



# THE LILLESHALL VOICE



# Lilleshall Parish Council

The Parish Council offices are open for you to visit the clerk between 09.30 and 16.30 on Tuesdays at the Lilleshall Memorial Hall Hillside, Lilleshall Newport, Shropshire TF10 9HG.

## Your local Councillors

Chairman - David Shaw ([shaw855@btinternet.com](mailto:shaw855@btinternet.com))

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Councillors - Bob Taylor ([b.taylor@sstaffs.gov.uk](mailto:b.taylor@sstaffs.gov.uk))

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If you are unable to come to the memorial hall and see us you can contact the clerk on [lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com) or call on 01952676379.



**Lilleshall**  
Parish Council

# Lilleshall WI

*We meet on the following dates:*

21st March 2023

18th April 2023

16th May 2023

20th June 2023

18th July 2023

19th September 2023

17th October 2023

21st November 2023

19th December 2023

For further information please contact the  
chair of the WI on 01952604718.

theWI  
INSPIRING WOMEN

# ***Lilleshall Memorial Hall***

## ***WHAT'S ON?***

Monday

10.00 - 11.00  
Over 60's

Sheila Caspell  
07989679625

19.00 - 21.00  
Line Dancing

Kath Gardner-Hart  
07526570709

Tuesday

09.30 - 10.30  
Yoga & Pilates

Michele Burton  
07970731174

13.30 - 14.30  
(term time)  
Dancing  
(All Abilities)

Jo Jackson  
07966428534

19.30 Onwards  
(every third  
Tuesday  
of the month)  
Women's  
Institute

Frances Taylor  
01952604718

# ***Lilleshall Memorial Hall***

Wednesday	10.00 - 12.00 Line Dancers (Beginners)	Kath Gardner-Hart 07526570709
	17.30 - 19.45 Yoga & Pilates	Michele Burton 07970731174
Thursday	09.30 - 10.30 (term time) Yoga & Pilates	Liz Middleton 07951 833251
Friday	18.00 - 20.00 (term time) Dance Group	Sarah Harns 07368237965
Saturday	09.00 - 11.00 Weight Watchers	Zoe Gregg 07923020601
Sunday	10.00 - 13.00 Tae Kwon Do	Daniel Moffat 07783690276

To book a place on any of the above events or to find any further information please contact the numbers provided next to the relevant session.



Gnosall & Newport Lions Club

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Invite men over 40 years old to book  
a PSA test for £15.00 on “[mysatests.org.uk](https://mysatests.org.uk)”

# Prostate Awareness Event

At the Cosy Hall,  
Water Lane, Newport  
TF10 7LD



Book a slot between  
6.00 & 9.00 p.m.  
on



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

For further details please contact Lion:

Pete [pete.sterling58@gmail.com](mailto:pete.sterling58@gmail.com)

01952 813949



Girlguiding is the UK's largest youth organisation dedicated completely to girls, and we have three units here in Lilleshall!

- Rainbows, for girls aged 4-7 meet on Wednesdays
- Brownies, for girls aged 7-10 meet on Mondays
- Guides, for girls aged 10-14 meet on Mondays

In Girlguiding, we show girls that they can do anything. We try new things, build girls' confidence and have lots of fun! Whether it's learning campfire songs, earning badges or getting creative there's something for everyone, including new experiences for volunteers.

We welcome all girls, and everyone who wants to help girls discover they can do anything.

If you would like to register a child, or help us to make this possible by volunteering, head to our website <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/> or scan the QR code







**HOUND THE TWIST**  
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and crochet supplies

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now available

<https://houndthetwist.sumupstore.com>

Or visit us at Newport Indoor Market every Friday and Saturday



Hundred Acre Kitchen is situated opposite Lilleshall Hill and in-between Cheswell Grange. A sit in Cafe & Takeaway serving Aberdeen Angus Beef Steak Burgers, Breakfast Rolls, Teas, Coffees & Cakes.



# *Lilleshall's Hidden Treasures*

Spring has arrived and now we look forward to the blooming of flowers and the arrival of our summer migrant birds again. Lilleshall is very fortunate in having a diverse range of habitats suitable for all wildlife and getting to know the species of flora and fauna that are present, can be both rewarding and exciting.

Over lockdown, my wife and I have done a detailed study of the bird life in several parts of the parish, focussing mainly on the Kynnersley Drive and Donnington Drive past Parson's Barracks. During the two years we have recorded 84 different species over the full 12 months but it is the spring that brings us the greatest pleasure.

One of the first summer visitors to arrive is the chiffchaff whose characteristic disyllabic song can be heard from late March onwards and heralds the arrival of other visitors. Blackcaps are common especially in the woods near Whitegates and the males begin singing in early April. Later on that month they will be joined by the less common garden warbler whose song is very similar and it takes a lot of experience to separate the two! Incidentally, if you download the Merlin Bird free app on to your mobile, you can use this on your walks to tell you what you are hearing and so identify any bird calls or songs that you are listening to.

Swallows and house martins arrive in April to breed on local farm buildings, whilst the cuckoo can be heard frequently from late April to mid- June. In the hedgerows and along the sides of streams in the surrounding fields, common whitethroats and several pairs of sedge warblers can be heard singing their distinctive songs. Even the odd pair of reed warblers can be heard with their staccato-like songs in reed beds right on the parish boundary near Kynnersley.



The other more exotic and colourful summer visitor is the yellow wagtail that appears in the fields near The Humbers and is sometimes seen on the settling beds of the sewage works down Donnington Drive, along with the very graceful grey wagtail and pied wagtail, both of which are resident here. On a spring morning one can hear the clarion calls of the green woodpecker along with the drumming of its cousin the greater spotted woodpecker, as well as the far-ringing calls of the nuthatch, not to mention the beautiful outpourings of the skylarks. If you are really lucky you might also spot the blue flash of a kingfisher along one of the brooks or hear the enigmatic call of the quail, which sounds like ‘wet-my-lips’.

However, even winter has its charms with many visitors arriving from further north, such as redwings and fieldfares with the passage of birds like snipe and the now far less common lapwing. Even the red kite can be seen in the sky, perhaps sharing the air space with our buzzards, kestrels and ravens.



I haven't said anything about the prolific number of flowers in spring and summer, nor the sightings you can have of foxes, squirrels, hares or even badgers. So, go out there, see what you can find and enjoy the spectacles that the natural world is waiting to give you!

*Article Written by Cllr Peter Challinor*

# Coronation Concert

On the 13th of May Lilleshall Church is hosting a concert to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III.

The concert will begin at 6.30 pm and will include wine, cake and a raffle!

**£10 per ticket!**



# ***Lilleshall Primary School Bake Off 2023***

**Lilleshall Primary School has an annual bake off competition, this year is the first competition since Covid!**

**The theme for the competition was Animals.**

**The Competition was for the years from R to Year 6, every years students designed and baked based on the theme.**

***These pictures  
are the  
contestants!***







**Congratulations to the winners, the AMAZING cow cake made by Year 6!**





# *Friends of Lilleshall*

*Are you part of a group or  
community in the Lilleshall  
Parish?*

If you are please  
get in touch to ask  
about becoming a  
member of the  
friends of  
Lilleshall.

This is a project that was started by the  
Parish in order to get better connections  
in our community and to ensure that the  
voices of the local community are being  
heard by the council.

If you are interested or want further  
information please contact the clerk on  
[lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com) or  
01952 676379.

**Would you like to advertise your local community  
group or business in the Lilleshall Voice?**

If you would like to contribute to the magazine please  
contact the clerk on [lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:lilleshallparishcouncil@gmail.com)  
or speak to the clerk during office hours.

**The Deadline for the next edition of the Lilleshall  
Magazine is the 30th June 2023.**