

STOTTESDON AND SIDBURY PARISH COUNCIL



Presentation of defibrillator by Clerk and Chairman to Mrs Sarah Home

**NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 2013
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Happy New Year to all our parishioners!

Great news!

As you can see from the photograph on the front cover the Clerk won a state of the art HeartSine Defibrillator valued at £1500 and this was donated to Willowdene at Chorley at the December Parish Council meeting.

All Clerks throughout the UK received an email giving them the chance to win this vital piece of equipment. Freda decided to send off the required details and then forgot about it until an email was received confirming that she had won!

Our name was picked at random by the Chief Executive Officer of the Arrythmia Alliance who are undertaking the 'Hearts and Goals' campaign with Fabrice Muamba being the high profile celebrity involved.

This equipment coaches inexperienced users to exert professional standards of CPR in real time, greatly improving survival chances for a victim of Sudden Cardiac Arrest.

Staff members at Willowdene will be given the opportunity to receive training for the use of this equipment.

Mrs Sarah Home received the defibrillator on behalf of Willowdene and thanked Freda and the Parish Council for donating this to them.

The Parish Council would also like to congratulate Cllr Rosemary Abbiss on receiving an award at the Shropshire Association to Local Councils AGM in November for her services to Parish Councils.

Road closure:

Please note that the main B34363 - Billingsley/Bridgnorth road will be closed on 14th, 15th, 16th January from Billingsley chipping bed to Halfway House Lane and then from the Billingsley chipping bed junction to the Highley junction on 17th and 18th January from 8.30am - 4pm in order for carriageway repairs to be carried out. Diversions will be set up via the Highley road during these closures.

Dog fouling:

We have once again been contacted by concerned parishioners regarding dog fouling throughout the parish, including Sidbury. Please remember to clean up after your dogs.

Mud on road:

Obviously there has been plenty of water to wash mud off the roads lately but can we please remind everyone of the dangers of depositing mud onto the highway. Any complaints received by the Parish Council are reported to the Police. Clear guidelines have been issued by the NFU regarding this problem - Clerk can provide a copy of this upon request.

Can we also ask landowners to check any roadside trees and ditches and if your land lies next to any watercourse to ensure that any debris is removed.

Parish Council elections:

Elections will take place in May and if you are interested in joining the Parish Council please speak to the Clerk or a Councillor for further information.

Good news from Shropshire Cllr Madge Shineton:

The Cleobury Medical Practice has been awarded the Funding to build a new Medical Centre to serve the Cleobury Mortimer Area.

We hope to have the proposed plans on display at a Public meeting in Cleobury Mortimer on February 21st at 7pm in the Market Hall.

Also on February 21st meeting we will be having the new Police Commissioner to speak - this is a public meeting open to the public please come along.

Shropshire Council is very aware of the condition of the roads and are hoping for a dry spell which will enable our Contractors to tackle the repairs. We need help to identify any problems of pot holes/flooding/ damaged drains etc. please help by letting Freda Morris or myself know where they are. Telephone numbers are on the back of this newsletter.

FLOODING FORUM:

There will be a drop in session for anyone who has suffered from Flooding in the County from whatever reason on January 24th at The Shirehall from 5.30 - 9pm. There will be representatives from the Association of Insurers, the Environment Agency, the Shropshire Flood and Drainage Team, and Severn Trent. The flooding problems which have appeared over the last few years, especially during the Summer months need to be investigated. Shropshire Council need your input to enable us to put a plan in place to try to reduce the problems.

Hope to see you there!

Nightingale Nursing Fund:

A huge thank you to all who supported the Festive Shop at the Fighting Cocks on 6th December 2012. Nightingale Nursing Fund received £400.00 from this evening, a super total that will go towards nursing care of families in crisis, covering the Doctors patients of Ditton Priors, Highley and Cleobury Mortimer medical practices.

A special thank you to Sandra and Malcolm for hosting the event and also to Diane Newsham and her band of helpers for all the hard work of organising the event.

Willowdene:

Thanks again to Willowdene from Chorley for helping grit footpaths, school paths and banks and also clearing ditches, blocked drains etc. in the parish on behalf of the Parish Council.

All work carried out by Willowdene is by request of the Parish Council and with the backing of Shropshire Council.

Please let Clerk know if you are aware of any areas where salt/grit is required.

We are also aware that the grit bin has been taken from the Hinton road - does anyone know who removed this?

Village Hall Supporters Club presents

Films for 2013 include:

'Salmon Fishing in the Yemen' Thursday 7th February at 7.30pm

'The Woman in Black' on Thursday 7th March at 7.30pm

Members will be choosing films for future months at the February Film night. Membership for 12 months is just £5 per adult / £2 for under 16s with FREE entry to all films and use of DVD library.

Contact Joe or Richard on 718693 or joe@phoenix-cottage.co.uk

Parish Council meeting dates:

January 21st	July 22nd
February 25th	August 19th
March 25th	September 23rd
April 15th - Annual Parish meeting	October 28th
April 22nd	November 25th
May 13th	December 16th
June 24th	

All meetings commence at 7.30pm unless stated on the agenda which is posted on the village notice boards and on the website and are normally held in Chorley Village Hall.

Stottesdon & District WI - Autumn 2012 from Marian Wootton

Our November AGM was an opportunity to look back on our first full year with an incoming President and Treasurer providing a seamless transition for a growing membership to participate in lively evenings with a variety of speakers and activities, The Autumn highlight was our Memorabilia evening when we were joined by old friends to share memories of early days. Much fun was had browsing through press cuttings and photos.

Five enjoyed a stimulating October weekend at WI's Denman College near Oxford, extending skills at a variety of pursuits, from the intricacies of Tambour embroidery, painting snow scenes, cooking pies and pates, to exploring Oxford's architectural gems; and a chance to meet participants from across the county.

We are proud to have been able to donate over £200 to Bridgnorth Domestic Abuse Forum, raised largely by the efforts of our President Steff Bryan, through a sponsored swim and a Summer Garden coffee morning.

A group of 20 rounded off the year with a convivial dinner at the Boyne Arms. We are now looking ahead to enrolling members at our first meeting of 2013 at Farlow Village Hall on 16th January.

Thinking about a new home? Please register with Homepoint.

Providing family homes is one of the priorities identified by the Parish Council and included in the Parish Plan. The demand for affordable housing in our area is measured by the number of people registered with Homepoint, the organisation that manages the allocation of social housing in Shropshire. We are concerned that some people may not bother to apply, because there are not very many properties available. Unfortunately, this makes it look as if there is no demand, which means no more homes will be built!

The Parish Council is working with Homepoint and Shropshire Council to encourage more people to register their current or future housing needs, so we can get a true picture of how many new homes are likely to be needed over the next few years.

For more information, see the leaflet delivered with this newsletter, visit www.shropshirehomepoint.co.uk or speak to a Homepoint adviser on 01588 676 246.

Bus Shelter at Chorley:

The Parish Council are still waiting for the base to be laid at Chorley for the new bus shelter which we hope will be well used by the children waiting for school buses!

New NHS 111 Service:

From 2012 a new telephone service will be available to patients needing urgent NHS support and advice. 111 will be a freephone number for any patients who may not feel their condition warrants dialling 999 for an emergency ambulance.

Trained health advisers, supported by experienced clinicians, will use a clinical assessment system, to assess callers' needs and determine the most appropriate course of action. This could include dispatching an ambulance, referring someone to an NHS service and giving advice on self care

New Volunteers needed at Dudmaston Hall:

Dudmaston Hall is seeing exciting developments in 2013 with longer opening hours, new rooms on show and new presentations for visitors. To help them achieve this they are looking to recruit more volunteers in a wide range of roles.

If you are interested in becoming involved Dudmaston will be holding a series of drop in sessions on:

21st January - 10am - 12 noon

23rd January - 10am - 12 noon

31st January - 1pm - 3pm

Prospective volunteers can find out more about the property and what is involved as well as meeting existing volunteers and staff.

If you are interested in attending one of these sessions or would like to find out more please contact James Green on 01746 7801866 or email:

Dudmaston.volunteer@nationaltrust.org.uk

Dates for next newsletter:

Deadline for items for the next newsletters is 12 noon on:

24th March, 16th June, 15th September and 5th January 2014.

Please keep items to a minimum of 200 words and if possible email in a word format to the Clerk. Any lengthy articles will be reduced.

Brown Clee Medical Practice:

Good news is that extensions are taking place at Stottesdon Surgery and Dr Bassett confirmed that physiotherapy and chiropody will soon commence at Stottesdon instead of Ditton Priors.

Student Doctors will be working at the practice on a regular basis and a permanent Doctor will also be joining Dr Bassett and Dr Railton 1 day a week. There is also an active 'Patient Participation Group' and any representatives from Stottesdon would be very welcome. Contact Sue Crichton for further details - email: crichtonsue@gmail.com

Excitement builds for the new Women and Children's Unit

Work is underway to prepare for a new Women and Children's Unit to be built at the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford.

When it opens in summer 2014, this state-of-the-art unit will be for all women and children who need to stay in hospital overnight. It will include a children's outpatient department, children's assessment unit and a new children's cancer and haematology unit. It will also be for women who require a consultant-led delivery and babies who need special care. In addition, all gynaecology services that require an overnight stay will take place here.

Women will still be able to go to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital (RSH) for the vast majority of their care. All other services remain unchanged. This means outpatient appointments, diagnostics (scans, x-rays, blood tests etc) and day case care will continue at RSH. Expectant mums will still be able to choose to have their baby at the midwife-led unit at Shrewsbury or one of our community midwife-led units in Oswestry, Ludlow or Bridgnorth.

Children will also still attend the RSH for much of their care: A&E services, a children's assessment unit, outpatients, audiology and diagnostics will still take place in Shrewsbury.

Building the new unit is due to start later this year. We will always aim to keep disruption to a minimum but please bear with us as we work to create what will be one of the best facilities in the West Midlands for mums, children and their families.

It's not too late to get involved – we are looking for volunteers to help create the very best environment for women and children. For more information visit www.sath.nhs.uk/future , email future@sath.nhs.uk or call 01743 261183.

Mobile library:

The mobile library visits Stottesdon and Chorley. If you are interested in joining please contact Shropshire Council - 01743 255000 for further details.

Please note:

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If you require this newsletter in large print format please contact the Clerk.

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Stottesdon/Sidbury Church	718297 Rev Colin Resch
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District Nurses	711963
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Power Loss Helpline	08457 331331
Mobile Library	01584 813600
Crimestoppers	0900 555111
Rural Stress Network	024 7641 2916
NHS Direct	0845 4647
Shropshire Rural Housing	01743 874848
Severn Trent Water (Emergencies)	0800 7834444
Duck Inn	718267
Fighting Cocks	718270
Shropshire Registration Service	0845 6789016
Police	0300 333 3000 or 101 non emergency calls

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