NORTON-JUXTA-KEMPSEY PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER



Norton-juxta-Kempsey
Parish Council

Important

Please contact the organisers of any activities/events/meetings detailed within this newsletter to check on current plans due to the impact of Covid-19. Similarly, adverts were provided before the Covid-19 pandemic and therefore advertisers should be contacted to establish their current provision.



Parish Council (PC) - Chairman's Report June 2020



Once again, if you are reading this, you are doing so electronically. It concerns me that those that may rely on hard-copy versions may be missing out, but for the foreseeable future this is likely to be the norm. Given that you are reading this, you might wish to highlight it to those in the community that you know normally read the hard copy version and may not be aware that it is available online. Equally, if you know someone who is not able to get online and is a regular reader, you might wish to print it off for them.

Severnside COVID19 Support (SCS) has continued to offer support within the community and while telephone requests for help are now decreasing, volunteers continue to make up to 250 welfare calls each week to those identified as elderly or vulnerable. Overall, it has responded to approximately 400 calls, dealing with a range of requests which have been responded to by volunteers, or referred to the appropriate agency. It has also delivered approximately 1500 food parcels and based upon feedback from the welfare calls, recently introduced a weekly supply of pre-prepared meals to some 52 recipients. In addition, the WCC Here2Help service (http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/here2help), the local NHS Volunteer Responder network (111), and more local initiatives street by street, continues to ensure that there should be no reason why anyone should not continue to feel supported. Please consider whether those in your vicinity are aware of the assistance available and know how to access it as appropriate. If you are unable to find support via the other methods available, the Parish Council can be contacted via the Clerk, Jane Greenway (Tel: 01905 763515 landline, 07955 756528 mobile, e-mail: NJKparishclerk@aol.com), or via any of the Councillors, and between us we will be able to direct you regarding how best to access the various layers of support available.

Within the parish, facilities are beginning to open as the Government direction allows. Regrettably the play area at the Parish Hall remains closed and will need a full safety check before it can open, but the Tennis court and more recently the MUGA, are now open. Their closure has not been without issue, with some individuals persistently accessing the play area and the MUGA while closed. If you should see anyone accessing the play area, it remains out of bounds, and if you feel able, please challenge them. The Coffee Shop and Parish Hall itself will remain closed for the time being, but the Trustees continue to meet virtually and are actively discussing a timetable for the safe re-opening of both.



For those of you regularly using the Parish Hall site you will soon notice a structure being built in the corner of the playing fields near the MUGA. This will be the backstop for the Worcester Sorcerers baseball team, for which the Parish Hall site has recently become home. Clearly the current situation has delayed their arrival and effected their fixtures, but like many sports, they are still hopeful of playing a few matches this season. The regular use of part of the playing fields for baseball makes use of an under-utilised football pitch, while still allowing the other football pitch to be used.



The more observant of you may have noticed that the signs recommending pedestrian access from the A4440 footbridge to Worcestershire Parkway Station (the Active Travel Corridor) have been removed. This is something that the Parish Council has pushed hard for given the lack of a continuous footpath between the two. The signs were changed without informing the Parish Council, which might suggest that WCC didn't want to acknowledge acceptance of the Parish Council's view; I have since written to WCC suggesting a more inclusive, collaborative and transparent approach. The opening of the A4440 footbridge has inevitably led to an increase in pedestrians to/from St Peters, which includes dog-walkers and regrettably an increase in un-bagged poo and discarded poo bags. The Parish Council has agreed to part fund (in conjunction with WCC) a new dog-poo bin at the junction of the Sports Club access and Brockhill Lane, but it is beholden on all of us to ensure that those not familiar with the rules regarding dog walking on the Sports Club land and within the Parish generally are properly informed; there is no such thing as the dog-poo fairy, if your dog creates it then please remove it. Another secondary effect of the footbridge opening is individuals using mopeds between St Peters and Norton. Local residents and the Parish Council have raised this with WCC and hopefully a modification to the barriers will be made to stop this. There has also been some suggestion that the moped traffic is drug related, though at present there is little evidence to suggest that this is the case. If you witness any activity that you believe may be of this nature please dial 101, or 999 if it's an emergency. Despite the issues mentioned, the footbridge is a welcome asset, though clearly there are several secondary effects that remain to be addressed.

More of you are using Public Rights of Way (PRoW) for exercise or just to get outside. The Parish Council is limited in the maintenance it is allowed to perform, the majority of it falling to WCC and we are actively trying to encourage WCC to take action. If you encounter missing way-markers, indistinct footpaths, or footpaths blocked where you believe they shouldn't be, please let the Parish Clerk know and then, if you are able to, please report the problem to WCC using the following link http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report_it and select 'Public Rights of Way'.

All of the information referred to in this update can be found on the Parish Council website https://nortonjuxtakempseyparishcouncil.org/ and on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/NJKParishcouncil/ though I would ask those of you familiar with both to consider neighbours that might not be, and where appropriate, highlight this information to them.

Hopefully we are now slowly emerging from the pandemic and with appropriate support in place, we need to start thinking of ways to adapt the community to the 'new normal'. No request for assistance should be dismissed and there is no such thing as a stupid idea, so if there is something that you consider the Parish Council should be addressing, please let us know. Stay safe and stay in touch with your community, we are all in this together.

Kevin Fincher
Chairman
Parish Council

Councillor Responsibilities (July 2020)

Parish Council Chairman: Cllr. Fincher

Parish Council Vice-Chairman: Cllr. Richmond

Allotments: Lead Councillor: Cllr. Kelly

Bus Services: Lead Councillor: Cllr. Waizeneker

EnviroSort Community Liaison Group: Cllr. Lucas, Cllr. Pollard

Finance, Staffing and General Purposes:
All Parish Councillors
Responsible Finance Officer (Mrs. J. Greenway)

Flooding and Drainage Matters: Cllr. Arrow, Cllr. Turvey

GDPR Matters Leads: Cllr. Kelly, Clerk (Mrs J. Greenway)

Land Ownership/Lease Matters: Lead Councillor: Cllr. Lucas

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group:
Cllr. Arrow, Cllr. Pollard, Cllr Waizeneker,
Cllr. Lucas, Cllr. Turvey

PACT (Police & Crime Together) Representative: Cllr. Kelly

Parish Hall Representative:
Cllr. Fincher (Parish Council Chairman & Chair of the Parish Hall Trustees)

Planning Matters:
Lead Councillor: Cllr. Richmond
Cllr. Fincher, Cllr. Pollard, Cllr. Turvey

Playing Fields/Recreation Areas:
Lead Councillor: Cllr. Dawson, Cllr. Richmond

Public Rights of Way:
Lead Councillor: Cllr. Turvey (Parish Paths Warden)
Cllr. Dawson

Social Media and Website:
Lead Councillor: Cllr. Pollard

South Worcestershire Development Plan/Infrastructure Matters:
Cllr. Fincher Cllr. Turvey

Superfast Broadband Matters:
Lead Councillor: Cllr. Waizeneker

Contact Us

If you would like to contact the Parish Council concerning Parish matters, this can be done in the following ways:

By contacting the Parish Clerk directly:
Mrs Jane Greenway, Clerk to the Parish Council
Email: njkparishclerk@aol.com
Tel: 01905 763515 / 07955 756528
Post: 18 Corunna Close, Norton,Worcs WR5 2PW

By visiting our new website: www.nortonjuxtakempseyparishcouncil.org
Via our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/NJKParishcouncil

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Norton-juxta-Kempsey Parish Council 2020 Meeting Dates

24th September,

22nd October and 26th November.

In view of the Covid-19 pandemic and Government instructions, these meetings are likely to continue to be held remotely via video/telephone conference call for the time being.

If you would like to take part in the public question time session, or observe the Parish Council meeting, please contact the Parish Clerk for details of how to achieve this.

Email: NJKparishclerk@aol.com





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Call Leonie on 07581184651 or email info@relaxandrepair.co.uk for appointments or queries.

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Norton Juxta Kempsey Parish Council

Income and Expenditure Account
for the Year Ended 31st March 2020

	Note	31/03/2020		31/03/2019	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Precept			56,291		50,660
Allotment & Ground Rental			2,483		2,332
Garage Rental			300		300
Sports & Other Field Lettings			52		292
Bank Interest			20		35
Grants	1		9,945		1,767
Lengthsman Reimbursement			2,110		2,110
Pre-school Rent			2,451		2,378
Other Income New Homes Bonus	2		6,975		6,975
Other Income	2		4,739		6,648
			85,366		73,496
EXPENDITURE					
Capital Items					
Provision of community assets	3	307		1,784	
			307		1,784
Grounds Maintenance					
Contractual parish grass cutting		1,180		1,124	
Contractual sports field maintenance		10		-	
Play area maintenance		276		426	
General parish maintenance		16,254		59,552	
Footpath work		810		820	
Litter work		1,241		1,177	
Tree work		2,342			
War Memorial maintenance		2,440			
Churchyard maintenance		1,330		1,593	
Allotment water & maintenance		1,705		1,135	
			27,588		65,828
Administration					
Donations, Grants and Event Support		17,653		7,681	
Newsletter		1,628		1,894	
Audit and accountancy fees		1,450		1,300	
Legal Fees / professional fees		1,000		651	
Neighbourhood Plan Costs		8,933		2,047	
Election costs		50			
Parish officers honoraria		16,747		15,983	
PAYE (Clerk/Assistant Clerk/RFO)		720		659	
Employer's NI (Clerk/Assistant Clerk/RFO)		1,072		956	
Employees NI (Clerk/Assistant Clerk/RFO)		922		832	
Other employees PAYE/NI		68		196	
Employers Pension		302		184	
Employee's Pension		403		221	
General administration		1,567		1,632	
Insurance		2,738		2,674	
Subscriptions		1,207		1,142	
Training for members & clerk		60		55	
Vandalism costs (Excess)		-		28	
			56,520		38,136
Total Expenditure			84,415		105,748
Net (Deficit)/Surplus for the year			951		(32,252)
Disposal of War Stock	6		115		
Net (Deficit)/Surplus for the year			836		(32,252)

Parish Hall Trustees (PHT) - Chairman's Report June 2020



As many of you will know, the hall, Coffee Shop and Play area all remain closed, however the car park, Tennis court, MUGA and playing fields are all open for use within the Government guidelines.

In the previous report I wrote of the Trustees concern regarding the budget prediction for FY20/21, the suggestion of a remaining budget of £4,000 by Sep 20, and the biggest potential casualty being the lack of match funding that the Trustees had agreed to pay with the Parish Council to enable the spending of the £180,000 Wychavon District Council Community Legacy Grant. Thankfully since then, the charity has pursued and received a £10,000 Government grant which will enable us to meet the match funding requirement and commence the work to the hall when circumstances allow. As yet there is no established timeline, though we remain hopeful that some of the work will be able to commence in this calendar year. Thanks almost entirely to the community support the hall and Coffee Shop receives, the charity's financial circumstance remains quite robust and we feel confident that we can re-generate the volunteer army and community spirit, thereby enabling it to generate funds and continue to progress in its support of the community. A measure of support was perhaps the recent stock sale, which saw virtually all of it used to good effect within the community, rather than it quietly going out of date!

The Trustees continue to meet virtually and are actively seeking ways in which to re-open the hall and Coffee Shop. We are hopeful that the outside space at the hall may be the first element of the Coffee Shop to re-open, though this won't be until after the 4 July (in accordance with Government guidelines) and only then if we can identify volunteers who feel comfortable to do so; our volunteers are wonderful, and all of them are keen to get back to it, but we must tailor what we do to keep them and our customers safe. The thought is that the existing bench seats are spread further apart and limited to four individuals, or a family group per bench and that sales from the Coffee Shop are via the hatch in the entrance hall, with the Coffee Shop itself remaining closed. There would be a Perspex sheet across the hatch between volunteer and customer and all payments would be contactless.
We will also need to restrict access to the lobby where the hatch is and create a one-way system for use of the toilet facilities. Hopefully, by the time we are allowed to re-open, much of this will be familiar to most of us and will be easy to regulate, and in the meantime the Trustees will continue to plan to ensure the safety of volunteers and customers when we do.

Regrettably, the James Bond themed Casino Night, which had been re-scheduled from March to November, has now been cancelled altogether. With even greater regret, the Trustees have also taken the decision to cancel the Halloween and Fireworks. You may ask why are we cancelling events in October and November? The Trustees best estimate is that some form of social distancing will still be required in October/November, and that 600 plus people on site for the Halloween and Fireworks could not be socially distanced while still observing the safety distances required for the fireworks. However, the good news is that the fireworks company are willing to honour our booking at another event, and the Trustees are actively considering an event towards the end of the year (perhaps for New Year?) that will enable the community to get together and for the fireworks to be utilised.

Stay safe and stay in touch with your community; no request for assistance should be dismissed and there is no such thing as a stupid idea, so if there is anything that you consider the Parish Hall Trustees should be addressing, please let us know.

Kevin Fincher
Chairman
Parish Hall Trustees

Coffee At WRFive

Exciting news!

Norton Parish Hall will be opening Coffee at WRFive as a takeaway from Saturday 4 July.

Our opening times for July will be:

Fridays and Saturdays 3 – 6pm

A few things will be different so please note the following:

- There will be **no** toilet facilities on site
- We will operate a one person at a time policy – you will go up to the hatch in the foyer to purchase your drinks which will be served in disposable cups, then take them outside to enjoy.
- Payment will be contactless card payments only
- At this time there will be no draught drinks but we will be serving a large variety of alcoholic and soft drinks as usual. Including delicious local drinks like Peopleton Cider!
- Feel free to bring a picnic blanket, chairs etc to enjoy a drink out in the sun but please remember to always follow Government social distancing rules

Thank you for your support and understanding as we take on this new chapter – and thank you as always to our volunteers for enabling us to open this takeaway facility.

NORTON PARISH HALL



Our facilities

- The Freeman Windsor hall and kitchen (capacity 200)
- The Sparling meeting room (capacity 20)
- Family friendly coffee shop and bar (capacity 50)
- Large children's play area
- Sports field
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Norton-juxta-Kempsey Parish Council Community Minibus Service
in partnership with Worcester Wheels
and supported by Wychavon District Council

The Parish Council are delighted to announce a Community Minibus Service with a planned start date in September.

This will be a dial-up service, which means to use this service you will need to phone ahead to book your seat.

It will be run in partnership with Worcester Wheels and is supported by Wychavon District Council and will operate within the government's Covid-19 guidelines for public transport.

More details will be published soon including a timetable. This type of service received a lot of support during our recent consultations with residents. We would like to confirm that interest with a short 2 minute survey.

Please click the link to complete the survey.

Norton Connector Survey

You can read more about Worcester Wheels here:

https://worcesterwheels.org.uk/

Norton Connector Community Minibus Service – an update

In these changed times it is very pleasing to be able to bring you a positive story.

You will remember last year following overwhelming support from our parish survey we applied to Wychavon DC for a Community Legacy Grant to fund a pilot minibus service between St Peters and Parkway station via Brockhill, Norton and Littleworth. This to make up for the steady decline of (now completely gone) local bus services provided by First Bus. Our bid was successful and we were awarded £30,000 by Wychavon.

With the pandemic and resultant lockdown we have obviously been unable to make any progress, but as the lockdown is hopefully starting to ease, we have been planning the introduction of the Norton Connector service. I want to share with you our thinking so far, please understand these are early thoughts so they may change and indeed we would welcome your thoughts and reactions so where possible we can incorporate your ideas.

The framework for what we propose is as follows:

- The service, to be called the Norton Connector, will run weekdays each way between St Peters Tesco and Parkway station. Initially it will run every two hours, that is four times a day between the approximate hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.
- Assuming this pilot is a success then we can look at increasing the service to start earlier and finish later, to run at weekends and to be more frequent. We may even be able to extend the service to join up other nearby villages.
- The service will be a dial-up service, you will need to make a telephone booking in advance for each trip. The service will operate under section 19 of the Road Traffic Act which makes advance booking obligatory. Later on we may be able to make it more like a regular bus-service where there is no advance booking, but to operate in this way means we have to comply with far more regulations.
- We will designate a number of pick-up points along the route. These may not necessarily be the existing bus stops, but we will put some sort of signage up.
- Users will also need to become members of Worcester Wheels who are going to operate this pilot service for us. There will be a one-time fee to join and this also gives you access to other services that Worcester Wheels offer.
- The fare for a single trip will be around £2. Residents with concessionary passes will pay a reduced fare as will children under 14.
- Obviously people will be concerned about using public transport in the Covid-19 world. To reassure everyone, Worcester Wheels will be complying with all government rules to ensure maximum safety on public transport. This will include asking all passengers, except young children and people with breathing difficulties, to wear face masks.
- We hope to start the service in September this year. However we still have a number of hurdles to cross before we can start so that timing may have to change.
- The funding we have obtained will enable us to run this pilot for up to a year. Beyond that depends on the level of usage, if there are not sufficient passengers then we will not be able to carry on. Likewise the level of demand will determine whether we can extend the service in some or all of the ways described above. It really will be a case of “USE IT OR LOSE IT”

We have all felt the increased sense of community during the lockdown and the Norton Connector as a community minibus service is another part of connecting us together locally

Let me know your thoughts on these proposals

John Waizeneker
Parish Councillor



Allotments Update

Unfortunately, due to the impact of Covid-19, the best kept allotment awards and Scarecrow competition which were due to be held on 30th July have been cancelled. We very much hope that these will make a welcome return in 2021.

If you are interested in becoming an allotment holder you can add you name to the list by contacting either Cllr Dawn Kelly cllrdawnkellynjkpc@gmail.com or Katy Watkinson njkassistantclerk@gmail.com



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severn side parishes

For the past 3 months Severnside Covid Support (SCS) has made over 250 welfare calls each week to those identified as elderly or vulnerable within the areas of Kempsey, Severn Stoke and Norton etc. These calls form the basis of our information system and continue to be incredibly well received. We have received so many positive comments about the value of these calls as a means of contact with the 'outside world' and a tangible sign that individuals are being thought about and cared for. Over the past months relationships have been forged and these have resulted in a range of support being offered, mental, spiritual and physical. We are already being asked if we plan to continue this to continue this model post lock down and we are looking into how we might continue medium to long term.

Early June saw a slow-down in telephone requests for help, however, to date we have responded to approximately 400 calls dealing with a range of requests which have been responded to by our volunteers or referred to the appropriate agency.

As of the beginning of June we had delivered some 600 prescriptions and thanks to the wonderful support of local Morrisons stores and the county council delivered some 1500 food parcels within the community and provided support for Kempsey and Norton schools.
In response to information gained from our welfare calls we recently introduced a weekly supply of pre-prepared meals to some 52 households. These are prepared by local professional kitchens with the relevant accreditations and are proving very popular. Mark B has secured a grant from Samaritans Purse to continue this service over the next few months and is looking into other grant aid programmes.
Working in partnership with the ecclesial parish, SCS has been granted access to a charitable trust fund (Kempsey in Need), the interest from which can be used for the benefit of those in need within the local community. We have also established an online giving platform https://www.goldengiving.com/wall/st-marys-kempsey which has, thus far, shown a positive response and we aim to continue to develop this line of revenue.

We are now planning for the next stages of our response and looking at the possible needs of the community over the next 6-12 months (and beyond). National statistics show that the number of people needing emergency food provision had been rising steadily prior to the COVID19 Pandemic and data from hundreds of emergency food aid charities has revealed that the coronavirus lockdown triggered an unprecedented rise in food bank use. Information and requests for help from our systems as well as close collaboration with Age UK, local schools & health and social care agencies has provided data which identifies the need for a dedicated foodbank facility within the locality. Requests for help from our foodbank have certainly increased and we envisage that this may well continue as more people face redundancy and financial pressures following lock down.

We have now moved the 'foodbank' from Kempsey School into Kempsey Village Hall and we plan to operate a 'Community Fridge' from this facility with satellite provision on our schools. We are currently seeking funds to purchase items such as a commercial refrigerator, racking etc.

The 'Community Fridge' will aim to source provisions as locally as possible, partnering with local farmers to increase the supply of fresh, healthy, local food for families in need and supporting local commerce. This would increase the quantity and variety of fresh produce for families seeking support.

We will be encouraging the local community to support this facility by donations and volunteer support. The Fridge will be open to all and would thereby promote inclusivity and dignity, with anyone being able to give as well as receive. As well as food sharing, we hope this facility will give people opportunity to contribute through volunteering, learning new skills, or sharing their existing skills. This will bring people together, increasing trust in their community and provide the individuals that use it with valuable support and meaningful

experiences. Our hope is they pave the way to a more sustainable approach to food insecurity, as well as being a gateway to other community services and activities.

Although our Church buildings have been closed over recent months we have need as busy as ever not only with community support but also recording and posting services each week on social media. Each Tuesday and Thursday there is a short reflection and on Sunday a half hour service these can be found on our You Tube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9Ol31B-fyZ4aahnsue_qeA/videos or Facebook @sev-ernsideparishes

Unfortunately, the renovation and improvement works at St James have been affected by Lockdown but we are pleased to say that by the time you read this, the scaffold will hopefully be down and the Tower looking almost new! We are also pleased that the new heating system should now be fitted and that when we are able to use the church again services will be in the warm!

If you wander into the churchyard you will also notice the new conservation area complete with meadow plants, bird & bat boxes, hibernacular and pond. We hope that this will become a valued community and educational resource.

We hope that we will soon be able to welcome our community back into the church and we will continue to support the community, adapting to changing needs and we find our way to a new normal.

If you would like to know more about what is happening at St James or perhaps get involved contact Mark Badger on 07828 233049.

Praying for your health and safety.

Mark Badger

Parking in Littleworth

Please can drivers park considerately and safely to ensure the safety of our children, residents and those using the village.

Cars are being parked on yellow lines, at junctions, blocking drives and pavements, and are potentially causing access problems for emergency vehicles.

Please remember that the car park at the Parish Hall remains open for use for school time parking, as does the car park at The Retreat.

We have received reports of parking issues across the Parish and hope that the following helps to clarify how these can be reported (including vehicle registration numbers where possible):

- Parking on double/single yellow lines (within the time period relating to the restriction where time limited). Contact Wychavon DC Parking Team: 01386 565009 at the time or email details to: parking@wychavon.gov.uk
- Parking causing an obstruction (where not on yellow lines). Phone the Police at the time using the 101 non-emergency phone number
  (unless it is an emergency situation when phone 999)
- If the parking appears related to school, also contact the school to highlight the situation by phoning 01905 820420.

We appreciate that the majority of drivers park considerately and thank you for this.

WORCESTER CRICKET CLUB

First and foremost, we hope that all members of our local community are keeping well and coping well during this unprecedented time.

Like all sports, cricket has been totally cancelled so far this season. As this piece is written in mid-June, we have only just begun some limited outdoor practice sessions under strictly controlled conditions and it is in the balance whether any league cricket takes place in 2020.

Our committee have been meeting virtually at regular intervals and volunteers have been tending to our grounds so that they will be ready to play as soon as we are able.

Financially this will be a very tricky year because we rely on fundraising events, match fees and bar takings to augment members' subscriptions. Whilst the clubhouse has been closed since March there are still essential utilities and insurance to pay. We really hope that we will be able to open in the near future, safely and with precautions in place, to enable our members and guests to enjoy some socially-distanced socialising – we have a very large beer garden, after all!

When we do reopen please do come and see us, everyone is welcome as a guest or can join the club. We already have a large number of supporters from Brockhill Village and the adjacent communities and we're keen for local people to use our club and grounds.

We also welcome new volunteers, sponsors and cricketers (of course)! It's not solely about cricket though and you may be surprised how many opportunities there are in fundraising, coaching, social media, communications and groundwork etc. If you're interested in being involved in club life please get in touch. All Club volunteers receive training and are vetted according to the DBS scheme.
If you're interested, please contact our chairman – his details are below.

We look forward to seeing you once life returns to something like normal. Stay safe and keep well.

Dormston Cook, Chairman
07595 531233 - dormston@worcesterwheels.org.uk

Facebook: @WorcesterCricketClub
Web: www.worcestercc.play-cricket.com
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St Richard's Hospice - Cupcake Chase Fun Run at the Parish Hall

Planned date 20th September 10.00am to 2.00pm

It is currently unclear whether this will be able to take place due to the impact of Covid-19, but please refer to the following link for further information and updates as they become available.
https://www.strichards.org.uk/event/cupcake-chase/

Booking Contact
Jayne 01906 958 170
Email: jsargeant@strichards.org.uk



NORTON Brockhill Village NHW

A neighbourhood watch scheme exists to serve the Norton Brockhill Village area. The objective of this group is to share information on neighbourhood issues within the local community and encourage members to stay vigilant and report incidents.

The scheme is run by members of the West Mercia Neighbourhood Watch team working in partnership with West Mercia Police, Norton-juxta-Kempsey Parish Council and the Pershore Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team.

The group are using digital technology to monitor, report and respond to incidents. WhatsApp and Facebook groups are used by members to communicate in real time, which allows the community to spread the word instantly if issues or incidents are reported. For more information, or to join the Norton scheme then please see our Neighbourhood watch website or Facebook pages for more information:

https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/scheme/36764/norton-crookbarrow-road/

Thank you for helping to keep Norton a safe area for local residents!

In partnership with the West Mercia Pershore Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team



Reporting of Police Matters

The Pershore Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team is working with partners to tackle the issues causing most concern in your neighbourhood which could include subjects such as anti-social behaviour and speeding.

For further help and advice, West Mercia Police has recently launched some help and advice sheets which are available on their website covering a range of topics from neighbour disputes, burglary, fly tipping, cyber bullying and parking. These can be found via the link: https://www.westmercia.police.uk/maketherightcall

If you have any concerns or matters to report to the Police, please phone the non-emergency 101 Police phone number and report this at the time.

Alternatively reports can be made using:

- The email address below
- The Police surgeries at St. Peter's Garden Centre at 10:30am every first Tuesday of each month and 2:00pm every third Wednesday of each month (subject to operational availability)
- The West Mercia website: https://www.westmercia.police.uk/report

Emergencies should continue to be reported using 999.

Contact Pershore Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team on:

Telephone: 101

Email: pershorerural.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

PACT Have Your Say!

PARTNERS AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

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Your next PACT village surgery will take place:

AT
ST PETERS GARDEN CENTRE

at **10:30am** every **FIRST TUESDAY** of **EACH MONTH** *
and **2:00pm** every **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of **EACH MONTH** *

Come along and meet your Safer Neighbourhood Team
Paul (PC), **Julie** (PCSO) and **Steve** (PCSO)
and let us know what you would like us to deal with.

* subject to operational availability

For more information

Contact **Pershore Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team** on:

Telephone: **101**

Email: **pershorerural.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk**

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West Mercia POLICE

PERSHORE RURAL - SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

Reporting of Highways/Footway/Footpath Issues

If you notice a problem relating to highways/footways/footpaths, please report this directly to Worcestershire County Council Highways using online reporting or by phone.

Online report: http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report_it

Tel: 01905 765765

Examples of reportable items include:

Overgrown vegetation/hedges overhanging the carriageway, footway/footpaths
Overhanging, damaged or fallen trees
Potholes (carriageway, footways and footpaths)
Damaged/loose kerbs and slabs
Blocked/damaged highway gullies, culverts and grips, loose/missing gully covers
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Thank you for you assistance

Contacting your Local M.P.

You can contact your local M.P. as follows:

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London
SW1A 0AA

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Remember there's no such thing as the dog poo fairy so it's down to you.

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For further information please contact either Christine Grant 01905 820187 or Barbara Hogarth 01905 923895

Reporting of Bins that Need Emptying

If you notice a litter or dog waste bin that needs emptying, you can report these directly to Wychavon District Council as follows, and they will aim to empty these as soon as possible.

Email: client.services@wychavon.gov.uk

or

Tel: 01386 565018

Thank you for your assistance.

LITTER PICKING

If you notice any areas within our Parish that need litter picking, please advise the Parish Clerk: Mrs Jane Greenway

Email: NJKparishclerk@aol.com

Tel: 01905 763515

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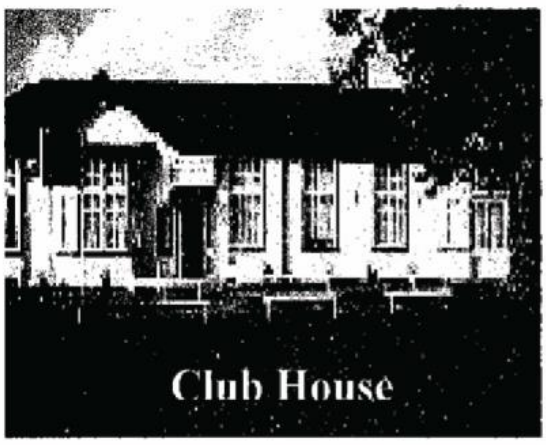
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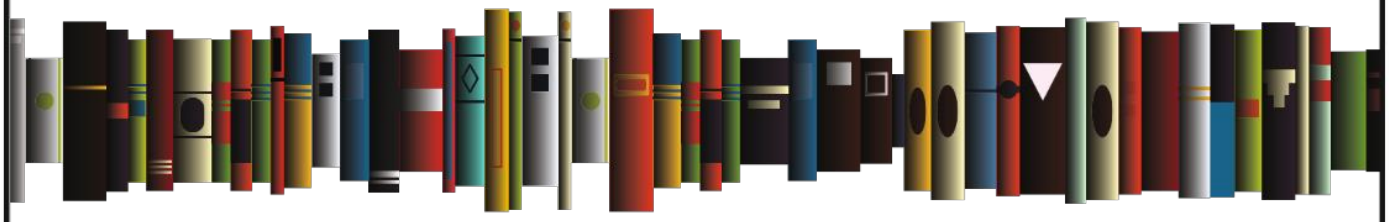
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Littleworth – Orchard Grove 1:50 – 2:05

3rd Tuesday in the month:
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Enquiries about this service should be made by contacting:
Tel: 01905 822722
Email: mobilelibraries@worcestershire.gov.uk
Website: http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk and search libraries



Please Keep Dogs on Leads at Norton Parish Hall

Whilst dogs are allowed in the grounds of Norton Parish Hall, they must be kept on leads at all times.

Please can we remind <u>all</u> dog walkers at the Parish Hall that:

1. Dogs must be kept on leads at all times.
2. Dogs are not permitted in the play area, tennis court or multi-use games area.
3. All dog mess must be picked up and disposed of in the bin provided.



Thank you for your assistance

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CONTACT:

David Field 07858 399 415 david.field@sky.com

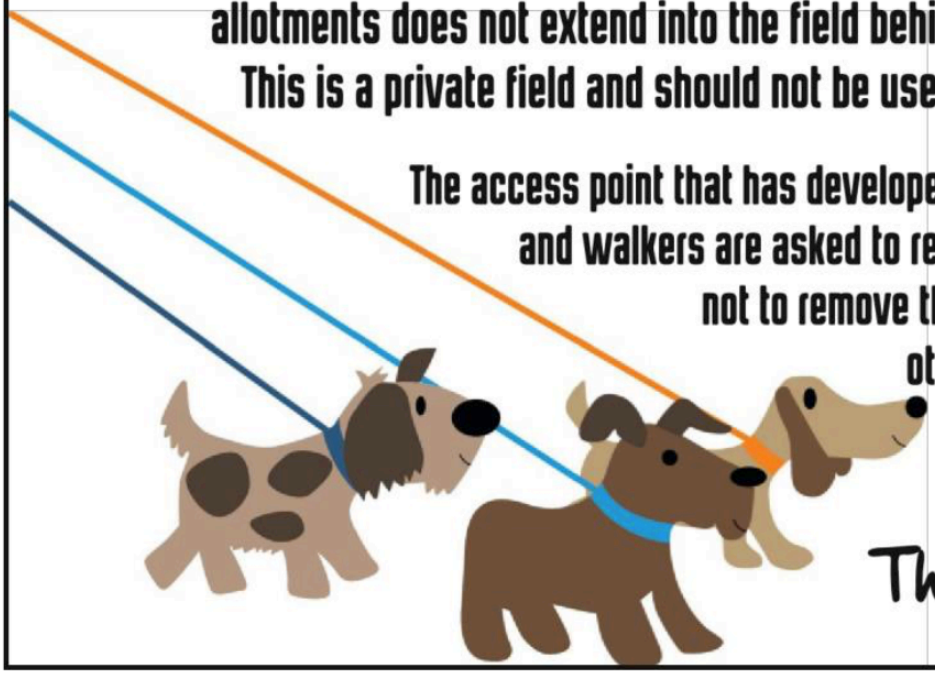
Pam Hammond (Secretary)

07522 928 249 daz836@hotmail.com

Dog Walking in Littleworth

Please note that the public right of way that runs along the back of the allotments does not extend into the field behind the allotments. This is a private field and should not be used for dog walking.

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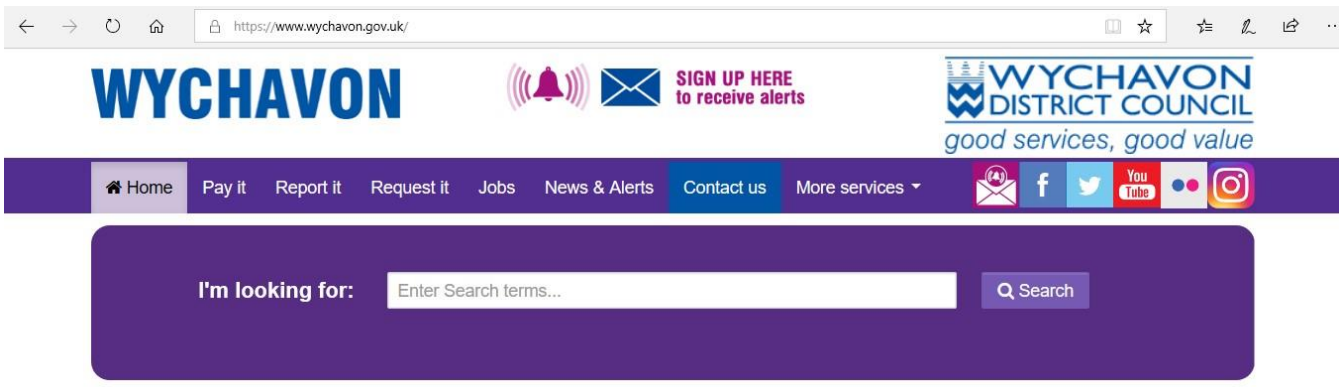
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Would you like to receive updates from Wychavon District Council on subjects such as refuse collection dates and planning applications within the Parish?

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and click on the 'Sign up here' bu on on the home page (shown below) to start to receive alerts.



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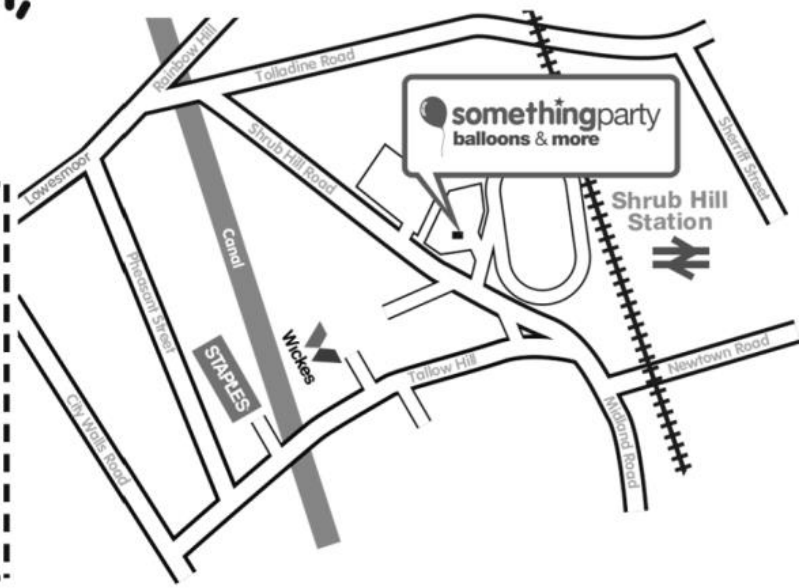
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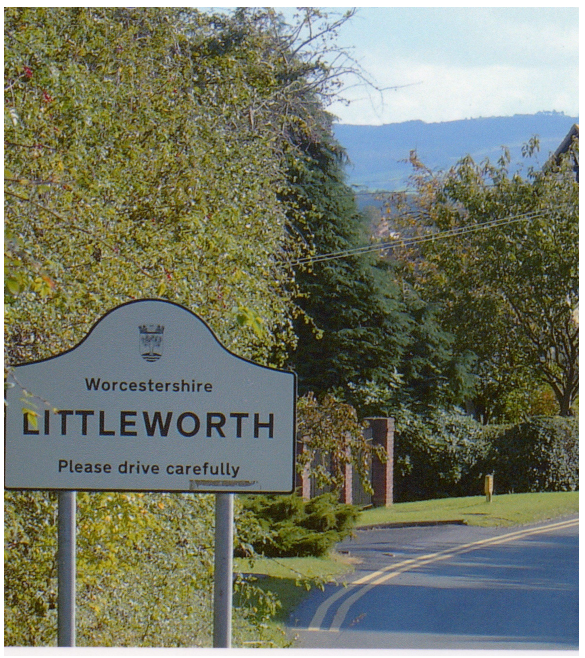









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