

Stottesdon and Sidbury Parish Council



Mark Pearce and Dan Romeo with the newly erected
Silent Soldier

SUMMER

Newsletter 2018

Parish Councillors:

Sadly in June Cllr Jonathan Hill resigned from the Parish Council for personal reasons. Councillors expressed their thanks to Jonathon for his work whilst on the PC particularly with planning where his knowledge was excellent.

The vacancy was advertised and we are pleased to confirm that Mrs Beverley Montague has been co-opted onto the Council.. We still do have 2 further vacancies—1 for Stottesdon and 1 for Sidbury. Please speak to a Councillor or Clerk if your are interested or attend the Parish Council meetings.

Old Fox and Hounds car park

The car park has now been completed which we hope you will agree is a massive improvement. The signage is still to be finalised.

The project has turned out to be more costly than originally anticipated as we have had to employ 2 different Surveyors.

The car park is primarily for the use of the Doctor's Surgery and we ask again that cars are not parked on this site Monday - Friday 8am-6pm. The PC will be monitoring this and if we find that this is being abused then we will consider fencing this off outside of these hours. There may also be times when the Surgery hold their flu vaccination clinics on a Saturday when the car park will not be available.

The Parish Council are extremely grateful for the donations received from Brown Clee Medical Practice, Mr and Mrs Stephen Barratt and Col Brian Hamilton-Russell the remainder being funded by the PC through a Public Works Loan and reserves.

We would like to thank our Contractors G P Cork for their patience in this delayed project and for fitting the work in between jobs due to their very busy workload and to the Surveyors and Solicitors for their help and advice.

Thank you also to the Doctor's Surgery for helping arrange for Doctor's and Staff to park elsewhere during the work.

News from the Churches from Revd. Mark Daborn

The hot, dry spell has served us very well for the seasonal festivities this year: dry and sunny for the Sidbury Fete for the first time for three years, and hot and dry for the Stottesdon School and Church Fete. Both of these were most enjoyable evenings, and successful fund-raisers for the two churches and our lovely village school. But it's been good to have a bit of rain again to revive the land.

As we get towards the end of July we have the school leavers' occasion in St Mary's, a mixture of celebration of all that they have contributed to the school over their years as pupils, and a well-wishing to them as they start new schools after the summer holiday.

As ever, the summer is a quiet time whilst people are away on their summer holidays, but the church season will pick up again in September with the Ride and Stride Day on Saturday September 8th when, once again, the pilgrim journey will be made around our six churches. Look out for one or two August service changes in Wheatlands News this month!

Stottesdon Community Fete:

With thanks to all who gave their time to organise and then run the Fete, and to the glorious weather on Friday 6th July and to the wonderful crowd of residents and visitors who came along, this year's Fete was another successful village event.

Over £1,400 each was raised for St Mary's Church and Stottesdon School.

Special thanks go to suppliers Hobsons, the Midcounties Co-op (Cleobury) and Fletchers Cider (Far Forest) for their generous support of food and drink at the Fete.

The Grand Draw Raffle was especially popular; the lucky winners included: Julie Whitehouse (Down Inn food); Jill Perkins (Sealife Centre tickets); Chris Edge (Bottle of Whisky); Helena Hale (Down Inn food); The Dobsons (Fighting Cocks food); Harry Dayus (Duck Inn food) and Florence & Griff Tibbits (Rays Farm tickets). The Rodenhursts (Farlow) won the £50 cash 'top prize'.

National Garden Scheme - Stottesdon and Chorley Open Gardens - Tina King:

Stottesdon and Chorley village gardens were opened on 16th and 17th June in aid of the National Garden Scheme. Despite the contrary weather forecast people did turn up and the event was by any standard successful. After expenses the total raised was £2581 for NGS charities and £120 for Stottesdon church from the sale of plants.

There were a lot of compliments about the gardens and the refreshments. But none of this would be possible without the volunteers who give their time and money in publicity and printing, putting up signs, car parking, ticket selling, providing first aid, tent erecting, moving furniture, cooking cakes and quiches, donating plants etc. The pot competition "A Garden fit for a Gnome" was won by Rose Brown, the children's prize went to Eva Muggleton and the mystery prize to the Jacksons.

Chorley Show 2018 is pleased to be supporting



We need your help at the show on Saturday 18th August 2018 for a couple of hours either to help on the gate, dog show, car park, BBQ, refreshments and on the side shows or to sell raffle tickets in advance of the show (now available).

If you can help on the day or want some raffle tickets to sell prior to the show, contact Joe Bubb on 718693 or email joe@phoenix-cottage.co.uk

Cake donations are always needed for the refreshments marquee, please let Claire know if you can provide a cake or two on 718022 or claire@woulfe.org.uk

Also, the Duck is running its fabulous bottle tombola so please drop off any unwanted gifts or prizes at the Duck.

We will be on the field on Friday from 11am and Sunday from 10.30 am if you have any time to help with the preparations and clear up. All help is much appreciated and there will be a Thank You meal on the Sunday afternoon at the Village Hall after we've cleared the field.

Show starts at the earlier time of 11am - we have Cooper and Davies, Dan Sutton and Everything but the Band playing, Falconry display, Circus Skills, Ferret Racing, African Drumming, Dog Show, Dog Display, Side Shows, Archery, and loads more.

Chorley Village Hall Film Club Presents

The Autumn Films are:

Thursday 27th September at 7.30pm The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society

Thursday 25th October at 7.30pm Three Billboards in Ebbing

Thursday 22nd November at 7.30pm Finding your Feet

Thursday 13th December at 7.30pm Paddington 2

Thursday 24th January at 7.30pm The Darkest Hour

Attention Parents

We are local residents to the playing fields of Stottesdon School and over the past 2 Monday evenings we have had to deal with about 12 young boys playing football in the field constantly using the F and C word. On the first night after politely asking the boys to stop using the F word the following week whilst I was out, my wife and 88-year-old Mother-in-Law had to put up with the C word being used. We do not want to stop the boys having fun, but this offensive language is unacceptable. Your co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated. David Ferguson

Shropshire Councillors Surgery:

Councillors Shineton and Butler will be holding a Surgery on Saturday August.4th from 9-11am in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer. No appointment is necessary. Contact 01299 271186.

New Parish Council website:

We now have our new website up and running using the same address:
www.stottesdonpc.co.uk

The information from the old website has been migrated over and the Clerk will continue to update this.

Speeding vehicles/using mobile phones whilst driving:

Comments are regularly received regarding speeding vehicles and mobile phones being used whilst driving, particularly tractor drivers.

The Police has asked that if you take registration numbers and report this to them they will contact the relevant drivers.

Please remember that this is the busy harvest season and the tractors and combines fill these roads so please drive carefully.

Road repairs:

The Clerk regularly send in details of problems with potholes, road edge damage etc to Shropshire Council and you might have noticed that some work has been carried out.

Shropshire Council has a reduced budget again this year and is working hard to try to get as much work carried out as possible within this. We do not know when any further major work will be carried out in the parish.

Any problems please report to Shropshire Council via their website on www.shropshire.gov.uk or contact the Clerk.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):

If you are aware that the Parish Council holds your email/contact details could you please confirm that it is in order for us to retain this as per the new General Data Protections 2018 Rules and Regulations.

BROWN CLEE MEDICAL PRACTICE - PATIENT GROUP NEWS
BULLETIN July 2018

Hospital reorganisation (Future Fit) - Consultation is taking place about the options for reorganization of services of The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospitals and you are encouraged to find out as much as you can and vote for the option you want. There are copies of an explanatory booklet at Ditton Priors and Stottesdon Surgeries, and information is available online at www.nhsfuturefit.org. There is an 'Information Event' in Bridgnorth on 25th July (Leisure Centre), where you can drop in between 3.30 and 7.30 to ask questions and give your views.

Changes to the Out of hours emergency telephone calls service. From 17th July all calls to the OOH service will go to the 111 call handlers. Shropdoc Doctors will still do the home visits and staff the OOH walk-in centres.

Midwife Led Units in Bridgnorth and Ludlow are now only providing antenatal and postnatal clinics. There are hopes to develop the rural MLUs into Family Centres where all children in a family can be seen together.

Keep Active - Brown Clee GPs are actively promoting activity to maintain good health and will be asking patients about their activity levels. The Practice is planning a 'Falls Prevention' event.

Men in Sheds - The Group meets for one morning a month and new members are welcome. First Thursday in the month 10.30 - 12.00 at Botwood Farm, Ditton Priors.

Compassionate Communities 6 patients are currently receiving companionship visits from trained volunteers. Anyone who would like to become a volunteer should contact the Surgery.

Ditton Surgery closure for 2 days while the car park is re-surfaced (dates to be announced) - patients will be seen at Stottesdon.

If you want more information about the work of the Patient Group, contact the Chair, Tina Ranson 07790 230038.

The next PPG Bulletin is due October 2018.

FRENCH FOR BEGINNERS

French lessons for beginners will recommence in the Autumn Term in Chorley Village hall. Old and new members welcome. More details to follow. Look out for posters on village noticeboards.

Register your interest with Keely on 718060 or keelypatricia@hotmail.com and I will add you to the email group and send details direct to your inbox.

Private lessons in French/German also available on request. Contact details as above.

Parish Council meeting dates:

Next meetings are 20th August, 24th September, 22nd October, 26th November, 17th December. All meetings are held in Chorley Village Hall at 7.30pm. There is time at the beginning of each meeting for parishioners to address the Council on any issues of concern. Agendas are on the website and notice boards in Chorley and Stottesdon.

Silent Soldier:

As you can see from our front cover the Parish Council decided to support the Shropshire Royal British Legion "Silent Soldier" concept which marks the sacrifice of those who fell in the four war years leading up to the Armistice in November 1918. Commemorative events will be held across the United Kingdom during 2018, 100 years after the end of the First World War, and you may wish to join Shropshire RBL in remembering those who lost life and limb all those years ago. The Silent Soldier is the black silhouette of a First World War "tommy". It is anticipated that it will be displayed nationwide throughout 2018 as a powerful reminder of the sacrifices made by service personnel of Britain and the Empire during World War One.

Nearly 1.1 million British and Empire service men and women were killed during the First World War before the guns finally fell silent on Armistice Day 11 November 1918 and Shropshire RBL is keen to ensure that we in the County pay respects to those who gave so much. The figure is "silent" in remembrance of those who lost their lives, and "silent" as respect for those who returned to their home having suffered life-changing physical and emotional injury.

Thanks to Mark Pearce and Dan Romeo for erecting our Silent Soldier.



Please note:

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Larger print format of this newsletter is available from the Clerk. This newsletter can also be viewed on the Parish Council website.

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Chorley Family Playgroup	718769
Stottesdon/Sidbury Church	718127
Chorley Village Hall	718437 (bookings)
Doctors	712672
District Nurses	711963
Shropshire Council	0345 678 9000 (general enquiries)
Lacon Childe School	01299 270312
Bridgnorth Endowed School	762103
WI (Helena Hale)	718012
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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