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# COMMUNITY CONTACTS & SUPPORT

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0808 278 7894

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(Monday - Friday, 10.00am - 4.00pm)  
01742 280 019

**FREE Citizens Advice Consumer  
Helpline:** 0808 223 1133

**FREE Universal Credit: Help to claim:**  
0800 144 8 444

**On the web**  
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Shropshire Council 01588 672 192

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## SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

There is a wealth of information and resources available on the Shropshire Council website:

**[www.shropshire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk)**

From information about household recycling, planning applications, and highways to help with Cost-of-Living and Benefits. Help and information can also be obtained by phone: **0345 678 9000**.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE** If anyone knows of other events taking place within their immediate area in the next few months, could they please let the Editor know so these may be included in the Dates for Your Diary.

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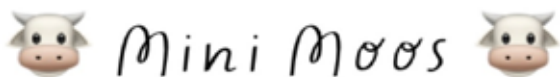
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# WHAT'S ON IN THE DALE





Mini Moos

Baby and toddler group

Every Monday  
10-12 term time

£2.50 per family

Baby area  
Toddler area  
Ride ons  
Craft activities  
Song time  
And lots more

 Diddlebury Village Hall 

Find us on Facebook  
Mini Moos baby and toddler group



## Weekly Whist Drives



Every Monday

All ages and abilities welcome

Doors open 7pm

Start 7:15pm

£3 to include half time  
refreshments

Westhope Village Hall  
SY7 9JL



## CORVEDALE BOOK GROUP

Corvedale Book Group welcomes new members! It costs less than £5 a month to cover room hire fees and Shropshire Library loan fees.

For the first six months of the year, we will be choosing books selected by group members. Then we will be discussing books selected from the annual library list.

Please contact [cathburley@hotmail.com](mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com) if you would like to join us.

**Second Thursday of the month  
7.30pm - 9pm at Diddlebury Village Hall.**

**Next Meeting: Thursday 12th October**



## CORVEDALE ARTISTS

meet every Tuesday  
from 10.00 am until 1.00pm in  
**Beambridge Village Hall**

Portrait Model and Still Life  
provided at each session  
with tuition, or bring your  
own artwork

**£8.00 per  
session**

A warm welcome awaits new  
members of all abilities  
so why not come along?

For further information  
telephone 01299 832608

# Corvedale Folk Club

at The Seven Stars, Broadstone  
on Monday 23rd October  
at 7.30pm

All are welcome to perform or listen to and enjoy acoustic music, recitations and story-telling.

Meetings will be the 4th Monday of each month

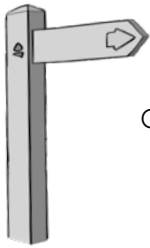
For further information contact Ian on 01584 841 331 or email [ianfotheringham@btinternet.com](mailto:ianfotheringham@btinternet.com)

## 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. 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:

**OCT: Wed 25th, Fri 27th, Sun 29th**



Enjoy singing?  
**Corvedale Choir**



is looking for new members who love to sing

**WHO?** We are a mixed voice choir based in the Corvedale who began singing together in 2010. Our Musical Director is Ros Crouch, well known for her leadership of several choirs in the area

**WHAT?** We sing an eclectic mix of harmony songs with a supportive, friendly and fun group of local people

**WHERE?** Diddlebury Village Hall in the area

**WHY?** Because we love singing with other people and because singing is good for physical and mental health

**WHEN?** Monday evenings from 7.30pm to 9.30pm during term time.

We have 2 concerts a year: a charity fundraiser in the summer and a carol concert at Christmas



**Interested?** We would love to hear from you. There are no auditions, all songs are taught - an ability to follow music and a desire to sing is all that's required

**Not sure if it's for you?** You're welcome to come along and join us for a taster evening for free any Monday evening

*Our new year begins on Monday 11 September*

**HOW?** If you would like further information please contact :

Avril Lines [avril.fossilsinshropshire@gmail.com](mailto:avril.fossilsinshropshire@gmail.com) or 01584 861 339

## The **EDGE** CHAMBER CHOIR presents

# Music from Eastern Europe

Saturday 14th October at 7.30pm  
St. John's Church, Gravel Hill, Ludlow SY8 1QU

Music Director: Ros Crouch

Arvo Pärt *The Woman with the Alabaster Box*

**Tickets: £12**  
(Under 16 free)

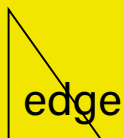
available from members of the choir and on the door.

Uģis Prauliņš *Mass of Riga*

Veljo Tormis *Autumn Landscapes*

Paweł Łukaszewski *Ave Maria*

Ēriks Ešenvalds *Long Road*



[www.edgechamberchoir.org.uk](http://www.edgechamberchoir.org.uk)  
Find us on Facebook and Twitter @edgechoir

Ludlow Arts  
Classical

## Wild about Westhope Family Day Autumn Event Sunday 29th October 10am - 2pm

### Woodland Games

Family fun to win a Giant Pumpkin

### Witches /Wizards Broom.

Make your own traditional Besom Broom

### Pumpkin Carving

Have ago at carving your own Pumpkin

### Woodland Camp Café

join us around the camp fire and enjoy a hot drink and cake.

This is a free event.

All donations will be used to buy tools for conservation management

**Parking at Westhope College  
SY7 9JL.**





*Stanton Lacy  
Artisan  
Craft Fair*

*Stanton Lacy Village Hall  
1.00-4.30pm  
Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023*

Further details from  
AJ Gatehouse on 07971 916167



STANTON LACY V. HALL  
SY8 2AT  
**HALLOWEEN  
PARTY**  
LOCAL BAND  
**UNDAUNTED**  
SAT 28TH OCT  
7.30PM  
FOOD - R J SMOKEHOUSE  
BAR  
OPTIONAL FANCY DRESS  
**£5.00**

## GUIDED WALK

Bouldon's geology and industrial archaeology with local historian

Bernard O'Connor

**Saturday 28th October 2023  
at 10.00am**

Cost £5 - followed by lunch at the Tally Ho, Bouldon.

Booking essential:

[fquirk202@aol.com](mailto:fquirk202@aol.com) or 01584 841 778

Check pub website for lunchtime menu

Meet at the Tally Ho Car Park

## MUCH WENLOCK MALE VOICE CHOIR

Invites men of all ages to a

## COME AND TRY IT EVENING

**Tuesday 17th October at 7.20pm**

**The William Brookes School, Much Wenlock**

*No previous singing experience needed!*

01952 728 758 for more details  
or just turn up on the night.

## RSPB Walks & Talks

More info can be found on the RSPB local group website.

### WALKS

Sun 8th Oct - Bodenham Lake  
& Oak Tree Farm



### TALKS

**7.30pm at Diddlebury Village Hall**

10th Oct Alan Heath - Shropshire Raptors  
14th Nov Terry Moore - Wildlife Photography  
12th Dec Geoff Hall - Shropshire and Beyond

# DIDDLEBURY VILLAGE HALL

www.diddleburyvillagehall.org


Facebook: @diddleburyvillagehall




**A Man Called Otto**  
Comedy Starring Tom Hanks  
7.45 pm Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
Doors & Bar Open: 7.15 pm  
Tickets: £5 (Card machine)










**Harvest Supper**  
6.45pm Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Diddlebury Village Hall



6 pm every Tuesday  
£5 per class

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**  
is  
**CURRY NIGHT**  
Homemade Punjabi Cuisine from  
**Zainz Catering**  
Come and enjoy delicious homemade Punjabi curries, onion bhajis and samosas and have a great night with your friends and neighbours.  
**Bar open from 5.30 pm**  
**Food from 5.30 - 9.30 pm**

	<p><b>Mini Moos Baby &amp; Toddler Group</b> Baby Area, Toddlers Area, Ride Ons, Craft Activities, Song Time and Lots More. £2.50 per Family See Facebook for more information:</p>	<p><b>Mondays</b> <b>10.00 - 12.00</b> <b>Term time</b></p>
	<p><b>RSPB South Shropshire Local Group</b> <b>Talk on Shropshire Raptors by Alan Heath</b> Admission: Local Group Members £2; visitors £5 including refreshments.</p>	<p><b>7.30 pm</b> <b>Tuesday</b> <b>10th October</b></p>
	<p><b>The Corvedale Choir</b> is a mixed-voice community choir whose members enjoy singing a wide variety of music, whilst not taking themselves too seriously. Contact Ros Crouch: <a href="mailto:ros.crouch@gmail.com">ros.crouch@gmail.com</a> for more information.</p>	<p><b>Mondays</b> <b>19.30-21.30</b></p>
	<p><b>The Blue Hills Choir</b> meets weekly to sing classical music. All are welcome to join this friendly choir. Contact Ros Crouch: <a href="mailto:ros.crouch@gmail.com">ros.crouch@gmail.com</a> for more information.</p>	<p><b>Tuesdays</b> <b>10.00-12.00</b></p>
	<p><b>The Corvedale Book Group</b> enjoys lively discussions of the books obtained from the Shropshire Library Service. Contact Cath Burley: <a href="mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com">cathburley@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday</b> <b>each month</b> <b>19.30</b></p>
	<p><b>Zumba</b> is a Latin-inspired dance workout that is primarily an aerobic workout and it's all about having fun. Contact Cat: <a href="mailto:zumbawithcat@outlook.com">zumbawithcat@outlook.com</a> /07817 448832</p>	<p><b>Tuesdays</b> <b>18.00</b></p>
	<p><b>Tai Chi</b> - benefits include improving balance, lowering blood pressure, feeling calm and energised, and improving core strength. Contact Enid Gill: <a href="mailto:enidgill21@hotmail.com">enidgill21@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Thursdays</b> <b>10.00-11.00</b></p>

# CULMINGTON VILLAGE HALL

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS - OCTOBER

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### Tractor & 4x4 Run

*Sunday 1st - Assemble at Seifton Farm at 8.30am, 10am start*

Join us on a beautiful scenic tour of the Corvedale. £10 per vehicle. Food available at start and finish, plus a mid-way stop at Stanton Lacy for refreshments. Raffle. Money raised will be split between the Multiple Sclerosis Society and Culmington Village Hall extension. Entry form in Ripples magazine. Contact: Pat Caine 07966 387 815 or Lewis Weaver 07831 606 079

### Coffee Morning

*Monday 2nd and every following Monday, 10am - 11.30am*

Everyone welcome! Mug of tea or coffee for £1 with free refills plus a biscuit or two.

### Bridge Club

*Monday 2nd and every following Monday, 12.30pm - 5pm*

Contact Peter Whitehead [pst.whitehead@gmail.com](mailto:pst.whitehead@gmail.com)

### Can Do Crafts - Crazy Patchwork Tote Bags

*Saturday 7th 10.00am - 12.30pm*

£25 includes all materials and refreshments. Contact Rosemary Jones to book your place via Facebook or on 07837 609 229

## FUTURE EVENTS

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### Can Do Crafts - Simple Textile Printing & Stamping

*Saturday 11th November, 10am to 12.30pm*

£25 includes all materials and refreshments. Contact Rosemary Jones to book your place via Facebook or on 07837 609 229.

### St Andrew's Lunch

*Sunday 26th November*

Contact Gwyn Edwards on 07891 904 501 or 01584 861 666.

### Christmas Fayre

*Friday 1st December*

Come along for some festive fun. Contact Jo on 07872 109 936 or 01584 861 486.

### Beefy Boys

*Sunday 8th, 4pm onwards*

Join us for the best beef burgers in town! No need to book. The bar will be open.

### The Bluebird Bells

*Friday 13th, 7.30pm*

Enjoy a mixture of songs from the 40s, 50s, 60s and some slightly more modern ones in a vintage style. Tickets £12 to include light refreshments. Contact Jo Mear on 07872 109 036 or 01584 861 486, Jeff Williams on 01584 861 849 or Liz Griffiths on 07968 443 229.

### Lunch Club

*Thursday 19th, 12.30pm for 1pm*

A delicious two-course meal for only £10 plus a raffle and a bar. Vegetarian option available. Book in advance with Gwyn Edwards on 07891 904 501 or 01584 861 666.

### Social Evening

*Friday 27th, 7pm*

The bar will be open from 7pm. Come for a drink and a chat. All welcome.

### The Men from Off

*Friday 8th December*

A local singing group who perform folk, shanties and the like. Bar open at 7pm, performance starts at 7:30. Tickets £5. Contact John Hart on 01584 861 802

### Can Do Crafts - Nordic Felt Decorations and Christmas Rag Wreaths

*Saturday 9th December, 10am to 12.30pm*

£25 includes all materials and refreshments. Contact Rosemary Jones to book your place via Facebook or on 07837 609 229.

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# STANTON LACY VILLAGE HALL

## EVENTS OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2023

**Bar open every Wednesday at 8.00pm**

### Rugby World Cup - England v Samoa

*Saturday 7th October, 4.45pm*

The hall will be open half an hour before the game starts.

### Stanton Lacy Parish Harvest Supper & Ceilidh

*Saturday 7th October*

All are welcome. For more details and to book contact Jennette Arnold on 07568 083 322

### Halloween Fun with Undaunted

*Saturday 28th October at 7.30pm*

### Artisan Craft Fair

*Saturday 11th November, 1 - 4.30pm*

### Community Coffee Mornings

First and third Wednesday of the month for more details ring Phyllis 01584 823 436

### Hayton & District WI

Second Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm. For more details ring Phyllis 01584 823 436.

### For more info.

Email: [slvh.info@gmail.com](mailto:slvh.info@gmail.com)

or Facebook: Stanton Lacy Village Hall Events



# WESTHOPE VILLAGE HALL



We have now completed the painting and decorating of the newly refurbished kitchen and also managed to do the same in the ladies and gents toilets thanks to a generous donation from a member of the local community. And now for

the big one, the outside of the hall. We really do hope we can achieve this before the centenary next year which is now scheduled for Sunday 9th June 2024. We are planning a grand celebration party for the whole of the community and those that have supported the village hall over the years to present day. Fundraising events are now in the planning. Further details will be announced in due course.

Our community lunch was again well supported, and a delicious lunch was enjoyed by all.

Another successful rummage sale was held on 16th September, thank you to all who donated their items and of course everyone's help to make it possible.

Yoga with Sue Pugh every Wednesday, please note from 4th October the time is changing slightly to 3.30 - 4.30pm. All enquiries Sue Pugh 07432 349 933 or Betty 07860 447 397.

The skittles season is nearly upon us, which we are all looking forward to, our first match being on Friday 13th at home to Culmington (not an ideal date to start, let's hope it's not unlucky!). It's the the taking part not necessarily the winning.

The Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning is being supported by Westhope Village Hall with a coffee morning on 29th September 10am-12.30pm. Please do come along and support such an amazing charity.

The hall is available to hire with a licensed bar and catering if required. All enquiries Betty 07860 447 397.

## OCTOBER (AND FUTURE) EVENTS

### Whist Drives

*Every Monday, starting at 7.15pm.*

£3 entry. All abilities welcome. Our numbers continue to grow so come along and enjoy a very light-hearted and sociable evening.

### Yoga with Sue Pugh

*Every Wednesday, 4.15 - 5.15pm / 3.30 - 4.30pm.*

All enquiries Sue Pugh 07432 349 933  
or Betty 07860 447 397.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

*Friday 29th September, 10am - 12.30pm.*

### Skittles Match

*Friday 13th October*

Home. Vs Culmington

### Harvest Supper

*Saturday 14th October 14th 7.00 for 7.30pm.*

£15 for a three-course meal with tea/coffee. Children under 12 - £8. This year our entertainment will be lots of fun with a magician. Pre-booking essential. Betty 07860 447 397.

### Bingo

*Saturday 28th October 7.00 for 7.30pm.*

Everyone welcome.

### Christmas Prize Bingo

*Saturday 9th December 7.00 for 7.30pm.*

Everyone welcome.

# ABDON VILLAGE HALL

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS - OCTOBER

### UFO (Un-Finished Objects) Craft Morning

The UFO craft group which meets at Abdon Village Hall on the second Saturday of the month, will start again on **Saturday 14th October 10.30am - 12.30pm**, as usual. Bring your crafting projects to share, craft, chat, and of course there will be coffee and cake! Look forward to seeing everyone.

### Coffee Morning

*Saturday 28th, 10.30am to 12.30pm.*

The coffee morning will take place, as usual, in the village hall on the last Saturday in October. Everyone welcome for coffee, cake and chat!

### Abdon Village Hall Bookings

Contact Margaret Buckingham: 01746 712 296 or [abdon.villagehall@gmail.com](mailto:abdon.villagehall@gmail.com)

Or visit our website for the booking form and details: [www.abdonandheathparish.org.uk](http://www.abdonandheathparish.org.uk)

# DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Please note that Diddlebury Parish Council has changed its email address from [diddleburypc@gmail.com](mailto:diddleburypc@gmail.com) to [diddleburypc@outlook.com](mailto:diddleburypc@outlook.com), with effect from 24th August 2023

Problems with the gmail address occurred on 10th August 2023 and it has not been possible to open any emails received since that date. Thus, if anyone has sent an email to Diddlebury Parish Council since 10th August, please re-send it using the new email address.

Jean de Rusett,  
Clerk to Diddlebury Parish Council

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Every Mon	<b>Corvedale Choir</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
Every Mon	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Culmington Village Hall	10am - 11.30am
Every Mon	<b>Bridge Club</b>	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm - 5pm
Every Mon	<b>Westhope Whist Drive</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.15pm
Every Mon	<b>Mini Moos - Baby &amp; Toddler Group</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	10am
Every Tues	<b>Blue Hills Choir</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	10am
Every Tues	<b>Corvedale Artists</b>	Beambridge Club Room	10am
Every Tues	<b>Zumba</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	6pm
Every Thur	<b>Tai Chi</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	10am
Every Fri	<b>Physiotherapist-Led Modified Pilates</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	9.15am

## SEPTEMBER 2023

2nd	Sat	<b>Out of this World, Organ Concert</b>	St Laurence's Church, Ludlow	7pm
2nd	Sat	<b>Disco &amp; Chilli Shack</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	6.30pm
3rd	Sun	<b>Service of Thanksgiving with Bishop Richard</b>	Holdgate Church	10am
4th	Mon	<b>Flood Action Group Multi-Agency Meeting</b>	Church Room, Diddlebury	3.00pm
5th	Tue	<b>Culmington Parish Council Meeting</b>	Culmington Village Hall	7.30pm
7th	Thu	<b>Community Lunch</b>	Westhope Village Hall	12.30pm
7th	Thu	<b>Clover Club</b>	Westhope Village Hall	12.30pm
7th	Thu	<b>Munslow Parish Council Meeting</b>	Beambridge Village Hall	7.30pm
8th	Fri	<b>Skittles Evening</b>	Westhope Village Hall	
9th	Sat	<b>Can Do Crafts</b>	Culmington Village Hall	
9th	Sat	<b>Corvedale &amp; District Autumn Show</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	2pm-4pm
12th	Tue	<b>RSPB Talk - Pond &amp; River Birds, Tom Wall</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
13th	Wed	<b>Diddlebury &amp; Westhope WI Talk - Sign Language, Sally Joyner</b>	Culmington Village Hall	10am-12.30pm
14th	Thu	<b>Lunch Club</b>	Culmington Village Hall	12.30pm
14th	Thu	<b>Corvedale Book Group</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
14th	Thu	<b>Hayton &amp; District WI Meeting</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	7.30pm
15th	Fri	<b>Marches Real Food &amp; Farming Conference</b>	Linley Farm	
16th	Sat	<b>Marches Real Food &amp; Farming Conference</b>	Linley Farm	
16th	Sat	<b>Garden Group Visit</b>	Knighton	10am
16th	Sat	<b>Flower Festival</b>	St Andrews Church, Ashford Bowdler	10am-4pm
16th	Sat	<b>Rummage Sale</b>	Westhope Village Hall	10am-12noon
16th	Sat	<b>Charity Ramble</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	3pm
17th	Sun	<b>Flower Festival</b>	St Andrews Church, Ashford Bowdler	10am-4pm
17th	Sun	<b>Corvedale Festival - Stream of Sound Youth Choir</b>	St Peter's Church, Diddlebury	3pm
19th	Tue	<b>Stream Clearing</b>	Diddlebury Village	5.30pm
20th	Wed	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBA	9.30am
20th	Wed	<b>Consort de Dance Baroque</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.30pm
21st	Thu	<b>Flicks in the Sticks - Barbie</b>	Diddlebury Village Hall	7.15pm
22nd	Fri	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBA	9.30am
23rd	Sat	<b>RSPB Walk</b>	Venus Pool	
23rd	Sat	<b>WI Ceilidh &amp; BBQ</b>	Culmington Village Hall	6.30pm
24th	Sun	<b>Footpath Maintenance Group</b>	TBA	9.30am
25th	Mon	<b>Corvedale Folk Club</b>	Seven Stars, Broadstone	7.30pm
27th	Wed	<b>Diddlebury Parish Council Meeting</b>	Westhope Village Hall	7.30pm
29th	Fri	<b>Curry Night</b>	Culmington Village Hall	6pm
30th	Sat	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	Abdon Village Hall	10.30am
30th	Sat	<b>Big Breakfast</b>	Munslow Village Hall	9am-11am
30th	Sat	<b>Community Market</b>	Stanton Lacy Village Hall	

## ACTIVITIES & CLASSES:

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The deadline for all submissions to the News is Monday 18th September

# CHURCH NEWS

## LETTER FROM THE RECTORY

Writing purely personally, I have to say that this year I have not done well in terms of growing food in the garden. Although things were planted at about the right time, whether it is this year's weather or the fact that anything planted in my vegetable patch then has to fend for itself I wouldn't like to say, but I have been noticeably less successful this year than previously. Fortunately, I am not reliant on what I grow and I can go out to buy whatever I need, but this is a luxury that people in many parts of the world don't have. I am reminded (again) that for many people there is a fine line between having enough to eat and the prospect of hunger.

Over the past few weeks we have seen the annual change in the landscape as fields are harvested. Quite often this year it has been at night as farmers have worked to get crops gathered before the coming rain. This month we will give thanks to God for that harvest – dates and times of the Harvest Services are in the rota elsewhere in this magazine. As we celebrate the harvest and pray for those who have worked so that we can enjoy it, it is also right that we think about what we do with it. It is a sad fact that although the world produces enough food for all its people, we are not very good at ensuring that all the world's people have enough to eat. While some have a surplus, others starve, and about one third of the food produced in the world is wasted, an amount which continues to increase.

We will celebrate God's goodness in another way on Sunday 22nd October when we have the Pets' Service at Diddlebury. Do join us for this and bring your pet (suitably housed or restrained, please). We usually have a fair number of dogs (and it's great to see them) but it would be good to see some more unusual types of pet too!

Rev'd John Beesley

## MUNSLOW CHURCH

On **Wednesday 18th October** at 7pm we look forward to welcoming the Blue Hills Choir to Munslow Church for a concert of classical choral music. Tickets, in aid of Munslow Church, will be £10, to include a drink afterwards. We hope to see you there!

Rev'd John Beesley



## FROM THE REGISTERS

### Baptism

27th August Scott Tommy-Lee Steven Diddlebury  
Roderick Matthews

3rd September Amelia Marion June Howells Munslow

16th September Jasper Phineas Randle Kay Munslow

### Weddings

2nd September Emma Williams Munslow  
and Edgar Whately

2nd September Bethany Stephens Diddlebury  
and Christopher Wood

### Funeral

22nd August Peter Cottingham Culmington

## FLOWERS & BRASSES

### October 2023

1st Megan Speight 22nd Liz Jones

8th Megan Speight 29th Liz Jones

15th Liz Jones

## DIDDLEBURY FLOOD ACTION GROUP

### AUTUMN REMINDERS

#### Preparation For Autumnal Weather Events:

- Remember to clear your gutters, keep falling leaves out of the drains.
- Make a personal risk assessment for flooding. By having a plan and ensuring that everyone is familiar with it, you can minimise the disruption that you suffer and help ensure everyone's safety should a flood event occur. Help can be found at: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/drainage-and-flooding/be-prepared-for-flooding/create-a-personal-flood-plan/](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/drainage-and-flooding/be-prepared-for-flooding/create-a-personal-flood-plan/)

#### Looking After Waterways:

- Remember the responsibilities that landowners have for waterways next to properties. In most circumstances, trees, hedges and ditches that adjoin highways and streams fall under the ownership of the adjacent landowner.
- Guidance can be found at: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/drainage-and-flooding/be-prepared-for-flooding/guidance-on-highway-ditches-hedges-and-trees/](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/drainage-and-flooding/be-prepared-for-flooding/guidance-on-highway-ditches-hedges-and-trees/)

#### Where To Access Sandbags:

- During a flood event there are a range of ways you can make your property more resilient to flooding. In some cases, if used properly, sandbags can be used to divert flood water away from property or provide some protection for a short period of time.
- Shropshire Council holds limited stocks of sandbags for collection by the public at our highways depots around the county.

#### Himalaya Balsam

Himalayan Balsam is a very invasive weed which spreads extremely quickly, especially adjacent to watercourses. It has been seen locally, including on the banks of the Diddlebrook. For further information see photos below. A useful article can be found at: [www.rhs.org.uk/weeds/himalayan-balsam](http://www.rhs.org.uk/weeds/himalayan-balsam)

Need with help in any flooding issues? Please contact your local flood action group. Details of both **Diddlebury Flood Action Group** and **Culmington Flood Action Group** are listed on the respective parish websites

Clive Martyn



# WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

## HAYTON & DISTRICT WI



Our meeting on 14th September included a talk by Emma Spenser entitled The Women's Land Army which gave us an insight into the history and experiences of the amazing women during and following World War II who signed up and made a huge contribution towards the maintenance of the land and the essential food production of this country. Emma, as librarian at Bridgnorth library, reads a lot and therefore decided to take the opportunity to read and focus on her interest in history and to undertake research on subjects like the Suffragette Movement and times during the two world wars, in particular the part that women played in the form of National Service. She walked in to give her talk dressed in a WWII reproduction of the uniform Land Army women were required to wear in their role – the Great Coat being an original – along with a designated small suitcase with all other essential items given to assist the women in their work, including the original gas mask, and went on to explain that during World War I, with food production in jeopardy, it became clear that in order to sustain food production in Britain something had to be done to enable the country to grow more of its own food. So, from around 1915, 23,000 women were recruited to work full-time on the land. They helped to replace male farmers and farmworkers who had gone to war. Eventually the Women's Land Army employed over 200,000 women between June 1939 and November 1950. Lady Gertrude Denman, whom we know as the founder of the Women's Institute, which began on 16th September 1915 (WI Day), was approached by the Ministry of Agriculture to reform, and direct the Women's Land Army. She began to make plans in terms of national organisation and recruitment but there are delays in taking these proposals forward. Lady Denman therefore uses her 'county lady' contacts around the country, who by then were mostly WI Presidents in their county branches, to help promote the Land Army to the population of WI members, asking them to apply to be recruited as 'Land Girls' during WWII. A well-presented talk on a fascinating, historical subject! Our meeting concluded during refreshment time with our speaker Emma judging our two regular competitions.

On WI Day this year, four of us had a great day at the 'Shropshire County WI Day' event held in Shrewsbury Abbey on Saturday, 16th September. We arrived early and found our designated space where we proceeded to set up our individual table and screen displaying photographs, documents, and programmes, old and new, collected since the inception of Hayton and District WI on 19th November 1947, plus an array



of craft items contributed by members. These included pickles and jams, various crafts and seven tea loaf cakes. Two ladies visiting the Abbey from Texas USA bought one of our cakes and, as the show was

so well attended, the other six were sold to the refreshments team provided by the Shropshire Federation WI because

they'd sold all their provisions so quickly! An extraordinarily successful day with live music played in the Chancel to add to the very friendly, interesting, buzzing atmosphere throughout the beautiful Shrewsbury Abbey.

At our next meeting on **Thursday 12th October at 7.30pm**, we shall be welcoming Child Psychologist Suzy Hopkins to give her talk entitled Hiding in Plain Sight, going hand in hand with the National Federation WI's campaign 'Thinking Differently'. Suzy will offer her extensive knowledge and experience to help us understand why so many girls and women with Autism and ADHD go undiagnosed. Anyone living in our district, particularly new residents, who would like to try out an active, inclusive WI branch to meet new friends, share interests, come on organised outings and events and listen to inspiring speakers, please come along on the second Thursday evening of the month for a 7.30pm start at Stanton Lacy Village Hall in Hayton's Bent to check us out. Further information about the WI, including membership and our branch in particular, is available from our President, Phyllis Steventon on 01584 823 436 or Secretary, Amanda Brooks at [hayton.district.wi@gmail.com](mailto:hayton.district.wi@gmail.com).

Louise Gough

## MUNSLOW WI

We were joined by two prospective members at our September meeting plus two visitors. Our speaker for the evening was Kate Green. Kate demonstrated her talk by singing songs about people she had researched and been involved with in what we now know as the Elan Valley project, bringing water from Wales to Birmingham. She accompanied her songs with a ukulele and talked and sang about various characters that she had become interested in – one of whom was Rita Morton. Kate then went on to sing of a woman called Jenny Pike, who she said was the last woman to have been made to use the Ducking Stool in Leominster in 1809. Her final song, which almost had us in tears, was of a child who had been discovered after being preserved in ice for many years. Loraine thanked Kate for a very interesting and entertaining evening. The usual raffle was held, and tea, coffee and cake served.

Tickets were distributed for the barbecue in two weeks' time, and we are looking forward to a skittles evening next month. For more information, please call me on 01584 841 251.

Jenny Rose

## DIDDLEBURY & WESTHOPE WI

On Wednesday 9th August members of Diddlebury & Westhope WI met in Culmington Village Hall, with friends from other WIs in dread, which we hope will be filled with the same mix of friendship, interest, and laughter as in the past.

Many things have changed since our WI was started but we hope we have remained faithful to the intentions of those founder members and will continue to meet together in friendship, to hear interesting talks, learn new skills and make new friends while supporting each other.

Mary Holland

# WALK A MILE TO END POLIO

Members of Ludlow Rotary Club are inviting residents of Ludlow and the surrounding area, young and old, to join them in 'walking a mile for polio'.

For almost forty years Rotary International has been battling to eradicate polio from the world. When it launched its global campaign to fight the crippling and sometimes deadly disease, more than 350,000 children were being paralysed by polio every year in 125 countries. Today, as a result of an intensive immunisation programme, the incidence of polio has been reduced by 99.9% and the wild polio virus is now only endemic in Pakistan and Afghanistan where less than ten cases have been identified so far this year. Rotary International, along with other agencies, continues to raise funds to bring this devastating and crippling disease to a world-wide end.

Ludlow Rotary is supporting this global effort and invites all to join them in 'walking a mile for polio' any time between 10am and 12noon on Sunday 22 October.

A number of routes starting from a registration point by the entrance to Ludlow Castle and suitable for all levels of fitness have been selected for the purpose. No individual will

be asked to give more than £1 - but as many pounds as possible will be welcomed!

Every donation to Rotary will be trebled by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, so every £1 will become £3.

Speaking about this initiative, Ludlow Rotary organiser Tom Hunt said, *'Until polio is totally eradicated, every child is at risk of this highly infectious, potentially life-threatening and paralyzing disease.'*

*'There is no cure for polio but there is a safe and effective vaccine which we need to continue to roll out until there are no more cases.'*

*'When the world is finally declared polio free, it will be just the second human disease ever to be eradicated, after smallpox.'*

*'Please help Rotary to wipe the life threatening and disabling poliovirus off the face of the earth simply by walking a mile for polio and donating £1.'*

For further information, see [www.ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk](http://www.ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk)

Barry Forrester



## FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE GROUP



During June and early July, we managed thirty-six hours of clearing footpaths, mainly around stiles and gates, but also some sections of path. The growth this year seemed more abundant than ever, and still, we couldn't do it all. Now that most crops and hedges are being cut, hopefully, things will open up. We've walked several footpaths between churches in preparation for the Corvedale Music Festival, more clearing, placing new way markers and repairing stiles and a bridge where we had time to do so. We'd managed to misplace one new stile across the fields from Heath Chapel on the edge of Wynett's Coppice, I'm not sure how this happened, but noticing the mistake, we have now replaced the stile to its rightful position on the Right of Way.

Up the lane from Aston Munslow, a stile on a steep muddy bank has been problematic for some time, we have now replaced the stile frame, (steps yet to be done), and added a flight of six steps into the bank to ease access, see 'before' and 'after' photos. This will be a decided improvement, I'm sure all who are familiar with it will agree!

Happy walking, Jenny Vine



## WESTHOPE CLOVER CLUB



The Clover Club celebrated its anniversary meeting with another delicious dinner at the Westhope Community Lunch. It was a lovely celebratory start to our 46th year.

Next month, **Thursday 5th October**, as several of our members will be away in Blackpool, I have decided to cancel the film show. We will play bingo and have a nursery rhyme quiz instead.

Kath Woodhouse, 01584 841 254





# CARING FOR GOD'S ACRE



## OCTOBER – THE TENTH MONTH

So here we are in October, the tenth month of the year but a name associated with 'eight', because in the old Julian calendar it was the eighth month. In 1752 we changed to the Gregorian calendar when the start of the year went from March to January and October went from being the eighth month to the tenth month.



What I did not know until looking at all things October for this article was that about 1,500 years ago Pope Gregory declared that the cockerel was the symbol for St Peter. By the time we had a lot more stone church buildings (a couple of hundred years later, so 850-ish), a Papal enactment encouraged all churches to add the cockerel emblem to their towers, replacing the bit of rag which had been telling locals the way the wind was blowing. And so the weather-cock was created.

The weather theme continued in my research, and folklore is a wonderful area for it. It seems that the weather in October has traditionally been seen as having a direct effect on the weather in winter. 'Much rain in October, much wind in December' and another gem: 'A warm October, a cold February'. And I would not like to leave out January: 'But if thunder in October, January will be wet'.

Now I don't know about you but until now I had never considered how October might affect the following winter. There is good news too: 'Snow and frost in October, January will be mild'.

The behaviour of animals in this month is also indicative of what winter might bring. 'If foxes bark much in October they are calling up a great fall of snow'. I could go on... it seems extraordinary to me that I have never spotted the October effect before now!

One thing I have noticed before, though, is 'St Luke's Little Summer', which is associated with milder or sunny weather around 18th October. Hagiography (the study of saints) is one of my interests. St Luke is the patron saint of doctors, physicians and surgeons, and is thought to have been an educated man. He wrote one of the four gospels and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles, the fifth book of the New Testament. It is surprising how often we do get some dry, calm days in the middle of the month, hence his 'Little Summer'. Look out for it this month.

Finally, I think we could do a bit of checking this month and see if any of the above really is based on facts. Another old adage says 'October always has twenty-one fine days'. Really?

Let's all count the fine days and see what we come up with. Have fun!

Anni Holden Calver  
Trustee of Caring for God's Acre  
and a member of the Churchyard Task Team.  
Secretary of Shropshire Churches Tourism Group



## All Saints Church Culmington

**Past; Present; Future**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023 2-4pm**

All Saints Church PCC are delighted to welcome you to this wonderful church for an afternoon where we:

- celebrate what All Saints has meant to the parish; How did that spire get there!
- look at what we are currently doing and need to keep going
- look to the future for what we need to do to keep both the ministry and church alive for all who live in Culmington parish and as part of the Corvedale Group of parishes

Come and see how you can help us to continue over 600 years through the silent witness of the Church as a place for all the passages of life and how we move forward together as a vibrant, living, relevant faith for all.

**There will be something for all including tea and cake and "I spy" for children (or the child in all of us!) both inside and outside the church**

# CORVEDALE GARDEN GROUP

Mr and Mrs Morgan, who used to farm at Sutton in the Corvedale, moved to Pont Faen House in Knighton 20 years ago. They made us very welcome on Saturday 16th September even though various circumstances meant we were only a small group of thirteen people. They had opened for the NGS for many years but gave up after the Covid pandemic, so we were honoured to be able to visit. Now in their mid-eighties they manage all the gardening themselves and had put up gazebos for us near the former pig sheds, where we had our refreshments, so we could stay dry if needed. We all had our fingers crossed that it would not rain, and it obligingly didn't until we were just finishing our tea and excellent cake at the end of the tour.

Pont Faen is a well-proportioned house built in the 1930s and the garden which surrounds it is spacious. It required considerable renovation in the 2000s. John and Brenda bought the adjacent field when they moved in and so the garden extends via a pergola to a larger area the width of the house at the back. A variety of evergreen and deciduous shrubs were planted at the outset to screen the housing development behind, which was built after they moved. Wide herbaceous borders, interspersed with interesting shrubs and some very tactile grasses, encircled the lawn. At the centre, a water feature was set off by evergreen topiary.

Also at the back was a greenhouse and working area with well filled compost bins. Nearby was a bed with a spectacular iridescent blue/purple delphinium alongside pots of tall blue and white agapanthus. These echoed similar pots at the front of the house and a huge pot nearer the back of the house of agapanthus 'Twister.' The former pig sheds were slightly heated in the winter months to protect the dahlias and other tender plants.

To the right of the house, as you faced it on entry, is a large lawned area with a huge copper beech underplanted with a succession of spring bulbs and cyclamen. The borders surrounding the well-maintained lawn were bright with perennials including tall clumps of rudbeckias, dahlias, and verbena bonariensis. Roses and clematis climbed the house, trellis, and pergolas as well as some of the trees, adding another dimension of height and colour. A similar planting style was

to the left of the front drive. Throughout the garden there were five varied water features and a number of well-chosen areas in which to sit. This allowed you to take in the wealth of colour, form and lead/bark shapes in the garden. It was a real pleasure to share this garden with the owners.



In October we had planned to visit the Leasowes at Cound, but that is now deferred until 13th April 2024 as the owner had an unavoidable commitment. Instead the garden group visit on **Saturday 14th October** at 10am will be to **Coddington Vineyard between Ledbury and Malvern**. The garden features terraces, wildflowers and a woodland walk. There is a large pond and a stream. Earlier in the season there are masses of spring bulbs, primulas, hostas, hellebores and parotia trees. Now they will be full of late flowering roses, verbena bonariensis, ferns and late flowering perennials. The vineyard has beautiful gardens and makes a small selection of acclaimed wines from 2,300 Bacchus, Ortega and Pinot Gris grapes. Picking will be in progress. Wines are available to buy in the old apple press house. Jams, chutneys and marmalades are also available. Admission with tea and cake is £13 per person.

The Vineyard, Coddington, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR81JJ  
Tel 01531 641817 (40 miles/66 minutes from Aston Munslow)

If you wish to attend and are not on the mailing list, please contact [cathburley@hotmail.com](mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com) by 9am on Wednesday 27th September so I can submit numbers.

Please note that on **Saturday 11th November** at 10am at Diddlebury Village Hall, our speaker will be Tamsin Westhorpe. This meeting is open to anyone in the area, so feel free to come along with friends and family. Tickets cost £10 to include refreshments and there will be a raffle - see poster elsewhere in the magazine. For more information, please contact me at [cathburley@hotmail.com](mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com).

Cath Burley

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## CORVEDALE GARDEN GROUP TALK

**11th November 2023 at 10am at Diddlebury Village Hall**

What does your garden look like in spring? What are you planning to keep or to change? Will it be colourful? Which plants should you cut down in autumn or leave for overwintering insects to hibernate in? Are there seed heads for birds and small mammals? Maybe by November you will have ordered your bulbs, planted snowdrops, crocus and daffodils and be considering where to plant your tulips. This will be a perfect occasion to learn more about how to create the most fabulous garden for 2024.

I am delighted that Tamsin Westhorpe will be explaining to us how to:

- Prepare for the Perfect Spring
- Select plants for a spring garden
- Practical tasks to achieve perfection

Tamsin is curator and gardener, working with her sister at the beautiful Stockton Bury Gardens, on the Kimbolton road, just off the A49 between Ludlow and Leominster. Gardening, as she will tell you, is part of her upbringing and a huge part of her family's life. She is both a practical hands-on gardener and someone hugely well regarded in the horticulture field. She is an extremely entertaining and humorous speaker. After starting her career, like Alan Titchmarsh, in the Parks and Gardens department, she worked in the magazine industry, spending six years as editor of The English Garden Magazine. She regularly judges at RHS shows and is a celebrated author. Her publications include 'Grasping the Nettle', 'Diary of a Modern Country Gardener', 'Grow Houseplants'.

Admission £10 to include refreshments. There will be a raffle. Please feel free to spread the word and bring family friends and neighbours to this lively local event.

# CORVEDALE BOOK GROUP

## SPILL SIMMER FALTER WITHER BY SARAH BAUME



We were delighted to welcome a new member to our group in September to add to our wide-ranging discussion of *Spill Simmer Falter Wither* by Sarah Baume. This book was on the shortlist of the 2015 Costa First Novel award, and we could see why. It is an extraordinarily well written work about the very emotive area of loneliness. Sarah Baume shows the ability to get perceptively into the mindset and the uncomfortable living conditions of both the isolated man in the story and his barely lovable dog. Her descriptions of rural Ireland and the natural world in which they lived, was knowledgeable and well painted.

It is a difficult and heartbreaking read but with moments of humour, and during our discussion we kept wanting to read aloud sections to each other. Ray is a man of fifty-seven who has rarely left his home throughout his life. His mother died when he was two, he didn't attend school and his father frequently left him to fend for himself. He has very limited life experience but reads widely. His father taught him to drive when he was in his forties, as he was becoming less mobile and suffering from gouty feet. After his father's death, Ray tended only to go out once a week for shopping, meeting few people on that trip; at other times he walked the coast. One day he saw an advertisement for a misfit dog. The story chronicles how he and 'One Eye' gradually became used to each other and formed a friendship across a year. This was probably the first time either of them gave and received affection or had a sense of purpose. The relationship isn't easy. Ray describes caring for the dog like nurturing a nettle. He describes himself as *'his father's nettle... a son only fit to be kept indoors... where there's nothing to sting but himself'*.

Ray described himself as *'too old for starting over, too young for giving up'*. This was one of many thought-provoking phrases that sprang to our attention in the book. Even though to the outside world he looked shabby and disreputable there was something likeable about him and his vulnerability, his knowledge of himself as being different: *'I haven't fought in any wars or fallen in love. I've never even punched a man or held a woman's hand... I lie down and let life leave its*

*footprints on me.'*

The writing pulled you up in your tracks, triggering thoughts and making you focus on small details in life and think about them differently and use your senses in other ways. Seeing the world through the excited nose and one eye of the dog made you think about the (often disgusting to us) smells which enriched the dog's life. We tend not to concentrate much on smell as a sense. Nor do we concentrate on really seeing. Ray and One Eye were watchers, trying to make sense of a puzzling environment around them with which they had very little interaction. They tried to make the best interpretation that they could of this constricted environment and their rare interactions with people. Sometimes their conclusions were built on faulty premises. Had things been different, their lives could have been different too, one hopes.

It was a book that describes the strong feelings which were evoked for Ray as he talked through the life he had had with his dog. He began to have hope... or did he?

*'But it's too late to be grateful now. It's too late for everything but regret.'*

*'I'd like a costal cottage of my own, of our own. What do you think? I'd cover it with sea-shells, only we would have queeny frills instead. I'd piece our windows into place with my sanded glass, pebble by pebble. We'd have a lawn for you to pick the dew from, and a patch of bare earth where I can raise my faulty crops straight from the ground. Our cot-tage would be down a narrow track with an unsignposted strand and an unbroken view of jumping Atlantic, just like here. And I'd carry a patio chair to the end of our lawn. I'd put it there, see there? Right there. And I'd face it to the uncluttered horizon.'*

But it's too late, of course. Or is it? We would recommend you read it to find out.

Our read on **Thursday 12th October** is *Nothing but Grass* by Will Cohu and Elaine Gardner will be guest editor.

Cath Burley, [cathburley@hotmail.com](mailto:cathburley@hotmail.com)

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## MUCH WENLOCK MALE VOICE CHOIR

The choir is now back in full practice mode and preparing for a few events this October. The first of which is our joint concert with Biddulph Male Voice Choir at 7.00pm on Saturday 7th October in Holy Trinity Church, Much Wenlock. Biddulph are entering their second millennium as a choir having celebrated their centenary last year and are currently the proud recipients of the prestigious Midlands Male Voice Choir of the Year Award for 2023. We very much look forward to singing with and alongside them at what should be a memorable evening.

The following weekend sees us supporting the Get A Word In Edgeways festival ([gawiefest.co.uk](http://gawiefest.co.uk)) that is taking place in Much Wenlock, when a group of us will lead an informal singalong from 3.00pm on the Sunday (15th October) in and around the High Street to bring the event to a close. This is a free event and could be a lot of fun, please come along and take part – words will be provided!

On the following Tuesday (17th October) we are holding an Open Evening, a come along and try it night, at the William Brookes School from 7.20pm, when we invite all men to find out whether the choir is for them. Remember, you may never have sung before and may even have quite a low opinion of your degree of musical ability, but don't be put off, our musical director is very good at developing the choral skills that are within us all! You will be assured of a warm welcome and the chance to be involved in an activity that is proven to be excellent for your physical health, your confidence and mental well – being.

We complete our busy month with a full concert at Ditton Priors on Saturday 28th October at 7.30pm where we will be supporting the fundraising efforts for the St John the Baptist Church in the village. All supporters most welcome.

Dick Langford, [chairmanmwmvc@gmail.com](mailto:chairmanmwmvc@gmail.com), 01952 728 758



# CORVEDALE PAST & PRESENT

## TWO DAYS IN SEPTEMBER

I'm writing this just after spending two days at the Linley estate, which is in that lovely part of Shropshire to the west of the Longmynd. It brought together a remarkable group of people whose main focus seems to be the health of our soil, suitability of the plants that grow in it for animals, and, ultimately, for humans who eat the animals and the plants. It was called the Marches Real Food and Farming Conference.

It was really hard to believe that it was the first such conferences ever; it was tremendously well organised and over 100 people spoke at the various talks and panel discussions. There were least as many people who came just to listen and participate in the discussions, meet other people with similar interests, and generally have a fun time.

I know a lot of the sessions were filmed or recorded: at some stage it will be possible to view these at [www.mrffc.uk](http://www.mrffc.uk).

A lot of people talked about change, which can be extraordinarily hard for us all. It's easier to plough the same old furrow rather than to listen to somebody who thinks you should be doing it different way, or just not at all!

I thought about knowledge and I wonder if there are three categories which probably get more and more interesting as you go along. This is what I mean.

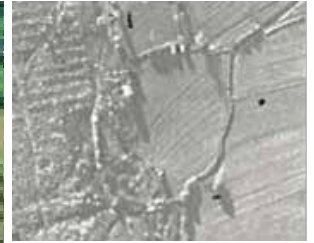
The **first** type is what we know, and, increasingly these days, what we can find out. This can be a) personal, b) what we know as a society and c) what mankind knows.

The **second** type is what we have forgotten. Somehow this seems much more interesting. Call it ancient wisdom or anything else, but human beings all the time seem to come across problems that our ancestors could, apparently, solve with ease and elegance but which baffle us despite all.

The **third** type of knowledge is the most exciting of all; what we don't know and have never known. Everybody reading this and everybody else on the earth started life as a single cell yet we now have eyes and brains, adrenal glands nerves

and arteries etc. OK, we may know a few steps along the road of this astonishing process but that's just like knowing a few people in a vast crowd.

I do wonder if there's a **fourth** type of knowledge: the things which we know instinctively are true but cannot prove. While other types of knowledge have to go into ever fatter boxes, this type of knowing is withering on the vine and very fast. So please don't look down your nose at type 4 knowledge!



Here is an example from my favourite source... the historic

landscape. I have been recently thinking about oval shapes as Richard kindly sent me an aerial photo of which this is part – a superb oval – in the lower Corvedale, which I would expect to be from Saxon times or maybe earlier.



We could easily compare this with Nordy Bank which is earlier still.

Or with any number of modern stadia, or any of many examples.

No doubt it is possible to prove with mathematics that the oval is the most efficient way of enclosing ground, but can we say why it is so satisfying and harmonious and culturally solid?

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## TRACTOR RUN

Culmington village Hall committee will be holding the Corvedale tractor and 4x4 road run on **Sunday 1st October** starting from Culmington by kind permission of Mr and Mrs John Turley. All profits raised will be shared equally between the MS Society UK and the village hall renovations. Below are the approximate timings that the lead vehicle will be travelling through the villages enroute. Hot food will be provided at the start and finish.

Seifton / Culmington ..... 10.00am (start)

Onibury ..... 10.30am

Ludlow Racecourse ..... 10.40am

Stanton Lacy ..... 10.45am

Stanton Lacy Village Hall ..... 11.10am

(Halfway halt for 45 minutes to an hour (approx.)

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided by courtesy of the Stanton Lacy Village Hall committee.

Stoke St Milborough ..... 12.25pm

Clee St Margaret ..... 12.40pm

Abdon ..... 1.10pm

Peaton ..... 1.30pm

Diddlebury ..... 1.40pm

Culmington ..... 1.55pm (finish)

The police have been informed of the route and timings. There will be marshals on duty wearing high-vis vests.

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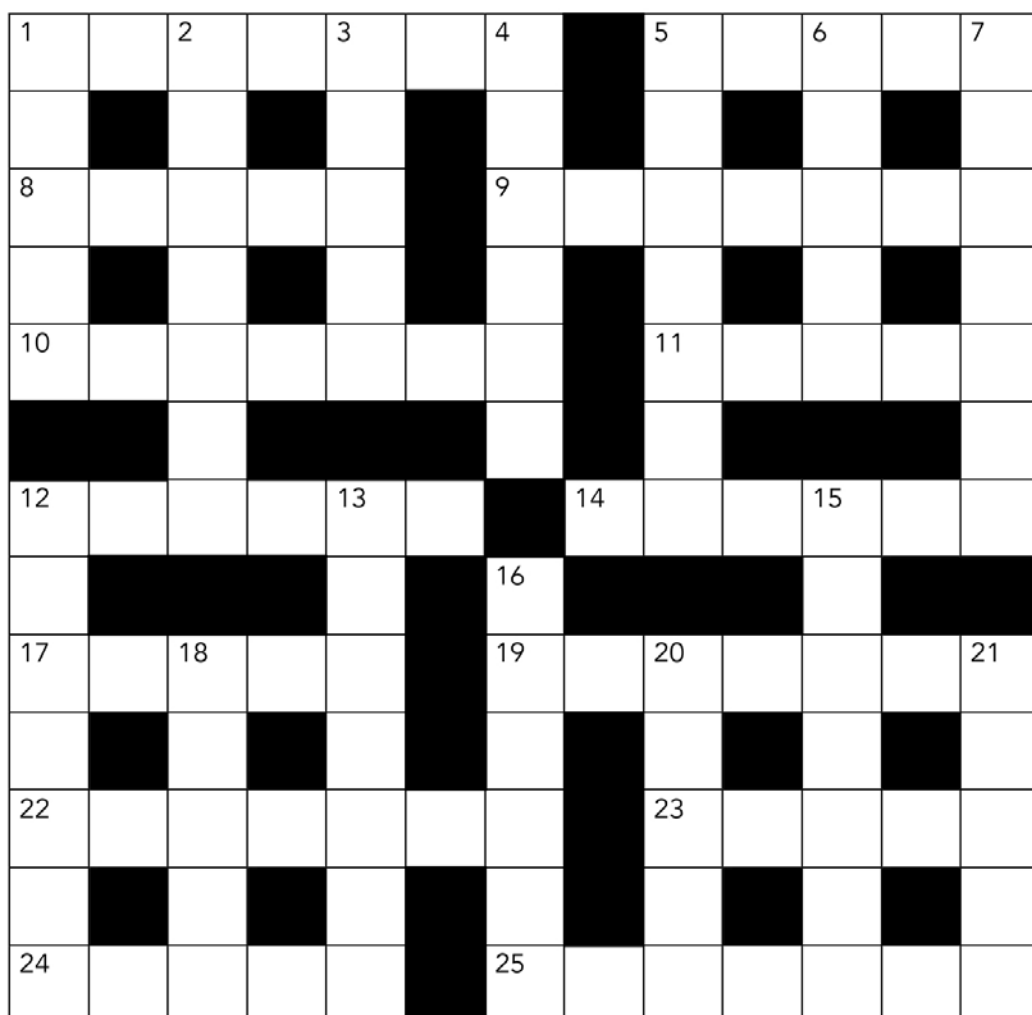
# OCTOBER CROSSWORD

BY ARTEMONAS

Answers to this month's crossword  
can be found on page 31 in this  
edition of the magazine.

## ACROSS

- 1) Bishop left below by mistake (7)
- 5) Transport one uses after Birkenhead (5)
- 8) Put forward for a number of diners (5)
- 9) Pull girl back, one who's last in line (7)
- 10) Fodder keeps listeners in gossip (7)
- 11) It's terrible and not quite legal (5)
- 12) A snappy request for food (6)
- 14) Little Henry Percy changed the code (6)
- 17) Put up a tent on the cricket ground (5)
- 19) Pat and Cleo found a weasel (7)
- 22) Is a roofer drinking about two pints a regular drinker? (7)
- 23) Falls ill yet includes being funny (5)
- 24) Bottom drain is out of order (5)
- 25) Related to a foot control (7)



## DOWN

- 1) Many cakes in club at church (5)
- 2) R. Mugabe caused offence (7)
- 3) Found in the laundress's basket? (5)
- 4) Races run in layers (6)
- 5) Desperately ask Lineker when in poverty (7)
- 6) Stick for the workers (5)
- 7) Ladders require adjustment for leather worker (7)
- 12) Put lid on brown winder (7)
- 13) Carol's excited to meet Henry, a student (7)
- 15) On deck he left first when harassed (7)
- 16) It rips apart the soul (6)
- 18) First the egg's placed in dish, just warm (5)
- 20) Yarn from Long Island (5)
- 21) Said to be the season for herb (5)

# MUNSLOW PARISH COUNCIL

## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2023

**Present:** Cllrs Barbara Archer (Chair), Val Fotheringham, Andy Johnson, Ed Povey, David Marston, Chris Meeson and Graham Williams. Cllr Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

Cllr Archer welcomed Mr Andy Johnson who has been co-opted onto the council. He signed the disclosable interest and acceptance of office forms.

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Antonia Bury and Nigel Dobson.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Public Forum:** No members of the public were present.

**Minutes** of the Parish Council meeting held on 6th July 2023 were approved and signed by the chair.

**Urgent Items for discussion at the discretion of the Chair:** Cllr Archer reported that the Clerk had received Shropshire Council's (SC) report on the B4368. At the request of SC, it would be circulated to Munslow Parish Councillors to enable them to make comments. The clerk would gather comments and send them to SC who will then distribute the report more widely and arrange a meeting of representatives.

**Reports: Cllr Motley** reported that the first quarter figures showed that Shropshire council was making good progress at dealing with its deficit. She was pleased with the progress made by Adult Social Care and Public Health which are trying to prevent people from entering hospital. Covid cases have started to rise but it is not a major concern at the moment. The Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) will report its decisions on 3rd October. The Community Governance Review will be affected by the results of the LGBC review. No schools had been affected by reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) and they were assessing other public buildings. There were concerns about Openreach's plans to switch to digital telephones by 2025 as there was not sufficient infrastructure. The planned oil-fired boiler ban for 2026 would have a considerable impact upon rural properties.

**Cllr Johnson** (in Cllr Dobson's absence) reported that the Big Breakfast would be held at the Club Room on 30th September.

**Cllr Archer** said there had been more discussion on solar farms and oil-fired boilers at the South Shropshire Area Committee. Parishes would be encouraged to have emergency plans in place. Shropshire Association of Local Councils was aware of the issue of the free website now charging for their services which was impacting a lot of parishes. Cllr Motley suggested that an emergency plan could include liaison with Diddlebury and Culmington parish councils. Cllr Marston suggested that all new buildings, including industrial and commercial ones, should have solar panels.

**Highways:** Cllr Williams would liaise with Cllr Dobson regarding the mobile Vehicle Activated Signs. The new posts had not been installed yet. Cllr Archer reported that there had been a delay in the manufacturing of the replacement sign for the western entrance to Aston Munslow. It was expected to be installed by the end of September.

**Environmental Maintenance & New Tasks:** The contractor had completed the work on the lane near The Swan and the clearing around the public car park at Aston Munslow.

**Speed of Traffic at Broadstone:** Cllr Meeson reported several incidents as traffic exits the car park of the Seven Stars Public House. It was agreed that a request would be made to Shropshire Council to extend the speed limit to beyond the Seven Stars if this was not already included in the B4368 report.

**Communications with West Mercia Police:** This was deferred to the next meeting.

**Planning: 23/02676/FUL** Coombend, Munslow, SY7 9E Proposed extension and internal alterations to existing 3-bed dwelling Applicant: Mr & Mrs Malcolm and Jane Grant. For information only.

**23/03063/FUL** Munslow Farmhouse, Munslow, SY7 9ET Reinstatement of outbuilding in farm building range. Applicant: Dr Janan Gibbins. For information only.

**23/03277/TCA** White House, Aston Munslow, SY7 9ER Prune back to clear eastern edge of building by 1m. 1no Yew within Aston Munslow Conservation Area Applicant: Mrs Lauren Timms (The Landmark Trust) For information only.

**23/03489/FUL** Conversion of garage and stables, plus erection of flat-roofed linking structure, to form new dwelling separate from existing. The Chains, Munslow, SY79ET. OS reference: 352303 – 287476 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Simon & Rita Brandwood. The Council referred to the previous application regarding The Chains (21/06004/FUL) when the council supported the application with a clause preventing residential or commercial use. This application is for a new dwelling which is contrary to the 'open countryside' status of the parish and the determination of the original planning application. The Council agreed to object to the application.

**Correspondence:** Mr Evans re The Washwell: The Council had considered the email from Mr Evans and the response from the Land Registry. The Council would attempt to establish ownership prior to the Land Registration and decide whether to request a change to the registration at the next meeting.

Christine Evans wished to thank the Environmental Maintenance Contractor for the work he had carried out on the lane near The Swan.

**Repairs to the Community Car Park in Aston Munslow:** The Clerk had reported this to Shropshire Council via Fix My Street and the response was 'No further action is required at this time.'

**New Fee for the Parish Council Website:** Hugo Fox had initiated a fee for the website – from October – of a minimum of £9.99 plus vat. The Clerk would establish whether there were any free alternatives whilst paying for the present site.

**New Beambridge Club Room Lease:** The new lease had been received just before the meeting. Cllr Dobson had sent a report that the lease still contained errors and he would refer it back to the Millichope Foundation for corrections before Cllr Archer and Cllr Povey could sign it on behalf of the Parish Council.

**Fundraising for the Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust:** Cllr Dobson had sent a report that £150 had been raised at the Munslow Fete including donations from Cllrs Bury and Dobson. The Council would grant £150 to the Trust in recognition of the provision of the defibrillator they had donated.

**Methods of Communicating with Parishioners:** Deferred until plans for the Parish Plan are clarified.

**Police and Crime Commissioner's Town and Parish Survey:** Cllr Dobson agreed to complete the survey.

**Requests for Grants to the Brown Clee Medical Practice and Christians Against Poverty:** The Council resolved not to make a grant to either.

**Data Protection and Privacy Policy and Complaints Policy and Procedure:** Both policies were adopted.

**Wildflower Seeds from the Millichope Estate:** Cllr Bury had sent a message that the wildflower seeds are available for the council to use for verges.

**Payments:** Payments to the following were authorised: D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) Inv 367 £174.25, Zurich Insurance £393.82, H Coonick Salary £638.56 (July-Sept) and Travel £7.20



(July – Sept), Gods Acre Grant £30, Hugo Fox £9.99 + Vat per month (website).

**Items for the Next Meeting at 7.30pm Thursday 5th October 2023 at Beambridge Village Hall:** a. B4368 report b. extension of speed limit to beyond Seven Stars c. communications with West Mercia Police d. Land Registry and the Washwell e. Website fee f. clubroom lease g. fundraising for Henry Angell-James Memorial Trust h. wreath for Remembrance Day.

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## CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON TUESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2023

**Present:** Councillors Mr Ian Alderson (temporary Chair), Mr A Pike (vice Chair), Mrs C Byng, Mrs M Holland, Mr M Seabrook and Mr I Steele. In Attendance: Cllr Cecilia Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Mrs J Mear, Mr J Turley and Ms J Watts.

**Declarations of Interest relating to this meeting:** None.

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

**Minutes** of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 4th July 2023 were approved as a correct record. Cllr Alderson signed the minutes.

**Community Governance and Boundary Review:** Potential changes to parish boundaries at Sparchford, Elsich, Vernold's Common, The Pheasantry and Seifton. Once the Local Boundary Review is complete then the Community Governance Review can be actioned. Neither Stanton Lacy Parish nor Culmington Parish Council have had a response to the letter sent to the residents of Vernolds Common. The Clerk will suggest a meeting with the Diddlebury Parish Council chairperson to discuss Seifton. The proposals for changes to boundaries which will be put forward as part of the boundary review will be: Vernolds Common – to receive properties presently in Stanton Lacy Parish; Sparchford – to suggest a transfer of properties presently in Diddlebury Parish to Culmington Parish Council area.

**Highways:** The proposed position for the post for the Vehicle Activated Sign at the eastern entrance to Culmington Village was between the 40mph roundel and the pedestrian roundel. This was acceptable to councillors and the Shropshire Council traffic engineer. A new quote for the purchase of a Speed Indicator Device had been requested but not yet received. The sign would not be purchased until the post was in situ.

There had been a request for a warning sign near Burley Farm, but as this was not a 'new' corner the Shropshire Council traffic engineer would not authorise its installation.

**Reports from Members:** **Cllr Motley** reported that Shropshire Council was making good progress in reducing the £51 million deficit and had already made savings of £6 million in her areas of responsibility (Adult Social Care, Public Health, and Communities). Adult Social Care was investing in trying to keep people at home or return home more quickly from hospital. There was now a deal with Telford and Wrekin Council for independent living aids and they were trying to recycle aids wherever possible. She recognised that the last two quarters of the year would be difficult regarding the budget. She was pleased to report that there was no reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) in Shropshire's schools but other public buildings would now be assessed. More locally, the Holiday Property Bond property at Norton was converting the next set of barns and putting in place mitigation for flooding from the surrounding fields.

**Cllr Mear** had sent a report saying that the Village Hall

Committee had planned lots of activities for the coming months.

**Cllr Byng** said that both she, Cllr Turley and Jayne Disley, from the Flood Action Group (FAG), did not think it necessary to desilt Seifton Brook this year. John Bellis (Shropshire Council) had confirmed that Shropshire Wildlife Trust would be running the 'Slow the Flow' Project. Shropshire Council was continuing work along the B4365 and would further investigate the drains found in the field next to Culmington House. SC had also looked at the bridge near Culmington Farm. There would be another meeting on 7th September. Shropshire Council was waiting for a date to close the road to Westhope to carry out resurfacing.

Members of the FAG attended a meeting of the Shropshire Flood Forum and were working on an Emergency Plan.

**Duty to Conserve and Enhance Biodiversity and the Environment Act 2021:** The Clerk would liaise with Shropshire Wildlife Trust and bring a proposal to the next meeting.

**Footpath and Bridleway Report:** Cllr Pike reported that the footpath from Sparchford Lane to the B4365 (bridleway 0524/53/1 and footpath 0524/56/1) was not blocked and was well waymarked. There had been a slight diversion in the field at the back of gardens but no more than a few metres. The footpath that should go through the back of the Laundry and emerge onto the B4365 just south of the Laundry (0524/61/1) was blocked and needed to have an official diversion. Cllr Pike would investigate this further. A footpath at Seifton Bache is blocked by vegetation and Cllr Pike and Mr Jeff Williams will work on clearing it.

**Renewing the Parish Plan:** The Clerk would provide the next meeting with the survey used for the previous parish plan.

**Management of the Defibrillator at Culmington Village Hall:** This was deferred to the next meeting.

**Preparing an Emergency Plan:** The Flood Action Group Emergency Plan would feed into the Parish Council plan. A joint plan with Stanton Lacy and Diddlebury Parish Councils would be helpful. Cllr Motley would raise this with Diddlebury Parish Council at its next meeting.

**Room used for future Council meetings:** A request had been made to hold the meetings in the smaller meeting room. There was concern that there would not be sufficient space for members of the public to attend, which is a legal requirement for all parish councils. Meetings would continue to be held in the main hall.

**Finance:** Charges for Website Hosting: the Clerk reported that Hugo Fox (who host the present website) would start to charge a fee of £9.99 from 4th October 2023. It was agreed that the fee would be paid for up to three months whilst alternatives are investigated.

**Payments were authorised to:** D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) £153.00, H Coonick, salary (July-Sept) £755.95 and travel expenses £13.50, TWM Traffic (speed indicator device) deferred to the next meeting.

**Chairperson for the next meeting:** Cllr Ian Alderson would remain as chairperson for the next meeting.

**Items for the Parish Council Meeting at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 3rd October 2023:** a. Community Governance boundary review. b. purchase of the speed indicator device for the eastern entrance to Culmington village. c. Duty to Conserve and Enhance Biodiversity and the Environment Act 2021 d. Renewing the Parish Plan e. Management of the Defibrillator at Culmington Village Hall f. Preparing an Emergency Plan g. Parish Council website h. Election of Chairperson.

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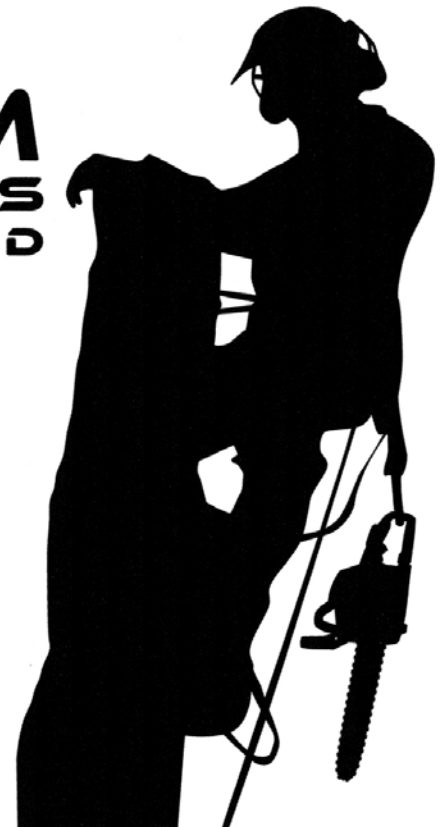
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Severn Trent Water, 0800 783 4444

**County Flood Management**  
Shropshire Council, 0345 678 9006,  
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**Diddlebury Parish Flood Action Group**  
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**Craven Arms Medical Practice**  
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**Police (non-emergency)**  
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**Voluntary Car Scheme - 9am - noon**  
Craven Arms Good Neighbours,  
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## CHILDREN'S & YOUTH ORGANISATIONS

**Corvedale Brownies**  
www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-  
for-parents/register-your-daughter'

**Corvedale School, Playgroup and Nursery**  
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## WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

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**Diddlebury Parish Website**  
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**Corvedale Google Group**  
This is a free service and issues purely local information such as road closures, flood warnings, planning applications, local events and so on to its members on a regular basis. If you would like to join this service, please email Martin Jones: [martinggc@gmail.com](mailto:martinggc@gmail.com)

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## VILLAGE HALL/CLUB ROOM BOOKINGS

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**Diddlebury Church Room**  
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**Westhope Village Hall**  
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**Corvedale Artists**  
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*If you represent a local Corvedale group and would like it to be added to this list, please contact the Editor.*

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#### ACROSS:

1) blunder, 5) buses, 8) table, 9) laggard, 10) hearsay, 11) awful, 12) cheese, 14) cypher, 17) pitch, 19) polecat, 22) tippler, 23) silly, 24) nadir, 25) treadle

#### DOWN:

1) batch, 2) umbrage, 3) dress, 4) relays, 5) beggary, 6) staff, 7) saddler, 12) capstan, 13) scholar, 15) heckled, 16) spirit, 18) tepid, 20) lisle, 21) thyme



# THE CORVEDALE GROUP OF PARISHES

## CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2023

	1ST OCTOBER Trinity 17	8TH OCTOBER Trinity 18	15TH OCTOBER Trinity 19	22ND OCTOBER Trinity 20	29TH OCTOBER Last Sunday after Trinity
<b>ABDON</b>		9:45 HC		6pm Abdon & Tugford Harvest in Abdon Church	10am  Group Service of Holy Communion at Culmington  (Please Note – This is the day the clocks change!)
<b>BROADSTONE</b>			8:30 HC		
<b>CULMINGTON</b>	11:15 HC	6pm Culmington & Diddlebury Harvest Service in Culmington Church		8:30 HC (BCP)	
<b>DIDDLEBURY</b>	9:45 HC		11:15 HC	11:15 Pets' Service	
<b>HOLDGATE</b>	Holdgate & Munslow Harvest 6pm Supper 7:30pm Harvest Service Both in Munslow Church				
<b>MUNSLOW</b>		11:15 HC		9:45 HC	
<b>TUGFORD</b>			9:45 HC	see 6pm at Abdon	

Westhope Chapel Harvest – 7:30pm on Wednesday 25th October

**Key:** HC = Holy Communion, EP = Evensong, FS = Family Service