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NEWSLETTER

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You are my sunshine!



MAY - JUNE 2021

Letter from the Editor

For this issue, I am pleased to be able to offer a more varied selection of items, and I hope that there will be something to interest all readers. We also have a good "Gallery" of your pictures to admire. The unexpected snowfall in the middle of April provided the opportunity for some unusual shots, which contrast rather artistically with the cherry blossom and sunflowers!

You may have noticed that although we cover 7 villages, some of them are much more represented than others, so could we put that right for the next issue? If you find it difficult to "put pen to paper" (or fingers to keyboard), feel free to give me a ring and tell me your news and views. This is what John Roberts (Stoke Lacy) did, and gave me a fascinating account of his early life when remembering the Green Lane, or Holbatch Lane as he knew it, and you can see a summary of it in this issue. Among many other items is a new puzzle about the names of various creatures. It would be good to hear how many of the "Plants" puzzle we all solved between us - I know there were a few that stumped me - and let us know how you get on with the "Creatures". Likewise, your views on the other contents of recent issues would help us to gather more of the kinds of contents that you like, as well as to leave out the pieces that nobody reads!

And now for something completely different!

Scam alert! Since we reported on the scam experienced by Margaret Bradbury, there has been a big increase in the number and variety of scams. Just over the last few weeks, we have been contacted by email, text messaging and phone calls to both mobile and landline phones. Some of these sound fairly plausible at first, while others are downright silly.

But there are a few general rules that can help to avoid them:

? Your bank will never contact you like this, so don't even think about moving money.

? A link in an email can be the way in to your personal details for a fraudster, so just delete the email without clicking on the link.

? A text message can be sent to a random number, and can "borrow" (or hack into) a number that you know, so that it looks familiar.

? Fraudulent landline messages are usually sent from abroad (in which case there is a slight pause as it connects up), and recorded (so when you have received the same one several times, it becomes clear that it's a scam!)

? My own rule is - if it's genuine and important, the sender will contact you again, so even if you just put the phone down you are unlikely to get a call back.

Now my best wishes to you all, and hope to see you soon.

jbgcommnews@gmail.com, or tel. 01432 820124.

Judy Debenham



CAKE IN THE GARDEN

POSTPONED DUE TO FAMILY BEREAVEMENT PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE

As part of the ADRA UK Annual Appeal, weather permitting, I will be hosting **Cake in the Garden on Wednesday 5th May 2021, from 10am to 12pm in the garden at Morwenna, Ullingswick, HR1 3JG.** All are welcome.

All donations kindly received will go to ADRA UK



If you intend to come along and would like to be kept informed should the weather not be kind and postponement is necessary, please call Helen on 01432 820018 and leave your contact details.

Thank you

Maisie Holland would like to thank everyone who rang, sent cards, letters and flowers following her fall in February. It helped her to feel connected with friends and the local community and made her stay in hospital a bit easier. Maisie is home and making slow but steady progress and looks forward to having visitors when allowed.

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Our photographs

Thanks to the following for the lovely pictures for this issue:

Phil Evans, for the sunflowers on the front cover and the Much Cowarne letter box;
Carly Roper, for Hereford cathedral, Brockington Hall, and the cherry blossom;
Alan Debenham for the Tulips.



Burley Gate Village Hall 100+ Club

Due to the lock down we have been slow off the mark this year, but now it is easing we will be contacting people in the hope they will continue to pay for numbers in the BGVH 100+ Club. Some of the volunteers have been out and about, and some people have dropped money off at the Community Shop. So we are underway, and I hope for the next Newsletter to have completed this process and started catching up on this year's monthly draws.

As ever, it is £6 per number and you may have more than one.

Each month a draw is taken, with prizes of £12, £8, and three £5, plus an end of year bonus draw for two £50 prizes.

All proceeds go to the hall, which is planning renovations of the small hall this year.

If interested, call me Giles Blackmore on 07910 872526

Ullingswick 100+ Club

Hi everyone, at long last I have been able to do a draw with some friends who visited today who pulled out the numbers, so thank you for being so patient.

January 2021

£20 Mike Storr (96)

£10 Alistair Telford (104)

£5 Marion Telford (94)

February 2021

£20 Sue Wright (59)

£10 Anthony and Kathryn Ellis (131)

£5 Janet Stevens (2)

March 2021

£20 Sally Mess (33)

£10 Bundle Pickard (39)

£5 Poppy Perry (136)

April 2021

£20 Mike Mess (32)

£10 Philip Barwell (53)

£5 Alyson Wells (48)

And thanks to everyone for supporting the church which is now having lots of repair work carried out. Best wishes, *Susan Dalton*



St Luke's Church Ullingswick

Services for May to June 2021

All Welcome

May 2nd	10.00am	Morning Service	Acts 8.26-end	D Kelly
May 16th	08.30am	Holy Communion	Acts 1.15-17, 21-26	S Dalton
May 30th	10.00am	Group Service	Romans 8.12-17 at Bredbury Church	
June 6th	10.00am	Morning Prayer	2 Cor, 4.13-5.1	A Gardiner
June 20th	08.30am	Holy Communion	2 Cor 6.1-13	J Stevens

Rogation Sunday May 9th - Details regarding the annual walk are not yet available.

Please view Parish and Church notice boards to confirm timing of services which may be subject to change. Details regarding church services and events can also be found at :-

www.achurchnearyou.com/ullingswick-st-luke

***Readers** - If anyone is unable to read on the day listed, please arrange a swap direct with someone else on the list and inform the Church Warden

BRING & BUY **PLANT SALE**



SATURDAY 8 MAY 2021

from 2.00pm

at

Panks Bridge Farm, Much Cowarne, HR7 4JB



**Shrubs, Perennials, Dahlias & Bedding Plants,
Veg: Beans, Tomatoes, Cucumbers etc**

**Free entrance, ample parking and space for
social distancing**

**Ring Marlene on 01432 820282 for further
information**

Proceeds to Much Cowarne Church

Much Cowarne 2021 Church Plant Sale

This year Much Cowarne PCC is going to run its usual Church Plant Sale again thanks to member Marlene Hewitt, but this year at her home of Panks Bridge Farm, HR7 4JB which is half way along the road from Burley Gate to Bishops Frome. There is plenty of parking on the farm yards there and as long as folk wear masks and keep to some social distancing there should be no danger from Covid-19. We will open the gates at 2pm on Saturday 8th May. If you will be late coming you could ring and book plants from Marlene at her home number **01432 820282 or mobile 07487 429415 or email panksbridge@hotmail.co.uk**

On sale will be some new high quality donated Shrubs.

Hardy perennials on sale will be Echinacea (Pink Cone Flower), Leucanthemum (Crazy Daisy), Delphiniums (Dark Blue with white centre), Aquilegia (Mixed Colours), Dianthus (Rockin Red), Achillea (Cerise Queen), Rock Roses, and Digitalis (Foxgloves).

Bedding Plants on sale will be Single Petunias (Pink, Purple & Cream), Double Petunias (mixed colours) and Trailing Lobelia (blue, pinks and whites), Lupins (small at the moment!), Geraniums (small at the moment), Sweet Peas (just a few pots) and lots of potted Dahlias. Vegetables will include Alicante Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Pumpkins, courgettes, French & Runner Beans, and possibly some sweet corn.

We would welcome your donation of potted and labelled plants but more importantly your presence at our sale. We look forward to seeing you.

Hereford City Guide maybe for you!

Do you enjoy talking to people? Are you interested in History?
Then becoming a Hereford City Guide maybe for you!

From April to October each year, Covid restrictions allowing, the Hereford Guild of Guides welcome people to the City of Hereford and escort them round the interesting historical sites while bringing the history to life. Every three years a course is run called 'Know Your City' which offers anybody who wishes to attend the opportunity to learn about the history of Hereford, and continuing if desired to become a City Guide. The next course will take place at the Kindle Centre in Hereford from 18th January 2022 for eight weeks and will be led by experienced local historians speaking on subjects such as 'The Tudors to the Civil War'. There is a charge of £65 for the course. For those who go on to train as City Guides, they will select dates to cover six to eight tours during the summer months. They will be joining a prestigious group of guides by receiving a badge from the Mayor and enjoying ongoing training sessions and events such as trips to other cities and social outings.

Are you interested? For more information please email the Course Organiser
Joy Roderick on joy.roderick@btinternet.com

Over the Burley Gate



'You know how our Community Shop is always in need of egg boxes?'

'Don't they have a notice "Please Return egg boxes?"'

'Yes, but some Wally thought it said "burn egg boxes"!'

'Should have gone to Spec Savers.'

'Have you been down the Burley Gate high road lately?'

'Oh yes that track is now so popular with dog walkers, hikers, strollers, horses-riders that we'll soon require social distancing notices not to mention masks.'

'The other day a HUGE lorry attempted to negotiate the track. It finally managed it after an hour.' 'You mean it could have been another Suez crisis?'

'I'm on a rubbish rant' 'Ah, what's new?'

'Walking along the country lanes I see cans, bottles, take away food packaging among our lovely hedgerows – just chucked out of cars. In America at a McDonald's Drive Thru, they stamp your vehicle number on your goods.'

'Brilliant, what I don't get is that cans and bottle are recyclable, but not bio-degradable.'



'You know it's not cool to have a bell on a bike, let alone to use it these days? Mind you the other day a keen cyclist had heavy metal blasting out of his ears - no bell was necessary.'

'Personally, I wouldn't care for a loaded tractor on my tail that I couldn't hear.'

'All this hair snipping and I have to wait until late May. When I lived in Peru I had a friend with a big poodle and I asked her if she cut the dog's hair. She said 'yes', so I said if you can cut a poodle's curly hair you can cut mine - and she did. Anyone with a poodle?'

'I've got a new title for a book "Swallows and Snowfall."'

'How's that?'

'Well on April 12th when we had all that snow, I saw my first swallows of the season.'

'Whatever season that was.....'

(Editor)email: wanaki@btinternet.com or Tel. 820436 and leave a message.

Dovecote Barn Garden

Spring Opening for the National Garden Scheme

We are delighted that we have been given the go ahead by The National Garden Scheme (NGS) to open our garden on

Saturday May 8th and Sunday May 9th, 11am - 4pm

The NGS raises money for various caring charities including Marie Curie Cancer Care and Macmillan Nursing and this year, more than any, charities are in great need of donations. The entrance fee for our garden is £4 for adults, children are free.

This is the first time we have opened the garden in May and, as lockdown is gradually released, you will have the opportunity to step outside your own home and come to visit our springtime garden in Stoke Lacy. You do not need to travel far and you can enter the garden from the church car park.

If you would like to book a visit in advance you can do so online at ngs.org.uk. Search for Dovecote Barn to find our garden on the website. Please be aware that visitors will be expected to maintain social distancing at all times, even if they have been vaccinated.

If you would like any further information please contact us on **01432 820968**

We do hope you will come and visit us, and it would be great if you could encourage friends and family to come along too. We would like to share our garden with as many of you as possible and it would be wonderful to raise a substantial sum for such worthy charities.

Please put the dates in your diary, We look forward to seeing you then.

Gill Pinkerton and Adrian Yeeles, Dovecote Barn

Ps: If you can't visit us in May, we'll be open again on 11 & 12 of September.



Burley Gate Community Shop and Post Office



Most of our readers will know us by now as a small local Community Shop and Post Office located in the car park at Burley Gate Village Hall. The shop is run by a friendly team of volunteers with Phil and Lisa running the Post Office.

With the amazing COVID vaccination programme in full swing and many having had their two jabs, it is important to note that whilst the vaccine reduces the risk of serious infection and hospitalisation it is still possible to contract the virus and pass it on to others. Keeping this in mind, we must do all we can to help protect ourselves and each other, particularly those who have not yet been vaccinated, by sticking to the rules, wearing face coverings and social distancing. As the welcome gradual easing of restrictions continues, it is in all our best interests to remain vigilant.

The Shop and Post Office currently close at 1pm Monday to Friday, with weekend opening unchanged. We will endeavour to maintain these hours dependent on the availability of volunteers and staff, and may need to adjust our opening times at short notice. There are no plans at present to change the opening hours.

We get deliveries of our staples including newspapers and magazines from Smiths News, local eggs from Judy and John Orgee, ham, bacon and cheese from Willersey Provisions and ice cream from Bennetts. Our volunteers collect bread from Lamings Bakery Wednesday to Saturday, and bread is also available on Tuesdays.

The Matthews family of Bartonsham Dairy retired at the end of March and the business has transferred to Cotteswold Dairy, who will continue to supply our milk and cream from the Hereford Depot. We thank the Bartonsham team for their help and support over many years in providing an essential ingredient in our daily lives.

Fiona from Kwicksnax has returned with white and wholemeal rolls with a variety of fillings throughout the week, and we continue to have pasties and pork pies from Lamings on Tuesdays. These options together with a soft drink or take out hot drink, crisps and fruit are ideal for a quick lunch for those on the go.

Shirley Breese is again bringing beautiful posies and bunches of flowers, tomato, vegetable and flower plants and seasonal, freshly harvested veg and salad crops. Emma from Farmhouse Bakes in Stoke Lacy continues to tempt us with her wide range of deliciously decadent home-made brownies. Our stocks of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, cigarettes and tobacco, chocolate and other confectionery, biscuits and dry and tinned goods continue to be regularly replenished. The stationery section is well worth a look and can furnish many of your day to day needs with envelopes, 'jiffy' bags, pens, pencils, adhesive tape, string, glue sticks and much more besides. Our greetings card range now includes examples from Sue Podbery, Anna, Cara Williams and Araminta, in addition to Archie Miles' beautiful photographic range. Together with the general cards there is something to suit every occasion.

Priory Cleaners have resumed collecting/delivering on **TUESDAYS**, please bring items for dry cleaning or laundering on a **MONDAY**.

It is with great sadness that we hear of the sudden death of **Clive Richards**, Lower Hope. He was a financial supporter of Burley Gate Community shop and Post Office at the start of our journey which we will always be extremely grateful for. Our condolences go out to his family at this sad time. **Ruth Jones**

Post Office

Our PO section provides many of the services available on the High Street.

Our most popular are:

MAILINGS - post your letters and parcels, home or abroad. For urgent mail use our Special Delivery before 1pm next day, our tracked and signed for International Post and Parcelforce 24/48 for those heavier parcels. We also process Catalogue returns that are pre-paid Royal Mail.

BANKING - With the closure of many of our High Street banks and ATMs why not pay in cheques and cash with us via your bank card or paying in slip? Cash deposits and withdrawals are available with all major banks, and with all major bank cards.

DVLA - Tax or SORN your car here.

UTILITY PAYMENTS - Pay your Water Rates, Council Tax, Electric, Gas, Telephone etc.

CURRENCY - Currencies are no longer available in branch but can be ordered online at postoffice.co.uk for secure next day delivery to branch (ordered before midday).

Mobile phone top-ups, fishing licences and various other goods and services.

DROP AND GO. Are you regularly sending mail but don't have time to wait in the Post Office for it to be processed? Then why not sign up for Drop and Go. An account can be opened with us or online at www.postoffice.co.uk/dropandgo You can then bring your mail to us and we do the rest. See the Post office staff for further details.

Opening Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
SHOP	8:00 – 1:00	8:00 – 1:00	8:00 – 1:00	8:00 – 1:00	8:00 – 1:00	8:30 – 12:30	8:30 – 10:30
POST OFFICE	9:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 1:00	9:00 – 12:30	Closed

There are no plans at present to change the opening hours. **Telephone 01432 820804**
Our small band of dedicated volunteers and staff are still soldiering on keeping the shop open seven days a week as they have, uninterrupted, for over a year. This entails collecting bread at 7am from Lamings, assembling and preparing the newspaper and bread orders, ordering from our suppliers, shopping, replenishing the shelves, cleaning and much more, besides serving behind the counter. Our thanks as always go to them and to our suppliers and their staff who work so hard to help keep us stocked.

March and April were eventful months, with Mothering Sunday, Easter, the Ocle Pychard Group Parish Council awarding us a '**Certificate of Appreciation**' (**pics overleaf**) and our appearance on Page 3 of the Hereford Times. We would like extend our thanks to OPGPC, the award has pride of place on the shop counter. The Hereford Times article has generated many page 3 related comments and no, we are not planning a calendar yet!

Special mention and thanks are due to Ed Hooper for his Easter expedition to Lamings on Maundy Thursday to collect 140 hot cross buns and 40 bread items and get them to us in time to fulfil the orders for our 8am shop opening. His self-control was remarkable given the delicious aroma in his vehicle.

Lisa is now putting pictures of new stock and up to date shop and Post Office information on the Burley Gate Community Shop Facebook page; it is well worth a look, or even better pop into the shop and see for yourselves.

Once again we send our best wishes, and thank you for your continued support, patience and good humour as we look forward to summer and the expectation of brighter times ahead now did someone mention a calendar??

The Shop Committee:

Ruth Jones, Chair - Ron Powell, Treasurer, Postmaster, Accountant

Christine Hooper, Secretary - Linda Perry, Shop Coordinator

Barry Lawrence, Minutes Secretary

The Community Shop and Post Office team



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Certificate of Appreciation

Burley Gate Community Shop And Post Office Staying Covid 19 Secure

Here at the Shop and Post Office we take minimising the risk of Covid infection to ourselves and our customers extremely seriously.

We have a cleansing and sanitising regime in place in line with current Government guidance and have a maximum of **TWO CUSTOMERS** in the shop at any one time to help maintain social distancing.

Everyone coming into the shop must wear a face covering which covers the nose and mouth. If you are unable to wear a face covering wait by the door and we will come to you. Please use the hand sanitiser provided, and respect social distancing.

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE SHOP IF:

- 1. YOU HAVE COVID SYMPTOMS.**
- 2. ARE AWAITING A TEST OR RESULTS OF A TEST.**
- 3. ARE SELF ISOLATING.**
- 4. ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ANYONE WITH SYMPTOMS OR IS AWAITING A TEST OR THE RESULTS OF A TEST.**
- 5. IF IN DOUBT DO NOT COME INTO THE SHOP.**

IF YOU NEED ADVICE PLEASE RING US (shop: 01432 820804)

We are fighting an invisible enemy and are reliant on each other to be responsible and to consider each other as well as ourselves. Please bear in mind that if any of the Volunteers or Post Office staff have symptoms or have to self isolate we will have to close. We are indeed fortunate to live in an area which currently has a relatively low incidence of infection, so let us continue to work together and do our utmost to keep it that way.

Thank you and best wishes **Linda Perry (Shop Co-ordinator)**



Ocle Pychard Group Parish Council

Chair	Giles Blackmore	Ocle Pychard	Councillor	VACANCY	Ocle Pychard
Vice-Chair	Simon Wells	Ullingswick	Councillor	Pauline Watkins	Ocle Pychard
Councillor	Clare Edwards	Felton	Councillor	Iain Collinson	Felton
Councillor	Ruth Jones	Ocle Pychard	Ward Councillor	Jonathan Lester	
Councillor	Richard Leitch	Ullingswick	Parish Clerk	Emma Thomas	
Councillor	Paul Mess	Ullingswick			

The April meeting was the last online one permitted by legislation. Due to the period of public mourning for Prince Phillip, we were obliged by law to shift our meeting to the 27th April.

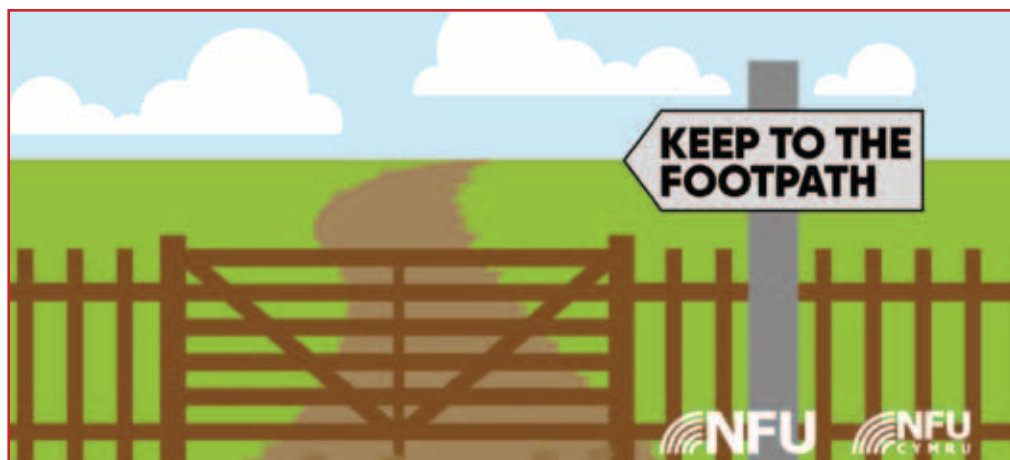
We are also awaiting the results of a court hearing mid-April as to whether remote meetings will continue. This is important as we must by law hold a meeting in May.

We are liaising with the Hall Committee as to how and when we will have face to face meetings, and the social distancing required.

We will post on our website and other online media once we know how it will be held, along with the noticeboards in all three parishes.

The Council took a licence application as correspondence in March. This was very late coming in and caused a number of issues as to the overall development of the site at the Shires in Ullingswick. We are awaiting feedback from the County Council Planning Department. We expect a planning application for the development of the site.

There is a large backlog of planning applications currently awaiting decisions; this is mostly due to the phosphate issue with the Lugg and Wye, of which we are in the rivers' catchment area. **Giles Blackmore**



Much Cowarne Group Parish Council

We have a vacancy on the Parish Council as Eddie Hooper has resigned as a councillor. I would like to thank him sincerely for giving his time and for the work he has done. He always had a view during discussions and was happy to express it!

If anyone is interested in joining the Parish Council please let me or any of the other councillors know. In normal times we meet 10 times a year to discuss parish related issues etc.

Since the last newsletter the Parish Council has had a Zoom meeting. We discussed:

Defibrillator – Heather Thompson has raised funds to install several defibrillators around the parishes. As you are probably aware she has recently asked people to donate to raise funds for ongoing maintenance and repairs. The defibrillator is an asset to the parish and could save lives, so the Parish Council has undertaken to pay for the maintenance and repair of the one installed in our old phone box at the top of Mill Lane.

Litter Pick – We have in the past organised a litter pick on the parish lanes around March before the verges grow. Over the last couple of years we have not needed to do this as several parishioners have picked up litter as they have walked. However two regular pickers will not now be doing it. Emily Slayman is away with work commitments and Gilly Hunt is moving from the Tan House with Terry to be closer to their family. A big thank you to all those that ‘pick’ as it makes such a difference and if any others can do the same when walking it would be appreciated.

Road signs – Two of the ‘Much Cowarne’ signs on the parish boundaries are missing. We are in the process of getting them replaced.

There has been discussion about the possibility of Harps Lane (footpath running from The Five Bridges to Panks Bridge) being stoned and upgraded. Although this could benefit walkers and possibly horse riders it could affect parishioners living near and on the lane especially as it goes through some gardens. We have been told that any changes have to go through the proper process which includes consultation. At the moment the Parish Council has not been notified.

At last we are beginning to see the easing of lockdown. Let’s hope this continues as planned and we can all meet up again. *Martin Hoskins*

Stoke Lacy 100 Club

January 2021

1st Esme Collier £20
2nd Mary Parker £10
3rd Sally Jones £5

February 2021

1st B M Malliaeu £20
2nd Patrick Howells £10
3rd Mary Caiger £5

March 2021

1st Kate Parker £20
2nd Sam Ivison £10
3rd Kate Harvey £5

April 2021

1st Jo Davies £20
2nd Clive Darby £10
3rd Kate Harvey £5

Any enquiries, please ring *Tina Lively 01432 820154*

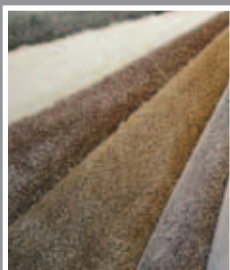
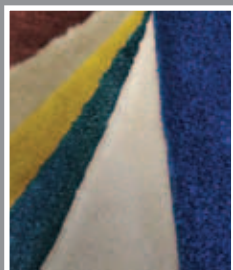
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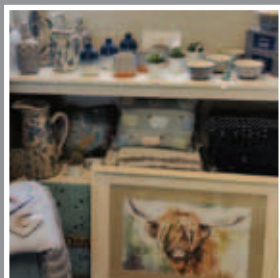


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The Weathervane at Burley Gate

I was recently contacted by a lady doing research on sculptures in Herefordshire asking about the weathervane on Burley Gate roundabout:



The weathervane was erected on the Burley Gate roundabout to commemorate the Queen's Diamond jubilee. Below is an extract of the letter I sent to Hereford Council's planning department at the time, which explained our request.

"From Much Cowarne Group Parish Council

As this is a slightly different Planning application I thought it might be helpful to explain why we have applied to put a feature on the Burley Gate Roundabout

In January 2012 we, like all the parishes in Herefordshire, had a letter from the Lord Lieutenant for Hereford, the Countess of Darnley. In her letter she asked us to support the celebrations of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the suggestion was that we should erect beacons that could be lit across the County.

At the next Parish Council meeting we discussed the request. However, there was no natural point to erect a beacon in our parishes so we talked about perhaps putting up a permanent feature instead, and we then approached our neighbouring parish Group, Ocle Pychard to see if we could do this as a joint project.

We put an article in the Community Newsletter asking parishioners for ideas, and when the two Parish Councils met again we decided that we would try to put something on the Burley Gate roundabout which is near the boundary of the two parish groups. There was a lot of discussion and the points of concern were:

Were we allowed to put something on the roundabout?

Would it be a hazard to drivers?

Would it be stolen for metal theft?

1. On the first point of being allowed to put something on the roundabout we had informal talks with the Planning and Highways departments and had positive feedback so we were hopeful

2. On the second concern about driver safety we were encouraged by the response of Highways, and the weather vane has been designed so that it can be looked through and does not block the view of cars either entering or on the roundabout. It is not imposing and should not distract drivers.

3. Thirdly, metal theft is a concern, but the feature will be concreted into the ground. It will be relatively light with low scrap value and the roundabout being lit at night should act as a deterrent. We are hopeful therefore that this will not be a problem

We have asked a local blacksmith to design and quote to construct the weathervane. It will be galvanised to minimise maintenance and the Parish Councils will undertake to keep the area around it cut or clear as appropriate.

We believe this is a great feature to celebrate the Queen's diamond jubilee. It will be an interesting addition to the area and it will also name the roundabout.

By having a permanent feature and funding it jointly with our neighbouring parish group we think this is better value for money and we hope this committee will allow us to proceed."

Martin Hoskins – Chairman Much Cowarne Group Parish Council

We had initially thought a sign post on the roundabout pointing towards all the different local parishes would be affordable and would create local interest. This idea was soon scuppered by Hereford Council's Highway department, who decided that the proposal would distract motorists and could lead to accidents!

We then moved on to the weathervane idea and eventually the planning application was approved and we commissioned Alex Wilkins and his son Floyd, local blacksmiths at Lower Eggleton, to construct the weathervane. We are extremely grateful to them and the result is testament to their skill and artistic flair.

Once fabricated the weathervane was assembled and then taken and erected on Burley Gate roundabout on a Sunday morning when there was little traffic about!

Martin Hoskins

Correction - Burley Gate School 1953 (from last issue)

One reader spotted the “deliberate mistake” in the last issue: in the names of the people listed (page 18) in the 1953 photograph of Burley Gate school, in the centre row, Mrs Evie Jones was wrongly named as Davies; she was known as “Mrs Canteen Jones”. My apologies. *(Editor)*

Burley Gate C E School

The children have started the Summer Term and are looking forward to taking part in our sports clubs, which include tag rugby, netball, rounders and multi-skills.

The children in Class 1 and Class 4 have been working hard in our wonderful forest school in the first week of term.

Class 1 have been looking at living and non-living things as part of the Science curriculum. The children in Class 4 have been identifying trees and calculating their ages by using a method involving the circumference of the tree trunk! Our trees in the forest school range from 2 years to 40 years old.

Later in the term Class 4 are looking forward to a trip to Oaker Wood, where they will take part in challenging activities including a low ropes challenge, rafting and target shooting. Class 3 are starting a new geography topic – ‘Climate Around the World’ - where they will be looking at the variation of different types of weather on the different continents. They are also working hard to develop their individual hockey skills so that they can begin to play small games, learning rules and tactical play. *Mrs J Dixon - Deputy Head Teacher*

Ocle Pychard Ramblings

It has been “a long and winding road”, (as the Beatles wrote), to get us to this point in time. Who would have believed, last March, the extremely difficult time we would all have; but now better days are ahead and the vaccine rollout is gathering pace for both first and second vaccinations, the clocks have changed, the weather is improving and everything is looking brighter. Although I must say that the weather did throw us a curved ball last week, waking up to snow was a bit of a surprise!

Everywhere you look spring is at full throttle; the hedges have that lovely lime green look that only new foliage has and the sounds of new life are to be heard in every tree, hedgerow and field. What an amazing time of the year and so much promise of the good things in store for the summer months! I went for a walk up to Ocle Pychard Church this morning and the churchyard is a riot of colour with swathes of pale, lemony primroses and cowslips, and delicate mauve violets. Such a sight to behold as I paused in the warm sunshine to listen to the bird song and the constant hum of the insects in the air. Glorious! Ocle Pychard Church had its first service, since the lockdown started last March, on Easter Sunday and it was lovely to be able to meet other members of our community, albeit socially distanced, to catch up with them and find out how they have coped over the past year. It felt like we were emerging from winter hibernation into the sunshine.

From now on, (unless we are told otherwise), the church at Ocle Pychard will be celebrating Holy Communion at 8.30am on the first Sunday of every month.

So enjoy the sunshine and this marvellous season and let's look forward to the summer months ahead. *Sally Ridler*



CLIVE RICHARDS CBE KSG DL 1937 – 2021

Clive Richards, aged 83, made Herefordshire his home for the last 38 years. He was born and educated in Birmingham/Black Country and qualified as a Chartered Accountant, Cost and Management Accountant and Chartered Secretary in 1959. Having moved to the City of London in 1960 he spent 50 years becoming a serial entrepreneur building up 10 PLCs in various industries subsequently merging/selling them.

Outside his business career, his major interests were the Estate in Herefordshire where there are 2 farming enterprises,

Lower Hope Farms & Lower Hope Fruit where they grow the most delicious prizewinning cherries. He won Fruit Grower of the Year in both 2011 and 2015.

His other interest was the Clive and Sylvia Richards Charity which was established in 1986/7. It currently gives away £1 - £2M a year to a wide variety of charities including education, hospitals, hospices, heritage and overseas. The Charity has grown over the years and now has 6 independent Trustees.

He was awarded the Knighthood of the Equestrian Order of St. Gregory the Great, by Pope Francis in 2018 and in January 2020 he was awarded the Commander of the British Empire for services to charity and to the community in Herefordshire.

Clive was passionate about so many things and endeavoured to help as many as he could either by advice, support via his Charity, fundraising events or opening his beautiful gardens at Lower Hope. He would often be seen wandering around his garden on the National Garden Scheme open days with his beloved Labrador dogs not far behind.

He kept strong connections with his old Grammar School, Bishop Vesey in Sutton Coldfield, as his education and guidance there set him off on his career path to, in his own words, 'make a few bob' which he later generously shared with others.

He has been a mentor to many now very successful businessmen, singers, musicians, sportsmen, doctors and accountants.

Over the years he was actively involved with the Herefordshire Young Farmers, most of the schools in Herefordshire and beyond where many have annexes, buildings, football/rugby pitches, new classrooms etc named after him, Malvern Theatres, Conquest Theatre, Bromyard Leisure Centre, Bromyard Sports Foundation and Bromyard Rugby Clubs to name just a few.

Clive lived his life to the absolute fullest. A keen sportsman in cricket and rugby playing at county level, went skiing twice a year, enjoyed sailing, fishing and shooting.

Clive passed away peacefully at home on Friday 16 April. He is survived by his wife Sylvia, 3 children and 4 grandchildren.

Who Goes There? The Tale Of The Much Cowarne Toll

As curiosity has been expressed in the mention in a recent Community Newsletter article of a toll at Much Cowarne I thought that a few background details of this short lived obstruction might be of interest?

The late 17th century to the late 19th century was the age of the Turnpike Trusts. The condition of the roads was so bad and they were so badly maintained that improvements had to be made for the growth of wheeled traffic. When this developed in the late 17th century the parishes were unable to provide the required standard of highway maintenance. A nationwide system of turnpike roads came into existence. These were established under individual Acts of Parliament for each stretch of road and were administered by local trusts. During the 18th century some 2,000 acts were passed especially between 1750-70. A General Turnpike Act was passed in 1773 to speed up the parliamentary process. By 1840, 22,000 miles of turnpike roads in England with nearly 8,000 toll-gates and bars were in existence.

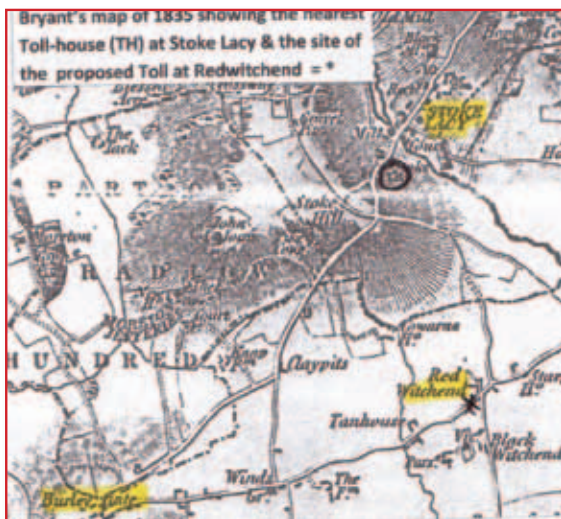
An act defined the stretch of road which had to be maintained by the Trustees named in the act and in return they could charge tolls to cover the expenses of making the road and maintaining it. Toll-bars and their associated toll-houses were constructed at the expense of the Trustees at intervals along the roads and in them lived the toll-keepers who collected the tolls laid down by the Trustees. The Trustees could set up their table of Tolls, a sign-board was put up on the toll-house and the money collected was used to improve and to maintain the roads. When the County Councils were formed in 1888 they took over the maintenance of these roads and the Trusts were wound up. At the time of the restoration of the church bells in 2009 the Much Cowarne Toll board was found in the church and for many years it had been painted over and used as a notice board. Careful renovation revealed some of the lettering which has been transcribed for easier reading (see illustrations).

TABLE OF TOLLS		
TO BE TAKEN ON THE HIGHWAY-ROADS		
REG. WICHINGEN CITY — FROOME GATE		
For every Horse, Mule, or any other beast or Cattle drawing any Cart, Omnibus	Barcock, Charlton, Chaise, Calash Caiside	5.0
Taxed car	Caravan, Van, Hearse, Litter	0.6
For every Horse, Ass, Mule, or other Beast or Cattle drawing any Wagon	Carriage, The sum of —	0.6
The sum of —		
For every (Horse, Mule,) Ass or other Beast (drawing any) waggon	of the wheel	
Not of the breadth	when such wheel	
The bottom		
Shall be rolling	the whole breadth of the	6.412
The tire	surface and the	
of such wheel could so as not to rise above		
The surface	The sum of —	
And of the wheel of		
The sum of —		
Used for the Luggage	of Timber or other heavy Goods	
Having the fore axle tree	and the rear axle tree at a greater distance of 1 ymore than eight feet from each other. The sum of —	1.0
And in case the tire of the wheels or any or either such last men		
the carriage used as abovesaid shall be of the breadth of six inches		
Or upwards at the bottom or	shall be so	
acted that when such wheels shall	on a flat or	0.6
Load surface the whole breadth of	shall bear equal	
on such flat or level surface	the tire of such wheels	
Constructed so as not to	such tire, The sum of —	
For every carriage shall four wheels fastened by any		
Wagon, with cart or other shaft	the sum of —	0.6
For every empty carriage with two wheels fastened the sum of		
Three, packed, or loaded. Double such respective sums		3.152
For every Horse, Ass or Mule laden or unladen or not drawing the sum of		0.612
For every Ox, Cow, calf or Hear Cattle not drawing the sum of		0.612
For every Wag. Pig, Sheep or Lamb the sum of		0.014
For carriage moved or propelled by steam or machinery		
Or by any other power than animal power the sum of		
Shilling per wheel for each wheel thereof and		
For every Dog, Goat or other such animal drawing any cart		0.3
Carriage, truck, Barrow or other such cart carriage		
DOUBBLE TOLLS		
Carriages employed in carrying Timber, Building Materials		
the 20th Day of September and the Day of		
EXEMPTIONS		
Whereas	half	
materials for building		
Public Highways of Drawing Tolls or		
Of level under the	of February and the 1st day of	
N.B. Payment of Toll at the	and at Station	
All the Gates named on this Board		
REDWICHINGEN GATE FROOME AND ACTON		
Order of the Trustees of the said	T. GRIFFITHS Clerk to the said Trustees	

Much Cowarne was in the area administered by the Bromyard Turnpike Trust whose first Act was in 1752. Initially the Trust had responsibility for part of the five main roads leading from Bromyard – to Hereford (now A465), to Worcester (A44), Leominster (A44), Ledbury (B4214) and Tenbury (B4214). Bryant's Map of Herefordshire of 1835 shows the absence of the Much Cowarne Toll and is the only one of that period to indicate the location of Toll-Houses (TH), and Toll-Bars (TB).

Up until about 1820 the "road" from Burley Gate to Bishops Cleeve was composed of several unjoined sections used only to service the cottages and farms along its length. Access to Bromyard northwards from Wynns Green and Much Cowarne was along existing routes to join the main Hereford to Bromyard toll-road. In 1821 a plan was submitted to Hereford Quarter Sessions to join up these sections to form a complete roadway. During the following twenty

years this road which went through to Acton Green and Suckley became a favoured route for drovers from the west who used it to avoid paying the tolls at Stoke Lacy and at the several toll points in and around Bromyard. This avoidance was noted by the Trustees and a plan was prepared for this to become a Turnpike road. In 1843 there was a further local Act for the repair of this road which also allowed the erection of a Toll-House at "Red Witchend Gate". The Much Cowarne Tithe map of 1847 is the first indication of a Toll-House on the present site. No doubt the first houses would have been quite small as money collected from the tolls in the first instance had to be invested in constructing and maintaining the roads. On the other hand a gate-keeper was needed to collect the money.



In the 1851 Census the "Gatekeeper" at Much Cowarne is listed as William Prosser, aged 47 who lived there with his wife and five children until his death in 1871. In later Censuses his wife is recorded as the "Tollkeeper" and he has become an "agricultural labourer". Prior to the death of William Prosser changes had been taking place with Highway Acts of 1835 and 1862 creating Highway Boards to levy rates on parishes to maintain roads and bridges. In 1894 these were taken over by the District Councils. Railways had arrived and had taken away a lot of the traffic from the roads. The need for toll-houses and collectors was no longer necessary. By about 1870 on the expiration of an Act the trustees of the individual turnpike acts decided to dispose of their toll-houses.

Bromyard was no exception and in October 1875 the toll-houses administered by the Trustees were advertised for sale at varying prices according to their position and condition. Private sales were made for some, including Red Witchend whilst others were offered for auction. The Red Witchend toll-house was by this time presumably in a bad condition as it was sold for £22 to Rev. John J.G.Graham, the Vicar of Much Cowarne. This was the lowest amount of all the sales! In the 1881 Census the sole occupant of the "Old Turnpike" was Mary Harrington, 63 and a "Charwoman" who presumably was a tenant of the Church.

The land surrounding the toll-cottage had previously been sold to the Church as "Glebe land" and as such was excluded from the sale of the Cowarne Court Estate in 1876 to Colonel Robert Bourne. However, sometime later he must have obtained ownership of the old toll-cottage as it was included in his extensive re-building programme from 1883 to c.1900. By the time of the 1891 Census the new cottage, still on the same site and then called "Witchend Corner Cottage" was occupied by the growing family of Vincent Boulcott. He had been appointed Parish Clerk and Sexton in 1873 at a salary of £4 per annum so was already established in the village in addition to his trade as a local blacksmith. In 1921 at the sale of the Cowarne Court Estate the cottage and the adjacent Black Wyched Farm was purchased by his son Edwin and the cottage remained in the family until 1966.

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Lower Hope Gardens



As we slowly pull ourselves out of this Pandemic, it seems as though we can plan to open Lower Hope Gardens to the public again, albeit cautiously. As it stands, we are expecting to open the gates on Sunday 23rd May, 2pm – 5pm.

Regrettably we cannot supply refreshments, mainly because the NGS volunteers are of a certain age but also it makes social distancing more difficult. Instead, you are welcome to bring your own drinks and snacks to eat in the grounds, providing of course you take your litter home with you! The toilets will be available. The NGS Yellow Book website allows you to book in advance, however I gather it isn't altogether straightforward, so our own



gardeners are preparing to take your cash on the gate (no cards please). £7.50 per adult and £2 per child. It is possible that you might be asked to wait if we are incredibly busy, but generally speaking 5 acres is enough room for people to spread out.

If things are still going to plan after that, then the following dates will be: 4th July, 8th August and 12th September, but please check the website for up to date information
www.lowerhopegardens.co.uk

Holbatch Lane, or The Green Lane

The article in the January-February 2021 issue of the Newsletter, entitled "The Three Rivers Ride: Footpath and bridleway known as The Green Lane" by Iain and Liz Collinson has prompted a flood of memories for John Roberts of Stoke Lacy.

He tells me that he was born and lived for several years at "The Lodge", where they kept chickens and pigs, and grew their own vegetables. This was several fields away from Rosemaund Farm, on the lane, which became an experimental farm in 1952. At that time, there were nine cottages belonging to the farm, of which five were at Preston Wynne and one in the lane. The only way to reach that one was through the farm. John's father laid the hedges along the lane, and the wood chips were then bagged up for firewood.

John left school in 1956 and went to work on the farm. However, this only lasted 2 months, as he cut himself badly while mangold pulling, and this was the end of his farm working. Then he entered the motor trade and became a qualified mechanic. He went to Abergavenny and worked maintaining the lorries contracted to the Ebbw Vale steel works. Later, following the death of his father, he returned to his family, who had moved to Stoke Lacy. Here, he went to work for Frome Valley Transport, driving lorries, and became an expert at the maintenance of them.

Among other memories, are those of Bob Collins who could drive a tractor and taught him to do so too, the Woods of Crozen Cottage (who had a big family), and Bill Davies at the Crozen pub, where on a Sunday evening he would go with his family and enjoy lemonade and Smiths crisps (with the little blue bag of salt). He also heard about the plane crash at the end of WW2, and was most disappointed that the commemorative plaque was installed in Preston Wynne church and not in Felton church, since the crash actually occurred within the boundaries of the parish of Felton.

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The Frome Valley Group of Parishes

May 2021	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
Much Cowarne		10.00am Matins RA		10.00am Holy Communion RA	
Ocle Pychard	8.30am Holy Communion SB				
	Easter 5 White Acts 8.26-40 Psalm 22.25-31 John 15.1-8	Easter 6 White Acts 10.44-48 Psalm 98 John 15.9-17	Easter 7 White Acts 1.15-17,21-26 Psalm 1 John 17.6-19	Pentecost Red Acts 2.1-21 Psalm 104.26-36,37b John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15	Trinity Sunday Gold or White Isaiah 6.1-8 Psalm 29 John 3.1-17

June 2021	6th	13th	20th	27th	4th July
Much Cowarne		10.00am Matins		10.00am Holy Communion	
Ocle Pychard	8.30am Holy Communion				8.30am Holy Communion
	Trinity 1 Green 1 Samuel 8.4-11 Psalm 138 Mark 3.20-35	Trinity 2 Green 1 Samuel 15.34 - 16.13 Psalm 20 Mark 4.26-34	Trinity 3 Green 1 Samuel 17. 32-49 Psalm 9.9-20 Mark 4.35-41	Trinity 4 Green 2 Samuel 1.1,17-27 Psalm 130 Mark 5.21-43	Trinity 5 Green 2 Samuel 5.1-5,9-10 Psalm 48 Mark 6.1-13

Online Coffee Morning on zoom

Our coffee mornings will continue on Wednesday's at 10:30 until we can hold one in person, just let me know if you would like to be added to the list as you can only log in with an invitation Steven

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Plant Puzzle Answers

1. Hollyhock
2. Mushroom
3. Cucumber
4. Anemone
5. Toadstool
6. Dandelion
7. Scots pine
8. Crabapple
9. Forgetmenot
10. Carnation
11. Monkey puzzle
12. Tomato
13. Lettuce
14. Butternut squash
15. Palm tree
16. Silver birch
17. Buttercup
18. Potato

19. Coconut
 20. Cabbage
 21. Carrot
 22. Rosemary
 23. Hawthorn
 24. Bullrush
 25. Foxglove
 26. Pumpkin
 27. Orchid
 28. Lupin
 29. Banana
 30. Barley
 31. Mistletoe
 32. Mangrove
 33. Marigold
- How many did you get right?
Now try the "Creatures" puzzle!
Janet Forrest

Creature Clues

Birds

1. Horse chess piece in high wind.
2. Loud hat on insect.
3. Hissing speech
4. Sunny-coloured tool.
5. Short chicken on wild upland.
6. Short length of wheat leftovers.
7. Sounds like Scottish gamekeeper with French word.
8. Depressed nipple.
9. Bright spark ends up in heather.
10. This bird looks the age of pigs.
11. Royalty hunts food in water.
12. Short periodical goes into a pastry dish.
13. Writing tool sounds like it's running out.
14. A bit ostentatiously wealthy.

Mammals

15. Wicked short German.
 16. Noisy rain is precious.
 17. Greek god of nature goes here and there in Germany or Austria.
 18. The jealous guard of its boundary.
 19. Two of us noisily exchange goods for cash.
- Janet Forrest*

20. My French unlocking tool.
21. Polish and somehow greet.
22. Mummy night flyer (in ancient times).
23. Insect to run away to mate.

Insects And Others

23. Father has lengthy limbs.
24. Hearing organ has a hair cap on.
25. Female flyer.
26. Fat to take to the air.
27. Male bird with fish.
28. Catch sight of German article.
29. Short Queen sounds tough.
30. Pet hesitates before support column.
31. Fish arm on girl's toy.
32. Total up then hesitate.
33. Behold some milk pudding.

Can you beat your result from the "Plant Puzzle"? Do let us know how you get on.
(Editor)

Sightings at Panks Bridge



The bluebells by our Katy pond may be Spanish!! The scarecrow is to frighten away the first rabbit we have seen cause holes in our garden in all our 51 years at the Panks Bridge Farm. The Robin was

sitting on four eggs in a nest in cardboard box in our ex-kennels, and as you can see three have hatched? The Robin usually finds a spot in



my farm workshop! Friends and neighbour have seen a Polecat, a Kingfisher and Red Kite about recently, and we saw our first Swallow the other day but reports are coming back from the parish of more! We haven't heard the Cuckoo yet though. *Martin Hewitt*



Community Defibrillators

I recently emptied the collection box for the defibrillator that is always available in the shop, and as a result I paid £29.05 into the Community Heartbeat Account that is held in our name. I returned the £4 in out-of-date pound coins, the euros and dollars to the collecting box to be dealt with later. As I was trying to raise £270 to pay the management charge for the two defibrillators this left me in a quandary, but luckily for us a very generous individual has paid to cover the cost of the defibrillator at Burley Gate and Much Cowarne Group Parish Council has volunteered to take over the running costs of the defibrillator at Mill Lane.

These defibrillators are there for everyone's benefit. The CHT tells me that in one week recently four of their managed defibrillators were used, resulting in three lives being saved. Please remember that potentially these defibrillators could save your life or the life of a loved one.

Heather Thompson



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News from bromyard food bank & money advice centre

Since the start of the pandemic the food bank in Bromyard has become a registered charity incorporated with a Community Money Advice Connect Centre to alleviate poverty through emergency food and appropriate money and debt help. We operate from a base of Anglican, Methodist and Catholic churches and community volunteers in the Bromyard Deanery area. Formerly working with Christians Against Poverty, CMA encourages wide church and community involvement.

In March the Food Bank had another busy month, with 43 parcels sent out to support families in Bromyard and the surrounding area. We are very fortunate that the big Co-op continue to supply short-dated fresh food, chicken, beef mince, fruit and vegetables. This helps supplement the usual tins and long-life products that we send out alongside cleaning materials and pet food. Please contact Allyson on 07942 672077 if you need support or would like to make a donation.

The Money Advice team continue to support 12 families and have managed to get more than £6300 in grants to help with fuel poverty and other needs. There are currently six fully trained money mentors helping local people with debt, however we are very busy with new enquiries for our services every week and we would welcome contact from anyone who would be interested in training with CMA to support this need. Please call Helen Combe on 07434 669103 if you would like to be involved or need support. The service is free, confidential and completely non-judgmental.

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Useful Contacts

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police, Fire, Ambulance: Emergencies only – 999
Crimestoppers – 0800 555111
Gas – 0800 111999
Electricity – 0800 328 1111 or New Number 105
Welsh Water – 0800 281432
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HEALTHCARE

NHS 111 – For urgent medical help that is not a 999 emergency, dial FREEPHONE 111
Hereford County Hospital, Union Walk, Hereford HR1 2ER – 01432 355444
2Gether NHS Foundation Trust Community Mental Health Service
25-27a St Owen Street, Hereford – 01432 265123
Herefordshire MIND, Ferncroft, 144 Ledbury Road, Hereford – 01432 275380
St Michael's Hospice, Bartestree, Hereford – 01432 851000
Ledbury Community Hospital – 01531 632488

HELP AND SUPPORT

Police (for non-emergency help and advice) – 101
NSPCC Helpline (24 hour) – 0808 800 5000
Child Protection Helpline – 0800 800500
Childline (24 hours) – FREEPHONE 0800 1111
Samaritans, 44a Berrington Street, Hereford – 116123 (UK National Number)
Herefordshire Carers Emergency Card Scheme – 01432 356068
Age UK – 01531 631280
Citizens Advice Bureau – 0344 826 9685
Action Fraud (for fraud and cyber crime) – actionfraud.police.co.uk – 0300 123 2040
West Mercia Police (for non-emergencies) – 0300 333 3000
The Silver Line (for help, advice or protection for older people) – 0800 4 70 80 90
RSPCA (cruelty, neglect, concern 24 hours) – 0300 123 4999

Herefordshire Council:

- Council Tax – 01432 260360
- Highways – 01432 261800
- Waste Management, Bin Collections & Recycling – 01432 260051
- Benefits – 01432 260333
- Environmental Health – 01432 261761
- Main Switchboard – 01432 260000

Social Services:

- Adult Social Care: help and advice – 01432 260101
- If you have any concerns that a child might be at risk of harm or being harmed, contact the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 01432 260800 (01905 768020 out of hours)