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Lilleshall Voice



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Reporting back!

Keeping our streets clean

As part of our aims to keep our streets clean the parish council has installed three dog foul bag dispensers around the parish.

Located on Hillside East, Donnington Drive and by Lilleshall Primary School these are stocked with biodegradable bags and we hope that if these prove to be successful in reducing dog fouling in the area then we will look to install more in other locations.



If you'd like to suggest some locations, report an empty dispenser or find out more about how you can volunteer as a "Dog Warden" then please get in touch with the Clerk of the parish council.



Lilleshall to get it's third life saving defibrillator

In November the parish council assisted in organising some community training for using a defibrillator, thanks to Kath from Lilleshall Youth Centre and Russell from West Midlands Ambulance Service the training was a success.

We have identified that increasing the number of defibrillators in the parish is a necessary and proactive step to help keep our community safe and healthy. Therefore, the parish council will be installing a new defibrillator to the bus shelter just off the entrance to Barrack Lane off the A518 and will be looking at options for installing one near The Humbers area.

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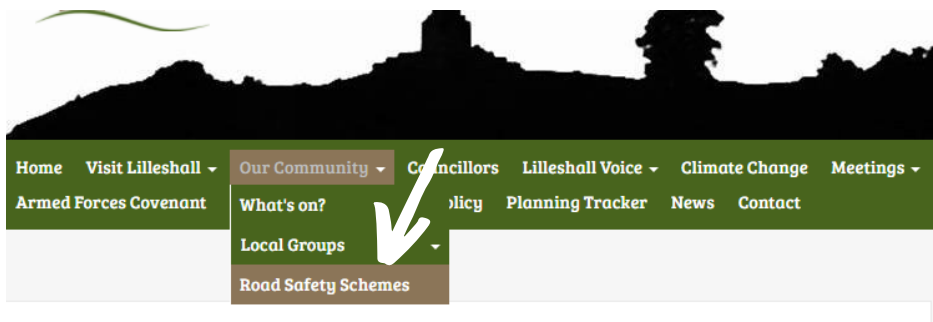
Road safety schemes - progress update

Since October 21 the lead Highways Engineer who was designing Lilleshall's scheme's has moved on and this gave the parish council and borough councillor an opportunity to review progress so far and give further consideration to areas such as The Humbers, Honnington and Brockton Leasows which had already been requested for review by a number of residents and parish councillors.

A new temporary Highways Engineer is in place with Telford & Wrekin Council and has begun looking at this draft scheme and has agreed to meet with councillors on return from holiday at the end of January to review additional areas and form an updated draft scheme before we consult residents again.

The parish council wants to assure residents that any road safety schemes will not commence until we have consulted with residents. We understand that while we may not be able to please everyone's desires, we will do everything we can to make the final plan one that makes our streets safer for everyone.

A simple feedback form has been created on www.lilleshallpc.org.uk for residents to forward any comments on road safety in our parish, simply click on "Our Community" then select "Road Safety Schemes"



Budget 2022-23

Parish councils are required by law to set a budget annually to meet local needs, these needs are often things that principle authorities no longer service or they are things that local people ask for and parish councils are the most local form of government that can deliver on community schemes.

As part of this requirement parish councils in England and Wales have to set a "precept" which is a percentage of the overall council tax base for every household within a parish.

For the 2022-23 financial year, **Lilleshall Parish Council has agreed to reduce their precept request to Telford & Wrekin Council by 10%** and use its reserves to set the base for supporting a wide range of schemes and projects, as well as meet the statutory needs of the council.

The parish councils budget for 2022-23 represents reductions in administrative and training costs and reductions in maintenance costs mostly due to the reduced electricity rates now that we have full LED coverage of street lights. The budget also represents a rise in community projects, namely work to be done with groups to improve and maintain footpaths, introduce flower planters around the whole parish and fund the first phase of a surveillance roll out.

Funds have been set aside to support Queens Jubilee events and offer grants to local groups.

To review the full budget please head over to www.lilleshallpc.org.uk and click on the Finance tab.



Community Grants

Our grants scheme is here to help our community and here's a brilliant example of how we can do just that!

Councillors Shaw (left) and Millard (right) joined pupils of Lilleshall Primary School in December to show off the beautiful planters that Lilleshall Parish Council's grant scheme helped fund.

There are six planters in total and the pupils have been working really hard to make sure they're planted and maintained properly, and in doing so they get to learn more about what it takes to be a keen and wise gardener!



If your group, club or charity could benefit from a grant of up to £300 then get in touch with us.

You can either download a grants application form from our website or contact:

lilleshallcommunity@gmail.com / 01952 676379

All applications are subject to terms and conditions which can be found on our website.

The Queens Jubilee

You've heard plenty about it on the TV and we are nearly there!

On the 6th February, Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II will celebrate her Platinum Jubilee. She will become the longest reigning Monarch of Britain.

To celebrate her years of service as our Head of State the whole country will rejoice in their own ways, many events and spectacles will suffice throughout this blessed 2022.

And in Lilleshall we are no different, in partnership with local people and groups the parish council is planning to hold a few events to celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee.

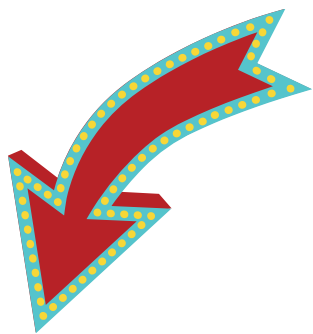
We're planning the following events;



Scouts Concert, 14th May at St Micheal's Church
Afternoon Tea, 2nd June at Lilleshall Memorial Hall
Village Fete, 5th June at Lilleshall Playing Fields

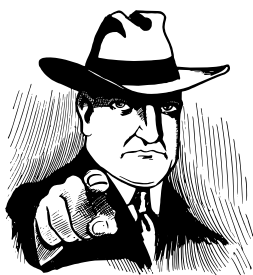


And you are all invited!



*We need
your help!*





*There's lots to do
and we need you!*

In order to make our events a success and community led we want to work with as many of you as possible. Below is a list of some of the things we are looking for, if you think you can help us then please email us at lilleshallcommunity@gmail.com or speak to one of your local parish councillors...



Bands & singers



Judges for dog show



Union flags



Stall holders



Volunteer stewards



CD music from
the 50's/60's



Steel band



Tombola roller



Gazebo/marquees

Get involved!

Want to kick off your new year by giving some of your spare time into your community?... Our community is very lucky to have many opportunities for you to do just that!



Community speed watch

We are very keen to kickstart a community speed watch group around Lilleshall Parish, including all areas such as The Humbers, Honnington, Barrack Lane and Brockton.

We need a minimum of 6 volunteers and will be working directly with West Mercia Police to organise monitoring points and days.

All training and equipment is provided through West Mercia.

If you'd like to find out more details about what would be entailed or you'd like to register yourself as a possible volunteer, please get in touch with us and we'll be in touch.

Friends of Lilleshall Parish



The Friends of Lilleshall Parish (FoLP) are a local group of volunteers who seek to preserve and keep the green environment in around the parish of Lilleshall clean and user friendly for humans and insects to prosper.

FoLP is made up of local people around the area and the group are interested in litter picking, flower and tree planting and generally getting out in the great outdoors and learning more about our natural world.



**If you'd like to know more about these groups then please contact us via:
lilleshallcommunity@gmail.com or call 01952 676379 on a Tuesday.**

Birds of Lilleshall



Join us for an illustrated talk by Cllr Peter Challinor, a former tutor in Ornithology in Adult Education for Keel University and the WEA.

The talk will be an introduction to the species seen in a variety of habitats in the parish of Lilleshall, with a view to promoting people's interest in birds generally and an incentive to help preserve our green spaces.

Please join us on Tuesday 8th March, 7pm at Lilleshall Memorial Hall, TF10 9HG.

Please take all appropriate measures to follow Covid guidance at the time, we will ensure the room is laid out as Covid-safe as possible for you to feel comfortable.

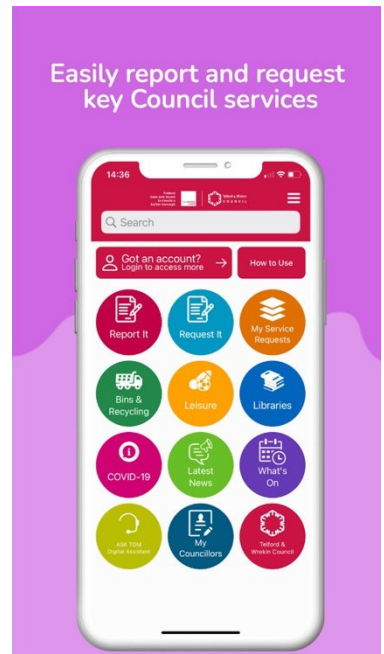
Download MyTelford app today!

The new **MyTelford** app is free to download, boasting over 100 different services ranging from the ability to report environmental issues such as fly tipping, request a new bin and to find information on local Leisure offers, Covid-19 information and the latest news from in and around the borough.

MyTelford is the new and improved version of the Everyday Telford app. Both will continue to run alongside one another until Everyday Telford is archived in the near future. This will give residents plenty of time to download the new app.

The MyTelford app is available to download on iOS and Android devices.

Visit: <https://my.telford.gov.uk/>



Become a Street Champion or Snow Warden

Street Champions and Snow Wardens are volunteers who play an active role in taking pride in their community and helping keep our streets clean and safe.

They care about their local area, look out for their neighbours and want a clean, safe place to live. If you are one of these highly valued individuals, Telford & Wrekin Council will help you to make your community spirit go even further.

You will be supplied with all necessary equipment to conduct the two respective roles (you can do one or both).

To find out more about what equipment you would get please feel free to contact the parish council, we have a supply of informative leaflets in the offices ready for you.

Otherwise, if you want to sign up today please go to www.telford.gov.uk and either search "Street Champion" or "Snow Warden" .

Neighbourhood Matters



Neighbourhood Matters - the brand new community messaging service.

Through Neighbourhood Matters you can sign up for local police alerts; receive information about crime in your area, find out about drop-in sessions, answer surveys, and more.

You're invited to sign up and become a registered recipient of messages of information, crime alerts or witness appeals local to the area in which you live or work by email, text or telephone.

Don't worry, you won't be bombarded with every incident. You can choose exactly the type of alert you wish to receive.

Sign up now <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>

Please note that this service is not for reporting crimes or incidents – to make a report please dial 999 in an emergency.

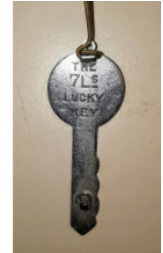
Share a story!

This editions article for "Share a story" is going to be different and you could have the key information we're looking for!

Local woman Miss Walters, has asked for our help to find out more about her grandads "Lilleshall Lucky Key".

Research suggests that this could have dated back to between 1929 to 1939 when "Lovely Lilleshall" was a tourist attraction.

If you have any further information into the background of this mystery then we want to hear from you.



Please get in touch via lilleshallcommunity@gmail.com

If you've got a story you want to share please head over to our website:

<http://www.lilleshallpc.org.uk/community/lilleshall-parish-council-7934/readers-articles/>

Little Library a big Success!



In November we commissioned one of our disused bus shelters off Station Road into a community library service.

Together with parish councillors and local residents we were able to bring out the idea of making use of a bus shelter that is no longer serviced by a bus route.

The idea came from our Clerk who had seen this being done in other areas of the country and a few in this borough.

So working with local graffiti artist Rick Shaw and parish councillors we have installed two beautiful book units which were built by Cllr Baker and finished off with some fabulous art featuring the Lilleshall Hill.

With thanks to the High Sheriff of Shropshire and Cllr Andrew Eade we officially opened the service with the handy help of children from the Little Bears Den and residents.

The Humbers Little Library is serviced by local volunteers and parish staff and is free for anyone to use.

At present the library is full and we ask that **no more donations** be made but please take a visit and borrow some books and enjoy the facility as many have already.

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