



Westbury and Yockleton Newsletter



Local News: **December 2021** Stay connected, stay informed

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Local Resources and what's going on



Westbury and Yockleton Newsletter

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News items for the Newsletter should go to the Editor, Rita Waters, Dingley Dell, Westbury, Shrewsbury SY5 9QX
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Business adverts and any new businesses wishing to place adverts should also contact the Editor preferably by email.
Items for inclusion in the Newsletter must reach me by : for the January 2022 edition : 9am day, 27 December 2021.
and for the February 2022 edition : 9am Monday, 24 January 2022

Westbury Village Hall

Westbury Parish Council : The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, 13 January 2022 commencing at 7.30pm. Should any member of the public wish to join these meetings, it is requested that they first contact Mrs Sarah Smith, Parish Clerk and RFO by email: <clerkwypc@aol.co.uk>.

[website : www.westburyparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.westburyparishcouncil.co.uk)

Westbury W I : The next meeting will take place in Westbury Village Hall at 7.15pm on Wednesday, 12 January 2022 when our Speaker Clifford Evans will talk about Ghosts. For more information, please telephone Jill Jones (01743 884414) or Cilla Perry (01743 891148)

Westbury Indoor Bowls Club : The last Bowls Night before Christmas is on Tuesday, 14 December 2021 from 7.00pm to approximately 9.00pm and then re-starts on Tuesday, 11 January 2022. Existing and new members welcome. We have bowls you can use and the cost is just £3 per evening. All being well, we will continue to meet weekly until the Spring. For more information, please contact Dave Williams on 01743 884553.

Westbury Photography Club : Although during the "Pandemic", we decided to suspend all meetings, we are now in a position to meet again, albeit in a limited manner. Last month we met in Shrewsbury and took part in a Photo Marathon which was great fun. Over the coming weeks and months, we will arrange to meet and take photos as and when people can attend. If anybody is interested in taking part and learning the Art of Photography in a friendly group, please email: robertwilliams6@mac.com.

Upright & Active Exercise Classes : These weekly classes are held from 10am to 11am on Monday mornings in December, January, April and September. See page 14 for more information or send an email to Ruth Morriss: rmorriss73@gmail.com, or leave a voice message or text on 07788123380 (Mobile).

Hall Hire : Westbury Village Hall is now fully open and bookings can be made for events to take place, but subject to Government COVID restrictions. For more information, please contact Bella (07707639124) (Mobile) (Voice/Text) or email: childsbella@icloud.com

West Shropshire Flower Club : The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 22 December 2021 in Westbury Village Hall. For more information, please email: Julia Brion <juliabshrop@gmail.com> or telephone: Liz Dawson (01938 570235) or visit: info@brimford.co.uk

Westbury Youth Club : The "physical" Youth Club has closed; however - conscious that the Covid-19 virus situation is putting a huge strain on everyone, Lee and Hayley are keeping in touch with the young people and will run a "virtual" Youth Club, which is being advertised through their Facebook page. For further information, call Richard Parkes, Chief Executive Officer, Shropshire Youth Association. Tel: 01743 730005 or 07710095802 (Mobile).

Long Mountain CoE Primary School and the Pre-School : operates at Worthen and - during term time - is normally open five days each week from 9.00am - 3.00pm. The School also offers "Wrap Around Care" from 7.45am to 6.00pm during term time, for children registered at the school and aged three years and over. Mrs Bethany Rowe is the new Head Teacher at the School. For more information, please contact Long Mountain CoE Primary School on 01743 891320.

Yockleton Victory Hall

Yockleton W I : The last meeting was at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 1 December 2021 when Pat Holloway led a workshop making a floral Christmas wreath or table decoration. Then at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 5 January 2022, Gill Castle will give a talk entitled "Behind the Scenes at BBC's Bargain Hunt". Please note new start time of 2.00pm for all our winter meetings. For more information, please telephone Yockleton W I Secretary Daphne Goodwin on 01743 884524 or send an email: briangoodwin488@btinternet.com.

Rea Valley Young Farmers Club : for details of future meetings, please telephone : Rebecca Beckett on 07528 944632 (Mobile).

Hall Hire : The Village Hall is now fully open and able to accept bookings. For more information, please telephone Samantha on 07792 319225 (Mobile).

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West Mercia Police

Now that Westbury Post Office has closed and Police Surgeries are no longer held there, much of the information contained in the Newsletters produced quarterly by the Shrewsbury Rural West Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) based at Pontesbury Police Station, will be of interest to residents of Westbury, Yockleton and surrounding hamlets and can be viewed on the Westbury and Yockleton Newsletter website: www.localnews.co.uk or, to view issues of these SNT Newsletters and to view the Police Events Calendar, please follow the link below :

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/article/2993/Team-Calendar-and-Events?amonth=2&ayear=2018&submit=Go>

NB : If the Police are attending any events in Westbury, these will be added to their Calendar.

To view the latest 2021 SNT Newsletter, please follow this link: <https://www.localnews.co.uk/police-news>

Anti-Social Behaviour

0345 678 9020 is the Dedicated Reporting Line for Anti-Social Behaviour operated by Shropshire Council in partnership with a number of agencies including the Police. Please use this number to report any anti-social behaviour. All calls are recorded and followed up by the agencies involved.

Safer Neighbourhood Team

Your local Safer Neighbourhood Team member is Inspector Saf Ali and Police Volunteer Arthur Jones is still opening Pontesbury Police Station on Wednesday evenings between 4.00pm and 7.00pm, should you need to attend for for any issue. We have a sign that we put outside the Station if there is an officer on the premises, so - if anyone is passing and wants advice - please call in at the new Pontesbury Police Office, based in the Pontesbury Library and Pavilion Building, adjacent to the Co-op and Doctors' Surgery on Hall Bank, Pontesbury.

If anyone requires a "home" visit or wants to discuss anything, please just ring: PC Simon Lewis on 101 Ext 66645 or email him at : <simon.lewis@westmercia.pnn.police.uk>

If you need to **report any crime**, please call West Mercia on the 101 number or report anything anonymously through :

Crimestoppers on 0800555111.

Please do not email to report a crime. Only call 999 in an emergency, when a crime is in progress, or when life is in danger. For none emergencies please call 101.

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Police Matters

Hopefully everyone will have noticed that the team from SmartWater have been out putting up the large blue signs notifying would-be thieves that Westbury and Yockleton is an area protected by SmartWater, following the commitment by Westbury Parish Council to help fund the project last year. Hopefully everyone who received their pack in the post has used it and - more importantly - put the stickers in their windows to show that their home is protected. If anyone needs help in using their kit or wants advice, please get in touch with us at Pontesbury Police Office.

We are currently dealing with a high volume of incidents. Sadly we have seen quad bikes being stolen overnight and also another farm premises being targeted, so the night time thieves are still about, so make sure everything is locked up and bolted down overnight. Check that your security lights are still working and make sure you "lock up" in the evening to prevent unwanted visitors from helping themselves.

PC Ross Cookson retired in late June. He has been replaced by the following relatively new Safer Neighbourhood Team :

PC Simon Lewis (Email: simon.lewis@westmercia.pnn.police.uk) who will be supported by Police Community Support Officers :

PCSO Sarah Edwards and PCSO Jacqui Baldwin

Team Email : Shrewsburyre.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

and they will be working out of Pontesbury Police Station, Minsterley Road, Pontesbury, Shropshire and the new Pontesbury Police Office which is based in the Pontesbury Library and Pavilion building adjacent to the Co-op and Doctors Surgery on Hall Bank, Pontesbury.

Following complaints from locals - there will be some Speed Enforcement Checks being conducted in both Westbury and Yockleton over the next few months.

Stay safe and please get in touch with any questions or concerns.

Please continue to lock up outbuildings and report any sightings via 101 and also via some of the excellent community Facebook pages to alert your neighbours that they are about.

If you would like PC Simon Lewis to have a walk around your property to give security advice, please get in touch. As always, keep garages, sheds and outbuildings locked and - if possible - alarmed. Simple battery powered alarms have improved and noise is always a good deterrent if a thief has managed to get into your "Lock Up". Quad bikes and push bikes continue to be popular amongst thieves, so both need chaining up/bolting down.

Security marking can help recover stolen items and there are a number of options available. Please remain vigilant and ensure everything gets locked all the time - not just last thing at night.

Keep in touch with your neighbours by telephone and - for those who use social media - post strange vehicles and unusual events. Neighbourhood Watch is nothing complicated or formal. It's just

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 look or feel right. It doesn't matter if it is via Facebook, WhatsApp
 or a text message. Email the Police via :

shrewsburyrw.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

If you have outside lights and security lights, make sure they are
 working. Any garden ornaments of value or interest need to be
 well secured, as do power tools and garden equipment, as they
 remain a desirable item for opportunist night-time thieves.

Please be aware of any unusual callers to your house or area, even
 those who may make themselves look legitimate by offering
 gardening services or asking for directions. Always try and make
 a note of vehicle registration numbers or anything distinctive about
 the vehicle and callers.

The "What's on in Westbury" Facebook page is a great way to warn
 everyone quickly about anything suspicious and gives others the
 chance to be vigilant.

As stated above, please only contact the Police in an emergency -
 but we are available for all general advice via our mobile phones
 and email addresses.

P C Simon Lewis

SNT Shrewsbury Rural West

Police Wildlife Crime Officer

Telephone : 101 Ext. 7704801 Work Mobile : 07814 042410 (Duty Hours)

Group Mailbox: shrewsburyre.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Rural SNT based at: Pontesbury Police Station, Hall Bank, Pontesbury. SY5 0RF

(In the Library next to the Co-op)

Website : www.westmercia.police.uk

Please do not rely on email to report crime, in an emergency dial 999 or telephone via 101.

Refuse and Recycling Services

**Wednesday 8th and Tuesday 21st December : Green and
 Recycling**

Wednesdays 15th and 29th December : Refuse

**The Household Recycling Centres are open Monday to Sunday
 from 9.00 am - 5.00 pm.**

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Sessions until further notice

Mary Pryce

**Yockleton
100 Club
Prizewinners
November 2021
Draw**

1st Prize : £25

Mrs Dover
(No 26)

2nd Prize : £15

The Ewels Family
(No 92)

3rd Prize : £10

Mr R Haydon
(No 81)

4th Prize : £5

Mr F England
(No 52)

5th Prize : £5

Christopher Long
(No 50)

6th Prize : £5

M and P Dyas
(No 57)

Liz Bromley



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Refreshments - and more

Father Christmas will call with
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A warm welcome awaits for all

Further details from :

Dianne Tomlins-Davies
01743 884433
or
Jill Jones 01743 884414

**St Mary's
Church
Westbury
100 Club**

**Prizewinners
for
November
2021 Draw**

1st Prize :£20
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(No 32)

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Mary Pryce

**St Mary's Church
Westbury
100 Club**

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100 Club
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are now due for the
coming twelve months.

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For further details
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Mary Pryce
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Alex Tucker

Westbury W I

President Jill Jones welcomed members and Holly Hurdley the Speaker for the evening.

Invitations were given out for our WI's 90 Years Birthday Party to be held in Westbury Village Hall on Wednesday, 8 December 2021.

We have invited past members, the National Chairman, two members from the Shropshire Federation and the Presidents from Bicton, Oxon, Worthen, Yockleton, Lea Cross and Snailbeach W I Branches. Members were asked to help on the night to serve food and drinks and Cilla and Judith to organise a Raffle and ask for Prizes.

Speaker Holly Hurdley then demonstrated how to use Tropic Skin Care and Frances Peake was the model for the evening. Holly was thanked for the demonstration and stayed for supper. Cilla organised a Raffle and refreshments were served by Committee members.

Jill spoke about final arrangements for the Birthday Party and we will meet in the Village Hall at 2.00 pm to get everything ready. Cilla will bring a CD Player to use for "Pass the Parcel" and other games.

A display will be on show of past meetings, crockery items and many photographs. We will sing Jerusalem during the evening and the National Anthem to end the evening.

Christine had written to our Member of Parliament and the Prime Minister about the troubles in Afghanistan. She has received a reply but was not happy with the contents.

We will go Carol Singing (in aid of the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital) on 13 December 2021, meeting at The Lion at 7.00pm and will return there later for refreshments.

On Wednesday, 10 November 2021 we held the Annual General Meeting when the Minutes of the 2019 meeting were read and Beryl spoke about happenings since then in 2021. Jill Jones was re-elected as President with Cilla acting as "Teller" and various jobs were allocated to other Committee members for the coming year. Frances Peake gave the Treasurer's Report. Jill then gave a report of all the meetings we have held and thanked everyone for their help and attendance and she was thanked by Frances Peake.

As I am retiring as Secretary - Chris Stanton will be taking over from me as Secretary of Westbury W I.

*Beryl Johnson : Secretary : 01743 884950
Email: beryanderic@icloud.com*

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For more information : Contact : Rev Ruth 01743 884658 or :

Email: : ruthleigh56@gmail.com

Yockleton WI

The November meeting started with a short A.G.M. when Anne Dale was re-elected as President and Margaret Sheppard as Secretary. This was followed by a "Mini Show" when Eirwen Jebb won the cup for most points in the Cookery Class with Daphne Goodwin winning the cup for the most points in the Craft Section.

On Wednesday, 1 December 2021 at 2.00pm, Pat Holloway led a workshop making either a Floral Christmas Wreath or a Table Decoration and on Wednesday, 5 January 2022 at 2.00pm, Gill Castle will give a talk entitled "Behind the Scenes at BBC's Bargain Hunt". Both meetings take place at Yockleton Victory Hall. Visitors are welcome.

For further information please contact me - Daphne Goodwin - on 01743 884524

Daphne Goodwin



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, YOCKLETON : COFFEE CAFÉ

Our next Coffee Café will be held on Thursday 30 December 2021 in the Church from 10.30 am to 12 midday. Join us for a hot drink and home-made cakes - but definitely no mince pies !

Thank you for coming to support our Get-Togethers throughout the year. If you haven't yet been to one of our Coffee Mornings, please make it a New Year's Resolution !

A very Merry and Peaceful Christmas to you all and we look forward to another year of friendship and community spirit with some delicious cakes and stimulating chat along the way.

If you need a lift call Jenny on 01743 821768.

Jenny Howard

jennyhoward128@hotmail.com

Holy Trinity Church : Christmas Cheer Afternoon

On Saturday, 27 November 2021, Holy Trinity Church, Yockleton was aglow with candles, and Christmas music could be heard on the approach from the pathway. The cosy atmosphere inside was warming and welcoming, as were the mince pies and mulled wine.

During the early evening gathering, seasonal stories were told, Christmas poems were read and Carols were sung.

An Auction of donated items brought the evening to a close. Approximately £220 was raised towards Church funds, although this was not the only purpose of the evening, as we welcomed familiar faces and local residents for a social gathering. The atmosphere was very special. Thank you to those who helped and to all who came.

A Merry and Peaceful Christmas to you all.

Jenny Howard

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**Pontesbury & Rea Valley District u3a
final Open Meeting of 2021 on
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Temporary Road Closure B4387 : Halfway House to Westbury

Message From : Shropshire Council Street Works Team <noreply@one.network>

Sent : Tuesday, 30 November 2021 at 10.17

To whom it may concern :

Please see below details of a Temporary Road Closure

Road Closure:	B4387 Halfway House to Westbury
Start Date:	Wednesday, 9 February 2022
End Date:	Sunday, 20 February 2022
Purpose:	Capital works site 163 carriageway renewal
Works Promoter:	Kier on behalf of Shropshire Council
Works Promoter Ref:	UJ11RS-874659-1
Enforcement Pattern for B4387 Halfway House to Westbury :	Monday - Sunday : 9.30 - 16.00

You can view the closure and diversion route by clicking on the following link:
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Should you have any queries regarding this closure, please call
Customer Services on : 0345 6789006 or
Email the Street Works Team on : streetworks@shropshire.gov.uk

The Street Works Team Shropshire Council

The above item was forwarded to me - for inclusion in the Newsletter - by
Mrs Sarah Smith, Clerk and RFO, Westbury Parish Council

Editor

Church Services for December 2021

Date	Venue	Time	Leader	Festival
Sunday 12 December	Westbury	9.30	tbc	Advent 3 Morning Praise
	Worthen	11:00	DM	Advent 3 Elevenses
	Yockleton	9.30	DM	Advent 3 Holy Communion
Saturday 18 December	Worthen	16.00	DM	Carol Service
Sunday 19 December	Worthen	11.00	DM	Advent 4 Holy Communion
	Yockleton	11.00	RL	Café Church, Carols
	Westbury	18.00	DM	Carol Service
Friday 24 December	Westbury	3.00	RL	Christmas Eve
	Worthen	16.00	AJ/VJ	Crib Service
	Yockleton	23.00	DM	Midnight Mass Holy Communion
Saturday 25 December	Westbury	9.30	DM	Christmas Day Holy Communion
	Worthen	11.00	DM	Christmas Day Family Service
Sunday 26 December Benefice Service	Yockleton	11.00	DM	St Stephen; Boxing Day
Sunday 2 January 2022	Westbury	9.30	DM/CW	Christmas 1 Holy Communion
	Worthen	11.00	DM	Christmas 1 Holy Communion
	Yockleton	11.00	CJ	Morning Praise

*Rev. David Moss
Rector for the Parishes of Westbury, Worthen and Yockleton
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Westbury Indoor Bowls Club

7.00pm on Tuesdays in Westbury Village Hall

REMINDER : The last Bowls Night before Christmas is on Tuesday, 14 December 2021 from 7.00pm to approximately 9.00pm and then re-starts on Tuesday, 11 January 2022.

Existing and new members welcome. We have bowls you can use and the cost is just £3.00 per evening.

All being well, we will continue to meet weekly until the Spring.

For more information, please contact Dave Williams on 01743 884553.

Westbury and Yockleton Christmas 2021

Someone recently suggested to me that our Carol Service at Yockleton this year was too early. "We don't want to sing carols in November" they added; but - as I look back over this year - quite honestly I think that that is exactly what we all need to do. We need to get into the spirit of Christmas, now and in good time.

Christmas is going to feel very different for many people this year, as long awaited visitors - and family from abroad - are yet again prevented from travelling home due to the latest outbreak of the new Covid strain. Gatherings everywhere will be smaller, people's identities and beaming, welcoming smiles again hidden by face masks. All a very necessary priority to prevent further spread of the sickness but, at the same time, just eclipsing the joy of Christmas somewhat.

Over the last year, much has had to change in our lives, but what has not changed is the joy that the Christmas story brings; we just need to rediscover it ! As we sing carols, smell mulled wine and put up decorations, we remember the Christmas story. Christmas is the reminder that God is not a God who stands far off, watching us from a distance like the gods of the Greeks and Romans who thundered down judgment on those who displeased them. Our God is someone who walks with us through everything that life can throw at us, comforting us and strengthening us. He meets us exactly where we are.

Whether we will spend Christmas alone or with others, if we let him, God will sit and eat with us.

That's worth getting excited about, so "No, it's not too early !"

The message of Christmas is about re-discovering, receiving and sharing God's unconditional love. The only question we are left with is "how can we share that love with others ?" Is there a simple act of kindness that will be more precious to our neighbour than any gift-wrapped present that could have been purchased ? How can we make the joy of Christmas real to someone today ?

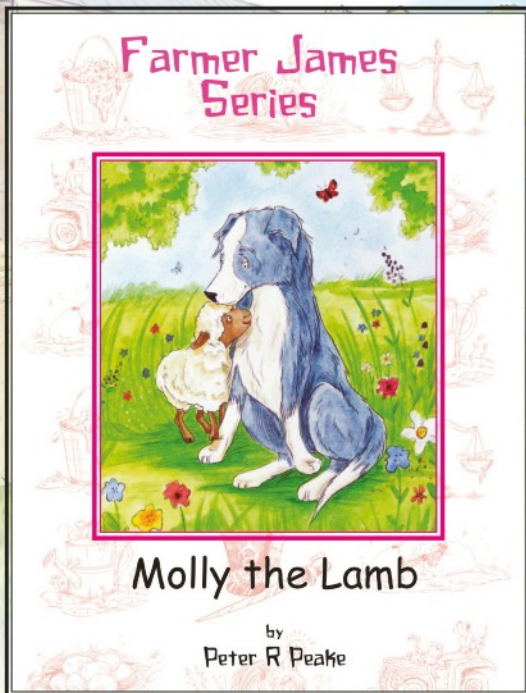
*Joy to the world ! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her king;
Let every heart, prepare him room
And heaven and nature sing.
(Isaac Watts)*

As 'the Grinch' famously said:
*"Maybe Christmas" he thought "doesn't come from a store"
"Maybe Christmas - perhaps - means a little bit more !*

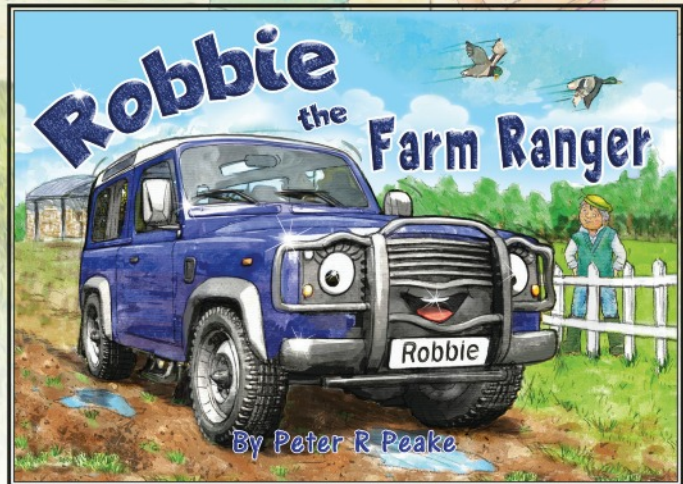
*Rev. David Moss
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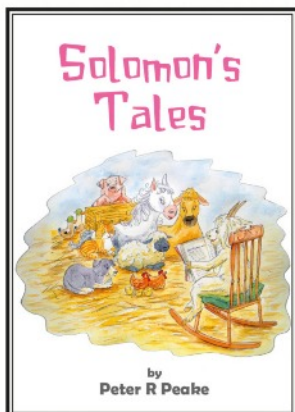
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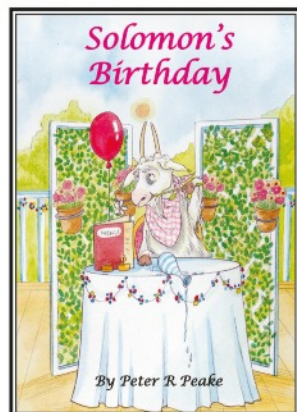
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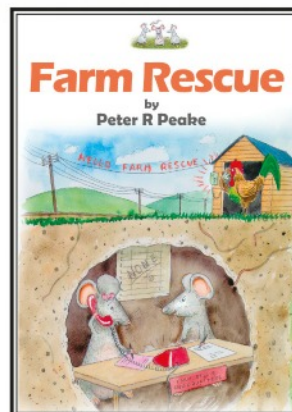
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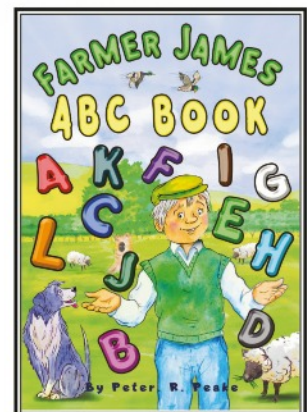
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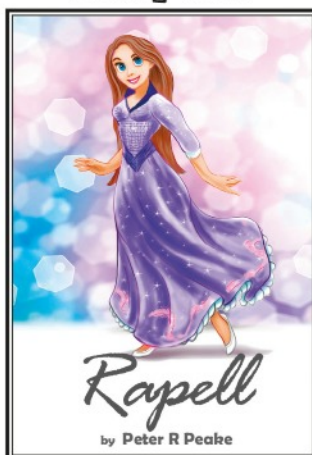
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MORNING PRAYER

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Lasts about 30 minutes. All most welcome.

For information contact : Rev Ruth : 01743 884658

Email : ruthleigh56@gmail.com.

ALBERBURY MONDAY CLUB

At the present time, the Monday Club is no longer running but, if anyone would like to take over organising this Club and the Day Trips in future, please contact :

Pauline Jones
(01743 365201)

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Editor

West Shropshire Flower Club

RHS Chelsea Flower Show medal winner Julie Pearson from Bolton presented her Christmas Demonstration entitled "It's a little Festive Crafty" at our November meeting - Crafty being a play on words for making staging or items, or obtaining them from reasonably priced sources !

Julie started off the meeting with a traditional two-piece design. Seasonal foliage was dressed with white Gladiolus, Roses and Ammi, followed by some stunning pink Roselily-type Oriental Lilies, so called for their fully double blooms which boast so many petals that they resemble Roses and are pollen free - so good for people with cats ! Things then went very contemporary with a twig door hanging, supporting upside down Amaryllis and a fabulous Orchid. Another hanging arrangement had a multitude of small hand-tied bunches of Orchids, Anthuriums, Beargrass and Roses held in finger-crocheted nests. Then a horizontal timber beam supporting a line of Aspidistra leaves manipulated as test tube holders, housing Sunflowers over which drifted yellow Oncidium Orchids.

Craft really came into its own with a melted wax stand made to anchor tubes and canes, providing a framework of support for baubles of bold coloured Gerberas, Eryngium, Clematis and Dendrobium Orchids. Julie's final showstopper pulled out all the tropical tricks with a bold assortment of Palm and Monstera leaves and then wowed the audience with masses of bright Heliconias, the ultimate exotic flowers.

At our meeting on Wednesday, 26 January 2022 Carron White will present "A Healthy Lifestyle" and - at the following meeting on Wednesday, 23 February 2022 - Penelope Harrison will present "Nature's Beauty". All meetings held at Westbury Village Hall and commencing at 7.30 pm.

Julia Brion
Email : juliabshrop@gmail.com

SABRINA MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE - UPDATE

Christmas and 2022 New Year Dates

As stated in the August 2021 Newsletter, the Sabrina Mobile Libraries resumed their normal fortnightly schedule from Monday 2 August 2021. The dates for the last visits - in December are set out below but - as usual - with the caveat that things may change due to ongoing Coronavirus problems or other issues such as vehicle breakdowns or staffing problems.

Unfortunately however, according to the email which I have just received from Ellen Powell, Team Librarian at the Library Headquarters, the dates for Routes 2, 4 and 8 in January (and February) 2022 are yet to be confirmed, but she has promised to send me another email as soon as she is in a position to do so, after which all routes will then go back to their normal fortnightly schedule up until Easter.

ROUTE	DAYS	DATES	DATES in January 2022
2	Tuesdays	14 December 2021	Yet to be confirmed
4	Thursdays	2 December 2021	Yet to be confirmed
8	Mondays	6 December 2021	Yet to be confirmed

No stops have changed the Route Number or Day over the last year, so any information sent in the past will be correct. Some stops have changed their timings slightly (to extend or reduce the Stop Time depending upon how busy it is), so it has been advised that you check the timings on the Mobile Library Stops Map on the mobile library website : <https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/mobile-libraries/> :

Editor

Sabrina Mobile Library Days, Times, Routes and Stopping Places

For any new residents of Westbury, Yockleton and surrounding communities or those who may not have used the Sabrina Mobile Library's fortnightly service before, or since the service had to be cancelled due to the Covid 19 virus situation, I have set out below the usual days, places and stopping times for each route although - as Ellen Powell mentioned previously - some stopping times may have been changed slightly.

Route 8 : Alternate weeks on a Monday

Ford Village Hall :	9.30am - 9.50am
Halfway House Inn, Halfway House :	10.00am - 10.15am
Old School Lane, Wattlesborough Heath : 1	10.20am - 10.35am
Alberbury Village Hall :	11.00am - 11.15am

Route 2 : Alternate weeks on a Tuesday

Aston Rogers, opposite Brook House :	1.00pm - 1.10pm
Lower Wallop. Wallop Cottages :	1.20pm - 1.40pm
Rowley, Upper House Farm :	1.45pm - 1.55pm
Vennington, Lower House Farm :	2.10pm - 2.20pm
Westbury (outside former Post Office) :	2.25pm - 3.05pm

Route 4 : Alternate weeks on a Thursday

Yockleton - Lay By :	10.00am - 10.15am
Ford Heath - Post Box :	10.20am - 10.30am

Editor

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DECEMBER 2021 : UPDATE FROM ED POTTER
YOUR SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL UNITARY COUNCILLOR
The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY2 6ND

Dear All,

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the residents of Loton Division a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

This month, following several enquiries, I thought it might be useful to update on some of the Climate Change Initiatives ongoing at Shropshire Council. This is the first of two updates.

Shropshire Council has committed to achieving Carbon Net Zero by 2030. A lot of good work has started and more is planned, but there is a lot more to do.

Power Down

The Council continues to reduce through projects and measures including :

- Switching all corporate power consumption to identifiable renewable sources.
- An on-going programme of improvements to its buildings to install additional insulation, together with low carbon heating, lighting and solar power generation, currently valued at around £1.1m (60% grant funding) and saving around 210 tonnes of carbon per year.
- Delivering the first carbon neutral road surfacing programme by any UK local authority (project won the National Highways Awards 2021), saving over 280 tonnes of carbon.
- Supporting Shropshire residents to make the transition to electric vehicles as one of just four UK areas to trial world-leading 'Agile Streets' on-street smart EV charging and installing an initial 50 new charge points in market towns across Shropshire using around £200,000 of Government grants.
- Working with local Housing Associations, taking steps to help residents suffering from fuel poverty and helping social housing tenants by installing £5.8m of insulation and heating improvements in Shropshire to date.
- Supporting wider community efforts to decarbonise as a founder member of Zero Carbon Shropshire and grant funding projects such as county-wide energy mapping.

The above highlights the wide range of Carbon Reduction Projects which the Council is supporting, both to reduce its own carbon footprint and to help Shropshire businesses and communities to do the same. Early indications are that our carbon usage was reduced by a further 8 to 10% over the past 12 months. That figure will be confirmed in a report in January 2022.

Continued overleaf ...

Power Up

- Shropshire Council has adopted an objective of becoming 'energy self-sufficient' by 2030. To help deliver this and to improve access to renewable energy for other public sector organisations and local businesses, Shropshire Council:
- Will develop a new 1MW solar farm on the former Maesbury Road landfill site in Oswestry to supply power to local businesses. There is potential for this project to expand up to 2MW.
- Is working with local electricity companies to screen its own property portfolio to identify other opportunities to generate power, either for its own use or to supply other public sector organisations and local businesses.
- Is using £70,000 Government grant funding to work with a range of local project partners, including Zero Carbon Shropshire to develop the potential for local heat networks in north Shrewsbury and Shrewsbury town centre to decarbonise heating in these areas.
- Actively examining the opportunity to attract the development of one (but possibly two) Hydrogen facilities in the County.

As ever if I can be of assistance please do not hesitate to contact me

*Ed Potter
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Covid 19 Virus

As stated in my recent Newsletters, each month - and for many years - 530 copies of the Newsletter have been delivered house-to-house in Westbury, Yockleton and surrounding communities by our team of 20 volunteers, many of whom - like me - are OAPs and have been advised to stay "isolated" at home. Understandably, in these extraordinary times, our volunteers are unable to continue. All monthly editions are now only available for viewing or downloading via our new website:

www.wylocalnews.co.uk

Alternatively, if you visit the website and "**REGISTER**" (where indicated) by sending me your email address, future pdf copies of the Newsletter will be automatically downloaded to your email Inbox every month, at no charge to you. Furthermore, this will allow you to print off copies of the Newsletter for any neighbours or friends who may not have a computer.

Editor

The Village Hall, Westbury

Since Monday, 19 July 2021, bookings can be made for events to take place, but subject to Governmental COVID restrictions.

The Hall has made good use of the time we've been in Lock Down to :

- Update the lighting,
- Redecorate,
- Renew the curtains and
- We are about to re-surface the floor.

Hopefully, all users will be as pleased with the results as we are.

Bookings can continue to be made through BELLA CHILDS on 07707639124 (Mobile).

We look forward to hearing from you.

*Alex Adams
Westbury Village Hall Committee*

CARVERS EMERGE FROM THE WOOD

Shropshire Woodcarvers hold their weekly meetings on Thursdays in the Craft Rooms at The Mary Webb School, Pontesbury, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

If interested, why not come along and see what is going on ?

Learn about a hobby you can do at home, on holiday or during "Lock-downs" !!

More information and contacts available on our website :

Shropshirewoodcarvers.co.uk.

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Could you be a friend to a person living with Dementia in your local area ?

"Let's Talk" is a new Age UK Shropshire Telford and Wrekin project aimed to help reduce the isolation and loneliness that some people with Dementia can experience.

The Shropshire project offers either a weekly chat over the phone or a weekly walk within the locality of the person with the Dementia diagnosis, matching volunteers so they might share the same interests, vocation, and live in the same area.

To help us support more people with Dementia, we are looking for volunteers who are passionate about helping people with Dementia to have a better quality of life. We provide Dementia Communication training and walking guidelines and every volunteer will have the opportunity to become a Dementia Friend. Ongoing support will be given by Age UK Shropshire Telford and Wrekin staff.

For further information, please call Emma Wilde, Senior Co-ordinator, Wellbeing Services at Age UK Shropshire Telford and Wrekin, for a chat on 01743 233123 Ext 252 or email your interest to : enquiries@ageukstw.org.uk.

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ALBERBURY CRICKET CLUB : THE SEASON JUST GONE

Both 1st and 2nd XI teams finished the season in successful style, thus ensuring that they remained in their respective Shropshire Leagues (Divisions 1 and 5), whilst the Sunday 3rd XI enjoyed relatively consistent success throughout the season, employing a prudent use of youth and experience.

Congratulations to Owain Roberts and his Evening League team for winning the Shrewsbury and District Division 4 West title.

The Coaching Programme for our youngsters this year has been exceptional, thanks to Lara Jones and her team of coaches. I had the privilege of attending the Five Day Summer School during the summer holidays, to witness such a large volume of youngsters of all ages having such a great time, improving their skills and really enjoying the whole experience.

A considerable number of youth matches also took place, with the teams made up from a combination of Alberbury and Montgomery CC youngsters. Our thanks go to Montgomery CC for their support and co-operation in this new and successful venture.

The playing surface and outfield at Pecknall has been in tip-top condition throughout the season, thanks to Preston Fletcher's care and attention and Mike Crawshaw's support.

This season, the Club has been supported by a number of sponsors. Grateful thanks go to our main sponsors : Ye Olde Hand and Diamond, Rollinson Smith Insurance Brokers, Zaza Johnson and Bath, P.A.Wilkes Roofing, G.O.Davies, Lea Cross Tandoori, Ian Owen Motor Services, Brookside Garden Machine Centre, Robert Davies Machinery, Border Motor Services and to our Match Day Sponsors : Phillips Accountancy Services, Colander Technology, Penylan Laundry, Dairi-Pak, Wynnstay Farmers, Oak Apple Catering, Something from the Hart Photography, Steve and Nicky Morris and Joss Elliott.



Alberbury Cricket Club continues to thrive, largely due to the dedication and hard work of its volunteer members. No-one has worked harder in the last twelve months than 21 year old Lara Jones. It is very pleasing to report that Lara's contribution to the development of the Club (Head Coach and Junior Co-ordinator, Covid Officer, Sponsorship Co-ordinator and Social Media Manager) has been recognised through the national "Game-Changer" Award given by the Welsh Cricket Board and by an "Unsung Hero" Award by the Shropshire Cricket Board. Lara has recently been elected as 1st XI captain for the 2022 season. This is a "first" for the Club and for the Shropshire League as a whole. Very well done !

A new water supply has recently been installed in the pavilion. Grateful thanks to Rob Bowdler for his help and co-operation in this matter and many thanks also to Allan Wynne for supervising the installation on our behalf. The Club has been given the opportunity to purchase Pecknall Cricket Ground from All Souls College, Oxford. There has been a wonderful response from past and present members and friends of Alberbury Cricket Club in terms of pledges of donations or loans etc, and we now have the task of moving on to a situation where we have sufficient funds to turn this exciting opportunity into reality.

Look out for news and updates on Social Media.

Richard Jones
Alberbury Cricket Club

Report outlines the problems described by those facing food insecurity

A Healthwatch Shropshire report highlights the experiences of people in South West Shropshire who are living with food insecurity. As part of a pilot project, funded by Shaping Places for Healthier Lives programme, they worked with Shropshire Council Public Health, Citizens Advice Shropshire and the Shropshire Food Poverty Alliance members to hear from individuals and families with lived experience of food insecurity and those who work to support them.

Following the pilot project, a detailed plan was submitted to the Shaping Places for Healthier Lives programme, supported by the Health Foundation in partnership with the Local Government Association. Following a rigorous process, Shropshire Council have been awarded £300,000, over three years, to tackle food insecurity in South-west Shropshire.

The key recommendations in the report include:

- The public and voluntary sector need to work in partnership to create services which are accessible and easy to navigate.
- Improved communication to support more joined-up working across the community and public sector,
- Referral pathways to be streamlined to make sure people are able to access the right support at the right time.
- Develop ‘wrap around’ support for people who are in financial need to prevent them from reaching crisis.

The full report can be found here: <https://www.healthwatchshropshire.co.uk/report/2021-11-11/food-insecurity-project-south-west-shropshire>.

Lynn Cawley, Healthwatch Shropshire Chief Officer, said: “We are delighted to have played a part in the project, ensuring that the voices of those experiencing food insecurity are at the heart of this work and we are really looking forward to seeing how this funding makes a difference to the health and wellbeing of those living with food poverty.”

Rachel Robinson, Director of Public Health Shropshire, said: “The findings from those with a lived experience of food insecurity are especially stark and highlight this growing problem and its impact on people’s health and wellbeing. I endorse the recommendations highlighted in the report and the need to work together with communities, the voluntary sector and with partners to tackle the stigma and issues raised through the research.”

Healthwatch Shropshire is the independent health and social care champion in Shropshire. It gathers the views and experiences of patients, service users, carers, and the general public about services including hospitals, GPs, mental health services, community health services, pharmacists, opticians, residential care and children’s services. It also has statutory powers that it can use to influence service provision by encouraging improvements.

Ends

Notes for Editors:

Healthwatch Shropshire is one of a network of 148 Local Healthwatch in England. It is supported by a national organisation, Healthwatch England.

It has a team working in community engagement, plus a volunteer programme, a visit programme to health and social care premises and an associate membership scheme to involve the public in its work. It also has a signposting service to help people access health and social care services and support.

Healthwatch Shropshire also provides the Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Service (IHCAS) for Shropshire. The IHCAS service provides information, advice and, if necessary, can support people through the NHS complaints process.

Shaping Places for Healthier Lives: About the grant programme

Shaping Places for Healthier Lives funds strong local partnership projects that aim to make changes to local systems that will encourage better physical and mental health, and that will be sustained beyond the lifetime of the grant programme. [Shaping Places for Healthier Lives: About the programme | Local Government Association](#) =.

This project is part of the Shaping Places for Healthier Lives programme supported by the Health Foundation in partnership with the Local Government Association. The programme provides local councils with funding to work with partners from their local area to improve health and address health inequalities. The Health Foundation is an independent charity committed to bringing about better health and health care for people in the UK. The LGA is the national voice of local government, working with councils to support, promote and improve.

NB The above report from Healthwatch Shropshire has been submitted to me by Mrs Sarah Smith, Clerk and RFO, Westbury Parish Council, who thought it might be of interest to the readers of the Westbury and Yockleton Newsletter. *Editor*

Shropshire Council Planning Applications

All Planning Applications can be viewed on line on the Shropshire Council
Planning Website (<https://shropshire.gov.uk/planning/>)

Open the website, type in the Planning Application Reference and you can view the
Application and Proposal in detail.

The list below only includes new planning applications and those planning applications whose status has
changed since the entries shown in the November 2021 Newsletter.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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Reference :	21/01650/FUL	Alternative Reference : PP-09689595
Application Validated :	Wednesday, 26 May 2021	
Location :	Rose Cottage, Winnington Green, Middletown, Welshpool, Shropshire. SY21 8DN	
Proposal :	Erection of one replacement dwelling including first floor balcony, detached double garage and re-positioning of vehicular access, following demolition of existing buildings; change of use of land to domestic garden land (re-submission).	
Status :	Pending Consideration	
Appeal Status :	Unknown	
Appeal Decision :	Not Available	
Applicant :	Mr Malcolm Ellis c/o Hogstow Hall, Minsterley, Shrewsbury, SY5 0HZ	
Agent :	Mr Paul Middleton, Roger Parry & Partners LL, Hogstow Hall, Minsterley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 0HZ	

Reference :	20/03787/DSA106	Alternative Reference : Not Available
Application Validated :	Monday 21 September 2020	
Location :	Rowleth House, Rowley, Westbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 9RY	
Proposal :	Application for the Modification or Discharge of Section 106 Planning Obligation (dated 06.08.2004) in pursuant of Planning Permission Reference No:1/04/15467/F, erection of a dwelling, alterations to vehicular access and installation of a septic tank, due to changes in planning policy (relative to new housing development in Rowley now being classed as a "cluster") the proposal is for the Discharge of Section 106 Planning Obligation.	
Status :	Awaiting Decision	
Appeal Status :	Unknown	
Appeal Decision :	Not Available	
Applicant :	Mr Robert Arthur Price and Rosemary June Price, Rowleth House, Rowley, Westbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 9RY	
Agent :	Mr Paul Middleton, MCIAT, Roger Parry & Partners LLP, Hogstow Hall, Minsterley, Shrewsbury. SY5 0HZ	

Reference :	20/01715/FUL	Alternative Reference : Not Available
Application Validated :	Monday, 11 May 2020	
Location:	Proposed Affordable Dwelling South of "The Pebbles", Marche Lane, Halfway House, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 9DE	
Proposal :	Erection of an affordable dwelling, formation of associated hard-standing, curtilage, access and connection to required services and retention of existing outbuildings as garage (amended description).	
Status :	Refused	
Decision :	Refuse	Decision Issued Date : Thursday, 4 November 2021
Appeal Status :	Unknown	
Appeal Decision :	Not Available	
Applicant :	Mr Kenneth Davis, The Pebbles, Marche Lane, Halfway House, Shrewsbury. Shropshire. SY5 9DE	
Agent :	Mrs Charlene Sussums-Lewis, MRICS, Carter Jonas LLP, Canon Court North, Abbey Lawn, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY2 5DE	

Reference :	21/03177/VAR	Alternative Reference : PP-09944022
Application Validated :	Thursday, 15 July 2021	
Address :	Proposed Exception Site Dwelling South of The Villa, Vron Gate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 9RQ	
Proposal :	Variation of Condition 2 attached to Planning Permission 19/04349/FUL dated 23/02/2021 23/02/2021 for the erection of 1 No affordable dwelling with detached double garage and creation of vehicular access.	
Status :	Awaiting decision	
Appeal Status :	Unknown	
Appeal Decision :	Not Available	
Applicant :	Mrs Alison Stokes, The Villa, Vron Gate, Westbury, Shrewsbury. SY5 9RQ	
Agent :	Graham Burns, Ochre Building Design, The Pump House, Coton Hill, Shrewsbury.SY1 2DP	



USEFUL COMMUNITY LINKS

Medical Practices

Westbury Medical Centre
Pontesbury & Worthen Medical Centres

Bus Time Table

<https://bustimes.org/services/558-montgomery-shrewsbury>
<https://bustimes.org/services/x75-rhayader-shrewsbury>

Waste Recycling

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/when-is-my-bin-collected/>

Post Office Half Way House

<https://www.royalmail.com/services-near-you/post-office/halfway-house-sy5-9du>

Westbury Parish Council

<https://westburyparishcouncil.co.uk/>

Worthen Parish Council

<https://www.worthenwithshelvepc.org.uk/>

Westbury village (Wikipedia)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Westbury,_Shropshire

Shropshire Council

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/#>

Age UK

<https://directory.ageuk.org.uk/local-service/age-uk-shropshire-telford-wrekin/?p=SY5%209QX>

Disability

<https://shropshiredisability.net/>

Food Bank

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STANDARD INFORMATION FOR ANY NEW BUSINESS WISHING TO ADVERTISE IN THE MONTHLY WESTBURY AND YOCKLETON NEWSLETTER

Standard (minimum) Size Adverts : These are all in boxes sized **7.90 cm x 5.43 cm** (landscape layout only), about the size of a business card and cost £2.50 per month. Minimum booking is for **6 months @ £15.00**. I will email you again asking if you wish to book for a further six months during the last month that your advertisement appears. You may of course book for **12 months @ £30.00***. If you book for a year in advance, you get a “secure placement” which will carry on for as long as you want it to, subject to your paying the renewal invoices on time. New adverts start on the back page and - month by month - move forward column-by-column towards page two, after which they re-start at the back. This ensures that all businesses receive equal coverage throughout the year. As there is a small turnover in the adverts, they will also slowly move up and down the page. Printing will be in full web colours

Before sending me your advert **PRINT this sheet out and make sure your advert fits the relevant box** and is readable at that size.

	7.90 cm
	This is the minimum size advert allowed. 6 months is the minimum you can book.
5.43cm	6 months 6 x £2.50 - Total £15.00
	12 months + secure placement 12 x £2.50 - Total £30.00*
	79.0 x 54.3mm (2mm all round inner margin)

	7.90 cm
	We run double standard size adverts i.e. 7.9cm wide x 10.86cm deep
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	The minimum number of months you can book is six, so that would be:
	6 months 6 x £5.00 - Total £30.00
	12 months + secure placement 12 x £5.00 - Total £60.00*
	Double size
	79.0 x 108.6mm (2mm all round inner margin)

Other Size Adverts:

- 1 A Full (A4) page advert, this is priced at £30 per month and is in portrait layout. There is no minimum number of months for which a full A4 size page advert may be booked in advance.
- 2 A Half (A4) page advert, this is priced at £15 per month and needs to be in landscape layout. The minimum number of months for which a half A4 page size advert can be booked in advance is six.

All adverts submitted need to be no lower than 200dpi for print quality and sent to me as a JPG – but separately attached to your covering email, rather than being copied/pasted into the body of your email..

As a guide, I need to receive the graphic of any new business advert about halfway through the preceding month, so that I can email the business concerned with a pdf copy of their advert (as it will appear on the relevant page) for their approval. Once the business has confirmed they are happy with the advert and the number of months for which they wish to book, I will email an invoice and, as soon as payment has been received, the advert will be included in the next issue of the Newsletter.

For secure slots, I will email a single “invitation to renew” invoice once your last paid for advert is published. I will not publish an advert which is unpaid after the expiry date on the invoice. If you pay late, you are at risk of losing the secure slot.

PAYMENT

We cannot accept payment by BACCs or Credit or Debit cards - only **Cheques which need to be drawn in favour of Westbury Village Hall** (who provide us with banking facilities) **but posted to me at the address given below** so that I may photocopy each cheque for my Newsletter records before passing it on to our Village Hall Committee's Treasurer to be credited to our Sub-Account within their main account.

Please let me know which size advert you prefer and for how many months you wish to book, so that I can then invoice you – it would be good to get your advert into our next issue. However, we do require receipt of payment before we place an advert.

For our records, I need the name of your business, your postal address, your email address and your landline and mobile telephone numbers. We are no longer able to absorb postal charges within the above costings. If you cannot provide me with an e-mail address to send your invoices, I need to add a charge to each invoice to cover the cost of posting a paper copy. The initial invoice will carry a charge of £2 to cover itself and the first renewal invoice. Subsequent renewal invoices will carry a £1 charge to cover the next renewal invoice. If you need a receipt on paper, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your payment.

Several of the businesses have stated that they find our Newsletter is a very cost-effective advertising platform and we appreciate the financial support we gain from them as we are running the Newsletter on a voluntary basis with no grant from Westbury Parish Council or any other funding or any profit.

My deadline for News items is the last Monday in the previous month, unless that Monday happens to be a Bank Holiday - when it will be the last Tuesday in the previous month. If, however, the last Monday in the previous month is too close to the end of the month to give me time to produce the Newsletter, I will advise accordingly which month your advertisement will commence.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me – via my email.

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