

Our Parish Matters

The newsletter for Cockshutt Cum Petton Residents

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Welcome ..

to the spring edition of the Parish newsletter.

Firstly, I must announce that Cllr Julie Dean has decided to stand down from the Parish Council. I would like to thank Julie for her contribution and service the community.

It has been a busy time in the Parish since our last Newsletter. The Community led Plan is moving forward, and it is hoped that a Parish Plan will be presented to the Parish Council in June. The Vehicle Activated Sign for the northern-end of the village is ready to be delivered, and the post installation should happen over the next 6-8 weeks. Work has begun on the site at Parklands which will provide 4 further dwellings towards our 2015-2026 SamDev housing target.

The Parish Council now has four Councillor vacancies, three are required for Cockshutt Ward, and One for Petton Ward. It is vital that the Parish Council has the member numbers to function effectively, and to have the widest representation of views affecting community issues. If you would like to become a Councillor, please contact myself, the Parish Clerk, or any Councillor. All contacts are provided in this newsletter.

John Cooling
Chair, Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

Jubilee Field

As part of the Jubilee Field project, the Parish Council has applied for funding through Calor, specifically for the village hall patio. The funding is awarded by votes cast, and voting will start 2nd May. If you wish to view the application, you can do so here: <https://www.calor.co.uk/shop/communityfund/jubilee-field>

We will remind residents nearer the date, please support us and cast your vote.

Annual Parish Meeting 2019 - Thursday, 11th April 2019 7:00 pm

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place prior to the Parish Council meeting. It is not a parish council meeting but a more informal way of community engagement. It is an opportunity to put forward ideas, discuss any issue or topic or make comment on matters which electors feel affect their local community. Any elector in the parish has a right to vote at this meeting.

Community Led Plan update

Back in November the Steering Group held a public meeting for all of the people who expressed a willingness to volunteer in the community, when they completed their CLP questionnaires. 28 parishioners attended along with 2 guest facilitators and members of the Steering Group. From the subjects that were prominent in the Survey report we chose for the meeting, Youth Provision, Shop, Community Speed Watch and Wellbeing and there has been a good take up for the latter three.

The Community Speed Watch group is now on a waiting list pending the arrival of new speed detection equipment for them to use and the coordinator, anticipates that they should be up & running before the end of the year. The group are however looking for a few more volunteers to operate the scheme. The Wellbeing Group are holding regular meetings and have now formed lunch club, open to all, which meets twice a month at the Millennium Hall & the School.

The Steering Group is currently drafting the Community Led Plan, which we are now calling The Parish Plan, based on the findings of the survey and hope to be in a position to present it to the Parish Council in June of this year.

The Leaking Tap

With the advent of the Localism Act 2011 communities were given the right to identify a building or other land that they believe to be of importance to their community's social well-being or social interests of the local community.

The Parish Council responded to a request from the residents of Cockshutt and successfully nominated The Leaking Tap public house as an Asset of Community Value (ACV).

The pub was listed as an ACV on 4th March 2019.

The Plunkett Foundation, helping community groups to acquire an ACV <https://plunkett.co.uk/>

Horticultural Show 2019

Just an early notice that our show this year will be held on Sunday 1st September 2019 in The Millennium Hall Cockshutt.

Schedules will be available in April 2019 from The Millennium Hall, Cockshutt Post Office, King's of Wem, Loppington Post office and Dykes in Ellesmere.

Look out of the different classes and help make this a show a success. Volunteers and helpers needed, no experience required. Enquires please phone Janet Hankey (treasurer) 01939 270565

Vanessa Lee
Hon. Secretary.

A note from your vicar

Hello everybody in Petton and Cockshutt. I want to thank you all for the support you give to both Church Communities, the churchyards are looking so much better than when I arrived, so much so, they've been entered into the Lichfield 'Tidy Churchyards Award.'

Our next Community Day at Cockshutt is on Saturday 6th April, bring your tools and enjoy some tea, coffee and cake! A new initiative at both churches is the 200 club. Three prizes will be drawn at our monthly meetings. You could also call into either church where there are the necessary forms available.

Life can be very busy and noisy, both churches are open during daylight hours, if you feel the need to escape pop into either – if you've never been in Petton Church you're missing a real treat. Take a picnic and enjoy the beautiful view and the wonderful peaceful quiet it offers.

Rev'd. Maureen
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Cockshutt Parish Paths (P3) Update

The Cockshutt Parish Paths Partnership (P3) group meets every Wednesday morning and we walk the Rights of Way around Cockshutt and Petton, assessing their condition, finding lost paths, cutting back vegetation around stiles and kissing gates whilst enjoying the fresh air and exercise.

The group identifies stiles and footbridges that need replacing and with the help of Shropshire Council, we hold work days to install kissing gates and footbridges to improve access and keep the Rights of Way open to the public. If you would like to join this friendly group or if you have any concerns regarding the Rights of Way network in Cockshutt and Petton, please contact Janet Hankey on 01939 270565

Janet Hankey



Cockshutt WI

'It's not all 'jam and Jerusalem'

Cockshutt WI meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every month (except August) and membership, which runs from January to December, is a very reasonable £42 for the year (pro-rata if you join mid-year). Visitors are always welcome (£4 for a session includes refreshments) so if you're not sure but want to find out more, why not come along to one of our meetings? If you would like a copy of our 2019 programme you can pick one up from the village hall, or contact me and I will get one to you.

Recent meetings have covered topics as diverse as felting, story-telling, and coping with dementia and people affected by it. Over the next few months we will have a talk about early perennials, a demonstration (and tasting) of Indian cookery, and a Zine making session (yes I had to look that one up too!)



Cockshutt CE Primary School & Nursery

This term our school value is forgiveness. We shall be exploring how and why we forgive others on the weeks leading up to Easter. This is a great value to explore right at the beginning of a new year as we learn together and challenge one another in school.

We shall be focusing on the verse from Ephesians 4v32 'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.'

Have you heard about the latest addition to our school ground? We are delighted to be the second school in Shropshire to benefit from the Healthy Schools Capital Funding. We are one of 15 schools to have a daily mile track built on the school field. The recycled road planings that were used to construct this track came from the B4499 Hogstow Bank, carriageway resurfacing Scheme just south of Minsterley. We are so pleased to have this track in place for the children and know that it will benefit their health and well-being for many years to come. The grounds at Cockshutt School are huge and such an asset to the school. Have a look on the news section of our website to see an aerial photograph of the school before the track was constructed. There will soon be a follow up picture of the completed track so watch out! We are hoping to open our track to our community so please do keep an eye on the school notice board for more details.

We are delighted to launch a new Toddler and Preschool Forest School morning during our summer term. More details can be found on our website or Facebook page. If you would like to join in for the ten sessions (or even one) with our qualified Forest School Leader on a Tuesday Morning, please come along we would love to see you. We are a small community and are here to serve our families!

Criftins C.E. Primary School
01691 690207
Cockshutt CE Primary School and Nursery
01939 270616



The Millennium Hall is urgently in need of new people to join the Committee, sadly if no one comes forward the Hall may not be able to continue as it currently does. To find out more come along to a Hall Meeting on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 19.30

Community Lunch Club

The Community Lunch which is open to all continues to be held.

Millennium Hall Regular Events

Cockshutt Community Coffee Cakes and Chat

Cockshutt Community Coffee Cakes and Chat is held in Cockshutt Millennium Hall every other Thursday from 10.00 to 12.30 (i.e. Green Bin week).

Creative Cockshutt

Meets once a month on the first Monday from 2-4pm at Cockshutt Millennium Hall, the cost is £2.00 per session

Short Mat Bowls

every Thursday starting at 19.30 where all are welcome

Bingo

The dates for Bingo which has doors open 19.00 eyes down at 20.00 with a 22.00 finish are:

- 16th and 30th March,
- 13th and 27th April.

“Tea and Talk” afternoon

is moving location.

Millennium Hall Pub Night

is run on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 19.30 – 22.30, we now have a full size pool table plus there is table tennis, darts, dominoes and cribbage.

The bar is open; entry is free and secondary school children are welcome if accompanied by their parent or guardian.

Table Tennis

This is a Table Tennis session for adults on Monday mornings from 10.00 – 12.00.

Yoga

A new yoga class is starting in March on Tuesday evenings.

Model Railway Club

Meet every Tuesday from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and also from 7.00 pm to 10.00 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Prospective members are welcome to come along to view the layouts

All welcome to our events. If you would like more information, please use the contact numbers given.

For further details about events in the Hall please visit <http://www.cockshuttvillagehall.co.uk/home>

Please see the Cockshutt Village Facebook page for all future events at the Millennium Hall.

Fly Tipping

Since our last newsletter, there have been incidents of fly tipping reported by several residents. The latest episode is that of garden waste behind Church Green. As always, this has been reported to Environmental Services. Fly Tipping is an offence and can attract a fine of up to £5,000. A trip to the tip is a much cheaper option!

John Cooling

Post Office

Don't forget the Post Office is open all day Tuesdays and Wednesdays for all your banking and postal needs.

Library van

The library van visits Cockshutt regularly parking in the lay-by / bus stop near the church, from 14.35 to 15.50 on "Black Bin Week" Wednesdays. This important service needs your support if we want to keep it open, so please go along, join the library and take books out even if you don't read them it will help to keep our service alive...

Useful Contact Details

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Ian Webb 01939 270265
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Petton Ward

Vacancy

Shropshire Councillor

Brian Williams 01939 234198

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For more information and to book the Millennium Hall: -

<http://www.cockshuttvillagehall.co.uk/contact>

Cockshutt C of E Primary School & Nursery

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The website for Cockshutt & Petton Churches
<https://meresandmeadows.com/>

How do I report it?

- Potholes
- Dog Fouling
- Overgrown verges and hedges
- Litter problems and fly tipping
- Dead animal on the road
- Vandalism or anti-social behaviour
- A stray or lost dog
- Low supplies in salt/grit bins

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or email: customer.service@shropshire.gov.uk or report it on-line at <http://shropshire.gov.uk/report/>

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