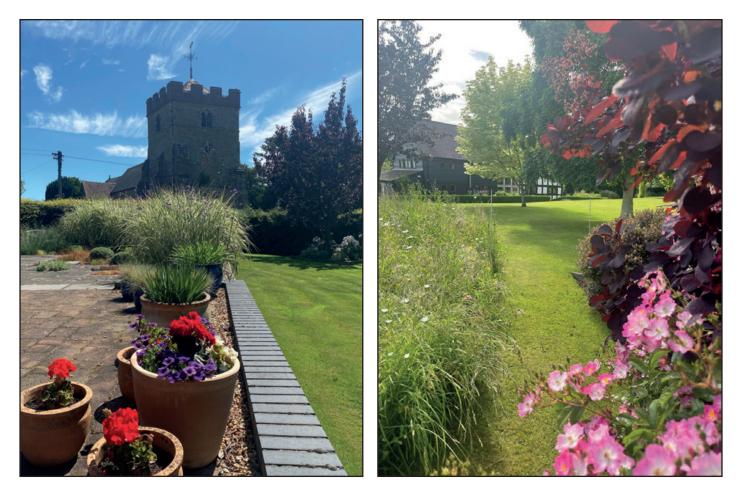
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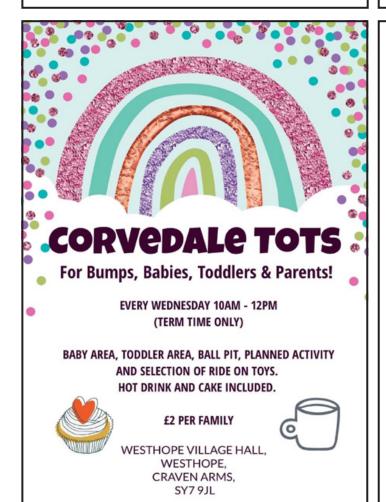
# CRAZY LADY COFFEE & CAKE

Four local nutty women have joined forces to host a weekly coffee morning on

Thursdays, 10.00am – 12.00noon in the Church Room, Diddlebury.

There will be a small charge for coffee, tea, and cake but laughter and chat are free!

Please come and join us for a bit of a giggle. For more information phone Sue on 07874 810 562.



# **Corvedale Folk Club**

at The Sun Inn, Corfton on Monday 22nd August at 7.30pm

and on the 4th Monday of each month thereafter

Free entry! Everyone welcome!

For further information contact lan on 01584 841 331

#### CULMINGTON & DISTRICT FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

#### Sunday 21st August at Culmington Village Hall

We're back! New this year: grow the tallest sunflower - the national flower of Ukraine

Fruit & Veg	Flowers & Plants			
Cookery & Drink	Floral Art			
Arts & Crafts	Children's Classes			
Eggs & Herbs	Family Class			

#### Superb prizes in our sponsors' raffle! Refreshments

Schedules/entry forms available from the end of May from: Culmington Village Hall, All Saints Church, Cyril Bason, Avril Enston - 01584 861 803, Judy McNally - 01584 861 403, and Janet Stuart - 01584 861 289



#### **CORVEDALE FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE GROUP**

Working parties are usually on the 4th Wednesday of the month and the following Friday and Sunday, beginning at 9.30am.Please ring Jenny Vine on 01584 841596 to confirm work location.

Also, if any local walkers in the Corvedale notice any stiles or steps in poor condition, please report back to Jenny. The current planned dates are as follows:

August Wednesday 24th

Friday 26th

Sunday 28th

What's on in the Dale

# **MUNSLOW FETE**

Saturday 20th August In the Old Rectory Gardens From 2.30pm

Teas • Tombola • Bric-a-brac • Books

**HELP WANTED** Could you organise a stall or activities? Or help set up and take down the gazebos etc?

Contact Anson: admiralanson@hotmail.com or 01584 841 053 with your ideas and offers of help!



All Saints Parish Church, CULMINGTON, Shropshire Corvedale Group of Parishes Raising funds for the fabric and life of our beautiful church

Church Wardens: Val and Andrew invite you to a HOG ROAST or VEGGIE LUNCH £10.00 Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 12.30 onwards Culmington Village Hall (bar available) Please book tickets by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022 by emailing or calling

 Val Hardwick sparchford@btinternet.com
 01584 861658

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 apike@uwclub.net
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# **YOUR LOCAL MARKET**

at Stoke Saint Milborough Village Hall



Wednesdays 13th July, 10th August, 14th September, 12th October 12.00 mid-day to 4.30

Light lunches, ice cream, local produce, bakery, repair stall - and more.

### **DROP IN!**

Got produce to sell? Contact Jane Killick (shulgijm@gmail.com)

# **Corvedale & District Autumn Show**



The complete schedule for this year's show is now available to download at:

http://www.diddleburyparish.co.uk/corvedaleand-district-autumn-show

You will find us under the 'Community' tab in the banner at the top of the Parish Council's home page.

It is hoped that, Covid-19 infection rates permitting, it will be possible for the Corvedale & District Autumn Show to return on:

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

### AUGUST 2022

#### Westhope Village Hall

With the Jubilee celebrations well and truly over it is now time for us to concentrate on the fundraising events for the much-needed work on the village hall. We have all





CORVEDALE TOTS

*Every Wednesday 10.00am-12noon.* **The tots and toddlers will resume after the summer break in September.** *All enquiries to Amie Watson.* 

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**YOGA with SUE PUGH** *Every Thursday 9.30 -10.30am.* Sue is fully qualified and insured. To book a space contact Betty on 07860 447 397



#### **MONTHLY BINGO**

The next bingo night is **Friday 26th August**. Doors open at 7.00pm with eyes down at 7.30pm. The bar will be stocked and there is always great fun to be had.

#### WHIST DRIVES

Whist drives are held weekly on a Monday night, all welcome. Start time 7:30pm.



**WESTHOPE CLOVER CLUB** The first Thursday of the month. All enquiries to Kath Woodhouse



#### LINE DANCING EVENING Saturday 17th September. With an experienced caller and tutor.

If there is sufficient interest we will hold line dancing evenings on a regular basis.Please come along and support us. Admission £6.00. Licensed bar and refreshments.



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE Saturday 8th October.** 8.00pm – late. The very popular Country and Western singers Double Focus.

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HARVEST SUPPER Saturday 22nd October.



**COUNTRY & WESTERN DANCE Saturday 10th December.** With Johnny and Howell.

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#### CHRISTMAS WHIST DRIVE Monday 12th December

All enquiries contact Betty on 07860 447 397 or Amie on 07486 414 742. Our village hall is available to hire with a licensed bar and catering if required.

#### Abdon Village Hall Events

01584 841 254.

As the holiday season is upon us the Abdon UFO craft group will not meet during August and September 2022. We will begin again on **Saturday 8th October** when we look forward to seeing you.

The Abdon Coffee mornings will continue throughout the year, as usual on last Saturday of each month except December.

Coffee & Cake Morning Saturday 27th August 10.30am - 12.30pm Come and join us, everyone welcome!

#### ABDON VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS

Contact Helen Audin: 01746 712 365 or abdon.villagehall@gmail.com Or visit our website for the booking form and details: www.abdonandheathparish.org.uk



worked tirelessly and with the unexpected kindness and generosity of local people we have been able to replace our roof ahead of schedule. As I write this the final work to the roof is being completed. Next, we must paint and decorate the outside of the hall.

On July 9th, a party was held in the village hall to celebrate the 90th birthday of John Hall, the elder brother of the late Tom Hall. What a momentous occasion for the Hall family with several generations being able to celebrate with John.

A busy programme of events for the Autumn and winter months is being organised!

Betty Manley

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#### Culmington Village Hall Activities & Events - August

Every Mon	Coffee Morning, 10:00am - 11:30am.	Everyone welcome.			
Every Mon	Bridge Club, 12.30pm - 5.00pm.	Contact: Peter Whitehead, pst.whitehead@gmail.com			
Every Tues	Chair Yoga For All Abilities	Contact: Liz Curtis, 07734 358 001, lizcurtisyoga@gmail.co			
Every Wed	Working at Home Lunch Club, 12.30pm - 2.00pm.Bring your lunch and have a chat and a natter.Contact John McCaffrey 01584 861 358				
Sun 7th	<b>Hog Roast or Veggie Lunch - £10</b> , <i>From 12:30pm</i> , bar available. Raising funds for All Saints Church Culmington - Please book by 31st July. Contact Val Hardwick: <i>sparchford@btinternet.com</i> , 01584 861 658 or Andrew Pike: <i>apike@uwclub.net</i> , 01584 861 361				
Sun 21st	<b>Culmington and District Flower and Produce Show,</b> <i>2.00pm</i> Free admission. Refreshments. Have a go! Schedules/entry forms in Village Hall, All Saints Church and Cyril Bason. Entry form to show secretary by Friday 19th August and Monday 15th August for sunflower competition. Janet Stuart <i>01584 861 289</i> , Judy McNally <i>01584 861 403</i> , Avril Enston <i>01584 861 803</i>				

*Fri 26th* Village Hall Social Evening *Come along for a chat and drink with friends and meet new people.* 

#### Munslow Fete - Saturday 20th August

Munslow fete will be held in the Old Rectory gardens on **Saturday 20 August from 2.30pm.** 

We will have teas, tombola bric-a-brac and book stalls.

#### **HELP NEEDED**

To make it a true community event we would like other stalls and activities to be organised by people in the community. Could you organise a plant and produce stall or activities for the young and young at heart?

Could you help set up and take down the gazebos etc?

Please contact Anson: *admiralanson@hotmail.com* or 01584 841 053 with your ideas and offers of help!

- Venus Pool

- Whixall Moss

Finally, please come and enjoy the afternoon together!

#### RSPB Walks 2022

More information on walks can be found on the RSPB local group website.

- Friday 12th August Sunday 11th September Saturday 8th October
- Corvedale Evening SocialMortimer Forest
- Powkesmore (Brown Clee)

Sunday 16th October Sunday 13th November



Edge Chamber Choir Concert - Sunday 18th September, 3.00pm, Diddlebury Church

Edge is delighted to have been asked to be part of the inaugural Corvedale Festival. We have planned a concert full of the most amazingly beautiful music for you, but as this music is not well known I thought I would write a few words about it.



Two of the works in the programme are written for choir and soprano saxophone, the highest member of the saxophone family - it makes the most haunting and stunningly beautiful sound. It will be played by Alison Dodd who is a local saxophonist and music teacher. The works are **Nunc Dimittis** by Christian Forshaw, Professor of Saxophone at the Guildhall, and **Son of God Mass** by James Whitbourn. The music for the mass was originally written as background music for a BBC 2 documentary series, 'Son of God', which chronicled the life of Jesus using scientific and contemporary historical evidence, which some of you may remember watching. James Whitbourn later added the words of the mass to it, and I took part in its premiere in Sevenoaks, Kent, quite a long time ago! I loved it then and I love it now and I am sure you will too.

Alongside these pieces, there will be a variety of short pieces including Eric Whitacre's **Sleep** and the first performance of **Pied Beauty** by Paul Henley, founder with his wife Ruth of the Corvedale Festival, plus three gorgeous pieces by women composers.

The concert will be about an hour long followed by afternoon tea - a perfect Sunday afternoon!

#### **Diddlebury Village Hall**

www.diddleburyvillagehall.org

Facebook: @diddleburyvillagehall





#### September August October / November New Flicks Season Operation Mincemeat **Downton Abbey** TOP GUN (12) ELVIS(12a) A New Era(PG) 7.45pm Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September Maverick(12a) Bar opens 7.15pm Tickets £5 Cards accepted 7.45pm Thursday 25th August **Coming Soon Coming Soon** Bar opens 7.15pm Tickets £5 Cards accepted Diddlebury Village Hall Diddlebury Village Hall Diddlebury Village Hall Diddlebury Village Hall Saturday 3rd September Wednesday 21st September Corvedale and District Zakuski - A presentation and reading Autumn Show of Russian literature at 7.30pm. NB: This event is being held to promote respect and gratitude for the many Russian and Soviet artists who denounce oppressive regimes, including their own, sometimes at considerable personal cost. At the conclusion of the presentation there will be a collection for the people of Ukraine. Sunday 18th September Afternoon tea in the Hall Saturday 8th October following the Edge Chamber edge Choir concert in St Peter's at Harvest Supper 3.00pm. Monday 19th September Saturday 3rd December 'Made in the Marches' with Diddlebury Christmas Fair poet and presenter Jean Atkin (including poems by pupils of Corvedale School). 7.00pm. **CLASSES AND GROUP MEETINGS** Tai Chi

Classes: Thursdays, 10.00-11.00am Please contact Enid Gill on: 07903 014498/enidgill21@hotmail.com.

#### **Physiotherapist-Led Modified Pilates**

Classes: Fridays, 9.15-10.15am. Please contact Beverley on: 07967 814412/ beverleychumber@sky.com.

#### **Book Group**

Second Thursday of each month, 7.30pm. Please contact Cath Burley on: cathburley@hotmail.com.

**Corvedale Choir** Mondays, 7.30pm

**Blue Hills Choir** Tuesdays, 10.00am

All dates are subject to further government guidelines which can change at short notice. Please refer to our Facebook and Website pages for news of any changes.

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS:**

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Please note that the deadline for all submissions to the Corvedale News is Monday 15th August.

#### August 2022



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Every	Mon	Corvedale Choir	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
Every	Mon	Coffee Morning	Culmington Village Hall	10.00am - 11.30am
Every	Mon	Bridge Club	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm - 5.00pm
Every	Mon	Westhope Whist Drive	Westhope Village Hall	7.30pm
Every	Tues	Blue Hills Choir	Diddlebury Village Hall	10.00am
Every	Tues	Corvedale Artists	Beambridge Club Room	10.00am
Every	Tues	Chair Yoga	Culmington Village Hall	
Every	Wed	Working at Home Lunch Club	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm - 2.00pm
Every	Thur	Crazy Lady Coffee Morning	Diddlebury Church Room	10.00am
7th	Sun	Hog Roast	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm
10th	Wed	Local Market	Stoke St Milborough Village Hall	12.00noon
10th	Wed	Munslow WI	Glebe Barns, Munslow	TBC
11th	Thu	Corvedale Book Group	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
11th	Thu	Abdon Parish Council Meeting	Abdon Village Hall	7.30pm
12th	Fri	RSPB Walk	Corvedale Social Evening	TBC
20th	Sat	Munslow Fete	Old Rectory Gardens	2.30pm
20th	Sat	Garden Group	Corfton	TBC
21st	Sun	Culmington Flower & Produce Show	Culmington Village Hall	TBC
22nd	Mon	Corvedale Folk Club	The Sun Inn, Corfton	7.30pm
24th	Wed	Footpath Maintenance Group	TBC	9.30am
25th	Thu	Flicks in the Sticks - Downton Abbey	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.15pm
26th	Fri	Footpath Maintenance Group	TBC	9.30am
26th	Fri	Westhope Whist Drive	Westhope Village Hall	7.00pm
26th	Fri	Village Hall Social Evening	Culmington Village Hall	TBC
27th	Sat	Coffee Morning	Abdon Village Hall	10.00am - 12.30pm
28th	Sun	Footpath Maintenance Group	TBC	9.30am

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#### Corvedale Garden Group

#### Byecroft, Bircher



Saturday 14th July saw the group heading just over the border into Herefordshire along the familiar road to Croft Castle. Turning up Welshman's Lane, on our right we came to

Byecroft in brilliant sunshine. This was a sharp contrast to the pouring rain in June. Sue and Peter Russell had moved 17 years ago, to a virtually empty patch, from the East of England where they had a nursery. They had the imagination to create a beautiful garden and grew most of their plants, including some very unusual ones, from seed. We parked in a field opposite the house where there was a well laid out orchard. They explained about the house and garden while we stood looking at the colourful plants in the gravel garden. In front of the house was a long pergola covered with a range of clematis and roses. Deep beds of perennials



framed the garden with bees and other insects loving the blue eryngium in particular. There were unusual Himalayan lilies (*cardio crinum giganteum*) which towered over the bed with their impressive seed heads. There were shady areas too, with soft planting. A pond with water lilies and a well-stocked vegetable patch completed the areas on view. We were struck by the large red



sculpture of a man and his mower and by the curved metal and mesh panelling with a circular hole in it, which drew the eye to a view down the hill into the Herefordshire landscape and the Malvern Hills beyond. Peter explained the panelling had been clad in ivy for several years but had needed replacing.

People enjoyed catching up with each other in the courtyard over hot drinks, chocolate, or sticky toffee cake. There was a selection of reasonably priced plants available too. What better way to spend a sunny Saturday morning?

Our August visit is closer to home when two members of the group have offered us the opportunity to visit their garden in Corfton on **Saturday 20 August**. If you would like to join us, please let me know by the Saturday before.

Cath Burley, 07746 647 737, cathburley@hotmail.com

#### Munslow Village Hall (aka Beambridge Clubroom)

#### Annual General Meeting - September 20th at 7.30pm

In the UK, the number of us more than 80 years old is growing, both absolutely and relatively. We may have an advantage as far as experience is concerned, but there comes a time when younger minds (with more energy) need to take the lead. At the moment, there are too many octogenarians on the Village Hall Committee, so resignations are coming to the fore. At the Annual General Meeting on 20th September, there will be the opportunity for new leadership with initiative, to step forward.

Beambridge Clubroom gets its name from the time when it was used as a club facility for estate workers, in the earlier part of the 20th century. Over fifty years or more, the hall has been transformed from an agricultural building by local volunteers, to become the 'home' of Munslow Parish Council, Corvedale Arts Club and Munslow's WI, as well as being the Polling Station for our Electoral Parish. The hall is also the home to The Mappa Munslow, created to celebrate the Millennium and made by the children and ladies of the Parish.

Recently, Corvedale Tots, have enjoyed our facilities but there are more opportunities for wider use of the building, by the community. The scope for a new administrative body to develop and expand this unique, historic asset in the Parish of Munslow, is evident to the existing committee but requires new energy to make it a reality. It is not an onerous responsibility, the committee, currently meets about four times a year.

In 2023, the 21-year lease for Beambridge Clubroom is due for renewal. As a Village Hall, it is already a registered charity, but it is planned that it will be transferred from the ownership of Millichope Park to the Millichope Foundation, a charitable body that supports the arts in Shropshire. The heating and lighting in the Hall are currently being upgraded, together with the recent installation of Wi-Fi, this will make it more user friendly in the present climate of fuel economy and developing technology.

If you are a resident in the Parish of Munslow, please do consider coming forward to serve on the Village Hall Committee. Bring your ideas and energy with you so that we octogenarians can step down gracefully. It has been a rewarding commitment, but it is time to move on.

For more information, contact Anne Donnelly at *anne7donnelly@gmail.com* 

**AUGUST 2022** 

#### **Church** News

#### Letter from the Rectory

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Writing this in mid-July, on what is forecast to be one of the hottest days ever recorded in the UK, I am aware that later this week the schools will break up for the summer holidays. Having spent 17 years of my life as a teacher this was a time to which I looked forward, both the endof-term events such as sports days and also the arrival of the holidays and a chance to slow down, relax and do other things. Perhaps optimistically I also looked forward to a period of fine and warm weather, although it was remarkable how often the weather seemed to take a turn for the worse just as the holidays began! For others, of course, the summer months bring anything but rest - the school holidays are timed as they are largely because in the 19th century (and later), children were needed to help with the harvest. This is something we will see around us in the months to come, even if it now involves many fewer people than in years gone by.

Whenever it comes, we all of us need time to abandon the usual routine and to take time to relax and do something different, whether we go away or stay at home. We find the idea of rest on the Sabbath right at the beginning of the Bible when we read how God created the world in six days and rested on the seventh. This is something we are encouraged to see as an example we should follow, both in Genesis and as the fourth of the ten commandments given by God to Moses in the Book of Exodus. Time out,

Hayton & District WI

Eileen welcomed us to the July meeting as Phyllis is recuperating after an operation and we wish her a very speedy recovery. Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. Dates to remember include a visit to the Walled Garden at Delbury Hall on July 29th following a talk by the owner, Richard Rallings; the group meeting on 28th September; group dinner at The Swan, Aston Munslow on 17th November and 20th November when we will celebrate the Institute's 75th anniversary, so plenty to look forward to.

Unfortunately, our speaker for the evening, Mr. Roy Bound, had been taken ill and we hope his talk can be rescheduled. At short notice Sue Parker was persuaded to run a bingo evening for us. As we had played bingo before at the AGM

#### Munslow WI

Our July meeting saw us eating tasty pizza at The Crown Hotel hosted by Jane and Richard Arnold. The usual range of pizzas were expertly made and cooked in the on-site pizza oven. These were served with a choice of tasty side salads. We enjoyed summer drinks (not necessarily alcoholic) which led to a very convivial atmosphere on a warm summer evening. whenever and however we take it, is important and helps us to rest, to relax and to reflect, and to be more fully the people we are meant to be. If you read through the gospel accounts of the life of Jesus it becomes clear that although the gospels are filled with things that Jesus did and said there were also times when he and his disciples took time out, away from the demands of the crowd.

Having taken time out it is good to come back together too and a traditional part of the summer is various events planned to make the most of the (hopefully) fine weather, amongst which is **Munslow Fete** on **Saturday 20th August.** Whatever the summer brings I hope that somewhere in it there is space for you to slow down, relax and take some time to simply be the person God created you to be.

Rev'd John Beesley

#### From the Registers

an enjoyable and friendly occasion.



Diddlebury

Flowers and Brasses - Diddlebury

Elowen Louise Darby

August 20227thMrs Husband14thMrs Husband

Baptism

3rd July

21st Mrs Yapp 28th Mrs Yapp



in November it didn't take too long to **INSPIRING WOMEN** explain the rules of engagement and we were soon up and running for 'eyes down' and 'a full house.' A very sociable evening ended with refreshments served by Vivien and (a multi talented) Sue. Thanks to all who made the meeting

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 8th September** - a demonstration of **Vegetarian Cooking** *by Darren Bale* and the competition, letter X, so until then have a happy and healthy summer. For more information, please ring Phyllis on 01584 823 436. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

Barbara Wright



Our August meeting will be at Susan's **INSPIRING WOMEN** home, Glebe Barns, Munslow, where we hope to enjoy our annual garden party. This will take place on **Wednesday**, **10th August**.

For more information call me on 01584 841 251.

#### **AUGUST 2022**

#### **Corvedale School**

The end of summer term would not be the same without our sports day. Families and friends made up the sizeable crowd that encouraged the children in their races. We were underway just after 1.00 o'clock. First there were the individual events, straight sprints, and obstacle races. Before the relay events began, St Michael's house had a small lead with All Saints' and St Peter's battling it out for runners up slot. However, things were set to get closer. The hoop relays are one of my favourites and there were some close 'photo' finishes. The potato race is not just about speed but teamwork too. We mixed things up a little this year and with it being so hot there were some races involving lots of water which meant everyone including the teachers got very wet - at least it cooled us down. There were double points on offer too. By the time of the final relay race, it could hardly have been closer with just three points covering all three houses and five points on offer for the win. St Michael's won the race, but it was not enough to overhaul St Peter's who ran out winners by two points. Congratulations St Peter's!

End of term is on Wednesday 20th July when, at our leavers service, we say good luck and goodbye to Archie, Freddie, George, Jay, Toby, Alfie, Isabel, Amber, Emily, Elsie, Isabelle Bo-Flo, and Isobel, our Y6 leavers. From September the children will be starting at Ludlow and Church Stretton schools, and we wish them all the best for future success and happiness.

As we approach the end of the school year, I would like to thank all my wonderful team who have coped



and been a tower of strength and support through another difficult year. The Covid

pandemic lingers on and hit us all hard at some point or other during the last 12 months, for me personally only a few weeks back. It has been a year when teachers and teaching assistants have had to adapt teaching programmes and lesson plans to provide for learning that has been missed. For some staff in Nursery, they have had to adapt to new ways of working for the first time with us in school. Our new admin team is settling into their roles and discovering the complex systems working with so many outside agencies as well as dealing with the everyday smooth running of the school. Our catering and cleaning staff have done a brilliant job feeding the children and keeping the school clean and tidy.

Nursery places for September are filling up but there are still places left. We welcome enquiries regarding preschool provision which should be made through the school office: 01584 841630 or admin@corvedaleprimary.co.uk.

The new term starts for children on **Tuesday 6th September.** I hope you all have a peaceful and happy summer.

For more information on what is going on, to keep up with the latest happenings/news at school, visit the school website - *www.corvedaleprimary.co.uk* or on Twitter @*CorvedaleSchool*.

Jonathan Brough, Headteacher



#### Woolly Hats

Some of you have been knitting woolly hats for the Mission to Seafarers. If you have finished any can you please leave them in the back pew on the right hand side of either Diddlebury or Munslow church. *Thank you. Dorothea Clinton* 



#### Westhope Clover Club

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing repairs at Westhope Village Hall, the July meeting had to be cancelled. There is no meeting in August. Our next meeting is **Thursday 1st September**, this will be our Anniversary Lunch, at

Westhope Village Hall, 1.00pm for 1.30pm. I look forward to seeing you all after a lovely summer.

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#### Diddlebury Defibrillator Update

Around thirty-five local residents attended the CPR and defibrillator training in Diddlebury Village Hall on Thursday 9th June. It was a great turnout and good to see some younger members of the community there too.

The training was provided free of charge by the British Heart Foundation and our trainer, Russell Brooks, provided a very thorough and informative session, which lasted two hours. There was a good response from the audience and by the end of the evening I think we all felt a lot more confident in being able to perform CPR and to be able to use the defibrillator.

#### The Corvedale Kitchen



Donations from the community have so far raised £350 for the Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust *www.hajmt.co.uk* which supplied our defibrillator free of charge.

If you are able to make a donation to help the Trust continue its vital work in supplying defibrillators communities to across the West Midlands, please visit www.hajmt.co.uk and follow the links. Alternatively, you can send a cheque made payable to the Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust to me: Sara Thompson, Merry Brook, Mill Lane, Diddlebury, Shropshire SY7 9DJ.

Sara Thompson



#### Vichyssoise Soup - Beth Neden

This soup, served chilled, is perfect for the recent hot weather we have been having.

#### Ingredients

- 1 sweet onion, chopped
- 2 tbsp butter
- 3 potatoes, peeled and diced
- 6 large leeks, thoroughly rinsed and sliced (white and light green parts only)
- 2 pints chicken stock or vegetable bouillon
- A pinch of nutmeg
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup double cream
- Chives (chopped) to garnish

#### Method

- 1. In a large saucepan, gently heat the butter until soft, then add the onions and cook until soft (about 2 minutes). Add the leeks and cook until soft (about 4-5 minutes).
- 2. Add the potatoes and season with salt and pepper before adding the chicken stock and bringing to the boil. Lower the heat and simmer for 30 minutes or until the potatoes are tender.
- 3. Puree the soup using a blender.
- 4. Add the double cream and turn the heat up to medium. Cook for about five minutes, so it thickens slightly. Add a pinch of freshly grated nutmeg. Remove from the heat and serve.

This soup can be served warm or cold. Garnish with chopped chives when serving.

#### **Corrections and Clarifications**

The beautiful photographs of Abdon Village Hall Jubilee Party in the July edition of the Corvedale News were taken by Ron Poulter. Our apologies for this omission. The photographs of the Millichope Picnic in the Park pictures were incorrectly attributed to Harold Apiegel rather than Harold Spiegel. Our apologies for this error.

#### **Diddlebury Open Gardens 2022**

Diddlebury Open Gardens 2022 was a resounding success with just over two hundred visitors coming from far and wide to enjoy the twelve beautiful and varied gardens on display. After all their labours and meticulous preparation bringing their gardens up to show standards, all the gardeners were delighted to see so many people enjoying themselves. The air was full of oohs, ahhs and wows of praise and the village came alive with a steady stream of visitors throughout the day, many carrying plants bought from the plant sale at Willowbrook House.

Meanwhile in the Village Hall, extra tables were called for to cope with the queues of people tempted into the 'vintage tea rooms' by the delicious home-made cakes on offer resulting in 112 afternoon teas being served! Entertainment was provided by The Jarualda Quartet.

All the arduous work in the gardens, in organising the event, in the baking of cakes, in the growing of plants for the plants sales and in the quiz have brought in the whopping amount of  $\pounds 2,675$ .

All this money is for our much-valued community resource - Diddlebury Village Hall, to help maintain it for our enjoyment now and into the future.

The overwhelming success of this year's Open Gardens was the result of detailed planning and management. For that we must thank Sara Thompson for her hard work, drive, determination, and team leadership, ably assisted by her partner Ian.

Thank you, Kim. As always, running such events is very much a team effort and not just down to one person. So, my thanks also to:

Jill and Richard Rallings at the Walled Garden for promoting and managing the advanced sales.

Kim Simm for her marketing, promotion, and social media work and to Russell Simm for helping with the signage and for his furniture moving.

Jean and Peter Drakes and their family for growing, tending, and selling a record number of plants and of course for Jean's plant quiz. And to Jane Farnell for running the plant sale on the day. Also, Colin Pitcher and Tracey Wood for their plant sales.

Stuart Husband and Ian Davies for conducting the risks assessments and keeping everyone safe.

Kitty Greenwood and Kath Worthington for running the remarkably successful Vintage Tea Rooms.

To everyone who made cakes and for people's generous pre and post show hospitality.

And finally thank you to each one of you for opening your garden and sharing it with our visitors and to everyone who came to support Diddlebury Open Gardens 2022.

Sara Thompson



#### Corvedale Book Group

#### The Past by Tessa Hadley

NATIONAL BESTSELLER

# TESSA HADLEY The Past

"Exquisite.... Hadley crystallizes the atmosphere of ordinary life in prose somehow miraculous and natural." -RON CHARLES, Washington Post



This is the story of four adult siblings returning to their grandparents' home as adults for a three-week summer holiday as they have done for several years. This year they must decide whether they keep and maintain the house or if they will sell it. Alice arrives first in the story but has forgotten her key. She is single, intense, an actor, the youngest child, and has come with Kasim, an ex-boyfriend's son. Kasim is a bored student at the end of his first year of university. Harriet, the eldest, is also single and had arrived before them, but had gone for a walk, leaving the house locked. Fran's husband, Jeff, who promised to come, has let her down again, so Fran has had to shop in addition to bringing her children Ivy (9) and Arthur (6). Roland arrives late with his third wife, Pilar, and his teenage daughter Molly. The families settle into their roles, some bickering, some agreements. The brother and his wife are set apart by the intensity of their new relationship. The sisters are watching and commenting throughout the reunion.

The shadows of the past are not just in the house, its furnishings, and its surroundings, but in their rekindled

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memories of their vicar and poet grandfather, Grantham Fellowes, their grandmother, Sophy, and their own mother, Jill, whose early death had meant Harriet became the one responsible for caring for her siblings. This family, as most do, has its secrets which have an impact on the present. The setting provides a background to Sophy's role as vicar's wife, Jill's life as a young mother, the four children's childhood, and the younger grandchildren's exploration of the garden, the churchyard, and the world beyond.

The book is well written with the characters beautifully drawn, delicate pen portraits being layered across the pages as their characters are built up. The house is vividly described, as is the ruined cottage which the children discover. The siblings share their emotional responses to the past, present and the future. Alice overreacts, Fran is stressed by the day-to-day chores, Harriet is quietly intense, Roland more detached. The slow development of Kasim and Molly's inevitable relationship is spied on by the younger children and woven into Ivy's game of make believe. Harriet begins to consider she has a new friend in Pilar, but things don't turn out quite as she had hoped.

The book weaves its plot around the assumptions people make about each other, the details of the relationships and how they are re-negotiated over time. The events seem inconsequential in themselves but build a believable picture of family life which we could each relate to.

It provoked a long discussion about whether the characters were drawn in depth or were inconsequential, with cliched incidents or literary devices being used too prominently. It raises questions about male and female roles and about how people manage longer term relationships. Hadley is interested in how people are managing longer relationships, when marriages stay together and when they fall apart, commenting '*you either hang on, or you don't.*' In a way, that was the crux of the tale.

Tessa Hadley was an author which few of us had heard of, but several of us would now like to read some of her other books. Our read for next month is *Etta Lemon, The Woman Who Saved the Birds* by Tessa Boase. It is a history of the formation of the RSPB.

Cath Burley, cathburley@hotmail.com



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

#### The good old ways?

The word 'way' is really interesting. It is very old, coming to us from Old English and it occurs in lots of European languages, in many forms.

It's not only a 'way' to travel the earth like a path, but it's also a metaphor for the journey of life itself and it's a really powerful concept. The word 'path' is also of great antiquity, occuring in Old English, and it's interesting that we have at least two really solid words for this idea.

Many people these days leave their garden grass long during the summer months and cut paths through the sward. It is lovely, and gives us the reward of seeing insects in clouds on a warm July evening in a westering sun. Even if your only contact with the countryside is travelling by car through our road system (and this may sometimes be the case these days), no one could miss seeing green lanes, paths, tracks or holloways connecting to those lanes.

They're tremendously alluring, or I find them so. They seem to dare or entice us to follow; they have an air of mystery and compulsion. There is always a story just round the corner. A foot-way is a deep thing with humans even after our minds have been dulled by car travel and endless screens.



In the past there were huge numbers of ways or paths crossing the countryside. They were organic rather than planned, and people used them for all manner of reasons. There was the walk to work; to church, or chapel. People walked to see friends; to avoid enemies. They walked outwards and back again. They set out for war not knowing if they would come back again. They carried their dead for burial, and came back shoulder light. They went to fairs and dances and came back again. They drove their cattle over huge distances, to markets or seasonal pasture. They went to find work, or went in desperation to avoid starvation. They went on pilgrimage or just walked! They went to see lovers and relations. They traded and bartered. They left home and they returned and they set out on their last journeys on foot. They walked for strength, consolation, and inspiration.

Prodigious walking was the rule for the vast majority before our modern means of transportation. Today, we are told of the great benefits of walking for our bodies, minds and spirits. People in the past would have roared with laughter at such a statement – they just walked!





In Victorian times, the old ways were tidied and became paths. They were tamed and sanitised and appeared on maps. Today, if we look at maps from the late 19th century we can get some idea of the vast plethora of old ways. They could concentrate around farms and villages, even ones that had now long since gone. They would lead to sites of gathering or sacred sites. It's a good game to play on the right scale of O.S. map... spot the lost settlement, by looking at the pattern of footpaths.

Between Abdon and Clee Burf, at the saddle between the two hills, we see on the early ordnance map paths forming the spokes of a wheel as they coalesced and spread. This would be typical of the concentration around a point of geographical, social, magical or spiritual import.



So let's keep thinking about the good old ways. They are a vital part of our deep past and let's hope more and more people begin thinking they must be a big part of our future.

# Peter Cornah, petercornah@gmail.com

*Afterthought:* Quite rightly, much has been written about droving roads, but far less on 'coffin routes'. Before the English 16th Century Reformation, if you wanted to be buried in 'holy' ground – and you likely would – your parish church was the only option. If you lived in a 'detached' part of a parish this could mean many miles in prospect for carrying the dead. Coffin routes must have been a harsh reality, and places to rest the coffin en route must have been really important. It has been suggested that the benches in church porches would have been ideal. So maybe Clee St Margaret was used en route from Heath to Stoke St Milborough, or Munslow for Earnstrey to Diddlebury – or even Bromfield in the two generations or so before the new town of Ludlow had its own chuch and the town dwellers were buried in Stanton Lacy.

#### Diddlebury Village Tidy Up

Fifteen local residents turned out on Wednesday 20th July for the Diddlebury village tidy up. Thankfully, the weather was much cooler than on the previous two evenings.

It was amazing to see what could be achieved in a relatively short space of time by a few willing pairs of hands. After an hour and a half, the broadwalk, alongside St Peter's Church, was left looking really smart.

It was a very productive evening, with a convivial atmosphere and we all enjoyed ourselves as we worked. Weeds were pulled up, brambles cut back, moss cleared, railings washed down, and all the debris swept up.

We then retired to the village hall for some welcome refreshments.

The evening was an excellent display of community spirit. We will plan to do another session next spring.

Sara Thompson



#### **Diddlebury Parish Plan**

The Diddlebury Parish Plan was refreshed in 2013. The action points from the plan have now been implemented and the Parish Council has been regularly appraised of progress. A copy of the action plan review is uploaded to the Parish Council website: www.diddleburyparish.co.uk

During the last year, the group commissioned the Parish Council Speed Awareness Device, and this is now in action at various locations in the parish. The Police have suspended community speed awareness groups on the B4368 due to safety concerns, so the device has been mounted on brackets fixed on signposts. Speed awareness wheelie bin stickers have been distributed.

Discussions have been held with the Parish Council to investigate a Community Led Housing Scheme aiming

at providing some affordable housing within the parish. Suitable land plots need to be identified.

Following discussions with Shropshire Rural Communities the Steering Group has agreed that a further refresh of the parish plan will be undertaken. This will again involve parish wide consultations and a communication plan will be designed to develop a programme.

The Steering Group is always looking for new members to contribute and assist with its work and with the forthcoming plan refresh new blood will be extremely helpful. If you would like to become involved in this important work, then please contact *diddleburyparishplan@gmail.com* 

Ian Davies Chair, Diddlebury Parish Plan Steering Group

#### Diddlebury & Westhope WI

#### A veritable joy for the chocoholics amongst us!

Our meeting this month was an absolute joy if you love chocolate, which I am pleased to say most of us do! Lori Whinn came along to talk to us about chocolate, how she came to set her chocolate business up, how she has developed it into a fully eco-friendly, fully sustainable process, from sourcing the cocoa to packaging the finished article. Lori gave us many examples of the various chocolates that she produces, and they were all extremely good. She supplies many household names including John Lewis. We all really enjoyed her talk and very much enjoyed sampling the chocolate. Word of warning...she did say that due to the closure of the biggest chocolate producer in the world, which supplies many large and small producers with their raw chocolate, there may well



be a shortage of chocolate for Christmas, so be warned, buy early!

Even after all the chocolate we still had room for some tea, cake, and biscuits and all had a great catch up on a lovely, warm July evening.

Our August meeting will be at the earlier time of 7.00pm as we will be meeting in Amanda's garden. I will send details nearer the time. We are going to have our WI bakeoff competition then too, so get creative and bring along your best cake for judging!! If you would like to join us, please get in contact with me.

> Jane Cockburn, 01584 841 483, pmc1989@btinternet.com

#### August Crossword - by Artemonas

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#### ACROSS

- 1) Hospital with old vehicle will take you to hell (8)
- 5) Fat city's short way
- 9) Gave up when it sounds like new wheels required (7)
- 10) Blond learner has panache
- 11) Initially a linguist tries out voice
- 12) Well, water jumps
- 14) Giving out gold in bad ways
- 16) Rioted over press boss
- 19) Tips away the remaining bottles
- 21) Reverse footballer?
- 24) Old dictator above some books is stupid
- 25) Go back when giving more goodies?
- 26) For example, Gilbert and Sullivan at breakfast (4)
- 27) Yes, we nod to start the game

#### DOWN

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(4, 4)

1)	Which are part of the animal	(4)
2)	Born in South Africa?	(5)
3)	An old little cord produces big plant	(7)
4)	I dash right round the vegetable	(6)
6)	Not in favour of a win on the road	(7)
7)	Rosy ride doesn't turn out to be much	(8)
8)	Some oaf argues from a distance	(4)
13)	May have side sticker	(8)
15)	Could the pig on the lawn become a bird?	(7)
17)	Beat Des at arguments	(7)
18)	Mostly place for the cigarette ends but was lost	(6)
20)	Radio takes only a little bit	(4)
22)	Colour in company belief system	(5)
23)	Backs Brazilian, for example, to knock out	(4)

#### ANSWERS TO JULY'S CROSSWORD:

ACROSS: 1) Muse; 3) Cottages; 9) Ovine; 10) Shrivel; 11) Emu; 13) Preferred; 14) Soccer; 16) Modern; 18) Coagulant; 20) Saw; 22) Epitaph; 23) Froze; 25) Doggerel; 26) Warp

**DOWN:** 1) Myope; 2) Ski; 4) Oyster; 5) Torpedo; 6) Governess; 7) Saladin; 8) Yelp; 12) Unceasing; 14) Succeed; 15) Emulate; 17) Mashie; 19) Tofu; 21) Whelp; 24) Ova

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#### Fun Summer Quiz Answers on page 18

- 1. Due to the iron expanding, which world famous landmark grows about 6 inches every summer?
- 2. The month of June is named after which Roman goddess married to Jupiter, the king of the gods?
- 3. The 'dog days of summer' refer to the dates from July 3rd to August 11th. They are named so after which Star located in the constellation of Canis Major?
- 4. Which Roman general named the month of July after Julius Caesar?
- 5. Which US holiday is considered the unofficial start of the summer season?
- 6. Which William Shakespeare sonnet begins with the line 'Shall I compare thee to a summer's day'?
  A. Sonnet 15. B. Sonnet 16.
  C. Sonnet 17. D. Sonnet 18.
- 7. Which popular rock song was recorded by the Canadian musician Bryan Adams from his fourth album, Reckless?
- 8. According to folklore, the weather for the following 40 days is predicted on what day, which falls on July 15th every year?
- 9. Whose summer residence is called 'Castel Gandolfo'?
- 10. Taken from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll fill the blank: '*The Queen of Hearts, she made some*—, *All on a summer day*'?
- 11. The modern Olympics have been held during the summer months every four years since the 1800s. However which Olympics were held during the spring?
- 12. What common name is given in English-speaking countries to the national day of France, a day celebrated on 14th July each year?
- 13. What is the common name of Cerastium tomentosum, an herbaceous flowering plant?

- 14. The most famous line of which William Shakespeare's play is 'Swift as a shadow, short as any dream, Brief as the lightning in the collied night, That, in a spleen, unfolds both heaven and Earth, And, ere a man hath power to say "Behold!?"'
- 15. Which summer food is a tradition at the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament each year?
- 16. The first modern Olympic Games were held in the summer in?A. 1892. B. 1894. C. 1896. D. 1898
- 17. In which song would you hear '*In the summertime,* when the weather is hot, you can stretch right up and touch the sky'?
- 18. Sunflower is the national flower of which country?
- 19. Which sport was introduced at the Summer Olympic Games in the 1992 Games as a demonstration event and has been an official Olympic sport since 1996?
- 20. In 1864, which famous tourist place was declared as the summer capital of British India?
- 21. True or False: The summer of 1975 was considered to be one of the hottest summers in Europe?
- 22. Usually worn during the Midsummer celebrations in Sweden, what name is given to a ring-shaped wreath made of flowers and leaves?
- 23. The summer solstice occurs in the Southern Hemisphere during which month?A. December.C. October.B. November.D. September.
- 24. What does SPF stand for on suncream?

25. In what year did Eddie Cochran release his hit song, 'Summertime Blues'?

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#### JOIN OUR TEAM

# The Corvedale News is looking for at least one additional person to join our team of volunteers.

You would join us for two or three team meetings a year and share in the monthly tasks necessary to publish and distribute the magazine. If you would like to join us, we would love to hear from you.

Please email *editor@corvedalenews.co.uk* or phone 07968 027 757.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR NEEDED

Munslow Parish Council is keen to hear from anyone interested in a small contract for maintaining the minor roads in the parish, NOT the B4368. The contract is for approximately 4 hours per month to clear drains, strim around signposts and litter pick. The contractor will be required to hold Public Liability Insurance and have their own equipment. Please write to or email the Parish Clerk with your hourly rate and confirming that you hold the appropriate insurance. **Contact: Heather Coonick (Munslow Parish Clerk)** 

munslowpc@gmail.com Hopton Gate Cottage, Haytons Bent, Ludlow SY8 2BE

#### Are you a member of the Corvedale Google Group?

The Corvedale Google Group was set up some years ago as a means of disseminating information of interest to those living in the Corvedale. Its area corresponds roughly with the distribution of the Corvedale News i.e., primarily the parishes of Abdon & Heath, Culmington, Diddlebury and Munslow, although you don't have to live in one of these parishes to join. I send out information about road closures, flood warnings and other local news items. Additionally I try to include information about forthcoming events and send out reminders shortly before they actually take place.

In recent years this Group was run, very successfully, by Geoff Neden. As you may know Geoff is, sadly, unwell and unable to continue with this work and in May he asked me to take over from him. A hard act to follow! There are currently 220 members in the Group. To join, simply email me at *martinggcn@gmail.com* and you will start receiving messages; on average, perhaps, about one a day. It's absolutely free and there is no advertising!

At the same time, if you think there is something which would be of general interest please email me and I will consider sending it out, even if you are not a member of the Group.

Three caveats: the Google Group is not a forum for discussion: it is for disseminating information only. Secondly it does not publicise purely commercial events. And finally, the situation regarding closures on the B4368 at the moment is so chaotic that I've stopped sending anything out as what we are told is so unreliable!

Martin Jones

#### Fun Summer Quiz Answers

21. False: it was the summer of 1976

24. Sun Protection Factor

22. A midsommarkrans

- 18. Ukraine
- Summertime? Summertime?
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  - 15. Strawberries and cream
  - 14. Midsummer Night's Dream
    - 13. Snow in summer
      - 12. Bastille Day
- 11. 2000 summer Olympics in Sydney
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- 8. St. Swithun's Day
  - 7. Summer of '69
    - 6. Sonnet 18
  - 5. Memorial Day
- 4. Marc Antony
- 3. Sirius the Dog Star
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  - 1. The Eiffel Tower

19. Beach volleyball

20. Shimla

23. December

25. 1958

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#### Fix My Street

Fix My Street is a relatively new service provided by Shropshire Council.

It is extremely easy to report a problem.

- Simply access the website FixMyStreet *www.shropshire.gov.uk.*
- Then enter a postcode, or street name and area e.g., SY7 9DJ. The interactive map then allows you to plot the precise location of the problem.
- You can then choose the type of problem from a drop-down list e.g., potholes, signage, ditches and drains, flooding etc.

#### Shropshire Carers Feedback System

Shropshire Carers Support team want to hear the voices of unpaid and family carers in Shropshire. We want carers to have more opportunities to get involved in shaping services and support throughout Health and Social Care.

The Carer Feedback form will give carers and their representatives a means of feeding back their experiences with the whole Health and Social Care sector, including community and voluntary sector organisations and groups.

We want to hear what is working well and what may need improving so that we can share 'best practice' across the whole of Shropshire and send the feedback of poor experiences to the relevant support area e.g., primary care; hospital trusts or adult social care for them to look at how they can improve that area of their service.

For people who do not have access to online forms who would like the opportunity to tell us about their experience, paper copies can be found in local libraries and will be distributed within local peer groups or, alternatively, Shropshire Carers Support team can note your feedback via the telephone; you will not have to give your full name/ contact details unless you would like to.

Shropshire Carers Support team contact details are: 01743 341 995 Monday - Friday 9.00am till 5.00pm.

- There then may be a sub-category to give more details of the type of problem.
- If you wish you then have opportunity to upload a photograph of the problem.
- Further details can then be added in free form text.
- Finally, just add your contact details and submit the form.

The system is remarkably simple to use, and anecdotal evidence suggests that Shropshire Council is responding to problems reported in this way.

So, if you see a problem, report it!

Sara Thompson



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#### **How It Works**

- Carers/representatives leave their comments on the form, with an option for someone to call them to discuss further.
- The feedback is forwarded to the appropriate work area for response within 2 weeks.
- Carers/representatives are called, if contact details given, with an outcome from their feedback or update on the progress of the response from the receiving organisation.
- Contact with carer/representatives will be maintained until a final response has been received to the feedback.
- The feedback is collated into relevant groups/topics.
- A report will be taken to Shropshire Carers Partnership Board (SCPB), as a standing item on the Board agenda, of the types of feedback and any emerging patterns. The SCPB will feed the information into the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- An annual report from SCPB will be shared with Shropshire Council's Information and Insights team for their annual public feedback report.

A link to the form can be found at: *www.shropshire.gov. uk/shropshire-choices/caring-for-someone-else/carers-feedback/* 

Jayne Smallman-Brooks Carers Support Information Officer Jayne.smallman-brooks@shropshire.gov.uk 01743 258 916

#### PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED

#### Get featured on the front cover of the Corvedale News.

Don't forget that we still need photos for the cover page. Send us your photos, from landscapes to local goings-on. We're looking for pictures that capture the essence of living in the Corvedale and surrounding community.

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

#### **Parish Councils**

#### **CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Draft minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 7th June 2022 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Councillors Mr I Alderson, Mrs C Byng, and Mr J Turley; holds £12,871.97. Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council); H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

As both Cllrs Steele (Chair) and Pike (Vice Chair) had sent apologies Cllr of fuel it was agreed that the hourly rate paid to the Environmental Byng was elected to chair the meeting. Maintenance Contractor be increased to £17. The Council confirms that

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Steele, Pike, Holland and Mear.

Declarations of Interest Relating to this Meeting: None.

Public Involvement Session: No members of the public were present.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meetings held on 3rd May 2022 were approved as being correct.

**Matters Arising:** *a*) the Clerk reported that Shropshire Council will contact the landowner regarding an unsafe tree near Copper Beeches *b*) Cllr Alderson reported a very serious vehicle accident near Burley. It was agreed that the Clerk will write to Shropshire Council asking for verge trimming to be carried out earlier and a road sign to be positioned in the vicinity to warn of the bend in the road.

**Community Governance and Boundary Review:** As no members of the public were present this matter was deferred to the next meeting. The Clerk will write to the owners of The Pheasantry to gauge their view on the Parish boundary.

**Reports from Members:** *Shropshire Council*: Cllr Motley reported that a Local Government Association Team is reviewing Shropshire Council's procedures. She has recently met with the NFU and CLA. The cabinet will be discussing the number of deaths in the River Severn. The Council is also considering banning Chinese lanterns.

*Village Hall:* Cllr Mear sent a report which the Clerk read out. She thanked the Village Hall committee and volunteers who made the Jubilee such a success. The AGM is on 7th July when they would welcome new members. The committee is considering an extension to the hall but this is in the early stages. The Flower Show schedule is due out next week and a promises auction is planned for the Autumn.

Flood Committe: Cllr Byng had nothing to report.

**Planning:** 22/02014/FUL - erection of an extension to existing outbuilding to provide annexe accommodation ancillary to main dwelling. Tudor Lodge, 11 - 12 Culmington, Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 2DB. The Council resolved to support this application with the condition that vehicle parking be included in the plans as there are already issues with parking on the road in this area of the village.

**Finance:** The Finance Report and Bank Reconciliation were reviewed. The council has received a £1,000 Environmental Maintenance Grant and £690.54 refund for VAT. The bank account as at 31st May 2022

**Environmental Maintenance Contract:** Due to the increasing costs of fuel it was agreed that the hourly rate paid to the Environmental Maintenance Contractor be increased to £17. The Council confirms that the grant was spent in accordance with the conditions during 2021-2022.

**Desilting of Seifton Brook on Seifton Lane:** The Council resolved to desilt Seifton Brook with the total cost of the contractor and ecologist being no more than £1,000. Cllr Turley was thanked for agreeing to take the spoil from the work. The Environmental Maintenance Contractor will be asked to strim verges on Seifton Lane and ensure that the hedge around the brook is clear to allow the desilting to take place. Cllr Motley will discuss with Shropshire Highway the installation of a pipe on Cllr Turley's land to increase the flow of water away from Seifton Lane.

**Payments:** D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) Invoices 144 and 149 £82.50, H Coonick (Clerk) Salary £747.76 for April - June and back pay from 1/4/21-31/3/22 and reimbursement for stationery and software £37.80, and Stanton Lacy Parish Council (Reimbursement for software) £22.22.

**Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations:** Both were reviewed and adopted.

**Funding for a Speed Activated Sign**: It was agreed to apply for funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner for another Vehicle Activated Sign for the Eastern entrance to Culmington village and to request that the 40 miles an hour speed limit be extended to Clay Lane. It was agreed that monies from the Parish Council reserves could be used to match this funding if necessary. This was agreed unanimously.

**Update on Laundry Works:** The Environment Agency is planning a third visit to the site to look at fire safety and issues with wastewater. West Mercia Police is following up a report they made to Shropshire Council regarding the parking of lorries outside the Laundry Works.

**Parish Council Website and Planning:** The Clerk reported that Web Orchard and Shropshire Council have been unable to resolve the issue regarding the planning updates on the Parish Council website. It was decided to cease using Web Orchard and use a free website host. The Clerk will liaise with Mr J Williams regarding the transfer.

Police and Crime Commissioner Online Survey: Cllr Alderson agreed to complete the survey.

Items for the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 5th July 2022: a) Parish Boundary Review b) Desilting of Seifton Brook, c) Speed Activated Sign.

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

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Date of next meeting: Thursday 11th August at Abdon Village Hall, starting at 7:30pm

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#### **DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Summary of the draft Minutes of Diddlebury Parish Council's Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd June 2022 at Westhope Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr D Hedgley - Chairman, Cllrs A Watson, R Povall & R Morgan.

**Apologies** were received and accepted from Cllrs S Povall, T O'Boyle, T Pardoe and A Rattu.

**In attendance:** The Clerk, Unitary Cllr Cecilia Motley and four members of the public.

Declarations of Interest: None were made.

**The Minutes** of the Annual General Meeting, the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council Meeting (all held on 25th May 2022) were approved by councillors and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters Arising:** It was confirmed that the Clerk had sent requests for further information about drainage issues relating to the developments at Bache Mill and the old poultry sheds. Responses are awaited. Cllr Motley had taken up the issue of the chaos on the B4368 caused by poor diversion signage again: she said the lack of suitable diversion options were the root cause of the problem.

**Reports:** *The Chairman* reported he had in the past month attended to Jubilee celebration signage, delivered a Certificate of Recognition of Service to Geoff Neden, had been involved in election issues and had spent a considerable amount of time preparing for the planning application 22/02425/FUL.

**Unitary Cllr Motley** said she has written to Eddie West and Tracey Darke at SC about DPC's outstanding CIL payment. She hopes the resurfacing works can be carried out in the October school holiday. She reported on her attendance at an LGA meeting. She has urged SC's emergency team to share with town and parish councils their comprehensive emergency plan so parish councils have clear lines of communication and knowledge of what powers they possess in the event of any major emergency.

*Westhope Village Hall:* Cllr Watson reported that works had commenced on replacing the roof of Westhope Village Hall. As asbestos removal is involved some events have been cancelled for health and safety reasons.

**Community & Governance Review:** Cllr R Povall reported on the continuing negotiations about possible revisions to DPC's boundaries. Seifton and Culmington issues remain to be resolved.

Planning: 22/02425/FUL - An application for the erection of a single

storey dwelling with fully integrated solar panel roof and detached garage/car port to be built on land to the east of The Tithe Barn, Diddlebury.

The applicant and two neighbours who had raised objections to the application were in attendance and given opportunities to address the council. The Chairman and Councillors present had read all documents filed in connection with the application, including the pre-application advice, the detailed objections and planning law, regulations and training session planning advice relating to this application and Diddlebury's 'open countryside' SAMDev designation in particular. Research had revealed a few exceptions to the 'open countryside' planning prohibition, which had not applied to the applications at The Moors, but which did relate to this application. After long and detailed discussion, and by a majority, DPC voted to support the application, with provisos relating to access and privacy issues.

**Highways/Environmental Issues:** The issue of excessive speed (of up to 90mph) and dangerous overtaking by vehicles and motor bikes on the B4368 in the Corfton area had been raised by a resident, who sought DPC's help in putting in place remedial measures, including double white lines on the highway. The Clerk will approach Highways about the white lines and DPC will consider purchasing speed activated signs for the Diddlebury stretch of the B4368. A request from Bouldon residents for signs asking motorists to slow down around horses was considered and signs will be purchased.

**Correspondence & Communications:** 11 items of correspondence were considered.

**Finance Matters:** The Finance Report for June 2022 was considered and payments totalling £311.80 were authorised, following which DPC holds £40,506.18. The cash book/bank statement reconciliation was verified by Cllr Watson.

**Election of a New Councillor:** The Clerk said three applicants, to her knowledge, had applied for nomination packs and an election is scheduled for 21st July 2022. It is optional whether or not polling cards are printed and sent out to all households – it would cost DPC approximately £300. It was agreed SC should be asked to send out polling cards so all parishioners are aware of the election.

AOB: No matters arose and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

#### Next meeting: Wednesday 27th July 2022, 7.30pm at Diddlebury Village Hall

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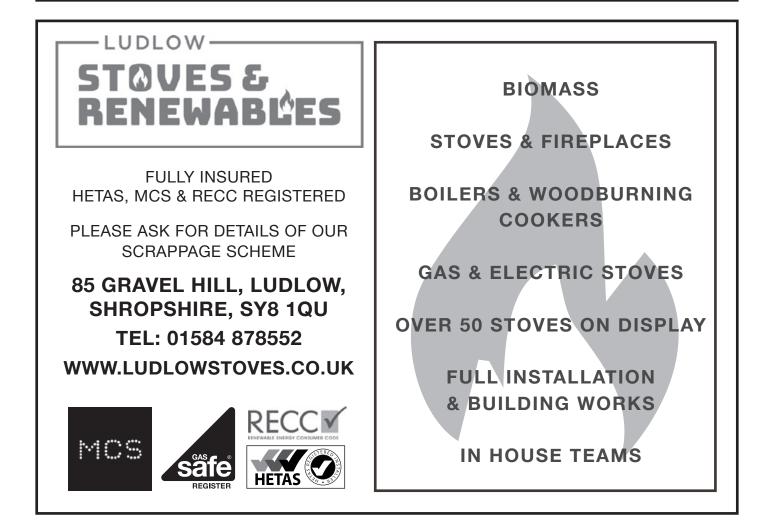
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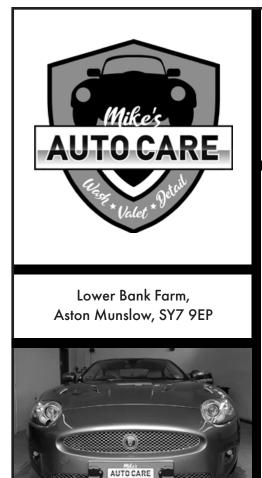
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