round him, mistier, Farther and farther, all the birds Of Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire.

This poem is in the public domain

#### Dylan Thomas: Do not go gentle into that good night.

This poem was used as part of the epitaph at the funeral of a great friend of mine

Do not go gentle into that good night, Old age should burn and rave at close of day; Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

Though wise men at their end know dark is right, Because their words had forked no lightning they Do not go gentle into that good night.

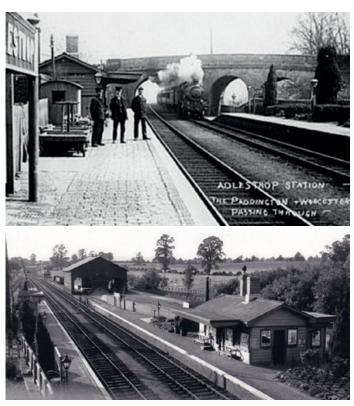
Good men, the last wave by, crying how bright Their frail deeds might have danced in a green bay, Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

Wild men who caught and sang the sun in flight, And learn, too late, they grieved it on its way, Do not go gentle into that good night.

Grave men, near death, who see with binding sight Blind eyes could blaze like meteors and be gay, Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

And you, my father, there on the sad height, Curse, bless, me now with your fierce tears, I pray. Do not go gentle into that good night. Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

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#### **Readers' Photos**



**Comma Butterfly** Margie Harwood



**Robin** Clare McNally



Millichope Wasp Nest Geoff Neden



Marbled White Butterfly Penny Unitt



**Great Spotted Woodpecker** Helena Preston



**Goshawk** Hannah Baker



**Diddle Brook Heron** Geoff Neden





Bache Mill Peacock Nicky Fuller

LEFT: **Diddle Brook Ducks** Geoff Neden

> RIGHT: **Uninvited Guests** Sue Seal



**Demoiselle Damselfly** Miles Leach



#### **Corvedale School**

#### Return to school September 2020

Everyone at Corvedale Primary School is looking forward to welcoming the children back to school in the first week of September. About half of our children have been away from school since the end of March so a return for them is going to feel very strange indeed. Even though the Covid-19 pandemic continues, the government has requested that all children return to school at the start of the autumn term. The government and local authority have issued extensive guidance and I have been giving careful consideration of how it will work at Corvedale. I believe we at Corvedale are luckier than most as we are a relatively small school, but I've still had lots of factors to take into consideration when planning for the new school year. I believe that we, where possible, will be able to return to some sort of recognisable normality.

The school will reopen for children every day from the first week in September. School buses will be operating. Parents arriving with children by car will once again park outside the village hall and accompany their children on to the playground.

All four classrooms will be operating: Class 1 (Reception & Y1); Class 2 (Y2 & Y3); Class 3 (Y4 & Y5); Class 4 (Y6). Entrance to classrooms will be via the external doors on the field side; these will be accessed off the playground by the side 'field' gate. Once in school, children will be restricted to these class 'bubbles' and for the time being will not be permitted to mix with other bubbles. We will be encouraging the children to clean their hands often during the school day: on entry in morning; at the end of all breaks; before lunch; before & after handling shared resources; after a toilet break; after coughing/sneezing etc. We have plenty of hand sanitiser and anti-bacterial soap available in each classroom.

Playtimes will be different as they will be shorter but more frequent. We are lucky to have such a large outside space at our disposal and, weather permitting, we can use the field too. Staggered breaktimes will be used and each class will be allocated a time and a section of field and playground to use.

School meals will be available from the start of term. They will be served in the hall as normal, but children will eat their meals either in their classroom or in the hall with tables set so children face one-way and groups are not mixed. Children will have their own water bottles where possible as water fountains have been turned off.

School uniform will be worn. In classrooms children will not be sat apart. Teachers have made changes to classroom layouts to support distancing where possible, but children will be seated side by side and / or facing forwards, where space permits. Children will be issued their own personal writing equipment to avoid sharing. Toys and alike won't be permitted to be brought to school.

We aim to return to the school's normal curriculum in all subjects as early as possible. We have always had an exciting, rich, balanced curriculum at Corvedale, but a review over recent months, has led to new schemes for PSHE, Geography and History, Art and DT from September 2020 plus a new approach to reading. We plan to bring our autumn term assessments forward to the last week of September. This will allow us to look again at English/maths planning and make adjustments to the learning if necessary, based on the educational needs of the children and possibly re-teaching some of the previous year's content.

For the time being there will be no whole school assembly but an act of daily collective worship will be in classes. There will be no much-loved house activities or 'wake up, sing up' on Wednesdays, but Mr. Bennett will be teaching a music lesson within each classroom.

I'm hoping the children will return having remembered to complete their summer 'keep up' homework as much as possible. We gave every child at least three books of exercises to complete to help them keep in touch with their learning.

Over the break our two oldest classrooms have had a facelift (which I'm hoping will be finished for September). Each classroom has had new ceilings, new LED lighting, the sink units have been replaced, new display boards and a fresh coat of paint on the walls. I sure that, when finished, it will be just the tonic to inspire learning in the new term.

I hope you enjoy the remainder of the summer. Stay safe and well.

Jonathan Brough, Headteacher

The following images showcase the Year 6 shed project and students Batik Bags.



#### September 2020



#### The Corvedale Kitchen

#### **Spiced Pickled Runner Beans**

#### Ingredients

2lb runner beans (weighed after trimming and slicing) 1½ lb onions, finely chopped 1½ pints malt vinegar 1½ oz cornflour heaped tablespoon mustard powder
rounded tablespoon turmeric
oz soft brown sugar
demerara sugar



Martin Jones

#### Method

- 1. Put onions in a large saucepan with  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint of the vinegar.
- 2. Bring to simmering point and allow to simmer for a further 20 min.
- 3. Meanwhile, cook beans in boiling salted water for 5 min, then strain into a colander. Add to the onions.
- 4. Mix cornflour, mustard and turmeric with a little of the remaining vinegar to make a smooth paste.
- 5. Add to the onion mixture.
- 6. Pour in the rest of the vinegar and simmer for about 10 min.
- 7. Stir in both sugars till they dissolve and simmer for a further 15 min.
- 8. Put into warm, sterilised jars. Seal and label when cold.

Can be eaten after a month but will keep for at least a year.

Don't forget! If you have any favourite recipes you would like to share, do email them to editor@corvedalenews.co.uk. Please don't include anything that's tricky to make, has too many ingredients, or contains anything we can't spell, pronounce, or buy locally!

#### September 2020



# **CORVEDALE GOOGLE GROUP**

For the past seven years there has been a 'Diddlebury Parish Google Group' which runs alongside the Diddlebury Parish Website - www.diddleburyparish.co.uk. Over time, the coverage of the group has expanded so that it now includes members from several neighbouring parishes and further afield. With the Corvedale News being issued electronically via the group for the duration of the pandemic, it seemed a good time to reflect this expanded coverage with a name change and accordingly, the Group has been renamed '**The Corvedale Google Group**'. The Google group is a fast and efficient way of getting information to a large number of people. It is particularly useful in circulating information during times of crisis such as flooding or the current COVID-19 pandemic. It is run by volunteers and is not for profit. It is free to use.

In the past the group has been used to publicise community events such as the Corvedale Show, activities at the village halls, local road closures, pub quiz dates, relevant information issued by Shropshire Council and last-minute changes to/cancellations of events. Anyone who wishes to inform the local community of similar items is welcome to do so, by contacting me. Membership of the group has increased by 60% over recent months.

If you think you would find this Google group useful or know of anyone whom you think might benefit from membership, please ask them to send an email to me and I will add them to the distribution list. My email address is: *gneden@googlemail.com*. No unsuitable material will ever be sent. You will not be bombarded with emails and can opt out at any time. Your email address will not be disclosed to any third parties. *Geoff Neden* 

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# **Corvedale & District Autumn Show**



After much deliberation and with deep regret, the team responsible for the 'Autumn Show' has unanimously agreed that this year's show should be cancelled.

We look forward to seeing you in 2021.

# Cancelled

#### September 2020

#### Corvedale Garden Group

Please note that the remainder of the Garden Group visits and the November talk have been cancelled for 2020 due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic. Cath Burley

#### Munslow Women's Institute

INSPIRING WOMEN Our first meeting post Covid-19 will be held at Beambridge Club Room on Wednesday 16th September. President Linda is working hard to make sure that the room is clean and safe for us to use, following strict Government guidelines. This first meeting will be in the afternoon and will be a light sociable gathering. For more information call Secretary Sue on 01584 841 876 or myself on 841251.

Jenny Rose

#### Munslow Parish Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Sadly, the team was shocked to hear of the recent fatal vehicle accident on the B4368 just outside our designated Speed Watch site in Munslow. Our sincere condolences go to the families of those involved.

Such a tragic event reminds us of the continuing need to raise road safety awareness issues with all users of the B4368. However, despite this fatal accident, the team, recently, during a one-hour session, recorded 30 vehicles entering Munslow at 35mph and higher. Of those 30, 18 were recorded at 40mph+. During another session 2 drivers were speeding into Munslow at 50mph+. The police continue to rigorously follow up on our data with letters and visits to these speeding drivers.

Now that Coronavirus restrictions have eased, the team has been able to operate more regular week-day Speed Watch sessions. As holiday traffic increases and in response to local resident requests, more weekend sessions are planned during the coming weeks.

Our small team is doing its best to collect evidence of road

safety infringements in Munslow to present to West Mercia Police and our local Parish Council. It is hoped that this data may support local road safety initiatives throughout the Parish e.g. applications for grants for further traffic calming measures.

#### Dash cams:

Just a reminder that your dash cam photos or footage of:

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• Driving without due care and attention e.g. crossing double white lines.

· Disobeying traffic laws e.g. no seat belts, speeding

can be sent to www.westmercia.police.uk/operationsnap.

If any of our Munslow Parish residents have an hour to spare once or twice a month, we can arrange training and will welcome you with open arms. Please help us to keep our roads safe.

Rebecca Bull (peter17bull@btinternet.com)

#### Help to Get Online for Over 65s

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Shropshire Council is supporting people aged 65+ to get online and learn how to use technology safely through a

project called Digital Skills for Shropshire Citizens. The project links local support to people who want help to learn how to use their laptops, mobile phones or tablets and get the most out of the internet. Learning slowly, taking small steps and having the time to practice are keys to success.

If you'd like more information about this service, please contact Andrea Miller, Shropshire Council's Digital Champion Lead on 01743 254 834 (available Tues, Weds & Fri) or email andrea.miller@shropshire.gov.uk

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#### September 2020

#### Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre - Events this September



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#### **David Spurr**

David Spurr has lived in South Shropshire for over thirty years. He works entirely in pastel and frames his own work. Inspired by the great 19th Century Russian artist Ivan Shishkin, he finds the wooded hills of the Welsh Marches ideal for expressing the silence and deep mystery of forests, suggesting an inner journey from darkness into light.

#### Julie Price and Georgina Shepherd - Borrowed Land

A collaboration of work connected to the land by two artists who met and graduated from university with fine art degrees. Both artists have sourced natural elements within the landscape with images that bring together this exhibition. The work is a collective of dynamic contextual links with a diversity of exploring media that demonstrate a shared respect for the natural environment. They give a flavour to the viewer with whom they wish to share such special visual moments. These responses complement each artist's abstract approach to a common subject where individual paintings have their own intimate relationship to another. Both artists have exhibited widely and sold

work both nationally and internationally.

#### **Tuskers September Selfie Stroll**

1st - 30th September

Get out and about to brighten up your September. Why not take a stroll this September with Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre Discovery Walks and be in with a chance of winning the prize draw? Visit the Centre to get your £1 walk leaflet, post a selfie of you on the walk to their Facebook page and get entered into a prize draw. Prizes worth up to £50. There will be a weekly prize

winner and an overall prize winner.

#### Mammoth and Meadows Experience Day

Monday 28th September

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Beambridge Club Room (Munslow Village Hall) will be re-opening with effect from **1st September 2020** & is now Covid-19 secure.

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#### Discovery Tots - Ladybird, Ladybird

Saturday 26th September - 10am-10.45am £2.50 per child, adults go free, just turn up. Please bring wellies and appropriate outdoor clothing. Enjoy themed crafts, connect with a nursery rhyme, play a ladybird game and go out to look for ladybirds in the meadows.

#### **Discovery Club - Nature Scavenger Hunt!**

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go seek the items it asks you for.

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#### Ludlow Arts Society Autumn Programme of Talks

Ludlow Arts Society is a not-for-profit organisation and as we are currently unable to use a 'real-life' venue we are presenting a series of illustrated talks given by artists via Zoom - 6.55pm for 7pm start.

#### Meeting ID: 419 894 1520 Passcode: 135356

For more information please contact Laura Wilson at infosec.las@gmail.com

> Sara Twomey Thursday 3rd September 2020

Formerly an assistant to Damien Hirst, Sara Twomey will be discussing her new collection *'The Many Shades of Black'*.

#### Mark Warner

Thursday 1st October 2020

Mark Warner is a practicing artist and 'plein air' tutor based in Shropshire, UK.

#### **Christina Hartery**

Thursday 5th November 2020

Illustrator and artist in residence at Julia's Gallery, Cardiff. Christina's style is free, abstract and expressive using rich colours to captivate the eye.

#### Marmaduke Davenport

Thursday 3rd December 2020

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#### September 2020

#### Corvedale Book Group

#### *'Journey to the Other Side of the World'* by David Attenborough

A small number of us had a Zoom meeting to discuss this month's book. As no-one can travel long distance very easily at the moment, we enjoyed David Attenborough's book, subtitled 'further adventures of a young naturalist' which took us to New Guinea, Madagascar and to the Northern Territories of Australia. The book describes David Attenborough's early adventures in the 1960s when the BBC let him travel to bring back animals for London Zoo and make natural history films for the BBC's 'Zoo Quest' programme. He and his cameramen had huge freedoms to travel and make contact with local people in the days when travel really was an adventure and when cameras and their huge lenses and sound recording equipment were not easy to carry or set up. Then, as now, David Attenborough was a superb communicator and his prose and descriptions made this non-fiction work an entertaining and rewarding read. His excellent writing and beautiful descriptions immerse you in the communities he is visiting, and although none of us had ever wanted that much detail about birds of paradise and their tail feathers, his easy style kept you engaged with the text. His warmth and the open and respectful approach to the people he met along the way gave him opportunities to join in local customs and ceremonies truly in the 'back of beyond'. His concern for the environment was present from the early days and these initial trips were the corner stone for his continued broadcasting across a sixty-year period.

The book has maps and mainly black and white photographs and was not substantially re-edited between 1981 and 2018. These days the format would be glossy and in colour but his vivid descriptions of each of the species he met were colourful enough to imagine clearly. The text gives examples of the local people he meets and the social anthropology for me was enthralling. He describes vividly seldom-visited peoples and works hard to find out more about them, treading the thin line between guest and voyeur. At times, Western knowledge and values couldn't be ignored but there were sections where the impact of the travellers on the communities they visit was told in an unvarnished way. Several of us in the discussion brought up his description of the 'cargo' cult. Tanna, an island in the New Hebrides, was visited by missionaries in 1839. After a difficult start, many local people were converted to Christianity. In 1940 they became subject to a 'cargo cult', where a once Stone Age people with a self-sufficient economy using items



made from the natural world in which they lived, they encountered outsiders who had an abundance of 'cargo' ('petrol lamps, plastic combs, radio sets, China tea cups, shiny enamelled refrigerators and steel knives'). They came to believe these items had to be supernatural and sent by the gods. If only white men possessed these items, their rituals had to be stronger or more magical. The incomers were keenly observed and their bizarre behaviours copied and repeated in the hope of gaining such wealth for themselves. This logical approach did not give them what they thought they needed. Apocalypse stories were used to persuade people to join these cults and their beliefs became embedded with the hopes of acquiring these bizarre objects for themselves. Sadly, the incomers exploit the local people and it doesn't end well. The power imbalance, in relation to goods, currency and knowledge was never weighted in their favour. This description made it clear that travelling brought responsibilities rather than rights. We questioned where the desire 'to have' first came from.

However, as travellers, David Attenborough and his cameramen were welcomed royally and treated to resources and experiences in a way which made us question the response the local peoples would have if they in turn visited the U.K. His respect for the people he worked with in those settings and the trouble he took to obtain permission to film and share significant moments in their lives was one way in which he could reciprocate. It was evident that people in these communities had developed a way of living in balance with nature and accepting that, at times, there was abundance and at other times a dearth of resources. The explanations they gave for this might be deemed superstition, but their behaviours showed huge respect for not taking more than their fair share at any one time.

Attenborough's fascination with all living things and his creativity in keeping them shine through, as does his love to share this fascination with others, thereby educating them about the world in which they live

Our next meeting on **Thursday 10th September** will be to discuss **Edna O'Brien's '***The Little Red Chairs*'. It seems a good follow on as the cover describes a man who calls himself as a faith healer putting a small community in a west coast Irish village under the spell of his charisma.

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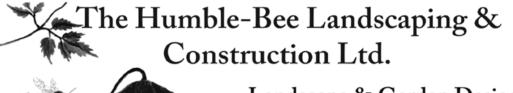
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#### ACROSS

- 1) Steals what belongs to Dominic (5)
- 4) Old colour covers Chris even though he's gone (7)
- 8) Desolated re: death (6,7)
- 9) Final one might be first one to leave?
- 11) Iron only mixed with crime
- 12) One deals say in batteries
- 13) 500? How is the boat?
- 14) Was Ann first there at the start of the breeze blowing?
- 16) Fear of angry snake
- 18) Most of tenants are at estate Entrances
- 19) Tone down angry mood
- 21) Several ethnic groups take it up with sect (13) and you hear artist in Scottish Island
- 22) Guided horse called Edward
- 23) With the right snow shoes these are reduced (5)

#### DOWN

1)	Bishops in the river delta were eaten	(7)
2)	This is the answer!	(9,4)
3)	Turn endless science into something attractive	(6)
4)	Repeat some of the white chocolate	(4)
5)	Finds remains	(6)
6)	Race before leaving the car in Snowdonia and the Lakes perhaps	(8,5)
7)	Do turn in Scottish river now	(5)
10)	Approaches Royal Navy and troubled sea	(5)
11)	Stay on the surface as none in the home	(5)
15)	The French trust round reptiles!	(7)
16)	He won't admit the fine texture	(6)
17)	Little girl on the hill owes money	(6)
18)	Collapse front to back and make mounds	(5)
20)	Kitty's amusing daughter?	(4)

#### ANSWERS TO AUGUST CROSSWORD:

Across: 7) Almost; 8) Zealot; 10) Grandma; 11) Upper; 12) Even; 13) Snuff; 17) Units; 18) Menu; 22) Allow; 23) Delight; 24) Extend; 25) Castle

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**Down:** 1) Mangled; 2) Smeared; 3) Aside; 4) Rebuffs; 5) Flaps; 6) Story; 9) Magnitude; 14) Knowing; 15) Weights; 16) Bustled; 19) Jaded; 20) Zloty; 21) Float

#### September 2020

#### **Corvedale Past and Present**

#### Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap

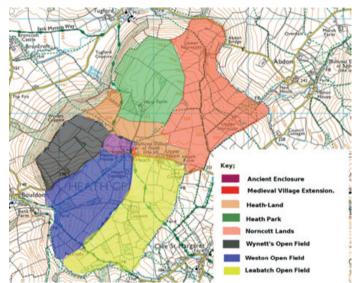
"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap". So says the Biblical book of Galatians (Ch. 6 v.7), but the verse may have had a hollow ring to some of our forebears in this traditional harvest month of September. Of course, the sense of the quotation is not about physical sowing and reaping, but a simple and powerful analogy. It would, however, have had a real resonance with the poor working families in medieval villages of South Shropshire.

In our part of the world, the working core of the village was the arable open fields. They can sometimes be easily defined; their borders, even on contemporary maps, show as roads, field boundaries, footpaths, hedges and trackways. They are often as described as being communal or common fields, implying that everyone had a share of the land within them. Whilst this is roughly true, it turns out not to be completely correct.

The open fields were the province of by far the largest group within the village: the '*villeins*'. These were semi-free men who had shares within the common arable - and common pasture - but also owed labour services to the lord of the manor.

Villein - the name is uncomfortably close to the modern word "*villain*", which could be a surprise, as they were so numerous that you might imagine they formed the backbone of a stalwart, durable and dependable rural population in the centuries to come. Moreover, some observers of the medieval rural scene have got rather misty-eyed about the communal struggle of this class of people, their sharing of tools and experience, and their rough equality in status. Many, the '*virgaters*,' often possessed about 30 acres of arable land in the open fields, a '*virgate*' approximating to that area.

So, we may wonder, from whence came all the flies in the ointment? Well, in part it must have been that very communality.





Chaotic distribution of strips still present in Tugford in 1770



Everything throughout the year had to be done at the same time and using the same crops and techniques, and this must have been a source of serious grumpiness to the progressive farmer. Holdings were generally not held in blocks of land but in strips which tended to be scattered throughout the open fields on a system of 'ridge and furrow' - the name is self-explanatory. The

surface of the field was corrugated, with the ridges being spaced several metres apart. Whilst you would imagine that negotiation would be popular to swap strips and consolidate blocks, this didn't seem to happen in practice. A rich man could send second and subsequent sons to monasteries or to knighthood, but this was not an option for a poor man who had little option but to subdivide his legacy. The whole thing tended to a riotous chaos of strips. In some parishes in England it's known there were literally many hundreds of named holders of open field strips.

You might also think that the biggest source of irritability was the sheer inefficiency of the thing, trying to juggle the common rules and inflexible timetable of the year with the seemingly senseless dispersal of your holding. Then again there was the close, claustrophobic atmosphere: in a closed village: you would know your neighbours from birth, and rough or simply irritating holders of adjacent strips would just have to be tolerated, even when they did, at harvest time, extend their reaping hooks from their own furrow onto your ridge, pinching a little of your hard won grain. 'Reaping where they had not sown' was a common complaint, apparently, in the manorial courts (I imagine the expression originated in the King James Bible). One should not paint too gloomy a picture of the system, though; it may have lasted in some parts of England for a thousand years, although in others it began to fragment in the later middle ages. Change, when it did come, may have originated from a surprising direction, which I will suggest next time if your kindly Editor finds room!

#### Peter Cornah - petercornah@gmail.com

P.S. in Shropshire the ridges were known as '*rudges*' or '*reans*'. No doubt there was a word for the furrow that separated them: if anyone can tell me what that was I would be grateful. In our area these '*earthworks*' have not survived well, though there are still a few places locally where you can see them clearly.

Probable medieval divisions of land at Heath

#### Parish Councils

#### **DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Summary of the draft Minutes of Diddlebury Parish Council's meeting held on Wednesday 22nd July 2020 via Zoom

**Present via Zoom:** Cllr D Hedgley - Chairman, Cllrs T O'Boyle, R. Povall, S Povall, A Watson, Selina Thomas and M Woodhouse. **Apologies** were received from Cllrs M Thomas and K Worthington.

**In attendance:** The Clerk. No members of the public had requested an invitation to join the meeting.

#### No declarations of interest were made.

**Minutes:** the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held via remote methods in March 2020 were approved and signed and are available on the DPC website. Matters arising were dealt with.

As the Covid-19 lock-down provisions have extended beyond May 2020 it was considered prudent to extend the delegated powers granted to the Clerk to administer the parish council (agreed in para. 036/20 of the March Minutes) working in conjunction with the Chairman. It was resolved to extend the powers to May 2021 unless reviewed earlier.

A primary purpose of this meeting was to report in minuted form those actions taken by the council since March 2020. As a result the Finance Reports for April/May 2020 and June 2020 are set out in full in the 22nd July Minutes, as are details of seven planning decisions taken and actions taken on the 2019/2020 Audit of the council's financial dealings and the Annual Return documents (AGAR).

A resolution was proposed and adopted that all DPC councillors receive a dispensation from the provisions of Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 until May 2021.

**Correspondence & Communications:** Ten items were dealt with by the councillors. A further donation of  $\pounds 100$  was awarded to the Flood Action Group. The re-surfacing quotation for the village hall car park was reported by Cllr Woodhouse -  $\pounds 36,108$  plus VAT. Unitary Cllr Motley to be asked to progress DPC's CIL entitlement to go towards the cost.

**Finance:** The July 2020 Finance Report was considered. Cheques totalling £508.72 were approved, which included a donation of £150 to Hope House Children's Hospice. After payment of cheques and the donation to the Flood Action Group, £16,665.94 is held in DPC's HSBC account. The Clerk's bank statement/cash book reconciliation was verified by Cllr O'Boyle. The Finance Report is set out in full in the Minutes and can be viewed on the DPC website.

**AOB:** It had been agreed when setting the 2020/2021 Precept budget that DPC would purchase 160 SmartWater kits to distribute amongst parishioners. Due to the lock-down it has not been possible to arrange for their distribution. It was agreed that they be purchased following the September meeting and distribution methods will be considered.

It was confirmed that an EGM will be held via Zoom at 7.00pm on Wednesday 12th August 2020 to consider planning application 20/02519/OUT - an application for 12 dwellings at The Moors View, Diddlebury. Members of the public were invited to join the meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm

#### Summary of the draft Minutes of Diddlebury Parish Council's Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on Wednesday 12th August 2020 at 7.00pm via Zoom.

The purpose of the EGM was for the parish council to consider planning application 20/02519/OUT - an outline application (all matters reserved) for the erection of 12 dwellings and operational supporting development (revised scheme) at land at The Moors View, Diddlebury. Joining instructions had been widely disseminated and options given for invitations to join the meeting via Zoom, for dial-up attendance and for requests to speak at the meeting.

**Present via Zoom:** Cllr D Hedgley - Chairman, Cllrs O'Boyle, R. Povall, S Povall, A Watson, Selina Thomas, M Woodhouse and K Worthington.

Apologies were received from Cllr M Thomas.

**In attendance via Zoom:** The Clerk and Unitary Cllr C Motley. Seven members of the public requested to join to meeting via Zoom and one, Mr Ian Davies of the Diddlebury Parish Plan Steering Group, requested to speak.

#### No declarations of interest were made.

The Chairman outlined the protocol to be adopted at the meeting and then outlined at length the history of this development previous application of November 2018 was refused permission and was not supported by DPC. He dealt with the differences between this application for 12 houses and the previous application for 17 houses and the effect the Housing Needs Survey had on this application. The Chairman then summarised the 28 public comments which had been placed on the Shropshire Council Planning Portal. The Flood Action Group's comments were neutral; two comments supported the application and 24 responders had given detailed objections. Mr Davies of the DPPSG made a statement opposing the application. Each councillor in turn then gave their views. Everyone present was again invited to comment. During a broadband failure the Chairman was absent from the meeting, rejoining later by telephone. During the hiatus the matter was taken over by the Vice Chairman, Cllr Robert Povall. A resolution was proposed to object to the application and not to support it, as DPC favours instead a Community Led Housing scheme, working with a willing landowner and registered provider. The proposal was seconded and then carried by six votes in favour and two objections.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10pm

#### Next meeting: Wednesday 23rd September 2020, 7.30pm - venue to be advised in due course.

Agendas and full copies of the Minutes can be viewed by visiting the Diddlebury Parish Council website at:

www.diddleburyparish.co.uk or obtained from the Clerk, Mrs J de Rusett,

No. 1 Pipe Aston Barns, Pipe Aston, Ludlow SY8 2HG. Tel: 01568 770 741. email: diddleburypc@gmail.com

#### September 2020

#### **ABDON AND HEATH PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Summary of the Minutes of Abdon and Heath Parish Council Virtual Annual General meeting held on Thursday 13 August 2020

**Present:** Cllrs C Snow (Chair), L Durnall, R Price; Shropshire Cllr C Motley; W Richards (clerk), and Mr S Graham (public).

**Election of Chair and Vice-Chair:** this had been done at the meeting held on 2nd July 2020.

Apology for absence: Cllr Yarwood.

Declarations of interest: None.

Approval of 2019 AGM minutes: These were presented and agreed to be correct.

**Finance:** the current balance was £5,568.88. The signatories (W Richards, R Price, C Yarwood) had agreed to continue. H Audin was proposed by W Richards as Internal Auditor and this was agreed.

**Appointment of representatives:** the LJC was not currently in existence but Cllr Durnall agreed to represent the Council on similar groups with Cllr Snow as vice-representative. Cllr G Trim had agreed to continue checking the defibrillator units.

**GDPR:** There had been no problems with this. W Richards will continue as Data Protection Officer.

**Future meetings:** these will continue to be on the **second Thursday of the month: 8th October 2020, 14th January 2021 and 11th March 2021.** The date of the AGM will be fixed later due to uncertainty about the election.

There being no further business the AGM closed at 20:21.

# Summary of the Minutes of the Abdon and Heath Parish Council virtual Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 13 August 2020Present: as for the AGM.HMO and election costs next year.

**Matters raised by the public:** *Cartway Cottage:* the garage proposal has been looked at and revised. An email was presented showing reduced elevation and re-siting nearer to the cottage, so that exposure is reduced. The access was questioned as the track will be lower than existing. A site visit was arranged for Thursday 3rd September at 7:00pm. Residents have raised concern with ClIr Snow about a caravan placed in a field by a barn near Highcroft. ClIr Motley recommended contacting the landowner to ascertain his intentions. There is a maximum time that caravans can be in fields. If problems occur the council should contact planning enforcement. The Clerk will draft a letter to the owner.

#### Declarations of interest: None.

**Approval of the minutes** of the meeting held on 2 July 2020: these were read by the Chair and agreed to be correct.

Accounts: Balance £5568.88. Only £65 had been received for hire of the marquee. The balance was satisfactory in order to continue with the

HMO and election costs next year. **Highways, including Potholes:** the Clerk reported no change. Cllr Motley requested a list, including postcodes. Cllr Snow said previous repairs were inadequate. Ditches and culverts have been cleaned. This is

appreciated and is a big help in maintaining roads. **Correspondence:** There are grants available for businesses affected by Covid-19 plus help with mental health. Details are posted on the website. Cllr Snow proposed publishing these details in the Corvedale News - agreed. There had been a complaint received re. the Upper House garage: there is concern that the roof is too high. The Clerk will contact Planning enforcement. The marquee charges were discussed. It was agreed that fees remain the same. Cllr Price proposed that only self erection is offered due to Covid-19 until further notice: agreed.

Items for consideration for the next meeting: Potholes, Cartway cottage and Upper House updates.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:41

Next meeting: Thursday 8th October • To see full copy of minutes please contact the Clerk

ABDON & HEATH PARISH COUNCIL (www.abdon.org.uk) Including: Balaam's Heath, Baucott, Brookhampton, Holdgate & Tugford Wendy Richards - Parish Clerk: abdonandheathclerk1@outlook.com Tel: 07813 271 274

#### **CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Summary of the Minutes of the Culmington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 7th July 2020 conducted remotely.

**Present:** Cllrs Steele (Chair), Pike, Holland, Alderson, Mear, Turley; Shropshire Cllr Motley; Heather Coonick (Clerk) plus one member of the public.

#### Apologies: Cllr Norton.

**Declarations of Interest:** Cllrs Turley and Holland declared an interest in item 5 on the agenda and made comment during the public involvement session only.

**Public involvement session:** (Agenda Items only) Regarding item 5 - the planning application for Seifton Court - one resident stated that they had no objection to the planning application and another stated that as long as the build followed the submitted plans she had no objection.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Culmington Parish Council held on 3rd March 2020 and the extraordinary meeting on 26th March 2020 will be considered at the next meeting.

Planning Applications: 20/02312/FUL - Erection of general purpose building for storage and drying of timber for domestic

use, Seifton Court, Seifton Lane, Seifton, Ludlow Shropshire SY8 2DG. Cllrs resolved unanimously to support the application.

**Finance:** The Certificate of Exemption, Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements were approved.

Any Other Business: *Planned Closure of Bromfield Post Office:* a letter of concern will be sent to Ludlow Farm Shop and the Clerk will attend the Bromfield Parish Council Extraordinary meeting on the 14th July. *White Lines in the Village:* Cllr Norton reported the lines are fading. The Clerk will report to Shropshire Highways. *Noise Pollution:* A member of the public had reported an issue with noise and was advised to maintain a note of the incidents and report to Environmental Health.

**Next meeting: Tuesday 8th September 2020 at 7:00pm.** Prior to the start of the meeting the public are invited to raise matters of interest with their Parish Councillors. The venue will be decided closer to the date and advertised on the website - or contact the Clerk

Full Minutes available on the website **www.culmington.org** Heather Coonick, Clerk/RFO. Email: **culmingtonpc@gmail.com** Tel: **07817 607 355** 

#### MUNSLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Next meeting: Thursday 3rd September 2020 This meeting will be held remotely via Skype, please contact the Clerk for details.

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Please contact Catherine Crowther for dates: 01584 861276 Catherinecrowther@gmail.com

### **Contact Numbers for Local Services**



September 2020

(Phone numbers are on the 01584 exchange unless otherwise noted)

	Contact	Phone	Email
Local Services and Eme	rgencies		
<b>Electricity Problems/Power Cuts</b>	Western Power	0800 6783 105	
Water Supply Problems	Severn Trent Water	0800 783 4444	
<b>County Flood Management</b>	Shropshire Council	0345 678 9006	flood@shropshire.gov.uk
Diddlebury Parish Flood Action Group	Geoff Neden	841815	gneden@googlemail.com
Ludlow Minor Injuries Unit (out of hours 111)	Community Hospital	874297	
Shropdoc (out of hours service)	Doctors Co-operative	111	
Ludlow's Doctors' Surgeries	Station Drive Portcullis	872461 872939	
<b>Craven Arms Medical Practice</b>		01588 672309	
Police (non-emergency)	West Mercia Police	101	contactus@westmercia.police.uk
Voluntary Car Scheme (9.00am to 12 noon weekdays)	Craven Arms Good Neighbours	01588 673732	
<b>Clubs and Societies</b>			
Abdon Wildlife Group	Penny Unitt	01746 712530	t.unitt741@btinternet.com
Blue Hills Choir	Ros Crouch	841053	ros.crouch@gmail.com
Corvedale Artists	Juliet Hole Ann Hankinson	01299 832603 01584 841460	
<b>Corvedale Badminton Club</b>	Val Fotheringham	841331	
<b>Corvedale Book Group</b>	Cath Burley		cathburley@hotmail.com
Corvedale Choir	Ros Crouch	841053	ros.crouch@gmail.com
Corvedale Community Environmental Group	Rebecca Bull		peter17bull@btinternet.com
Corvedale & District Autumn Show	John Woodhouse	07980 207253	
Corvedale Folk Club	Ian Fotheringham	841331	
Corvedale Garden Group	Cath Burley		cathburley@hotmail.com
Corvedale Footpath	Jenny Vine	841596	
Maintenance Group			
Munslow Parish Community Speed Watch	Rebecca Bull		peter17bull@btinternet.com
Diddlebury Dancing Group	Sally Woodhouse	841265/ 07813 019010	sallyewhome@yahoo.co.uk
Westhope Clover Club	Mary Hall	873387	mbm3049@icloud.com
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# **Contact Numbers for Local Services**





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	Contact	Phone	Email			
Parish Clerks and Web	sites					
Abdon & Heath Parish Council Clerk	Wendy Richards	07813 271274	abdonandheathclerk1@outlook.com			
Culmington Parish Council Clerk	Heather Coonick	07817 607355	culmingtonpc@googlemail.com			
Diddlebury Parish Council Clerk	Mrs Jean de Rusett	01568 770741	diddleburypc@gmail.com			
Munslow Parish Council Clerk	Clive Leworthy	07528 164345	munslowpcclerk@gmail.com			
Diddlebury Parish Website:	www.diddleburyparish.	co.uk				
Corvedale Google Group:	This is a free service and issues purely local information such as road closures, flood warnings and so on to its members on an occasional basis. It also alerts members to new items appearing on the DPC website. If you would like to join this service, send an email to: <i>Geoff Neden - gneden@googlemail.com</i>					

Village Hall/Club Room Bookings

Abdon Village Hall	Penny Unitt	01746 712530	t.unitt741@btinternet.com
Beambridge Club Room	Frances Sutton	841654	
Culmington Village Hall	Jeff Williams	07561 838271	culmingtonhallbookings@gmail.com
Diddlebury Village Hall	Sally Woodhouse	07375 326381	dvhallbookings@gmail.com
Diddlebury Village Hall website:	www.diddleburyvillage	hall.org	
Diddlebury Church Room	Tonya Greene	841493	
Westhope Village Hall		07860 447397/ 861617	mbm3049@icloud.com

### Children's and Youth Organisations

<b>Corvedale Brownies</b>	Catherine Crowther	861276	
<b>Corvedale Primary School</b>	Jonathan Brough	841630	admin@corvedale.shropshire.sch.uk
Playgroup & Nursery	Colin Jones	841707/841630	

#### Women's Institutes

Diddlebury & Westhope WI	Jane Cockburn	841483	pmc1989@btinternet.com
Munslow WI	Jenny Rose	841251	gandjrose@mypostoffice.co.uk

If you represent a local Corvedale group and would like it to be considered for inclusion in this list, please contact the Editor.



# The Corvedale Group of Parishes

ABDON - BROADSTONE - CULMINGTON - DIDDLEBURY - HOLDGATE - MUNSLOW - TUGFORD

# **SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2020**

	6th September Trinity 13	13th September Trinity 14	<b>20th September</b> Trinity 15	<b>27th September</b> Trinity 16
Abdon				6:00pm EP
Broadstone				
Culmington			6.00pm EP	
Diddlebury	10:00am HC		10:00am MP	
Holdgate	6.00pm EP			
Munslow		10:00am HC		10:00am HC
Tugford		6.00pm EP		

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