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LILLESHALL

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Voice

Your community, our commitment...

Introducing our new magazine... Lilleshall Voice is designed and published by Lilleshall Parish Council but it is for our community, we really hope that this can become an open format of communication for our area and we would love your input.

The last year has been hard for us all, and your Parish Council is determined to do everything we can to support our community and bring us all together.

This magazine will be published 4 times a year and we will try to bring you as up to date with local matters as possible through this communication. We welcome residents and local groups to submit articles for consideration for Lilleshall Voice and you can do this by visiting www.lilleshallpc.org.uk and click on "Lilleshall Voice" and then "Readers Articles" and submit your article.

As we progress we would love to reduce printing to save on costing and help save the trees, so if you would like to join our mailing group please do so by visiting our website mentioned above.



Lilleshall... a community working together to make our Parish a prosperous and beautiful place to be!

A message from our Chairman, Cllr Andrew Baker



Lilleshall Parish Council is moving forward with renewed enthusiasm. There have been major staff changes in the last 6 months with the appoint of a new Clerk and Community Events and Projects Officer, both join us with a wealth of experience and enthusiasm.

The Council has now relocated to the Hillside Meeting Room, benefiting from a spacious modern meeting room, which is open to the public from 09:30 to 14:30 every Tuesday and Thursday, please follow covid guidance if you wish to visit staff at this present time.

At the time of writing the Village is looking its best with a mass of Daffodils at the three entrances. This was made possible by the Residents' Association (no longer operating) who planted over 42,000 bulbs in 2004. The Parish Council will be thinking about planting more, particularly at the Humbers.

I was disappointed to see 'a blot on the landscape' in Limekiln Lane, namely a large plastic shelter which houses the new electric sub-station. L.P.C. had requested it be located on waste overgrown land rear of the bus shelter. However, Western Power informed us that, due to technical reasons, this was not possible. They have however agreed to change the appearance of the finish to match the brickwork of the bus shelter opposite, also to part fund a planting scheme.

You will have noticed how busy the Village, including the Hill and Park, has become due to increased visitors during lockdown. Consequently there has been a severe erosion of footpaths, litter, dog fouling and also a growing problem with mountain bikers. Many thanks to residents who volunteer in litter picking. Did you know that we are always on the lookout for what are known as 'Street Champions', a scheme run by Telford Borough Council supported by your Parish Council? You would be provided with the necessary equipment and priority removal of collected litter, please contact Parish Council staff for more details.

The traffic calming proposals are almost at the Planning stage, co-ordinated primary by our very supportive Borough Councillor, Andrew Eade. I am assured that there are no speed humps and the measures are appropriate for a rural Village.

Finally, as Chairman, I pass my thanks to my fellow Councillors and the community for their togetherness during this very difficult time, the Parish Council is very thankful to those residents who have offered their support to our ambitious going forward as our country begins to get back to normality.

Lilleshall Cricket Club

We're delighted to confirm we will once again be running Allstars and Dynamos sessions in 2021!

Allstars - provides a fantastic first experience for all children aged 5-8 years old where they're guaranteed 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills development!

Dynamos - provides a fantastic next step for all those graduating from All Stars Cricket and the perfect introduction for all 8-11 year-olds new to the sport!

Registration opens up nationally on the 22nd March.

If anyone would like further information, please contact iandawes14@googlemail.com



Interested in hiring space at the Memorial Hall or Hillside Room?

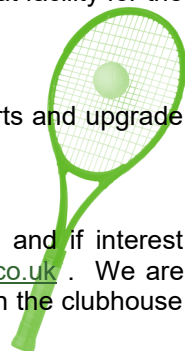
We are starting to look at ways of bringing groups back to the Hall. If your group is interested in hiring space in the Memorial Hall or our band new Hillside Room please contact Chris Bird on 07776 156575

Lilleshall Village Tennis Club

2020 was a difficult year for everyone including Tennis Clubs but we are delighted to say that we are now 'Open for Business' in a controlled way. The upside of the lockdowns has been that we have been able, with the financial assistance of the Parish Council, to have all of the courts cleaned and repainted and they now looking splendid and ready for use by both the Club and the General Public. What a great facility for the village and its residents.

At the same time we were able to provide floodlighting for the mini courts and upgrade our toilet facilities so are all set to go once we are back to normal.

In the meantime, both junior and adult coaching will be commencing and if interest please contact Josh Price on 07715 287420 or email josh@i2ctennis.co.uk. We are planning an Adult Beginners' Course and details of this will be posted on the clubhouse door shortly.



Environment & Sustainability Working Group

Lilleshall Parish Council is committed to playing its part in tackling one of humanities greatest challenges, **the fight against climate change!**

We all know that no "one" single organisation or person will change the future of our climate but with a collaborative approach we can achieve so much more.

We would like to welcome residents of our Parish, or businesses to join our Environment & Sustainability Working Group. The idea of this group will be to open the discussion of what can be done, where and how, with the Parish Council willing to consider suggestions from the group.

We would like to organise a first meeting of the group in late May or early June, to discuss how we will organise the format and focus of the group.

To ask for further details of the group or put your name down as a person who wishes to remain on the groups mailing list, please contact Jade Smith at Lilleshall Parish Council.



Introducing new Parish Council officers

We are pleased to introduce two new officers to the team at Lilleshall Parish Council.

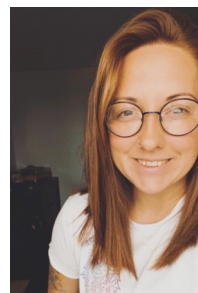


Parish Clerk, Connor Furnival

Connor is the new Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to the Council and comes to the Council with years of experience in local government and the charitable sector and has a passion for it. Connor has been successful in achieving awards and being resourceful with small budgets for other Parish Councils across Shropshire.

Outside of his local government work he has been the Chair of local charities and supporting environmental groups and sports clubs across the Borough of Telford & Wrekin through a variety of committee roles.

Connor lives in Madeley with his partner Danni and their two boys aged 8 and 4 years. He is a keen West Brom fan and has an interest in photography, growing his own veg on his large plot at home and road running for charities.



Community Events & Projects Officer, Jade Smith

Jade joins the Parish Council with the skills, ambitions and determination to ensure the Council is more inclusive, innovative with small resources and engaging with the community.

Jade enjoys working in the local community, and believes events are the way forward in driving positive change and increasing community spirit. She has previously led events and festivals in Telford and

Shrewsbury, including partnerships with the Shrewsbury Ark homeless shelter and the LGBT+ history festival.

Jade lives in Lawley with her partner Amy and her two children ages 9 and 7. Jade is a keen Rugby fan, and after 5 seasons of playing, she now coaches the girls youth team at Bridgnorth RFC. Aside from this she has developed a new love for Golf, and is looking forward to a summer on the greens.

The appointments of Connor and Jade is a statement of intent of the Council's commitment to delivering value for money to the community and a well organised, engaged Council working in collaboration with the community.

Lilleshall Scarecrow Festival and Pre School Fete

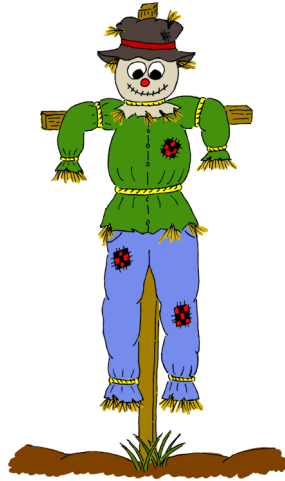
Saturday 18th September 2021
10am - 4pm

A fun day out for all. Follow the Scarecrow trail around the village then pop over to Lilleshall pre school for refreshments, cakes, stalls, games, prizes, raffle, competitions and much more

Join in the fun, build your scarecrow and display in front of your property by 9am on the day. Judges will be viewing so good luck and we can't wait to see your fabulous creations!

Want to book a stall? From only £10 you can have your own pitch to sell your wares or promote your services. Please contact info@lilleshallpreschool.org.uk for a booking form. Taking bookings now

All proceeds go to Lilleshall Pre School (charity number 1036071)



Parish Council budget is set for 2021/22

Each year Town and Parish Councils in England set their budgets in preparation to set the precept for their Parish. The precept forms part of the Council Tax base for each household in the Parish. For the financial year 2021/22 Lilleshall Parish Council has set its precept rate at the same level as the previous year. We have listened to ideas from the community and we are confident that the budget that has been set is ambitious and will allow us to work closer with our community, increase our local resources and ensure we are working towards more inclusive ways of supporting the community.

Through our Parish staff and Councillors we aim to improve footpaths across the Parish, improve road safety measures, deliver on better ways of communication and connect local people with the great outdoors which improves our mental wellbeing and physical health. Our team are dedicated to making sure that your Parish Council can deliver a quality service to its community with the resources we have available. More details on our website.

Join the Million Mile Mission

The Great British Spring Clean has launch for 2021 and its styled to work during lockdown!

This year, they want #LitterHeroes across the country to get outside and get active and help them on their mission to clean up a million miles of UK streets, coastline, parks, footpaths and neighbourhoods.

And to do this, they need your help!

This year, supporters can either join by making a simple pledge and let **Keep Britain Tidy** know how many minutes they'll clean-up for during the campaign (**28 May – 13 June 2021**), or get in touch with Jade Smith at the Parish Council about possible litter picking events that we are looking to hold. Any event would be subject to Coronavirus restrictions, so all we ask for is your interest and patience at this stage. To contact Jade, please find here details on the back of this magazine.



Once all litter picks are complete and the data is sent into the campaign, Keep Britain Tidy will convert those minutes to miles with the hope that, come summer, we can all enjoy a cleaner, greener, litter-free environment.

To find more details about how to get involved please visit:

Re-instating notice board at The Humbers

A new notice board for The Humbers will be installed outside The Premier Stores by your Parish Council.

This is an important way of keeping our lines of communications with residents open. We will maintain regularly updated information so that you can receive updates on projects and contact details for local services. If you would like to have something placed in the notice board, please contact the Council. However, please note that sale advertisements cannot be displayed and items would need to be approved by the Council staff before being advertised.