

CORVEDALE NEWS

THE CORVEDALE COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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Help is on hand from your local parish councillors.

If you or anyone you know of is in need of help or wants to help during the current Coronavirus crisis, please contact your local parish councillor who will initially try to coordinate help. It is not going to be a short crisis and obviously as time goes on and the Government/Shropshire Council adapt and legislate, things will change.

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Financial support during lockdown

Shropshire Council's Community Reassurance Team is here to help all residents across the county during the pandemic

If you need financial support, help is available:

Test and Trace payments of £500 are available for people on low income who need to self-isolate

If you are of working age and receive council tax support, you have been awarded up to an additional £150 hardship payment on your council tax bill

If you have been financially affected by coronavirus, you may be eligible for grant funding
Call us on 0345 678 9078 to find out more

Visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/benefits for further information

For further support visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or call the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Shropshire Council Helpline on 0345 678 9028



Food provision during lockdown

Shropshire Council's Community Reassurance Team is here to help all residents across the county during the pandemic

Did you know there are lots of local groups and services available to help you access food parcels, secure delivery slots and other essentials:

Shropshire Larder – www.shropshirelarder.org.uk

Call Shropshire Council's COVID-19 Helpline for help to access food phone 03456 789 028

Mid-Counties Co-Op also offer delivery slots – call 0800 435 902 to book

For all other food and support needs visit – www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/ or call 03456 789 028

For further support visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or call the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Shropshire Council Helpline on 0345 678 9028



Looking after your mental health during lockdown

Shropshire Council's Community Reassurance Team is here to help all residents across the county during the pandemic

Looking after your mental health is important, and there are lots of local services available to support you and your loved ones:

www.togetherall.com - an online community for Shropshire residents who are stressed, anxious or low
Shropshire MIND – Call 01743 368647 or email: manager.shropshiremind@gmail.com

Samaritans – call 116 123 for a confidential safe place to talk about whatever is getting to you

Young Minds Parents Hotline – 0808 8025544 (9.30am – 4.00pm) free, confidential online support any adult worried about the mental health of a child or young person

Free bereavement counselling – 0345 678 9028

Kooth – free safe and anonymous online support for young people: www.kooth.com

Childline – call 0800 1111

For further support visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or call the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Shropshire Council Helpline on 0345 678 9028

COVID-19 Coronavirus

Corvedale Helping Hands

If you, or anyone you know of, is need of a 'helping hand' and would like to take advantage of these kind offers of assistance, please feel free to contact any one of the people listed below.



Location	Name	Contact	I am happy to help with...			
			Picking up shopping	Collecting prescriptions	Urgent errands	A friendly phone call
Abdon	Margaret	01746 712296				✓
Aston Munslow	Linda	01584 841723	✓	✓	✓	✓
Aston Munslow	Peter	01584 841443		✓		✓
Aston Munslow	John	07718 637001	✓	✓	✓	
Beambridge	Mary	01584 841381	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corfton Bache	Carole	01584 861855	✓	✓	✓	✓
Culmington	Jayne	01584 861387	✓	✓	✓	✓
Culmington	Peter	01584 861339	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diddlebury	Carole	01584 861554	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diddlebury	Robert	01584 861554	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diddlebury	Tony	07779 323845	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diddlebury	Johanna	01584 841359		Ditton Priors	✓	✓
Diddlebury	Becky	01584 841588	Morning/Evening			
Diddlebury	Helene	01584 841017				✓
Diddlebury / Bache Mill	Karen	01584 841393	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diddlebury / Bache Mill	Sharon	01584 841346	✓	✓	✓	✓
Earnstrey	Ragni	01746 712282				Not Mon/Wed/Thu
Holdgate	Claire	07837 361196	✓	✓	✓	✓
Holdgate	John	07866 565966	✓	✓	✓	✓
Holdgate	Harry	07528 458680				✓
Lower Corfton	Karen	01584 861607				✓
Lower Corfton	Ray	01584 861607				✓
Middlehope	Colin	01584 841513	✓	✓	✓	✓
Munslow	Brian	01584 841719	✓	✓	✓	
Peaton/Bouldon	Nic	01584 841753	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peaton/Bouldon	Lesley	01584 841753	✓	✓	✓	✓
Seifton	Loren	01584 861873	✓	✓	✓	✓
Seifton	Mark	01584 861754		✓		
Seifton	Bryan	01584 861433	✓	✓	✓	
Stanton Lacy	Ann	07901 935435	✓	✓	✓	✓

If you would like to join the team of volunteers please send details of your name, the village where you live, your phone number, email address and the kind of help you are able to offer to corvedalehelpinghands@gmail.com

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EDITOR'S NOTE. If anyone knows of other events taking place within their immediate area in the next few months, could they please let the Editor know so these may be included in the Dates for Your Diary.

Our Domestics

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Community Contacts

SOUTH SHROPSHIRE CITIZENS ADVICE

Due to Coronavirus we are unable to provide a normal service and we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Ways to get advice

- online via citizensadvice.org.uk
- on the telephone

Telephone Advice:

Adviceline Shropshire:

0808 278 7894

Telephone advice is available
Monday to Friday 10:00 to 16:00

Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline:

0808 223 1133

Consumer helpline is available
Monday to Friday 9:00 to 17:00

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DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE OFFICER

Diddlebury Parish Council has a contract with a local resident, Mr Gary Trim. He is our EMO (Environmental Maintenance Officer) and carries out minor maintenance work around the parish, excluding along the B4368.

If you are aware of any ditches which need clearing, vegetation which needs to be cut back, road signs, bus shelters, noticeboards or bridge railings which need cleaning, repainting or repairing, please let either the Chairman or the Clerk know, so that instructions can be passed on to the EMO.

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Craven Arms: for service times and ministers, please contact the Shropshire and Marches Circuit Office
tel: (01743) 874923
circuitoffice2803@gmail.com

Corvedale Book Group



Marriage Material by Sathnam Sanghera

We met for the first time in many months face-to-face on 9 September, a welcome change from 18 months of Zoom Book Group Meetings. We discussed *Marriage Material* by Sathnam Sanghera (who also wrote *The Boy With The Top Knot* which some of you may have seen as a film).

Arjan Banga's grandfather arrived from India with £5 in his pocket as the sole survivor of a family killed during the struggle for Partition. By dint of eventually establishing a corner shop, Bains Stores, and working long hours to support his family, he established a tradition for how to manage to live in Britain as an immigrant. His son has just died at the beginning of the book in 1994. This death changes Arjan's, the narrator's, life. Arjan had benefitted from his 'good British education' and was more fluent in English than his parents. He had escaped from Wolverhampton to university, then moved as a graphic designer to London where he was in a relationship with a white woman from a different culture, enjoying a multicultural lifestyle. With the family's bereavement the pull of caste and culture takes effect, as Arjan's mother, who is in poor health, determines to carry on running the shop. Arjan is pulled in all directions, but, as a dutiful son, leaves his fiancée to help his mother, initially finding the shop work tedious and smothering. He discovers his family's history and finances are not quite what he thought they were.

The book then flashes back to 1968 when Mr Bains had managed to establish the shop and pay for his wife and two daughters to join him from India. The trials of long work hours, racism, competition with neighbouring shops, trying to select the right produce and coping with a variety of far from pleasant customers was stressful and exhausting. Wanting his daughters to succeed him in the shop was

at odds with wanting them to make the most of their education. Greater freedoms for his wife and daughters resulted in clashes over whether women's education was permitted and who the latter might eventually marry.

Their story is set in the context of the challenge by the Sikh community to Wolverhampton City Council, when a turbaned, bearded bus driver is sacked for returning to work after three weeks' illness. The Indian Workers' Association sets up a march to defend his rights and achieves a small step in the direction of religious freedom. Religious tolerance takes longer to achieve. The politics of the day are woven into the narrative.

In the main the group enjoyed the book and found it humorous in places, if troubling in others. It reminded some of their upbringing in similar towns. The overt racism was shocking at times and the language used to the shop keeper and his family was appalling. We were interested to discover that Bains, a name with Scottish derivations, was a common last name in East Punjab. The style of writing was initially difficult to follow, and it also took a while to adjust to the timeline which moved across the three generations quite rapidly at times. We found the ending rushed and unnecessarily violent with the final wedding chapter not well integrated into the book's narrative. There were too many themes which distracted from the story line. Nonetheless it was an interesting read.

Our next book follows on well from *Marriage Material*. On **Thursday 14 October when we meet at Diddlebury Village Hall at 7.30pm** we will be discussing *Why I'm No Longer Talking To White People About Race* by **Reni Eddo-Lodge**.

Cath Burley

Abdon Village Hall Events

Coffee & Cake Morning

Come and join us, everyone welcome!

Any queries contact Margaret on 01746 712296.

Saturday 25th September • 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Saturday 30th October • 10.30am - 12.30pm.

UFO (Un Finished Objects) Craft Morning

Bring along your unfinished projects. Join us and learn a new craft skill. Join us and teach your craft skills to someone else. Please supply your own materials.

Please make a donation for refreshments.

Any queries phone Penny 712530 or Margaret 712296.

Saturday 9th October - 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Saturday 13th November - 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Abdon Village Hall / Club Room Bookings:

Abdon Village Hall - Helen Audin - 01746 712365 - abdon.villagehall@gmail.com

Or visit our website for the village hall booking form and details: www.abdonandheathparish.org

Culmington Lunch Club

The lunch club will re-commence on **Wednesday 20th October** at the usual time of 12.30pm for lunch at 1.00pm, and on every 3rd Wednesday during the forthcoming year.

Please book in with Gwyn on 01584 861666 or 07891 904501 by Monday 18th October at the latest.

Gwyn Edwards

Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre - Events this October**IN OUR GALLERY**

7th October - 15th November | 10am - 5:00pm

Marches Scribes

The Marches Scribes use calligraphy to represent the theme of writers, readers, thinkers, dreamers.

Free entry. All pieces on display available to purchase.

AUTUMN APPLE DAY

Sunday 24th October | 11:00am - 3:00pm

Come along to celebrate the apple. Check out our apple pressing and apple jelly making demos. Get crafty with apples in our family activity. Take a break in our licensed cafe, grab a cider or apple juice and sample apple delights made by our award-winning team.

Go on a tour of the orchards.

BONES!**October Half Term Activity**

Monday 25th - Friday 29th October

1:00pm - 2:30pm

As the skeletons come out for Halloween, we are exploring bones! Investigate owl pellets, our impressive mammoth skeleton and learn about the human skeleton!

£4 per accompanied 4 - 11 year-old. Booking essential.

Call 01588 676 060 to book.

HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

Sunday 31st October

Join us for a self-led trail of spooky crafts this Halloween between 11:00am and 3:00pm.

£4 per accompanied child. Booking essential.

Call 01588 676 060 to book.

BONFIRE AND FIREWORK DISPLAY

Saturday 30th October

With a full bar, catering and family entertainment, this is the perfect night out to round off the October Half Term.

Gates open at 5pm, bonfire lit at 7pm and fireworks start at 7:30pm.

Advance tickets:

Adult £4.50, Child £2.50, Family £12.50.

On the gate: Adult £5, Child £3, Family £15.

SECOND-HAND BOOK SALE

Come along to browse our second hand books.

Paperbacks £1.00, hardbacks £1.50.

Special offer - 3 for the price of 2 or 10 items for £5.00.

On daily until books are gone.

For information please call 01588 676 060

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk

RSPB Talks & Walks 2021/22**TALKS**

All talks start at 7.30pm in Culmington Village Hall. Membership for the year is £10.

Entry on each evening will be £2 for Members and £4 for visitors. Refreshments included.

Tuesday 12th October	- Ric Morris	- Confessions of a bone collector
Friday 19th November	- John Lightfoot	- Shropshire Barn Owl Group
Tuesday 14th December	- Andrew Fusek Peters	- Shropshire's Wonderful Wildlife
Tuesday 11th January	- Charlie Bell	- The Stepping Stones Project.

WALKS

Sunday 31st October	8:30am	- Venus Pool	- Grid Ref SJ 547 060
Saturday 20th November	10:00am	- Upper Darnford and Golden Valley	- Grid Ref SO 426 974
Sunday 12th December	9:30am	- Whixall Moss	- Grid Ref SJ 49333 35408

More information on both walks and talks can be found on the RSPB local group website.

**CORVEDALE FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE GROUP**

Working parties are usually on the 4th Wednesday of the month and the following Friday and Sunday, beginning at 9.30am. Please ring Jenny Vine on 01584 841596 to confirm work location.

Also, if any local walkers in the Corvedale notice any stiles or steps in poor condition, please report back to Jenny. The current planned dates are as follows:

October: Wednesday 20th, Friday 22nd, Sunday 24th.

*What's on in the Dale***PLAY WITH CLAY**

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Be creative whilst coming together with like-minded local people for a chat & a brew, use your imagination to create your own designs and ideas in clay!

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7pm - 9pm, annually, term time only

2021/2022 course dates:

28 September – 19 October (4 weeks)

2 November – 14 December (7 weeks)

4 January – 15 February (7 weeks)

1 March – 5 April (6 weeks)

26 April – 24 May (5 weeks)

7 June – 19 July (7 weeks)

Cost £20 per weekly session,

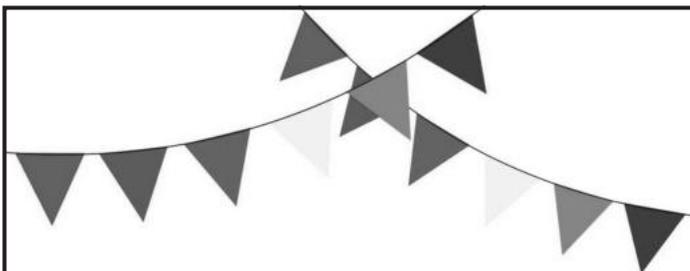
(payment for each term required at time of booking) includes materials and firing, subject to reasonable use.

Limited spaces available (Maximum of 12 people)

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE OR BOOK YOUR PLACE?

For more information contact Halima or Martyn on 0781 705 3308 or email: info@halimacassell.com

The Old Station, Broome, Aston on Clun SY7 0NT



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CRAFT WORKSHOPS @ CULMINGTON VILLAGE HALL

'RAGS TO RICHES' - *SUITABLE FOR BEGINNERS*
SATURDAY 23rd OCTOBER - 10.00am - 12.30pm

CHRISTMAS CRAFT WORKSHOP
- *SUITABLE FOR BEGINNERS* -
SATURDAY 6th NOVEMBER - 10.00am - 12.30pm

EACH COURSE £20PP, INCLUDING ALL
MATERIALS, REFRESHMENTS & CAKE

BOOK NOW - CONTACT ROSEMARY JONES
01584 861823 / 07837 609229

HELP NEEDED FOR HOUSE CLEANING

**Around six hours a week.
9:00am - 12:00noon**

Ideally, Monday and Friday mornings but could be
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday.

Working as a team of two. £10 Per hour. 2 weeks trial.

For more information / to apply please email
AntoniaBury@btinternet.com or text 07970 067 567.

Calling all crafters! Join our Christmas Craft Fayre

At Craven Arms Community Centre
On Sunday 28th November 2021

10.00am until 3.00pm

£12 per table

Booking essential

Email elizabeth.hancock@haloleisure.org.uk
Or ring for more details 01588 672 847

Diddlebury Village Hallwww.diddleburyvillagehall.org

Facebook: @diddleburyvillagehall

**DREAM HORSE (PG)
THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER***Starring Toni Collette & Damian Lewis***BAR OPENS 7.15pm
FILM STARTS 7.45pm
TICKETS £5 & £3 (UNDER 16)**

The inspiring true story of Dream Alliance, an unlikely racehorse bred by small town Welsh bartender, Jan Vokes. With very little money and no experience, Jan convinces her neighbours to chip in their meagre earnings to help raise Dream in the hopes he can compete with the racing elites. The group's investment pays off as Dream rises through the ranks with grit and determination and goes on



to race in the Welsh Grand National showing the heart of a true champion.

**FUTURE FUND-RAISING EVENTS TO BE HOSTED BY
DIDDLEBURY VILLAGE HALL
& ST PETER'S CHURCH:****Harvest Supper****Saturday 9th October**

Adults £10 - Family ticket £24

One parent family £14

Doors open at 6.00pm and supper served at 6.45pm

**Christmas Fair****Saturday 27th November**

Details to be announced

CLASSES AND GROUP MEETINGS

Risk assessments and current Covid precautions are to remain in place to ensure that all activities remain compliant with government guidelines. Please make direct contact with the instructors for confirmation of Covid-measures, class dates, and to book your place.

**TAI CHI***Classes: Thursdays, 10.00 - 11.00am.*

All participants must book in advance. Please contact Enid Gill on:
07903 014498 / enidgill21@hotmail.com.

**PHYSIOTHERAPIST-LED MODIFIED PILATES***Classes: Tuesdays, 6.30 - 7.30pm & 7.45 - 8.45pm Fridays, 9.15 - 10.15am*

Please contact Beverley on: 07967 814412 / beverleychumber@sky.com.

**BOOK GROUP***Second Thursday of each month, 7.00pm.*

Please contact Cath Burley on: cathburley@hotmail.com.

**CORVEDALE CHOIR***Mondays, 7.30pm.***BLUE HILLS CHOIR***Tuesdays, 10.00am.***LATIN AND BALLROOM DANCING**

Starting date to be announced shortly: Wednesday evenings.

**All dates are subject to current Government Guidelines which can change at short notice.
Please refer to our Facebook and Website pages for news of any changes.**

Diddlebury Village Hall End of Lockdown/
Bring People Together Party - Saturday 11th September 2021

Children's Amazing Art Competition - Prize Winners



OVERALL WINNER:
FLORA RICHARDS OF CLASS 1:
MY KITTEN CALLED JASMIN

Class 1 winner Mary Martin: My Dog Chewy
Runner-up Harrison Alga: A Teddy Snake

Class 2 winner Roman Martin: Fruit Bowl
Runner-up Harvey Davis: Smoky Chimney Pot

Class 3 winner Esme: Asin from Lylo Stick
Runner-up Sonny Middleton: Sunflower

Class 4 winner Archie: Zelda Recreation
Runner-up Bo Flo: The Eye

And a wonderful time was had by all!



Many thanks to our judges Ann Hankinson and Jenny Rose, to David Francis who co-ordinated the entries and Vicki Oldhams who distributed the prizes.

Below are some of the lovely comments we have received about the party:

'I thought our party was a huge success! So many new faces introduced to the hall for the first time! This was exactly what the aim was: to bring everyone together! I really enjoyed the day, especially giving out the prizes to the children for the Art Competition. Congratulations to all the winners and runners up, and to our overall winner who won the fabulous family day out prize!'

'Just a quick little thank-you for putting on such an amazing event today! We loved it!'

'Absolutely amazing afternoon at Diddlebury Village Hall and to top it off Mary won the art competition in Class 1 and Roman won it in Class 2. It's like Christmas in this house - huge thank you to everyone involved in organising such a special day.'

'We have had a wonderful day today, the hall is a beautiful place and it was so nice to introduce ourselves and meet some neighbours as we have very recently moved to the area.'

Westhope Village Hall

It has been lovely to welcome old and new faces back to our programme of events. We will continue to be keeping the hall as Covid-secure as possible as we are only too aware that some people will be feeling cautious, some people will not be vaccinated, and we feel it's only sensible to be cautious and continue to protect the most vulnerable around us. Below are our dates for your diary and you can also keep up to date on our Facebook page [@westhopevillagehall](https://www.facebook.com/westhopevillagehall).

**CORVEDALE TOTS - PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP & BUMPS TOO**

Every Wednesday 10.00am - 12.00noon - term time only.

We are pleased to have welcomed Corvedale Tots to Westhope Village Hall. They are a small friendly group for parents, babies, toddlers and bumps run by local mums. Why not come along and enjoy some tea, cake and socialising?

**YOGA with SUE PUGH**

Every Thursday morning 10.30am - 11.30am

Sue is fully qualified and insured. To book a space contact Betty Manley 07860 447 397

**MONTHLY BINGO**

This month's bingo will be on **24th September, doors open at 7:00pm with eyes down at 7:30pm.** The bar will be stocked and there is always great fun to be had. October's bingo will be on the 29th.

**WHIST DRIVES**

Whist drives are up and running now, and are run fortnightly, all welcome. Start time of **7:30pm. October dates will be the 11th and 25th.**

**WESTHOPE CLOVER CLUB**

The Clover Club has now resumed its meetings. More details can be obtained by contacting Betty.

**FAMILY SKITTLES NIGHT**

8th October 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start. This will replace our pub night. Come along and have some fun. There will be a fully stocked bar and refreshments available. £1 per person.

**RUMMAGE SALE**

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who came and supported the rummage sale, we hope you found some bargains and enjoyed the wonderful homemade cakes and tea. Thanks to everyone who came and gave up their time to man a stall and help out, it is much appreciated. We made nearly **£400** for the hall, a great achievement!

**WESTHOPE HARVEST SUPPER**

Our harvest supper this year will be held on **Friday 16th October, 7:00pm for 7:30pm.** 3 course meal and entertainment at pre-Covid prices. £12pp and children under 12 £6pp. Booking is essential. Our entertainment this year will be provided by local musicians HiJinx Ceilidh band.

For more details on any events contact Amie on 07486 414 742 or Betty on 07860 447 397. Enquiries on hiring the hall are also welcome. The hall is Covid-secure and we look forward to welcoming you back to enjoy our new programme of events.

Westhope Clover Club

Our Anniversary meeting turned out to be very special. Rev'd John Beesley welcomed 20 members and friends to Westhope Church for the service which was especially enjoyable. After having our photographs taken, we all retired to the Village Hall, where Carol and Jackie were waiting with tea and coffee and plates of homemade cakes

and scones to wait on us. Thanks to them both, our parson and also Andrew and Laurie our organist and helper.

Our next meeting is at Westhope Village Hall on **Thursday October 7th at 2.30pm**, when we are having a fun quiz with Mr Roger Griffiths. Come along, everyone welcome!

Kath Woodhouse

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Much Wenlock Male Voice Choir

Early September saw a resumption of regular choir rehearsals under our new Musical Director, Richard Fox. Our first meeting was well attended with over 40 people turning up, keen to resume singing after our enforced 18-month break. Pleasingly, among our group were a number of first-time attendees, keen to give singing with others a try. Hopefully, they will become firm members of the choir in the future. Indeed, Richard Fox was keen to stress the inclusive nature of our activities and that singing should be for all, no matter how much or little previous experience a person may possess. From the start he has been at pains to explain things in layman's terms, helping to put both established and especially new members at their ease.

Please try us out one Tuesday evening, you will be assured of a warm welcome. Just ring the number given below beforehand, or simply turn up on the night!

In the Autumn, choirs always turn their attention to rehearsing for Christmas performances and we are no exception. We usually sing for the residents of both of Wenlock's care homes and will be performing under the Corn Exchange on December 4th at the Much Wenlock Christmas Fayre. We will also be holding our own free concert the following week at the William Brookes School on December 11th.

Dick Langford

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Peaton's bus shelter wrecked

At around 2.00am on August 13th some residents in Peaton had their sleep disturbed by the sound of three cars racing at speed from the Diddlebury direction, followed by a loud crash as one of the drivers miscalculated the bend and ploughed into the bus shelter. The vehicle – believed to be a VW Golf – was extracted from the sorry remains of the bus shelter and then they all raced off into the night. Let's hope the Peaton bus shelter was their only casualty that night. Oddly, the culprit forgot to leave a note of his name, address and insurance details. So, one way or another, the taxpayers are left to pick up the bill. The shelter is beyond repair and will have to be replaced. If anyone knows the culprit, the parish council would be glad to hear from them. Please contact the Clerk, *Mrs J de Russett, No. 1 Pipe Aston Barns, Pipe Aston, Ludlow SY8 2HG, Tel: 01568 701880, email: diddleburypc@gmail.com.*



Munslow Parish Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Now most of the summer holiday traffic is easing on the B4368, we still need to keep our road safety awareness to the fore as the nights draw in and we prepare for the clocks to change in October.

Unfortunately, we are not confident that the autumn and winter weather will deter the few from driving at dangerous speeds through our residential areas. The team is still regularly recording over 30 drivers within one hour, speeding well over the legal limit of 30mph in Munslow. We continue to witness the behaviour of a few members of the 'happy' group of drivers mentioned in last month's 'Snow White's 4 dwarves' article i.e. those who know they are speeding but are happy to acknowledge the risks without thought to the safety of other road users. It looks as if our small team will still need to continue the work of raising road safety awareness for some time to come.

West Mercia August Speed Watch Campaign: The results from the latest West Mercia Police Speed Watch Campaign in August, confirm that there is a significant rise in traffic speed along the B4368. They will continue to monitor road safety violations and report issues to Shropshire Council.

New Recording Sheets: West Mercia Police Road Safety Team will soon be introducing a new digital recording system for all CSW teams in the County. It should improve the monitoring and recording of our data which can then be used as evidence to present to the Parish Council and to Shropshire Highways with a view to accessing grants and installing effective traffic calming measures along the B4368.

Hedges: Overgrown hedges obscuring the 30mph signs at the entrance to Munslow are still causing problems for the team and road users alike. Both Mark Booth (our West

Mercia Police Liaison Officer) and the Parish Council continue to report this urgent issue to Shropshire Council Highways. Until this is dealt with, we remind drivers/riders that 30mph repeater signs are visible and 30mph is clearly marked on the road in this residential area.

Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS): Munslow Parish Council and West Mercia Police have all contributed to the new VAS in Aston Munslow. It was installed as you enter the village from the Bridgnorth direction on August 26th. A flashing sign indicates the driver/riider's speed and reminds them to slow down if necessary. Perhaps other Corvedale residential areas would benefit from more VAS signs along the B4368. Hopefully, after many years of lobbying, these new measures will mean that another Munslow Parish Speed Watch team can also be set up in Aston Munslow.

Volunteers: We still need volunteers who could offer an hour of their time to join our small team once or twice a month. If you are interested, please contact us. West Mercia police will be setting up a training session, in the near future.

N.B. Breaking News: Our very grateful thanks to one intrepid, community minded senior resident who, rising in the early hours one morning, rigorously cut back the hedging from around the 30mph sign near to 'The Crown' in Munslow. Such a generous gift to the Parish of your time and energy.

Also, may I end this piece with another big Thank You to the vast majority of drivers and riders we witness, who help to keep our roads and communities safer by driving responsibly.

*Rebecca Bull
(peter17bull@btinternet.com)*

Ash Die Back - Your legal obligations and what you need to know

Matthew Seabrook (Chair of the Municipal Tree Officers Association) will give a short presentation on Ash Die Back before the Culmington Parish Council meeting on **Tuesday 5th October at Culmington Village Hall.**

If you are interested in attending please contact the Clerk, Heather Coonick on culmingtonpc@gmail.com or 07817 607 355 as numbers will be restricted.

Munslow WI

On a very hot afternoon this month's meeting took us on a visit to Stockton Bury gardens near Leominster, organised by Val Hardwick. Members thoroughly enjoyed the visit, despite the facts that the time of year and lack of rain in the previous few weeks saw quite a few plants past their best. On the other hand, the garden ornaments, stonework and trees including a monkey-puzzle were very much admired. We were very glad of the shade the trees provided to sit under for tea, coffee, scones, cakes and most importantly

pleasant company.

After tea a vote was taken amongst members regarding the future of our WI, the result being that we continue if new officers are willing to come forward.

We meet every 2nd Wednesday in Beambridge Club Room at 7.30pm though this may change to afternoons in the future.

For more information call Sue on 01584 841 876 or myself on 841 251.

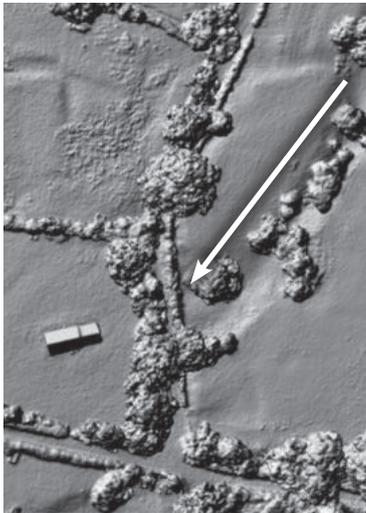
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INSPIRING WOMEN

Jenny Rose

Corvedale Past and Present**A Holloway? What's that?**

While meandering around South Shropshire, it is quite obvious that the sides of the lanes along which we drive are often raised: we sometimes say the lane is 'sunken'. Go onto our network of footpaths and byways you'll find exactly the same thing. Why should this be so? Does it tell us anything about our past?

Last month I mentioned that in July a number of us had been involved in an archaeological investigation at Heath. There was much debate about the origin of these 'holloways' (sometimes spelt 'hollow ways'). Could they be natural, reflecting the underlying rocks, or were they the product of the activities of man and beast? At Heath there is evidence of ancient settlement, (and we can now say this with even more confidence), so it seems clear this is an almost entirely vanished medieval village.



Some of the most obvious manifestations of the place are these sunken routes - holloways. There is one particular central long linear depression at Heath which I think of, perhaps in a rather over-theatrical way, as representing a grand thoroughfare, (see arrow, left). It's quite dramatic and by no means untypical of similar locations in our area.

These structures also exist outside ancient villages, and here they often may represent routes onto higher land which in past times had been extensive open 'common', that is, places where village 'commoners' have had grazing rights. At the beginning of September, for instance, nearly 100 runners ran the 'Brown Clee Burn', gaining access onto the heights of Clee Burf from the lane at Black Ford (Stoke St. Milborough) via a prominent holloway which is now part of the Shropshire Way. This is only one of a number of routeways on the Brown Clee flanks, radiating like the spokes of a wheel. The same can be said of other ancient commons, for instance those on the margins of the Corvedale. I hope that if you read this you will continue to notice these, our ancient traces across our world.

There has been quite a lot of debate over the years in various relevant journals about how holloways have been formed, and these all seem to assume that holloways are not just a feature of underlying rock. One obvious property that we can confirm for ourselves is that holloways are much more prominent on slopes. If we assume that these

are caused by the passage of man and beast and, later, wheels, over hundreds of years then we might expect this. It would be a year-round process; in the dry seasons feet, hooves and wheels would cause erosion and dust would be blown away; in very wet seasons there would be a scouring effect as water transformed routeways into impromptu waterways. Animals must have played a big part, both when they were moved towards holding areas in ancient villages and when they were being moved onto open grazing. It is known for certain that sheep were extremely common in the Middle Ages in this area, albeit very different animals from the modern beasts and probably a lot lighter. Cattle are likely to be a much better 'suspect' in holloway formation.



In medieval times they also were very common here. The leather trade was of great importance in local towns like Ludlow as was the export of hides. What's more, there's a fundamental way in which cattle differ from sheep: the way that they move through the countryside. Sheep tend to move as a flock in 'bubble formation', whereas cattle appoint a leader and amble in single file or in narrow spear formation, causing more intense erosion. They are also many times heavier than sheep and the force exerted on the ground through their hooves is much. Cattle have also been around for a lot longer; initially, I understand, in their wild manifestation, from when we finally shook off the last Ice Age. Sheep, by contrast are a much later introduction. So, an intriguing possibility might go through your mind as you enter a shady holloway somewhere locally: perhaps the earliest origin of this feature is prehistoric.

Peter Cornah

P.S. This month's homework is to look at satellite 'pics' on Google Earth (if you don't know how you are just going to have to learn!). With a bit of practice you can easily see many holloways as the sides are usually heavily treed - therefore appearing like 'chunky double hedges', the sides being strikingly parallel. It might take a little while to differentiate from modern lanes, though many of these will also be 'passing old'. Beware - I may do spot checks!

Poetry Corner Some verses for October.**Rudyard Kipling (1865 - 1936)**

Kipling's reputation has changed with the political and social climate of the age and contrasting views of him continued for much of the 20th century. Literary critic Douglas Kerr wrote: *'[Kipling] is still an author who can inspire passionate disagreement and his place in literary and cultural history is far from settled. But as the age of the European empires recedes, he is recognised as an incomparable, if controversial, interpreter of how empire was experienced. That, and an increasing recognition of his extraordinary narrative gifts, make him a force to be reckoned with.'*



This poem about Afghanistan is apposite. This poem is in the public domain

The Young British Soldier

When the 'arf-made recruity goes out to the East
 'E acts like a babe an' 'e drinks like a beast,
 An' 'e wonders because 'e is frequent deceased
 Ere 'e's fit for to serve as a soldier.
 Serve, serve, serve as a soldier,
 Serve, serve, serve as a soldier,
 Serve, serve, serve as a soldier,
 So-oldier of the Queen!

Now all you recruities what's drafted to-day,
 You shut up your rag-box an' 'ark to my lay,
 An' I'll sing you a soldier as far as I may:
 A soldier what's fit for a soldier.
 Fit, fit, fit for a soldier . . .

First mind you steer clear o' the grog-sellers' huts,
 For they sell you Fixed Bay'nets that rots out your guts -
 Ay, drink that 'ud eat the live steel from your butts -
 An' it's bad for the young British soldier.
 Bad, bad, bad for the soldier . . .

When the cholera comes - as it will past a doubt -
 Keep out of the wet and don't go on the shout,
 For the sickness gets in as the liquor dies out,
 An' it crumples the young British soldier.
 Crum-, crum-, crumples the soldier . . .

But the worst o' your foes is the sun over'ead:
 You must wear your 'elmet for all that is said:
 If 'e finds you uncovered 'e'll knock you down dead,
 An' you'll die like a fool of a soldier.
 Fool, fool, fool of a soldier . . .

If you're cast for fatigue by a sergeant unkind,
 Don't grouse like a woman nor crack on nor blind;
 Be handy and civil, and then you will find
 That it's beer for the young British soldier.
 Beer, beer, beer for the soldier . . .

Now, if you must marry, take care she is old -
 A troop-sergeant's widow's the nicest I'm told,
 For beauty won't help if your rations is cold,
 Nor love ain't enough for a soldier.
 'Nough, 'nough, 'nough for a soldier . . .

If the wife should go wrong with a comrade, be loath
 To shoot when you catch 'em - you'll swing, on my oath! -
 Make 'im take 'er and keep 'er: that's Hell for them both,
 An' you're shut o' the curse of a soldier.
 Curse, curse, curse of a soldier . . .

When first under fire an' you're wishful to duck,
 Don't look nor take 'eed at the man that is struck,
 Be thankful you're livin', and trust to your luck
 And march to your front like a soldier.
 Front, front, front like a soldier . . .

When 'arf of your bullets fly wide in the ditch,
 Don't call your Martini a cross-eyed old bitch;
 She's human as you are - you treat her as sich,
 An' she'll fight for the young British soldier.
 Fight, fight, fight for the soldier . . .

When shakin' their bustles like ladies so fine,
 The guns o' the enemy wheel into line,
 Shoot low at the limbers an' don't mind the shine,
 For noise never startles the soldier.
 Start-, start-, startles the soldier . . .

If your officer's dead and the sergeants look white,
 Remember it's ruin to run from a fight:
 So take open order, lie down, and sit tight,
 And wait for supports like a soldier.
 Wait, wait, wait like a soldier . . .

When you're wounded and left on Afghanistan's plains,
 And the women come out to cut up what remains,
 Jest roll to your rifle and blow out your brains
 An' go to your Gawd like a soldier.
 Go, go, go like a soldier,
 Go, go, go like a soldier,
 Go, go, go like a soldier,
 So-oldier of the Queen!

Of Tithes and Men

Part One: A Tale of Two Barns

Recently I visited the great medieval tithe barn of the Abbots of Evesham at Middle Littleton in Worcestershire, which is a National Trust property. Standing in this great cathedral of grain, 136 feet long and 32 feet wide, I was struck by the contrast with Diddlebury's own very much smaller tithe barn. This led me to think that tithes, perhaps not the most obviously riveting topics other than to eccentrics like myself, would make an interesting couple of articles for the Corvedale News. It could also provide an answer to a question which continues to puzzle many people – why does Diddlebury have a vicar when the other five parishes in the Corvedale Group have a rector?

Tithes were basically a solution to the problem of how to pay for the clergy in an age in which most people had very little contact with money. The system whereby all people were required to give a tenth of what they produced to the church became adopted by the Church all over Europe. It was established in England by the eighth century, and gradually became standardised in the following centuries. Payments originating from agriculture were divided into Great Tithes, levied on corn, hay and wood, and Lesser Tithes. Most other produce fell into this category, which was levied on everything from the tenth lamb or piglet down to the tenth egg, all of which went to the Church. Great Tithes went to the rector, while Lesser Tithes went to support the vicar. Diddlebury, which was a wealthy parish, originally had both a rector and his assistant, the vicar, but as the result of a prolonged legal dispute the Dean and Chapter of Hereford assumed the role of rector, and from 1278 there was one priest as vicar of Diddlebury. In the other parishes which now form the Corvedale Group the parish priest was the rector without the assistance of a vicar, and was entitled to both Great and Lesser Tithes.

This led to a number of changes. The vicar moved from the vicarage, on the site of the present Glebe Farm, Diddlebury, to the former rectory at Corfton. His successors stayed in

Corfton until the building of a new vicarage at Diddlebury in 1883. The old vicarage in Diddlebury remained unoccupied for nearly a century, until the Dean and Chapter decided to lease it out to local farmers. Meanwhile, they had to collect the Great Tithes, and soon decided that it was more convenient to lease them out as well. In 1309, for example, John de Bromfield and his brother leased the Diddlebury tithes for three years at a rent of £53 6s 8d. This was a huge sum of money, and gives an idea of the wealth of the parish. After some time it became normal to lease the Great Tithes to the vicar, a practice which seems to have continued until the Reformation.

This raises some interesting questions about the Tithe Barn behind Glebe Farm. If the vicar had ceased living in Diddlebury, would tithe offerings have been stored there rather than at Corfton? Was the 'Tithe Barn' in fact the barn used by the tenant of the farm for his own crops? Certainly it is not medieval in date, and was most likely built in the seventeenth century like Glebe Farm itself, although it may well occupy the site of an earlier structure. We know from a survey of church property known as a 'Glebe Terrier' made in 1637 that there was a barn of four bays on the site, which may well be what we know as the tithe barn. Interestingly the same terrier mentions a barn of ten bays at Corfton, which would be the size one would expect for accommodating the Rectorial, or Great Tithes. As we have seen, these were normally leased to the vicar.

By the mid sixteenth century far-reaching changes were taking place, partly as a result of the Reformation and partly with the development of a monetary economy in which payment in kind had become rather inconvenient for many people. As tithes became increasingly a money payment, so, as we shall see in the next article, more people sought ways of evading them.

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Middle Littleton Barn



Diddlebury Tithe Barn in 2000, before its conversion

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At Westhope Chapel the Clover Club mark their 45th anniversary before returning to

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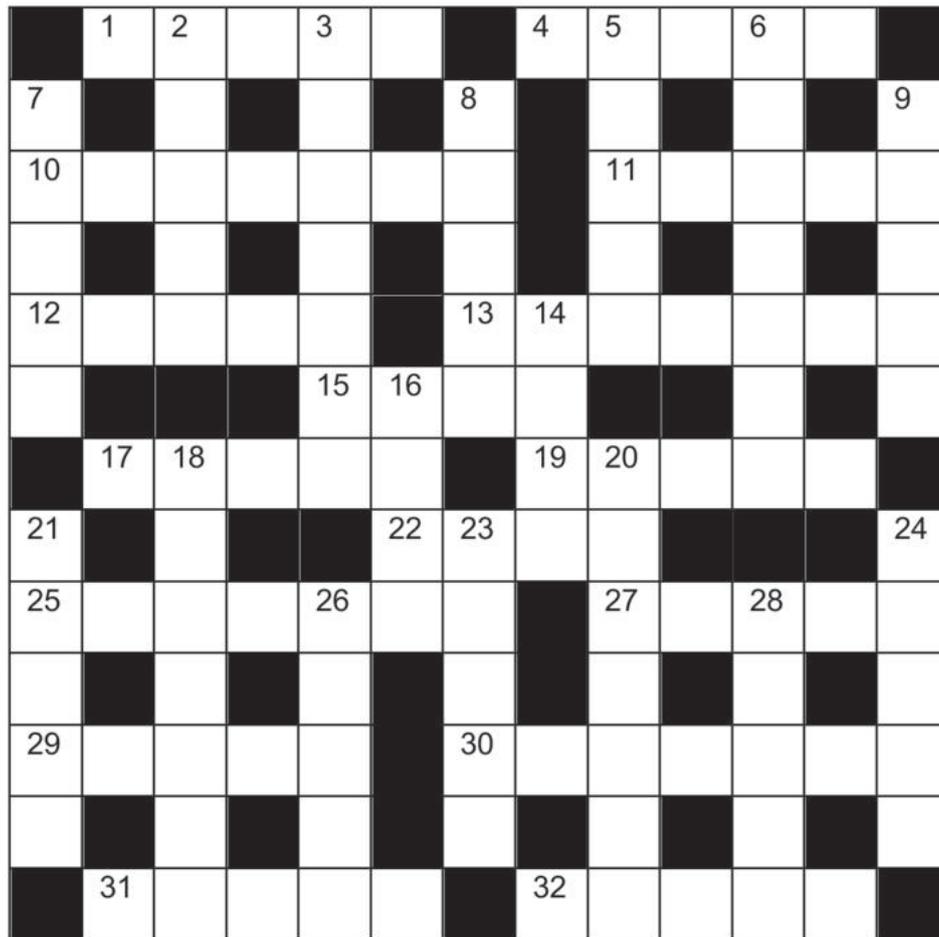
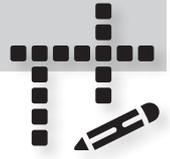
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Thank you for all your wonderful and varied photographs of the first meetings of clubs, societies and gatherings. For next month we would like to see your photos of **WINTER**.

Sadly, November will be our last regular themed photo feature. December's magazine will include a really special article on Corvedale and Shropshire maps.

Please send all photos to: photos@corvedalenews.co.uk

October Crossword - by Artemonas



ACROSS

- 1) This way is said to be plant-based.
- 4) Terrible score for Hearts
- 10) Sapper gets liberty about English judge
- 11) When Lady Barbara first changed she was poorly
- 12) Wild crews working in prison?
- 13) Bouncer takes back name tag
- 15) Holly found in oil exhibit
- 17) Complain about hotel plonk
- 19) Remember Bet the landlady?
Did they suspend her?
- 22) Left in charge but run away
- 25) Change white top hat for a canal walk
- 27) View the place we're told
- 29) Smooth back and forward
- 30) Withdrawn with minor injury
- 31) It comes forth from beer
- 32) River seen meandering round India

DOWN

- (5) 2) Bid cancelled with hesitation (5)
- (5) 3) Argument in lightweight sporting move (5-2)
- (7) 5) Path of gold section (5)
- (5) 6) Stop mutant mice becoming a local problem (7)
- (5) 7) Natural cause of hard water (5)
- (7) 8) Henry starts to move the barrier (5)
- (4) 9) Animal found in Givenchy enamelling (5)
- (5) 14) Across the French wheel bar (4)
- (5) 16) One way remaining (4)
- (7) 18) Nevertheless, we linger outside (7)
- (4) 20) We're yet to change bow source (3,4)
- (7) 21) Follow the bird, we hear (5)
- (5) 23) Has to enter US city to find another (5)
- (5) 24) Henry enters strange city and feels uncomfortable (5)
- (7) 26) Assign to give a fee back (5)
- (5) 28) Fabric made from South African metal (5)

ANSWERS TO SEPTEMBER'S CROSSWORD:

- ACROSS:** 1) Task; 3) Drag race; 8) Oboists; 10) Abets; 11) Adriatic Sea; 13) Earned; 15) Potent; 17) Carbon Paper; 20) Owing; 21) Biryani; 22) Altitude; 23) Snag
- DOWN:** 1) Two Faced; 2) Scour; 4) Rustic; 5) Grasshopper; 6) Average; 7) Ease; 9) Stage Fright; 12) Starling; 14) Receipt; 16) Forbid; 18) Plain; 19) Rota;

*Parish Councils***MUNSLOW PARISH COUNCIL****Draft Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2nd September 2021****Present:** Cllrs Barbara Archer (Chair), Ed Povey, Val Fotheringham, David Marston, Chris Meeson and Nigel Dobson.**In Attendance:** H Coonick (Clerk/RFO).**Apologies:** Cllr Motley (Shropshire Council).**Declaration of Interest:** None.**Minutes from meeting held on 1st July 2021:** Approved.**Public Forum:** No members of the public were present.**Matters Arising:** Ownership of the garage is still unclear and the item of the abandoned car will go onto the October agenda.**Urgent Items:** None.**Reports:** Cllr Archer reported that the Parish Council had had a stall at the fete on 14th August to inform parishioners of the work of the Council. It was very successful with a lot of positive comments. Issues raised by Parishioners included the verge near The Swan which had been damaged by lorries - the Clerk will request the Environmental Maintenance Officer to attend - and the poor condition of the footbridge on the Apostles' Way. The Council would like to thank: Elwyn Hughes who removed a large limb of an ash tree, Anne Donnelly and the Caring for God's Acre Team for mowing in the Burial Ground, and Alan Golden and Nigel Dobson for mowing at the School House. Cllr Archer attended the Beambridge Club Room AGM when Anne Donnelly agreed to be Chair for one year only. It was agreed that Cllr Dobson would be the Parish Council's representative on the Club Room committee.**Finance** The Accounting Statement and Bank Reconciliation were approved with £14,806.29 in the account as of 30th June 2021. An overpayment of expenses of £8.85 was made on 1st May 2021 and the Clerk will request this is repaid to the Council. It was decided to set up Internet Banking allowing the Clerk access only and signatories to authorise payments. The Asset Register was reviewed. A printer was removed and the new Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS), a safe and flower tubs were added. The Register will be published on the Parish Council website. Payments Approved: Came and Co (Insurance) £349.30 which included the new Speed Sign (no change from last year), Information Commissioners Office £35 (Direct Debit) and D Malley (Payroll C Leworthy Clerk) £30.

Hugo Fox, who host the Parish Council website, are starting to charge £19.99 per month for the updating link to Shropshire Council's planning web pages. It was agreed not to pay for this service and insert a link to Shropshire Council on the Parish Council's website.

Planning Matters: 21/03883/TCA - an extraordinary meeting to discuss this application was not called by the Chair and no comment was made to Shropshire Planning.**Highways:** The VAS to the East of Aston Munslow was installed on the 25th August 2021. After some issues with the connection reports can now be downloaded and will be reported to the next meeting. A report on the meeting with Nick Newton, Shropshire Council was tabled. Since the meeting Cllr Archer has contacted Mr Newton regarding the clearing of overgrowth around the signs, but with no response. The date of the B4368 and B4365 Joint Parish Councils meeting was agreed as 25th October at 7pm at Beambridge Club room and invitations would be extended to all of the parishes along the length of these roads.**Commonwealth War Graves Sign:** It was agreed that a 210mm x 150mm sign can be fixed to the gate at the Burial Ground by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.**The Queen's Jubilee Canopy:** A site had been agreed near a footpath on Millichope Estate but it is not clear if it will accommodate the number of trees now available. Cllr Archer will report the outcome of discussions with Mr Bury at the next meeting.**Correspondence:** It was agreed that the Clerk will place copies of the Shropshire Choices Adult Care & Support Finder 2021/22 (free booklets) in various venues around the parish. Project Gigabit Public Review - no response. Volunteers sought to share views about Shropshire Council's highways service - no response.**Footbridge on the footpath from Aston Munslow to Munslow:** Cllr Archer will contact the Footpath Group regarding repairs.**The Policing Charter** was reviewed.**Action regarding Litter Bins at Car Park, Aston Munslow and layby** was deferred to the next meeting.**Next Meeting: Thursday 7th October 2021 at Beambridge Village Hall.***Minutes and Agendas are available on www.munslowparishcouncil.co.uk or from the Clerk on munslowpc@gmail.com***CULMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL***Heather Coonick, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer Hopton Gate Cottage, Haytons Bent, Ludlow, SY8 2BE
07817607355 • culmingtonpc@gmail.com • www.culmington.org***Next Meeting: Tuesday 5th October at 7.00pm At Culmington Village Hall****ABDON AND HEATH PARISH COUNCIL***ABDON & HEATH PARISH COUNCIL (www.abdon.org.uk) Balaam's Heath, Baucott, Brookhampton, Holdgate & Tugford.
Wendy Richards - Parish Clerk: abdonandheathclerk1@outlook.com Tel: 07813 271 274***Next Meeting: Thursday 14th October at 7.30pm at Abdon Village Hall****DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL***www.diddleburyparish.co.uk • Clerk: Mrs J de Rusett, No. 1 Pipe Aston Barns, Pipe Aston, Ludlow SY8 2HG.
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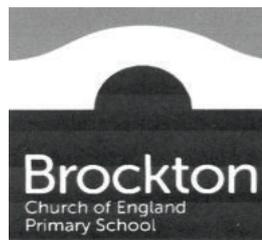
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Diddlebury	9:45 HC			11:15 FS		
Holdgate						
Munslow	6:00pm Harvest Evensong for the parishes of Holdgate and Munslow			11:15 HC		9:45 HC
Tugford						

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