

In an emergency, would you know what to do?

Whilst we hope that you may never need to use one, we want you to know what emergency provisions we have in Castle Gresley.

Defibrillators:

Castle Court Nursing Home -Arthur Street Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground -Changing Rooms

Installing in January 2022:

Defibs:

The Mount Pleasant Inn -Mount Pleasant Road A444 -Mount Road/Swadlincote Lane area

Serious Bleed Kits:

The Mount Pleasant Inn -Mount Pleasant Road Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground -Changing Rooms



Do you know of an unsung Superhero here in Castle Gresley?

Do you know someone who has gone above and beyond during the challenges we have faced this past year?

It might be someone who has helped out with neighbours shopping, litter picking in the village or arranging activities for children or someone who has been silently working away in the community for the benefit of us all.

If you do, we'd love to hear from you!

The Parish Council have been offered a significant donation by a member of our community to benefit such a person or people.

Please contact the Clerk by email or telephone to tell us about your local hero!

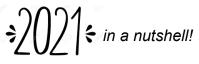


2021 Newsletter



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We've had a busy time behind the scenes trying to improve things in the village for the benefit of the wider community through what has been a challenging year again for most of us.

There have been a number of positive changes on the Council and we have welcomed new councillors and appreciated public attendance and support once we returned to face to face meetings in June .

So far this year, we have made initial improvements to the Recreation Ground on Mount Pleasant Road and have installed a patio area to the container along with patio tables and chairs. We have also started the design process for the construction of a new access route to the playing field to make it easier to get down there and allow vehicular access for future events. It is our hope, after public consultation, that the area will be more accessible and inclusive and can play host to summer events, sports activities during the school holidays and summer open air cinema nights to name just a few ideas.

Planters throughout the village have been planted with bee and butterfly friendly plants and we have organised a wild flower planting scheme which will commence planting in January on the A444 verge opposite Drift Road towards Cadley Island. We also intend to plant wildflowers at the Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground along with trees for the Queens Diamond Jubilee Canopy planting scheme. Many thanks also to the members of our community who have planted spring bulbs for all of us to enjoy next year.

Councillors and members of the public worked tirelessly on the proposed development on Oak Close and managed to get the application overturned at Planning Committee earlier in the summer. We have again highlighted several issues within the village with regards to traffic concerns, speeding and weight limit issues and will continue to lobby on this matter with both the Police and County Highways. In our quest to keep the village clean and tidy, we have ordered Keep Britain Tidy Dog Foul signage and Dog Foul Bag Dispensers which will be sited around the village in the New Year and we will continue to work with SDDC Clean team in an effort to keep us free of dog foul and litter.

Following the passing of our past Vice Chairman, Ollie Pallett, a memorial plaque has been sited at his beloved White Lady Springs commemorating him and the work he did for the village.

A new bus shelter has recently been installed on Linton Road and we have restocked grit bins on Oak Close, Appleby Glade and Swadlincote Lane ready for the inclement weather that winter brings.

The Council held our first Easter Egg Hunt, a wonderfully supported Remembrance Service and have had Christmas Lights and a Christmas Tree (located at The Mount Pleasant Inn) installed for the festive period along with organising the Christmas Event which has been held this evening. We hope you have enjoyed all of them! Thanks to Jeff & Pauline also for their wonderful Christmas display on Hillside Road. It's amazing yet again!

Finally, following on from tragic events in Swadlincote earlier in the year, we are very pleased to have purchased serious bleed first aid kits for the village, which will be installed in January and to have worked with The Mount Pleasant Inn to fund an additional defib which will be installed at the pub.

We are looking forward to 2022 and will notify you of upcoming news and events via our noticeboards, website and our new facebook page (early 2022) and the Castle Gresley Residents page.

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year!

Donations we have made on your behalf in 2021:

Swadlincote CVS Foodbank Royal British Legion South Derbyshire Mental Health Association Regional Air Ambulance Service

As a Parish Council, we regularly make donations to local charities. This year we have donated nearly £500 with a further £500 allocated in December.

If there is a local charity that you think would benefit from a donation, please let us know. We may be the trustees, but you are the voice for what we donate!



We want to hear from you!

If you have any ideas for future events, have any concerns you would like assistance with , would like to get involved or would like to know more about what we do on your behalf, please contact us.