

CHURCH ASTON PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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A word from the Chairman

Hopefully now the rain has finally stopped and Summer has arrived. This time of year is typically a great time that the village comes alive and we see the new buds appearing on the trees and new flowers emerging along the grass verges and gardens. Like the Season we continue to evolve here at the Parish Council, whilst we are only a small parish in comparison to others in the Borough, we continue to aim high in our objectives. With one being the campaigning to Save our Village from a further 170 homes to the rear of The Dale. I would like to thank all residents who attended our open meeting and took the time to submit their objection, it is now a matter of waiting to see what the outcome is from Telford & Wrekin Council but rest assured as your local Council we have the villages best interests at heart and will continue the campaign. I hope you enjoy reading about other community matters we are involved in and wish you all a great Summer.

Simon Stacey (Chairman)



Community Grants Scheme

Last year's Grants allocation saw over a dozen local community groups receiving Grants from the Parish Council to help them with their amazing work. Grants for this year are now available. You can find the application on our website or you can request a copy by emailing the parish clerk at churchaston@gmail.com

Foster with your local authority

Telford and Wrekin Council are recruiting local people to look after their local children in care. All children that come into care need a safe place to live while the local authority children's services look at their situation and what is best for them.

Telford Fostering, the name for the council fostering team recruit, train and support foster carers to provide homes for children in Telford and Wrekin. Daniel Chell, Team Manager for the recruitment team says, "Foster carers make an amazing difference to children's lives, but we need more people to help. We're looking for families with a spare room and a loving heart, who can offer part-time or full-time care to babies, young children, teenagers, brothers and sisters or children with a disability for a short time or longer term.

We offer generous financial payments per child, extensive wraparound support and excellent training and development. Please contact us for more information."

Telford
Fostering

Don't just take our word for it...
"As foster carers, we've woven fostering into the fabric of our family life.

It gives us the chance to make a real difference in a young person's life, a privilege we cherish deeply. It's incredible to witness the transformation that can happen, especially with Telford & Wrekin Council. I wholeheartedly recommend it to anyone considering making a positive impact in the lives of local children."
Jillan and David

"Fostering a teenage boy alongside our young family has enriched our lives.

It is inspiring to watch our three boys grow up alongside their foster brother. They are learning so much from one another. It has given our own children a better understanding of others. They show they have kindness and empathy as they build new relationships. Fostering has certainly changed our family for the better." Charli and Chris

"As approved foster carers, transferring to Telford & Wrekin Council with our foster child couldn't have been easier. It has taken five smooth, painless weeks from application to panel!

If you are put off by the process and forms, don't be. It has changed! Our assessing social worker has been amazing. She read our existing file, and we had a couple of Teams sessions with her. She was happy to arrange these in the evening once our little one was in bed. It really was that easy. We are already reaping the rewards of transferring to Telford. It is a real team approach and they have welcomed us with open arms." Debbie and Chris

www.telfordfostering.co.uk



Do something amazing!

Full-time and part-time fostering roles

Generous fees and allowances

Extensive support



D-DAY 2024

People of the Parishes

Share your stories about people from our local parishes who served during D-Day in 1944

As we mark the 80th celebrations of D-Day on 6th June 2024

We would like to commission a booklet to celebrate the courageous efforts by people from our parishes who served during this conflict.

The Parishes of Chetwynd, Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote, Church Aston, Lilleshall and Newport would like to invite you to submit short stories about these people to be included in this publication.

Please submit details of their service, including name, rank, years of service, place of Parish where they came from and if you had any photographs we would really appreciate them.

Please submit any stories, or ask any questions to Connor via email: info@cawpc.co.uk or call 07745 728317

Once the publication is finalised, it will be available from the above listed Parishes and advertised when available.

Drainage Issues relating to Bloor Homes development update

The Parish Council has been in contact with both Bloor Homes, and Telford & Wrekin Council since the beginning of the year, regarding resident's concerns about drainage and potential flooding issues regarding the Hutchison Gate housing development. Issues relating to the high level of water retention in the new balancing pond and the silting of Millwood Mere are yet to be satisfactorily resolved. Consequently, the Parish Council is in the process of convening a meeting between Bloor Homes, drainage engineers from Telford & Wrekin Council and local residents to discuss the planned solutions and way forward.

Newport Library

You may already have seen the recent news that in order to save the Library Service on the High Street Newport Town Council have now taken over the management of Newport Library. As part of the ongoing financial management they have requested if the parish council would consider making a financial contribution along with other neighbouring councils. Before making a decision the parish council would welcome your views on the matter.

In principle should we contribute towards the future running of Newport Library?, if you would like to reply please contact the Parish Clerk by emailing her at churchaston@gmail.com or ring 07403284513

we welcome your thoughts....



Volunteers Award for Voluntary Services

Congratulations to our wonderful team of hardworking volunteers.

The KAVS was presented to the Village Hall committee on April 24th by the Princess Royal at a ceremony at the Cavalier Centre, Much Wenlock who chatted for some time with the chair and members of the committee. The Princess was impressed by the work that had been done to both refurbish the hall and provide good low- cost entertainment that encouraged people to rejoin society after the Covid period.

A second presentation took place in the hall with the Lord Lieutenant on May 11th that was an opportunity to thank our sponsors, including the Parish Council.

It also gave us the opportunity to open our latest ISO container bought with a grant from the Lottery that allows us to have and store yet more padded chairs eliminating the plastic school chairs.

Winning the award is not only national recognition of the work put in by the volunteers but also helps us in applying for grant assistance as shown by the latest award from the Lottery as it demonstrates that we are worthy of support having been through the assessment process for the award.

Well done all!



Wildflower planting project

The Parish Council have recently received a Grant for £600 from Telford & Wrekin Council to help us develop our Wildlife Planting Project across the Parish. A number of grass verges have been identified and seeding the areas has now commenced – we look forward to seeing them bloom. The Parish Council have recently received a Grant for £600 from Telford & Wrekin Council to help us develop our Wildlife Planting Project across the Parish. A number of grass verges have been identified and seeding the areas has now commenced – we look forward to seeing them bloom. The Parish Council have recently received a Grant for £600 from Telford & Wrekin Council to help us develop our Wildlife Planting Project across the Parish. A number of grass verges have been identified and seeding the areas has now commenced – we look forward to seeing them bloom.



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