

Our Parish Matters

The newsletter for Cockshutt cum Petton Parish residents

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Welcome ..

to the summer edition of the newsletter. I am pleased to start this introduction with some very good news. Since our last newsletter the Council has been granted planning permission to develop the Jubilee Field. The Council is now in the process of obtaining quotes for all the work to be carried out and then seek grant funding. Updates will be reported in future newsletters.

Last month, the Annual Parish Meeting was held and we discussed the Jubilee Field and speeding traffic through Cockshutt. Topics raised by residents who attended included dog fouling and future development in Cockshutt. Dog fouling appears to be of serious concern and the Council agreed to remind dog owners of their responsibilities in this edition.

The Parish Council is also pleased to report an update on Shropshire Council's Planning Policies.

John Dickin, Chair Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council



If your dog fouls in a public area it is your responsibility to ensure the mess is picked up and properly disposed of. Dog fouling is one of the top anti social problems nationwide. Dog mess is

unsightly, unpleasant and can spread disease, or in extreme cases, cause blindness. Children are especially susceptible to these risks.

Dog owners are required by law to clean up after their dog; failure to do so can result in a fixed penalty notice being issued or possible prosecution. The Fixed Penalty Notice charge is currently set at £80. Dog waste should be disposed of in the appropriate manner, either by using any waste bin, provided it is properly contained, or by taking it home and disposing of it in your grey refuse bin.

You must not let your dog foul footpaths, grass verges, parking areas or hard surfaced areas alongside or on the carriage way of a road. You must even pick up on the actual road if the speed limit is 40mph or less. In particular, please pay particular attention to your dog when it is on the Playing and Jubilee Fields. It has been known for a referee to stop a football match to 'scoop the poop'.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Shropshire Council's SAMDev Update

Shropshire Council has now received confirmation from the SAMDev Plan Inspector, Claire Sherratt of her main modifications proposed to the Plan following the examination sessions late last year. Below is the link to the schedule of proposed Main Modifications;- <http://shropshire.gov.uk/media/1538630/SAMDev-Plan-Schedule-of-Main-Modifications-June-2015.pdf>

Guidance notes are also available.

The SAMDev Plan Schedule of Main Modifications is published for a six week consultation from Monday 1 June until 5pm Monday 13 July 2015 and the Inspector is now inviting comments on them. The Main Modifications have been identified by the Inspector as those necessary to make the policies in the SAMDev Plan sound. The Inspector will take account of all representations relating to the modifications before finalising her report to the Council.

Following this, assuming no fundamental issues arising, the Inspector will issue her report and the Council can move towards adoption, which is likely to be in September at full Council.

Andy Mortimer,
Policy Manager, Shropshire Council .

Petton with Cockshutt Horticultural Society

Petton with Cockshutt Horticultural Society is holding it's 12th Show on Sunday 6th September, in the Millennium Hall. All the usual classes of cooking, vegetables; fruit and flower growing, photography, craft and an interesting selection of classes for young people.

Schedules are available in Cockshutt and Loppington Post Offices, Myddle Shop, Dykes and Hawkins in Ellesmere and Kings in Wem or by calling Rosemary on 01939 270739.

Entries are eligible within a 6 mile radius of Cockshutt. There will also be an interesting selection of local food and craft stalls to look and perhaps buy from. So get a schedule now and start sowing and sewing, painting and photographing! Good luck

Rosemary Allen

Thanksgiving for Cockshutt and Petton Service and BBQ

Will take place on Sunday 28th June at 3 pm

Come along to Cockshutt School field, next to the Church for a service of thanksgiving for this community, and a recognition of all those who contribute to the life of the community. The service will be followed by a Barbeque.

Everyone is welcome!

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Still a touch of winter hanging on to the coat-tails of Spring. Funny kind of weather; one day sunny and warm, the next almost like a January day with leaves on the trees. It's no wonder I'm confused, let alone the birds and other animals.

Not too much happening at the Millennium Hall over the last couple of months, a steady flow of small private events together with hopefully an increasing number of children's parties. All good stuff if you can stand the noise!

We must welcome "Loft" and Barbara Lofthouse to the village, who have both also joined the Hall Management Committee. Always good to inject new ideas and enthusiasm.

Our AGM came and went on 6 May as most AGM's do; with no controversial items. Hall finances remain healthy at the moment, which should maintain our heads above water whilst the current level of bookings remain at a relatively low ebb.

On a high note, our 'adopted' football team, "Athletico Market" has had a very successful season, winning their Division in the Shrewsbury Sunday League; all without losing a game. Well done lads! See you in August.

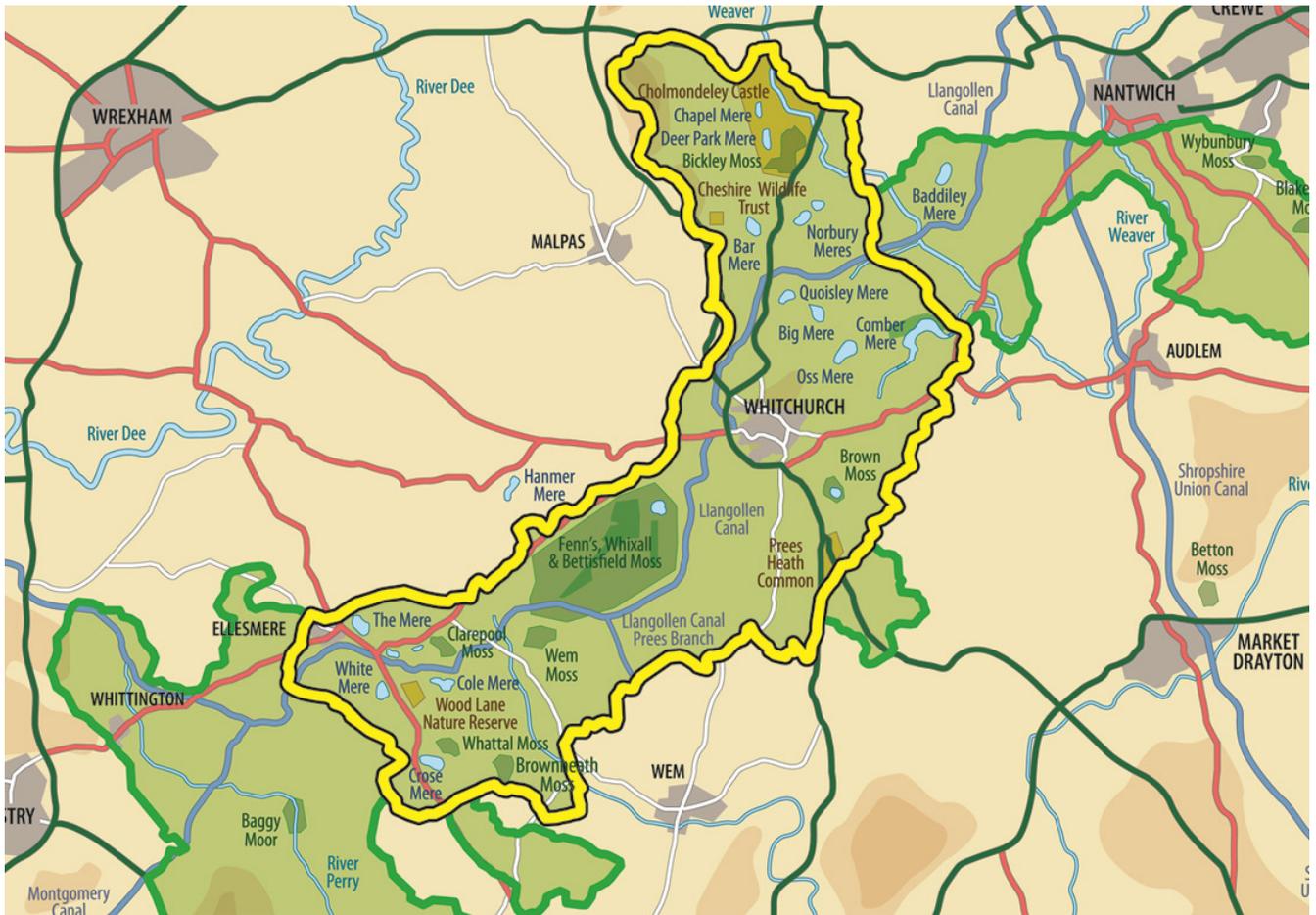
Enjoy the summer when it eventually arrives - I am assured that it will!

Ian Morris
Hall Management Committee

Cockshutt WI

Cockshutt WI is celebrating it's 90th birthday on Wednesday August 12th in the Millennium Hall. We are inviting all past and present members to a buffet meal. We would like to hear from anyone who is a past member whom we might not be able to trace to contact me on 01939 270739 as they will be very welcome.

Surveying the Meres and Mosses: Landowner Notification



The Meres and Mosses landscape partnership scheme has embarked on an ambitious project to map the varying habitats that exist across the project area, marked in yellow on the map opposite. The project will be using volunteers to collect the data which will be a broad classification of vegetation types. We are also looking for evidence of Water Vole and Small Pearl Bordered Fritillary butterfly.

In planning for the project we have put in place several measures to ensure any disturbance to landowners is avoided. Firstly, volunteers will be restricted to gathering information from public rights of way, but if access beyond rights of way is required we shall seek permission from the landowner before surveying takes place. We have also limited the number of volunteers working in any area so as to avoid large groups on footpaths or roads. It is important to note that the information we obtain will be used strictly for steering our environmental work within the area and at no stage will it be passed onto any third parties.

We understand the success of this project depends on working closely with landowners. To do this we will be in regular contact with the NFU, informing them of the whereabouts of our volunteers and updating them on the progress of our work. Despite our objective being environmental conservation, we would also like private landowners to benefit from the data we collect. If you feel the information we obtain on your land may be advantageous to you in terms of an environmental stewardship application for example, we would be delighted to share this with you. We would also like to hear from you if you are willing to allow us additional access to your land for survey purposes.

If you would like to get involved or for any further enquiries regarding this project please do not hesitate to contact the project coordinator, Luke Neal LukeN@shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk 01743 284 275

A larger and coloured map can be viewed on the Parish Council's website:
http://www.cockshuttumpetton-pc.gov.uk/?page_id=47

Shropshire Council Youth Commissioning in the Ellesmere LJC Area (Ellesmere Rural, Cockshutt cum Petton, Welshampton and Lyneal Parishes and Ellesmere Town)



The Ellesmere Local Joint Committee (LJC) area has been allocated £3,000 per annum for the next two years to commission activities for 10-19 year olds (25 years for young people with learning disabilities). Shropshire Council anticipate that by commissioning youth activities the capacity of the community and voluntary sector (CVS) will increase. This is really positive for the area and CVS providers as this is funding that has not be available previously.

Over the last few months representatives from the LJC have been speaking to young people at Lakelands School and from around the area regarding youth activities. As a result of these conversations the LJC committee have made a recommendation to Shropshire Council that the money should be used: To provide a safe place for young people to meet and take part in various activities.

Shropshire Council will be inviting applications from organisations interested in proving youth activities in the Ellesmere area during June with the new provision starting in September 2015. If you would like to know more about youth commissioning or you would be interested in submitting an application please contact Sue Thomas, 01939 237453, sue.j.thomas@shropshire.gov.uk.

Youth commissioning is part of the new role of the LJC's, encouraging local representatives to get involved in local decision making and influencing service delivery.

The Leaking Tap

As you will probably be aware The Leaking Tap is soon due to change ownership. Although the exact date is not yet known, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lin Mathews and Staff for providing an excellent friendly service during her tenure. The food service has gone from strength to strength over the past 12 months, and in particular, the outstanding Carvery every Sunday, and indeed throughout the week. On behalf of all who have enjoyed the banter, the odd pint (or two) and savoured your delicious homemade chocolate pudding, Thank You, and our very best wishes for the future.

John Cooling

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