

T H E C O M M U N I T Y

NEWSLETTER

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All Good Gifts



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Letter from the Editor

Harvesting has been well underway for some time now in our area, as ever at the mercy of our rather variable weather! This year our personal harvest has given us a surplus of courgettes and plums, so marrow and ginger jam and plum crumbles are the order of the day. But after so many very hot days the weather was bound to break, and we witnessed some very dramatic thunderstorms which predictably led to my son's elderly border collie spending the night under his bed. This is not normally allowed, but a raging storm is a bit special of course, and she has always been very frightened of thunderstorms.

This led me to ponder an old dilemma of mine - the differences between reasons and excuses. It first came to my attention while I was working with young people in secure accommodation who had been convicted of criminal behaviour. At first, there was a hearty degree of scepticism about a team of NHS mental health workers being brought in, especially among younger workers who tended to be of the "lock them up and throw away the key" opinion.

We considered the comparison with cars. If your car chokes and splutters and refuses to go any further, what do you do? Kick it, (remember John Cleese in "Fawlty Towers"?!), push it out of sight into the garage, lock it away and forget about it? Possibly satisfying in the moment, but not exactly productive. Or ask a good mechanic to bring it back to life for you? Much more productive, and will save you a lot of money in the longer term.

You can see where I'm going with this..... Should we look after these young people and try to get them back on the right track by sorting out the difficulties, or write them off as "no-hopers", not worth spending time or money on? But workers with these young people are not the only ones who are confused by reasons or excuses. I am reminded of politicians (oh dear!), - if the situation is my own, then the explanation is clearly a reason, fully justified, whereas if I am talking about someone else, it's surely an excuse, no justification at all. I can think of a special advisor and a president who illustrate this very nicely, and without apology, but we do it ourselves too - don't we?

So was the collie under the bed in a thunderstorm a reason or an excuse?
Your views please!

Keep well and stay safe.

Please get in touch - if you use email, it's jbgcommnews@gmail.com

If not, please ring me on **01432 820124** and I will write it down for you.

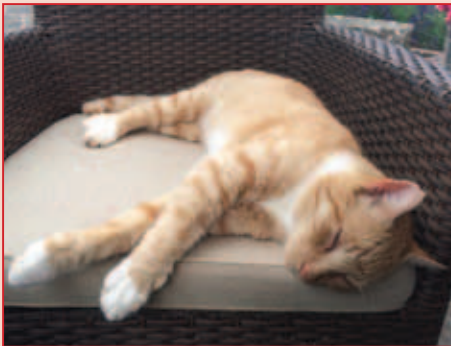
So there's no excuse!

Judy Debenham

To whom it may concern:

It is gratifying to know that Mr Timmy Macavity has a legal assistant who so clearly has concern for his client's welfare and reputation. I have to say I'm inclined to rest my case upon the very act of such a letter of concern. To my mind it proves how skilful Mr T. Macavity is in making even his legal team believe in the 'poor Timmy' syndrome. It reminds me of a certain high Parliamentary Advisor, who took the same stance in his garden, when explaining his gaddings to the North of England.

The other evening, whilst watering the garden, Mr T. Macavity had apparently seen fit to enter my house by jumping over the closed lower stable door – no doubt seeking food or perhaps some valuables to flog. Unfortunately, due to the dry weather there were no paw marks for taking prints. It was clearly trespass if not burglary – the inventory is still being checked. And now his legal eagle, on behalf of Mr Timmy Macavity, is demanding Whiskers and Dreamies and a full apology. I say dream on..... for your client has taken matters into his own paws by entering my property uninvited. Sorry but '*mi casa no es tu casa.*'
The Rightful Owner of Wanaki



Well done William!

Penny Mess (Ullingswick) writes:

"I went to see William's end of football season awards on 24th July. He plays defence for Bartestree under 9's. He was awarded the Supporters' Player of the Year, which I thought was quite an achievement. I have attached a photo of him with his award looking a little hot, as they had just played a friendly game!"



Much Cowarne Group Parish Council - September 2020

I wrote the previous Parish Council report in June at the height of the lockdown caused by the Covid 19 pandemic. We were all hoping that the worse would be behind us by the time the next issue of the Community Newsletter was published and maybe it is. Certainly restrictions have been eased, but it now feels as though we are at a point where things could go either way. The schools go back soon and let's hope that this will not result in more outbreaks and another round of lockdown restrictions.

The Parish Council met in June and because of the government guidelines we met outside at the Tan House where we were able to observe social distancing.

The Parish Council discussed:

Flooding on the junction on the turn off the Bishops Frome road that leads to the church, Mill Lane, Fir Tree etc – This has now been resolved and the drain under the road unblocked. There was some concern over a nearby BT cable, but this was avoided!!

There have been complaints about the smell and pollution of the water discharging near the church access road – This is being monitored and should involve the Environment Agency. The Parish Council are liaising with Herefordshire Council over the issue of flooding down Mill Lane – The situation was bad over the winter and we are trying to get some work done to minimise problems here. The situation has not been helped by the number of recent planning permissions that have been granted in and near Mill Lane. The Parish Council pointed out the problems to the planners on each application, but in their wisdom the planners granted permission without conditions with predictable results. In addition I now understand that all the water from the development site, at the top of Mill Lane on the junction opposite 'The Chestnuts', will be allowed to discharge into the ditch which is behind the houses on Mill Lane. I can only think that this will contribute to the existing problems.

There has been an application at what was known as 'Tack Farm' (now renamed 'Valley View Ranch and Equestrian Centre') for Glamping and mobile pods – The site is on the boundary of our parishes and any activity here is likely to have more impact on the residents of Ullingswick. Our response to the planners was to ask them to take into account noise and disturbance with the local residents.

Our footpath officer has installed some more kissing gates. This is part of an ongoing programme so that access is easier for walkers. We have installed them on paths that are used most frequently and make circular walks.

If you have any questions or concerns over parish matters please contact any of the Parish Councillors - Contact details are on the website:

Martin Hoskins – Chairman

Rob Lett – vice chairman

Ted Parkes

Gill Davies

Emily Slayman

George Day

Eddie Hooper

MCGPC website: <http://www.muchcowarnegrouppc.co.uk>

I've blown a fuse !

In the modern era it has too often been a case of "Out with the old and in with the new". As life moves fast, so do broken objects in this throwaway society – direct to recycling centres – as it seems easier to toss them out rather than resurrect or rejuvenate them. The days of tinkering with things that are failing or fractured are long gone. Or are they ?

TV programmes such as **"The Repair Shop"** and **"Find it, Fix it, Flog it"** have demonstrated that it is possible to save items from the skip.

I demonstrated to myself some months ago that it is possible to reduce the amount going to landfill during a visit to a relation when she said that she was going out the next day to buy a new food mixer as hers had broken. I offered to take a look at it and 2 minutes later it was bursting into life again, kick started by the fitting of a new fuse.

Fortunately there are many other people in our communities who are able to offer this type of service to save many different items from the wheelie bin. Repair Cafes are springing up around the country (and indeed around the world) breathing life back into discarded, but often loved items. I have attended a number of these events and have witnessed, and also worked on, a variety of items from vacuum cleaners to musical instruments. Quite a few of the people who have brought items in have often said "I don't think it can be repaired but maybe you can take a look" The response from one of the volunteers ready to tackle these challenges is "If a human can make it a human can repair it"

In the majority of cases it is just a simple repair, such as the blown fuse, or securing a loose chair leg. There are occasions where a repair is not possible, due to parts being required that would cost more than the item is worth. Another reason may be that the volunteers do not have the experience to conduct a repair and would advise that it is referred to a professional. It must be remembered that a lot of the volunteers are not tradesmen in the field of repair they are tackling but are people that have spent many years "fettling".

Here are some interesting statistics – On one day in February 2020, 66 Repair cafes were held around the country. A total of 1974 people attended these events and brought in 2981 items for repair. 2253 of these were successful (A 75% repair rate) Just imagine how much space on a landfill site over 2500 would take.

If you have an item in a cupboard that you are thinking of throwing away because it doesn't work, why not consider taking it to a Repair Café. Even if you don't require it anymore perhaps it can be repaired and donated to a charity.

You can find Repair events in Leominster, Ledbury, Bromyard and further afield. Just search online for **"Repair Café"**.

Lower Hope Gardens

"We regret that the Gardens
will not open as we had
hoped in September."

Keep safe

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Chaos In Herefordshire

The towns and villages of Herefordshire were confused. Some of their name signs had been muddled up. **MAD RORY B.** had been at work again, probably aided by his **HOME BAND** which toured the county giving concerts but also doing mischief! And now there was another public nuisance. There was a **HERD OF REALLY** large cows from the **LIMESTONE** Region, or maybe those Highland cows from the **KYLE COAST**, roaming about in every town and village causing havoc.

The call went out, "Help **US KING WILL** Come quickly to Herefordshire. King Will thought he might **ONCE BE PM**. He liked to **TRAWL ELECTION** statistics but was probably **NOT CLUED** up on anti-social behaviour, animal or human.

OR, JIM'S OFTEN FREE. He might solve the cattle problem but Tina was anxious about asking Jim, not trusting his likely methods **NOR WHAT** the future consequences might be. He would probably try his reckless **HARD CYCLE** Operation to scare the cows away. Tina repeatedly expressed very controversial opinions on various subjects including anti-social behaviour and animal welfare which drove children a **T TINA'S SCHOOL NUTS**. However her head teacher supported her which maddened the already mad Rory, who made a mad plan to **BURY SIR** if he could not think of a way to channel Tina's views into a calm debate.

But the sight of a herd of large cows charging round the playground one day did so **SPOOK TERRI**, who was Tina's best friend on the staff, that Tina began to see both sides of the issue. She found herself empathising with **CINDERELLA**, on being excluded from a privileged place on the **FINE WARM COUCH** when the school met for debate. She and Terri were packed **IN TIGHT NOW**, and the target of a lot of bad language. On seeing **PALE ROY** also with **big TEARY BLUE** eyes, Sir had to intervene, "no **SLANG, KINDLY** restrain yourselves".

The cattle problem was eventually sorted, King Will having consulted with Tina and used his influence wisely. But did Rory get away with it? He did not have to bury Sir but insisted, "There is **NO LEFT** turn here for cows. That is **MY ROAD** Bridge and no cow may cross it". He did not admit to the road sign prank, but may have given away where he lives!

So, just as he started this whole episode, so it is he who ends it, as you, readers, will see when you have solved the muddled place names.

The names are anagrams of the words in capitals – can you unmuddle them?

Answers in the next issue!

Burley Gate Village Hall 100+ Club

July

£12 Pam Guiver
£8 Pat Lewis
£5 Jan Morgan
£5 Dave Watkins
£5 Audrey Nunn

August

£12 Mary Bowler
£8 Rob McGregor
£5 Sheila Hince
£5 L Milne
£5 Ellie Keating

September

£12 Richard Leitch
£8 Paul Mess
£5 Martin Hewitt
£5 Dave Watkins
£5 Robert Hoskins

As the Covid-19 Lockdown has been eased, the volunteers will now start distributing cheques. Where people have had multiple wins, we will amalgamate the winnings.

Just a reminder, to join the club costs £6 per annum for one number, and pro-rata during the year. You can have as many numbers as you like.

Monthly prizes are as shown, with an additional two £50 prizes for Christmas. All proceeds go to the Village Hall's upkeep, which with the current lockdown is missing a lot of income.

To join contact one of the Village Hall committee, or **Giles Blackmore on 07910 872526**.

Gallery



Over the Burley Gate



'I hear Burley Gate Post Office is well and truly on the map.'

'How come?'

'Well, I have it from a most reliable source that our P.O. has sent parcels to Buckingham Palace and to Beverley Hill 90210.'

'Yes.....but HM is at Windsor and what is 90210?'

'Hollywood of course! Anyway, we clearly have the right clientele at our Post Office. You should pop in sometime.'

'Do you know the latest foody fashion?'

'Nope.'

'One day my neighbour made a dessert for her daughter as a thank you for shopping. She made a crumble mixture and then took some mixed fruit out of the freezer – or so she thought. Imagine her daughter's surprise when she got home to find pudding was Beetroot Soup Crumble!'

'Ah! The best meals are the unplanned ones.'

'The last time I took a plane to Spain (remember those hols?) my knitting needles were considered dangerous weapons. Even worse, another passenger was stopped for being in possession of a ruler, a set square, a protractor and a calculator. Apparently he was suspected of being a member of

Al-gebra, by carrying weapons of maths instruction.....'

Please send all howls and groans to the Old School House, Much Cowarne.

One day, my friend and I were in Much Cowarne churchyard. An undertaker was there, looking into a recently dug double grave.

He had dropped his glasses into the bottom of the grave, and he asked us if there were any steps in the church to retrieve them.

As there were not any to be found, he got two long planks and placed them in the grave, then asked me if I would climb down to get the glasses.

I was terrified and said "NO!"

So he replied "If you hold the plank I will go down".

The result was, he came back up to the ground, with his glasses in his hand. He was delighted, and said "I have just had a hip replacement, and it works!"

Over the Burley Gate (continued)

'I remember on one occasion doing the church flowers when Rose came in with the children to rehearse a play about the Wedding at Cana.'

'You mean when Jesus turned water into wine – now that was a good miracle.'

'Rose was handing out the costumes when she spun round, auburn hair flowing, and asked 'Where's Jesus?' A chorus of young voices retorted 'He's gone to play football!'

'He should have played for ManU.....'

Many thanks to the contributors of 'Over the Burley Gate'. Keep those snippets coming to give us a smile, please. E: wanaki@btinternet.com Audrey.

If you have any snippets - historical, current or gentle, kind, humorous (anonymous) gossip, or you wish to share your good news - please, please send to Audrey,

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

NEWSFLASH - Burley Gate School to welcome Pre-schoolers

The recent closure of the Lottery funded Pre-school at Burley Gate has given Burley Gate Primary School an exciting opportunity.

We are delighted to announce that the Government has just approved us to extend our age range to include children from the age of 2.

From October this year, our school will welcome children aged 2-11 years.

Further details to follow or please contact

Sue Moody on smooddy@burleygate.hereford.ac.uk for more information.

And **THANK YOU!!**

As parents of Burley Gate School we would like to say a big thank you and well done to all the teachers and staff there.

The school remained open throughout lockdown for key workers and as soon as it was permissible they welcomed all children back.

To begin with, we were a bit torn whether to return our children or not, but we are so glad we did. They loved the routine and seeing their friends again and we have every confidence they are in safe hands moving into the next school year. The whole school has embraced the new normal and we want to extend our thanks as it cannot have been easy. We hope you enjoyed your well deserved summer holidays!

Simon and Vicky Fryar

Stoke Lacy Friendship Club

Dear Members,

Our Meetings have all been cancelled until at least the New Year. Disappointing, but I'm sure we must be extra vigilant during these difficult times.

Best wishes to all and let us count our blessings.

Daphne Montandon

pp M. Woodley

Any inquiry please contact:- ***Margaret Woodley 01432 820270 or***

Daphne Montandon 01432 820605 or email n.d.montandon@gmail.com

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.

We continue to navigate very difficult times and now all our customers **MUST** wear face coverings in the shop to comply with current laws. Please also respect social distancing instructions to help protect ourselves and each other.

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.

We get deliveries of our staples including newspapers and magazines from Smiths News, milk and cream from Bartonsham Dairy, 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, bread is also available on Tuesday. Shirley Breese from Baddy Marsh Farm brings beautiful flowers and a wide variety of freshly harvested home grown seasonal produce. Strawberries from the Strawberry Stop and Lower Hope Cherries are as popular as ever. A serving of cream and/or ice cream with either, or both, is a special treat.

Our thanks also go to Andrew and Jane who have donated wonderful pots of rhubarb crowns and cut rhubarb and to other friends who have supplied us with plants and fruit and veg from their gardens. The ripening of plums, pears and apples is eagerly anticipated. Never before has getting our `five-a-day` been easier or more delicious. 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. We again have supplies of Radnor Heartsease non alcoholic drinks in elderflower presse, traditional lemonade, raspberry lemonade and blackcurrant crush flavours. Why not try them all.

Priory Cleaners have reopened and are again collecting/delivering laundry and dry cleaning on Tuesdays and Fridays.

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.

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.

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

Telephone 01432 820804

We once more thank all our amazing volunteers and staff and our customers,
together we are doing our utmost to protect ourselves and each other
and we appreciate your patience and good humour.

In time we may even recognise each other in our face coverings!

It has been a pleasure to welcome so many of you safely out of isolation and
back to the Shop and Post Office and look forward to more
folk rejoining us in the not too distant future.

In the meantime we will continue to smile and wave and
sometimes shout through the window.

With very best wishes

The Community Shop and Post Office Team.

The Shop Committee:

Ron Powell, Treasurer, Postmaster, Accountant

Ruth Jones, Chair

Christine Hooper, Secretary

Linda Perry, shop coordinator

Barry Lawrence, minute secretary

The Community Shop and Post Office team

Girlguiding volunteer receives award

Girlguiding volunteer Jean Parkes has been presented with the Laurel Award which is Girlguiding's second highest national award. Jean, who lives in Much Cowarne and runs Burley Gate Guides, has volunteered with Girlguiding for more than 50 years in Herefordshire and other areas including a period of time spent abroad. To be nominated for the Laurel Award a volunteer has to have held a number and variety of roles and to have demonstrated outstanding leadership skills and been an effective team member; she has to have made a significant contribution to supporting and developing guiding for both girls and adults; and she has to be respected by her guiding peers, to "stand out", and to have made a significant difference to guiding. The nomination has to be supported by a number of letters from Girlguiding volunteers and then be approved by committees at County, Region and national levels. Jean, who was County Commissioner for Herefordshire from 2003 to 2008, was presented with the award by Chief Commissioner, Abi Salter, via a Zoom meeting attended by many guiding friends from different stages of her guiding life. Many congratulations to Jean on a well-deserved award.



Potato picking at the farm

Me and my family picked some potatoes in the field by hand because the skins on the potatoes are so delicate at the moment the big machine would ruin them. I really enjoyed potato picking and felt really helpful because it meant that Uncle Paul didn't have to do it all himself. For tea that night I had one of Uncle Paul's jacket potatoes with beans and cheese. YUMMY!!!
Bea Fryar, aged 8





Ocle Pychard Group Parish Council

Chair	Giles Blackmore	Ocle Pychard	Councillor	Barclay Rogers	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 council had its final scheduled meeting in July, again over Zoom where we were again joined by members of the public. Iain Collinson will be leading our response to the County Council's consultation on affordable housing.

We then had an extra-ordinary meeting as a planning application had come in after the deadline for setting our agenda, and there was an item we needed to discuss as a result of our July meeting.

The council then shuts down during August pretty much (we do monitor the web site for comments), and we will continue with our scheduled meeting in September again using Zoom. We will review the situation as to whether the hall is open by then, lock down requirements and whether it is feasible to have a socially distanced public meeting. *Giles Blackmore*

Burley Gate Village Hall - AGM

16th September, 7Pm, In The Hall - (Subject to lockdown conditions TBC)

The Covid-19 pandemic has exposed many things about our society and our communities..

BGVH needs to have a regular stream of users when the final stages of lockdown are eased. So, please if you are planning a party or an event, think of the Village Hall as a venue. The main hall was renovated last year and plans are afoot to renovate the smaller hall.

At the same time, we need more volunteers for the hall committee itself, but we are also going to expand a wider "Friends of the Hall" group, who will only need to have part time commitments on an ad hoc basis, with no onerous strings (like being a charity trustee). We already have more than half a dozen volunteers who have been instrumental in taking forward the renovation last year of the main hall, and we need to build on their work.

Burley Gate Village Hall (BGVH), along with many venues, was locked down in mid March as the safety of the users could not be guaranteed.

Obviously this has put a major strain on the cash flow of the hall. Whilst a grant was acquired to keep things ticking over, this is a stop gap measure. There will also be extra costs like a deep clean on a regular basis, provision of hand cleanser and a more stringent cleaning process for the users of the Hall.

Unless we get back to a steady flow of bookings, income, and the people to make it happen - the future of BGVH as an important facility for the community will have a question mark over it.

As everyone knows, the Community Shop is based on the BGVH car park, and whilst that has been a stellar example of volunteers keeping things going through thick and thin, that also needs help, and is working with the Hall Committee to cut costs for both.

So, in summary, if you want the hall to continue, if you want the shop to continue, please give some thought to using the hall and shop, and also how you could volunteer to support either of them in any way, no matter how small .

OUR VILLAGE HALL DEPENDS ON YOU!

Acknowledgements

I am grateful to the following people for their contributions and pictures to this issue. Please keep them coming in for the next ones!

Audrey Nunn – for news of Timmy, and Over the Burley Gate;

Martin Hoskins – for the MCGPC update;

Phil Evans – for “I’ve blown a fuse”;

Janet Forrest – for “Chaos in Herefordshire”;

Giles Blackmore – for the OPGPC report;

Vicky Fryar – for news from Burley Gate school;

Linda Perry – for the Shop and PO update;

The local Guides – for the report of the Laurel Award;

Bea Fryar – (our youngest contributor!) for “Potato picking”;

Ruth Jones, Sheila Hince, Barry Lawrence, Diana Kelly – for information about the Burley Gate Inn;

Sally Ridler – for Ocle Pychard Ramblings;

Martin Hewitt – for “The 50 acre garden”;

Jill Cooksley and Martin Hewitt – for MC church news;

Janet Stevens – for Ullingswick church news;

Jo Davies – for the update on Stoke Lacy NDP.

For contributions to the Gallery:

Chris Hooper, Martin Hewitt, Carly Bayliss.

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Hereford Council news



2020 will be a year to remember. It has seen the tragic loss of many who have gone before their time. This should never be forgotten. In the face of this we are seeing changes to our way of life that we could not have anticipated before. However, things are always changing, and so in our acceptance of change it is up to us to find new ways to get the best out of the circumstances and make the improvements we need. The trick is to do those things that really help; the pitfall is to make changes that are just not needed.

In the August Herefordshire Council meeting a debate was had about the road closures to enable the physical distancing that the covid crisis has required. The debate called into question the need for some of the measures, and if some of the main roads are closed, especially in Hereford, this will just lead to traffic chaos. As a result of the debate the changes will be reviewed. Also at the meeting the Council resolved to pay for flood damage by borrowing the money. I supported an amendment that would have paid for the works out of the Council reserves. We had the money set aside for such emergencies. However, the Council will now have to find extra cash to support the repayment of the loan, not a position I was willing to support.

By now I hope that everyone has enjoyed a summer that has seen a return to some semblance of normality. However, no doubt we will soon be told to remain vigilant as the winter months emerge. The messages will be the same and I am sure in response the resilience of our communities will continue to meet the challenges. Take care and let me know if I can be of assistance.

Jonathan Lester - Herefordshire Councillor – Three Crosses Ward.

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Fundraising for

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CAKE IN THE GARDEN



As part of the Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning, weather permitting, I will be hosting **Cake in the Garden on Friday 25th September 2020 from 10am to 12pm in the garden at Morwenna, Ullingswick, HR1 3JG. All are welcome.**



All donations kindly received will go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

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.



The Burley Gate Inn

The Burley Gate Shop and Post Office Committee are delighted with the recent donation of the huge old Burley Gate Inn sign, and would welcome any memories of it and of the Inn from the community.

One of our members and historian, Barry Lawrence, noticed that under the middle roundel it says "Stanley Jones & Co. signs, East Street, Hereford", a family business which has been trading in Hereford for 63 years and now goes by the name of "The Sign People", based at Westfields Trading Estate on Faraday Road, Hereford.

Ruddles, which originated in Rutland, was the first brewery to take over the Burley Gate Inn after the retirement of Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, the landlady, in about 1959. Previously it had been a "free house". From several sources, Barry learned that Ruddles beer was not popular with the locals, who stayed away, so Ruddles gave way over the years to several other breweries including Whitbreads, Worthingtons, and Flowers who were there until the pub closed in 1991, when it was sold to a Bromyard developer for conversion to a house.

The Ruddles brewery was established in 1858 in Langham, Rutland, where it remained until its closure in 1999. The company lost its independence in 1986 and passed into the ownership of Watneys and then Grolsch in 1992. It is currently owned by Greene King, who still brew beers under the Ruddles name in Suffolk, although the current recipes are not those used at the original brewery.

The sign was acquired a number of years ago by Martin Smith from Birmingham, who left it in his garage until recently. When he saw the shop had a Facebook page, he contacted Ruth Jones, our Chair, to ask if we would like it. Luckily, we picked the sign up



Burley Gate Pub circa 1980

before the pandemic hit and it is now safely back on home soil. It is our intention to use it if and when we are able to build our new premises in future.

Some interesting information about Martin Smith: he is an owner of Streetly Electronics in Birmingham. They are the world experts in making mellotrons, which are electro-mechanical musical (keyboard) instruments developed in Birmingham. Clients have included Bill Wyman, Jimmy Page, Oasis, Take That, Jean Michel Jarre and Radiohead. Anyone curious enough can look at their website: www.mellotronics.com/people%20and%20sounds.htm Please send any information regarding the sign or The Burley Gate Inn to: BGCS_committee@outlook.com, where it will be gratefully received. Thank you! BGCS Committee

Memories

This very welcome arrival of a piece of local history has prompted a flurry of memories and forays into stored photographs, files and reference books, and I am very grateful to Sheila Hince, Barry Lawrence and Diana Kelly for their fascinating material and reminiscences.



Burley Gate Inn 1906 (Walter Williams with tray)

In 1802, an inn at Burley Gate was called the Plough Inn, and in 1815 there is reference to the Jolly Crispin (a crispin being a shoemaker). In 1819 there is mention of the Mason's Arms at "Birley Gate", and all three names may have referred to the Burley Gate Inn, which is first named in 1827. The owner in 1851 was James Hodge, who was a mason by trade, hence possibly the alternative names.

The landlord in the 1890s who followed Eleanor Hodge (James' widow) was Thomas Owens, followed by Walter Williams who died in 1911.

The inn was then run by his widow Mary, who later remarried and as Mrs Davies ran the inn with her husband until just before the Second World War.

It seems that the heyday of the inn was between and after the wars when it was the focus for several sports teams, including football, darts and cricket. The Robins football team was well known for their red shirts, skills and wins. The pitch was behind the inn, and the changing took place in a corrugated tin hut next to it, known as No. 7. The players used the cold water pump outside for washing after games.

Robins football team circa 1920



No. 7 was also used for social gatherings and functions. The hop-pickers from Cowarne Court, who were mostly regular seasonal workers from the Welsh valleys, were not allowed to drink in the pub and had to bring their own mugs, then take their refreshment out to No.7. Occasionally the local policeman was summoned to quell

disturbances between these pickers and other groups from the Black Country, but there were no reports of serious trouble.

Does anyone know why the hut was called No.7?
(Editor)



Pub and Walter Jones circa 1910

Proposed Bredenbury Benefice Services for September 2020

It is hoped that services will return to their pre-lockdown pattern. However, Covid-19 rules are changing all the time so some may need to be changed or cancelled at short notice. Please contact the Rector on **01885 482737** or **essidwell@yahoo.ie** to check that these services are taking place.

September 6th - 10.00am - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Morning Prayer at Ullingswick CW (please check with Rector that this service is taking place)
September 13th - 8.30am - Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion at Little Cowarne
September 20th - 8.30am - Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion at Ullingswick
September 27th - 6.30pm - Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
Evening Prayer at Little Cowarne
October 4th - 10.00am - Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
Morning Prayer at Ullingswick CW
October 11th - 8.30am - Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion at Little Cowarne
October 18th - 8.30am - Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion at Ullingswick
October 25th - 6.30pm - Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
Evening Prayer at Little Cowarne

News From The Frome Valley Group Of Parishes

At present we are holding a group Holy Communion Service at 10.00am every Sunday at St Marys Church, Bishops Frome.

St James the Great, Ocle Pychard will be open for private prayer on Tuesdays and Saturdays

St Mary the Virgin, Much Cowarne will be open for private prayer on Sunday mornings from 11am to 2pm and Wednesday afternoons from 2pm to 5pm.

The Pastoral Group are all very actively engaged in emailing and telephoning people through out this difficult time. If you have any concerns or would just like to speak to someone please call one of the group;

Rev Steven Baggs - 01885 490582 - stevenbaggs@me.com

Rev Richard Allaway - 07969 699270 - rja5204572fco@gmail.com

Mrs Judy Orgee 01531 640525 - Mrs Angela Lewis 01885 490203

Advance Notice – Bishop Richard will be visiting our Benefice to lead prayers at St Mary's Church, Bishops Frome, on Saturday 12th September at 5.05pm

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

Keep up to date by visiting our website **<http://www.fromevalleychurches.org.uk>**

The Parish Office is now open on a Wednesday morning 9.30am - 11.30am for telephone calls **01885 490229**

Ocle Pychard Ramblings

(formerly Ocle Pychard Church News)

The seasonal clock is moving relentlessly forward and our summer with it. While we have been forced into a period of inactivity the world continues to turn. Has anyone noticed that the evenings are dusky a little earlier and the morning sunrise a little later?

The gardens are full of summer produce such as lettuce, onions and beans. The tomatoes are ripening to a bright red, the marrows and pumpkins are swelling and the sweetcorn are tantalisingly close to being fully ripe with their sweet, juicy, golden kernels. The hedge fruit are ready, the blackberries and elderberries are purple, full and sweet, while the hawthorn berries are rich red and enticing for the birds.

Soon the apples, pears, plums, damsons and sloes will add their bounty to the harvest store. Out in the fields the golden stalks of corn are swishing and swaying in the breeze as our farmers combine the fields leaving behind yellow lines of stubble and the scent of straw in their wake.

The myriad of wild life are enjoying the summer provender and will soon be setting their sights on stocking their larders for the winter months ahead. This year has been good for some of the native birds as they have been able to hatch two broods and the second family are now well on their way to adulthood although some juvenile starlings are still managing to make a big fuss about everything! They do bicker and squabble so!!

At Ocle Pychard Church the wild life have had the run of the grounds for the past few months but now that some of the restrictions have been lifted work is underway to mow the grass and generally tidy up. If anyone fancies some exercise the churchwardens can always do with some extra help. They are looking for volunteers to help with this large task. Just give John a call on 820328 or Rosie on 820763. The coronavirus has forced change upon us all and at present the church is only open on Tuesday and Saturday. Hopefully restrictions will ease soon and the church can open more often. We have organised a few events for the rest of the year. The dates are below.

- 16th October- Annual Church Meeting at Ocle Pychard Church @ 2.30pm.
- 16th October- Harvest Festival Service at Ocle Pychard Church @6.30pm
- 11th December- Carols and readings at Ocle Pychard Church @7.30pm (subject to covid 19 restrictions).
- 24th December- 1st communion of Christmas at Ocle Pychard Church @8.00pm
- 3rd January 2021- 1st communion of New Year @ 8.30am.

Please be aware that these dates and services are subject to change or cancellation due to the coronavirus. Enjoy the rest of the summer and autumn and all the wonderful joys of the seasons as they unfold. Look after your families and friends and stay safe and well.

Duncan Milne, Burley Gate

Duncan, beloved husband of Lisa and father to Bernadette and Jack passed away peacefully at St Michael's Hospice on July 5th 2020 aged just 43 years.

Lisa and her family thank everyone for their cards, expressions of condolence and generous donations to St Michael's Hospice.

A map of Stoke Lacy Parish, outlined in red, with internal black lines representing roads or boundaries. The map is filled with a blue-to-white gradient.

STOKE LACY PARISH

Neighbourhood Development Plan

As you may know, as part of the NDP we are performing a 'Call for Sites' across Stoke Lacy Parish in order to assess whether we have any suitable areas for small developments. Even though we have met our housing targets, it is to our advantage to understand if we have any further capacity and we can then, as part of the NDP, design policies around what housing we would prefer.

By coincidence, on Monday 3rd August Herefordshire Council asked all landowners and developers across Herefordshire (with an NDP or without) to submit any potential sites.

Herefordshire Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) 2020- Call for Sites

'The Council's Strategic Planning Team are preparing a 'call for sites', whereby landowners, agents or developers are invited to submit sites in order for them to be assessed on their potential to accommodate future development.'

Although it's not clear exactly why Herefordshire Planning have requested sites at this time, it could be for a number of reasons:

- Possible shortfall in development in the current core strategy to 2031
- Delays in Hereford By Pass putting pressure on surrounding areas
- Increase in housing demand across Herefordshire due to Covid 19 'working from home' and more people leaving the cities for a better way of life
- Pressure from government to boost the economy through building projects

Either way it makes it even more important that we deliver our NDP and get some control and say in what is built in our Parish.

As if to emphasise this point, Munderfield do not have an NDP. There are currently 3 separate sites that are for sale with potential developments on each which could total an additional 18 houses if

they are all sold and built. Having spoken with a Munderfield resident, they are not happy with the amount of building but are resigned to accepting that it will probably happen and they have little say in what these developments will look like.

If they had an NDP, they would at least have some policies in place and would have more of a say in what is designed and built.

There will be announcements in the near future from the NDP steering group about further public consultation this autumn when Stoke Lacy residents will have another opportunity to participate in the plan. The steering group hold regular meetings, which all residents are welcome to attend. Please visit the NDP page on the parish website for updates on dates and times of meetings and progress of the project: - www.stokelacyparishcouncil.org.uk/

Bill Morgan – NDP Steering Group Co-ordinator and parish councillor

Ullingswick 100+ Club

Here are the results of the 100 Club Draw which I did sitting by the postbox with members of the village around me when I walked down on a Thursday evening to join in, first with clapping and thanking the NHS in various ways, and now toasting them with a glass or mug of something. It has been such a pleasure to see other people and have a chat for a while and I am sorry there are not more people joining in since our community is rather sparse, with no chance of getting together for a fete, or fund raising walk and probably no Harvest Lunch.

We now badly need the next lot of subscriptions for the coming year so if you see me, Sue Wright or Helen Spencer do please give your money to them, or drop it through their letterboxes. We are sadly missing Jenny Bridges, who was a marvellous collector and kept us up to scratch with a new list of subscribers and their numbers each year. If someone would help us in this way it would be a great help.

March 2020

£20 Jess Wright (61)
£10 Sylvia Richards (126)
£5 Daphne Ellis (65)

May 2020

£20 Val Spencer ((19)
£10 William Mess (52)
£5 Rene Poyner (15)

July 2020

£20 Chas Bayliss (77)
£10 Mrs Wood (Dinmarsh)
£5 Jared Hall (124)

April 2020

£20 Diana Kelly (24)
£10 Simon Fryar (16)
£5 Clemmeys (31)

June 2020

£20 Abbie Hall (19)
£10 Penny Mess (35)
£5 Judy Stevens (86)

When we have collected all the money we can then do the Big Draw for £100 as well as the monthly draws.
Thank you. *Susan Dalton*

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Covid 19 – Much Cowarne Community Response Neighbourhood Help Group

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Monday - Amanda Burn	01432 820091 - amandarburn@gmail.com
Tuesday - Ian Morgan/Jwerea Malik	07798 626023
Wednesday - n/a	
Thursday - Steve and Lee Thomas	01432 820183 - leeh.stevet@btinternet.com
Friday - Gerry Lloyd	01432 820941 - Gerry.gina.lloyd@btinternet.com

Prescription collections will be made by Amanda Burn on Monday and Charncey Hemsley on 07932 506144 or email cwrhemsley@outlook.com on Thursday afternoons, so please ensure you order your repeat prescriptions in good time for collection on these days.

The other volunteers who may be able to help on an ad-hoc basis are:

Caroline & Jim Cooper – 07584 244247 - carolinecoops@gmail.com outside working hours

Caroline Dickinson – 07557 057589 - outside working hours

Kevin McAndrew – 01432 820171

If you think you may use these services, please let us have your email address or phone number, if you have one, so we can stay in contact.

If there is anyone else in the area who is under 70, without a household member in the “vulnerable” group, and who would be like to volunteer to be on the shopping or prescription collection rota/contact list, please contact Amanda Burn on the above number/email.

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We planted a '50 acre garden' in 2000 & 2001!



At the age of 53 and worn out from thirty years as 365 day-a-year dairy farmers on 15th April 1999 we retired from that line of making a living. Over those years we had built up a pedigree herd of 88 Holstein-Friesian cows and had supplied Marlbrook Cadbury factory, and then Dairy Crest with milk.

We love the 103-acre farm that we are lucky enough to own in rural Herefordshire. I was a Warwickshire boy of non-farming stock but my wife Marlene was born in the county, right on the welsh border, her father a being baker and small-holder. Her Jones ancestors had lived in the county for many generations, and her Delahay line since the Norman Conquest! She is a very keen gardener, so with our two daughters at that time either married or engaged we took up the offer of a thirty-year contract with the Gaymers Cider company of Shepton Mallet and planted cider apple orchards, especially as they had agreed to pay for the trees. Unfortunately, we couldn't get in with the local firms of Bulmer's or Weston's. A few years later Gaymers sold out to the Southern Irish firm of C&C (Magners), and our contract is now with them. We had to ignore the fact that all our apples would need hauling 150 miles from Much Cowarne to Somerset as we were started this exciting new venture. Marlene and I did a three-day course at Pershore College with a couple of neighbours and we waited for our young trees to be grafted onto rootstocks, grown for a further year, and delivered bare rooted ready for planting.

This was the life, just pottering round the farm, having holidays and looking after beehives and a few sheep and the garden. At that time the future orchard ground was let out to other farmers for a year.

At some cost the orchards were pegged out with bamboo canes by using measuring chains and long-reel tape-measures. The trees were spaced out eight foot apart in rows 18-foot-wide going North to South across the fields.



Fields let for year before trees planted

These canes were soon replaced by meter long treated stakes, knocked hard into the ground so that the fields looked like war cemeteries. In February 2000 our first bare-rooted baby trees arrived, each a clone of the other from a mother tree and on M106 rootstocks grown at Kings Pyon. With a team of seven local people and hippies, and with one person on a small JCB (to dig the holes) we started planting 12,659 (41.5 acres)



Bare rooted tree



Planting trees plus a rabbit guard



17.5 tons Hand picking in 2001



54.8 tons Machine picked in 2002



of Michelin & Dabinett trees. We had been warned that augured holes could create clay pots, and without drainage our young trees would have drowned. Our trees thrived well in our fertile ground (well mucked by our dairy cows) and helped by a handful of bone-meal. With careful pruning they grew well.

That 1st year we took all the apples from the trees to encourage root growth and in 2001 planted a further 2425 trees of an earlier variety called Katy.

With hard work and careful management, and helpful advice from agronomists and an apple growing neighbour, the yield from the orchards have continued to rise, and in the thirteen picking seasons between 2007 and 2019 the orchards have given an average yearly yield of 1082 ton. I joke that we have a fifty-acre garden but the aroma is just wonderful, of blossom in spring and then the fruit laden trees in late summer and autumn.



Cider apples



We hand picked the apples for a couple of years, 2002 & 3, but since then either I or a contractor have picked them by machine, after shaking them to the ground. Our contracted cider firm will still pay us, but because restaurants and pubs have been closed their cider sales are right down! Blackthorn cider for sale at the Community Shop might include our apple juice. The main crop of cider apples is picked in October and early November. We have averaged about 1100 tons from 49 acres over the last 10 years! I'm well into retirement age now, but am still very much in charge and active in the orchards.

ST MARY'S CHURCH MUCH COWARNE

Currently our church is open for a limited time on Sundays from 11am to 2pm and Wednesdays from 2pm to 5pm. We would love to feel that our parishioners are coming into our church at those times for private prayer, as we do feel it is safe for them to do that. Most of the church visitors over the first few weeks of the limited reopening have been outsiders, which does feel a shame. Our church, even with safety tape, is as beautiful as ever and the churchyard is still being kept trim and tidy. Our churchwardens have however contacted our regular congregation and a number have said that they would like to attend a service in our church again, so with that in mind we hope to have a socially distanced Matins, without hymns of course, at 10 am on Sunday 13th September. If you wish to attend a communion service our Rev. Steven Baggs has been taking a 10am service each Sunday for over a month now at Bishops Frome, again with strict safe-guarding.

The pastoral work of the churches is not the only problem being faced in this pandemic and Much Cowarne is not alone in severe financial concerns due to the absence of fundraising events and collections from services. The PCC of our Grade I listed church has no hidden funds to pay for the upkeep of the church and it relies on regular donations and annual fundraising to keep it open and going. The churchwardens have recently put up notices in and around the church encouraging visitors and parishioners who have not already so to join our Parish Giving Scheme. A donation box will also be put on the Vestry door so that donations can be made when the church is not open for services.

Because of the pandemic Much Cowarne PCC didn't hold its usual Annual General Meeting (APCM) in April, but have now agreed to hold this meeting in our church at 7pm on Friday 25th September. All parishioners are welcome to attend this meeting when churchwardens and PCC members are reappointed. We would encourage anyone who values our church, its history and its role in the community to attend and so learn more about the role of the PCC and how it functions in Much Cowarne. In the meantime, we pray that you are all keeping safe and well and look forward like you to a time when we can get back to normal.

Some of you may not be aware of the Frome Valley Pastoral Group which offers support to anyone who wishes to share in confidence any concerns or just to talk to someone, especially at the moment when we are not easily able to meet socially with others. The members of the Group are always available if people have issues they wish to discuss and can be contacted as follows:

Rev. Steven Baggs 01885 490582 - Rev. Richard Allaway 07969 699270

Mrs Judy Orgee 01531 640525 - Mrs Angela Lewis 01885 490203

Stoke Lacy

seeks volunteer Community Newsletter deliverers

Stoke Lacy is looking for some people who would like to join the current team delivering the Community Newsletter around Stoke Lacy. We have sadly lost a few deliverers over the years, for various reasons, and we are seeking about 6 volunteers who would deliver the Newsletter, which is published once every two months, so not too arduous a task. You would get the chance to meet new people as well as performing a most useful service.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Alma at

parishclerk@stokelacyparishcouncil.org.uk, who will be happy to hear from you.

Thank you.

Sorry to mention the “C” word.....

Sadly, while the coronavirus hasn't yet waned, it seems our interest in it has after having lived with it for many months now. However, it's not giving up and going away any time soon by the looks of things, so keeping tabs on any progress or spikes seems a sensible thing to do.

With news reports, experts with differing opinions and endless data to analyse it's no wonder we're becoming overwhelmed with information that we just don't understand, or want to hear. Even if you do want to keep informed where do you go to get all the guidance and information you need without any political agenda or bias?

It seemed logical to me that listening to science has to be the most useful of places to start, but even then there are so many sites from which to choose.

In our household we decided to download the Kings College London data app and have been sending in our Covid-19 symptom report daily for the past few months. Even if we don't have any specific Covid symptoms to report, the data they receive provides clues to tackle this awful disease. In return they send us updates on their latest findings, some of which have been more than enlightening.

One update we received in July reported that the KCL researchers have been able to identify six distinct 'types' of Covid-19, each with its own cluster of symptoms. What's more, the team found that these types differed in the severity of the disease and whether there was the need for respiratory support during hospitalisation, a breakthrough which could help doctors predict which patients were most at risk. Since this update was published another key symptom they have identified is a skin rash in up to 20% of cases. I wasn't aware until then that this could be a relevant symptom.

The question many are asking now is "will Covid-19 be worse in winter?" It seems this could be the case; an international collaboration of researchers from Europe and China has shown that temperature and humidity in the environment have an effect on the severity of the virus and that dry indoor air may encourage it to spread.

With over 4 million contributors, I find it reassuring to know that this KCL scientific data is shared with the NHS and other scientists - after all their key aim is to help slow the spread of the virus which can only be a good thing for all of us.

If you want to read any of their reports, findings and other updates, or even download the app for yourselves, go to www.joinzoe.com

Has anyone else got any favourite or useful Covid data sites or useful information to share I wonder?

We're all in this together for some time to come yet, so the more knowledge we have and can share must surely be a good thing.

Stoke Lacy PCC 100 Club Results

March 2020

1st Esme Collier £20
2nd Hugh Nicklin £10
3rd Tony Harris £5

May 2020

1st Stuart Sutcliffe £20
2nd Sally Godsall £10
3rd Margaret Woodley £5

July 2020

1st Nick Harvey £20
2nd Clifford Buffton £10
3rd Betty Davies £5

April 2020

1st Carole Sandhau £20
2nd Neil Walters £10
3rd Janet Parker £5

June 2020

1st James Thomas £20
2nd Tony Harris £10
3rd Katie Ainsworth £5

August 2020

1st Phil Mackereth £20
2nd Jo Burton £10
3rd Janet Parker £5

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The house is ideally situated for bird watching, walking (the coastal path is at the end of the terrace road) and the beaches. You often see the local colony of bottle nose dolphins from the house windows. Boat trips for fishing or to see the dolphins and wildlife are available from the quay. Water sport hire and instruction are available in the harbour for all levels of experience.

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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
Severn Trent Water – 0800 783 4444

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)