Plumley Toft and Bexton Parish Council Newsletter May –June 2024.

PLUMLEY VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Thanks to the work of our volunteers Plumley Village Hall hosts twice yearly productions from Cheshire Rural Touring Arts. Rural touring is part of a nationwide organisation that brings first class professional plays, dance and music performances to rural venues at subsidised rates so that small venues can afford to put them on whilst charging very reasonable ticket prices. In some ways this is 'levelling up' in action as it means we have theatre bought to us without our having to travel into the city!

Over the years we have had everything from Shakespeare to cooking and last month we had a wonderful music event featuring Kora music from Senegal. It was a great evening which everyone present very much enjoyed. Our next production will be in the Autumn so look out for posters and come along and try it out, you won't regret it.

We have also planning to Christmas Sing-a-Long in the early evening of Friday 13th December. All the village, young, old and those in between, will be welcome and if anyone would like to contribute we would love to hear your ideas.

We hope to see you soon.

Pam Arnfield chair@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk



D-Day 80th Anniversary, Lower Peover Programme of Events 6th June



- * 10:30am Organised walk: From St Oswald's Church to St Lawrence's Church, where General Patton worshipped
- * **1pm** Unveiling of a plaque: At the Bells Of Peover to commemorate the role that Peover played in the planning of D-Day
- * 7pm Lower Peover Remembers: An evening of readings & music at St Oswald's Church, with many first-hand accounts of villagers who lived through WW2 and who participated in D-Day. FREE TICKETS available from Roger Turner (07900 343078) and George Dutton (07968 798928) to reserve a seat. Additional limited number of seats will be available on a first come first served basis for those without tickets.
- * 9:15pm Lighting of the beacon at St Oswald's Church

Copy date for the next	Parish Councillors areas of responsibility		It is proposed that the
edition will be August 31st 2024 All items to be sent to :David McGifford Phone - 07968 603811 or E-mail clerk@plumley-toft-bexton- pc.co.uk	Tony Gabbott Ged Coates David Nichols John Wright A Shaw / M Pickup Council S Crossman / V L Roxby	Chairman. Vice Chair & Highways Village Hall Planning. Footpaths Comm Resilience Police Liaison	next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at Plumley Methodist Church on the 6th March 2024 starting at 7.00pm



80th Anniversary D-D Landings Exhibition



There will be an Exhibition to Commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the unique story of Allostock, Lower Peover, Over Peover and Plumley in preparation for and during the D-Day Landings. This will be held at

St Oswald's Church Lower Peover WA16 9PZ Saturday June 1st until Sunday June 9th 2024

Open each day 10am to 7pm except on Sundays and Wednesday 12noon to 7pm **Note:** Thursday 6th June exhibition closes at 4pm

- Midweek parking restricted. School and Nursery access required from Tuesday 4th - Friday 7th June up to 9.15am and between 3pm -5.45pm.
 Disabled parking available. Weekend parking available at school.
- * Parking at The Bells of Peover if using the establishment. Otherwise please park in the village.
- * Exhibition Bingo for our younger visitors.

Entry is free and Dogs on leads welcome.

D-day, when Allied Forces invaded Nazi-occupied Northern France, 1944.

This exhibition explains the role local villages played in the lead up to and events of D-day including:

- * The secret factory at Plumley making aviation fuel
- * Lunch between US Generals Eisenhower & Patton at The Bells of Peover
- * Patton at Peover Hall
- * Cranage Airbase
- * Home Guard & Shakerley Wood
- * Toft Hall Prisoner of War camp
- * Parachute training at Tatton Park
- * The experiences of local men who enlisted in the forces
- * Life in our rural Parishes

Thank you to the families who have provided stories for this commemorative exhibition. Our volunteers will be at the exhibition throughout the day where possible. The exhibition has been put together by Lower Peover Parish Village Events Committee who last year organised the Village Coronation 'do' at Woodheys Field. Any donations made for this exhibition, after costs are covered, will go to the British Legion Charity.

Thank you to Fr Murray Aldridge-Collins and Norman Withenshaw for accommodating this exhibition at St Oswald's Church

COUNCIL UPDATES

PLUMLEY Parish Council has continued to report they have gained support from the Police and Crime Commoners Office and local residents for the introduction of **AVERAGE SPEED CAMERAS** on Plumley Moor Road from the Church, leading up to and across the station bridge. The funding is in place as is the necessary borrowing approval from the Public Works Loan Board. We have been advised that the police are still in discussions with Cheshire East and the power supply provider and Cheshire East Highways with regards to temporary road closures for when the cameras are to be installed. The police still cannot give us a definitive start date but continue to say our scheme is now guaranteed and will take place as soon as these matters have been resolved.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS HAVE YOUR SAY https://

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/council and democracy/council information/consultations/ consultations.aspx

Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) Consultation 2024

As part of its agreed Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2024 to 2028, Cheshire East Council is conducting this consultation to inform a review on what long-term Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) provision in Cheshire East should look like. View the consultation material and have your say on the Household Waste Recycling Centre Consultation

Closes Sunday 16 June 2024

Review of Supported Local Bus Services Consultation

The last bus service review was undertaken in 2017 and much has changed in that time. This review looks for opportunities to encourage more bus use and get more services operating commercially, tweak services to improve performance and passenger uptake and get better value out of what the Council is spending.

This consultation asks some questions about your current use of bus services, the role of buses in Cheshire East and will gather your views on a range of specific proposals. We are looking for views from both current users of bus services as well as from those who don't currently use the services. **Closes Wednesday 3 July 2024**

Our CHESHIRE EAST WARD COUNCILLOR Anthony Harrison, pictured, has been working closely with the



Parish Council since being elected to Cheshire East Council in May 2023. Following Cheshire East's Green Space Strategy Review, Chelford Ward has had none of its services cut, however he put up a strong fight to have two of Plumley's Green Space management increased – both the land on Yewtree Road and Moorcroft will see an increase in green space maintenance in 2024 onwards. He has also conducted a thorough highways and streetlamp review right across Plumley Village, over the winter months and continues to report all defects which he hopes will be repaired in the very near future.

He would also like to thank all of the residents who attended his Councillor Surgery early in the year and for raising the issues they had. Please get in touch if anyone has any further issues or concerns, they would like to bring to his attention.

PLUMLEY WOMENS INSTITUTE

Plyn Aston who is a volunteer with 'The Very Green Grocery' whose aim is preventing food waste, gave Plumley WI members an insight into the working of the charity. The locally based charity also supports community projects in the Cheshire area.

Pictured; Stephanie Dawson, Plyn Aston and Isobel Chetwood



MUSIC ON THE TRAINS

Knutsford Music Festival is back for its sixth year from Thursday 13 June to Sunday 16 June.

This year our Festival Music Train is on a Wednesday, a day before the first official event. Bringing a variety of events to Knutsford across four days, the festival features folk nights curated in partnership with BBC Radio's Mark Radcliffe. There is a free outdoor session on the Moor on Saturday afternoon featuring live music, workshops, delicious food and drink from local traders, and entertainment for all age groups.

There is no charge for the Music Train from Chester to Knutsford, though there is a collection on the way back for the band and you will need a train ticket. There is music on the train both ways and at the pub. No need to book (unless you are a group of eight or more - see below) – just get on the train at Chester or one of the intermediate stations.

There will be signs on the windows to show you the carriage with the music. Music Trains from Chester leave Chester at 18:56 and the return train arrives back in Chester at 22:38.

HELPLINES

Citizens Advice Service. 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday; **Telephone call-backs can be requested by leaving a message on 01625-708608.**

Samaritans Telephone number: 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org

Domestic Abuse Cheshire East Domestic Abuse Hub (CEDAH):

Phone 0300 123 5101 text: 07771 941 464 email: cedah@cheshireeast.gov.uk Refuge on 0808-2000247.

Noise over the village, emanating from flights connected to Manchester airport. Contact either 0800 967 967 or <u>community.relations@manairport.co.uk</u>

Knutsford Floral Design Club 2024

We are a friendly bunch of people who have a common interest in flower arranging and floral design. Anyone who wishes to make friends, have fun with flowers or simply sit and watch a demonstrator create fantastic floral designs can come along and join our club.

Annual membership is £55.00 or visitor fee £10.00. Flower arranging clas-



ses will be held on the Tuesday afternoon before the monthly club meeting to help gain confidence in flower arranging.

Christmas and Spring workshops are held and are hugely popular for a small fee that includes flowers, foliage and mechanics, along with guidance from our very own professional florists.

People are encouraged to have a go at creating an arrangement and join in our monthly competitions. We also show our work and compete at the annual Royal Cheshire Show in June each year. Many novice and more experienced arrangers achieve awards, silver cups and accolades.

Don't be shy, come along and meet our welcoming committee and faithful club members.

Our website: www.knutsfordfloraldesign.co.uk

YOGALATES

Plumley Village Hall host a combination of Yoga and Pilates, the classes are every Wednesday morning 9am-10am and all you need to bring is yourself as I have all the equipment you will need. Why Yogalates, you may ask? Well, let me share some benefits with you. First off, it's fantastic for improving flexibility and building strength – not just in the muscles, but also in the core. It boosts metabolism, raises energy levels and improves posture, a crucial element often overlooked in many other fitness routines. Breathwork and mindfulness are an integral part of each class, wonderful for promoting a sense of calm and wellbeing.

The best part is that it's for everyone! All abilities are welcome. Whether you're a seasoned yogi or just starting your fitness journey, I adapt postures and difficulty levels to suit your needs. Every session is crafted to be inclusive and, most importantly, enjoyable. I do my best to ensure that each person gets the absolute best from their hour on the mat and leave the sessions feeling good. All my classes are friendly, fun and definitely not competitive. It's a great way to start the day and meet new people in the community.

Contact: Denise Fraser 07952 680598 - denise@denisefraser.com

Butterflies Tots Group



Plumley Tots Group has been running for many years in Plumley Village Hall and is now starting a new chapter as 'Butterflies Tots Group'. Over the last few years local mums have admirably kept the group running through the difficult times of Covid, but now with their children growing up, they're ready to hand over the mantle. Fr Murray Aldridge-Collins of St Oswald's Church, Lower Peover, is delighted to bring the group under the wing of the parish and members of the church will be volunteering to help run the group and provide some lovely refreshments for the parents, grandparents and carers who come along. There are many opportunities to volunteer, including making teas and coffees, help-

ing with crafts and singing and much more. For those who can't help on a Tuesday morning but would like to be involved, our 'baking rota' is a great opportunity for this. Butterflies will run every Tuesday during term time. If you would like to put your child's name down for a place then please contact myself, Rosie on 07916129153. Fees are £2.50 per week, plus an extra 50p per sibling. These are usually paid on a half termly basis. If fees are an issue for anyone in our current cost of living crisis then please don't hesitate to mention this confidentially. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to know any more information about the group, please get in touch. We'd love to hear from you! *Rosie*

Knutsford and District Talking Newspaper

Do you know someone who would like to have a weekly recording of the *Knutsford Guardian*?

We are a voluntary group who want to bring the local news to our blind and visually impaired residents by recording articles from the local newspaper the *Knutsford Guardian*. We cover all local villages.

We try to improve things for visually impaired people in the district, so that they can keep up to date with local news. We are also happy to send the recordings to residents who may have difficulty holding a newspaper or struggle to process when reading print (maybe as a result of a stroke or other neurological/physical disability)

We record the news and articles each week and then copy the recording onto a memory stick and post it out weekly to our listeners. This is a completely free service and all listeners also receive a USB Player specifically designed for the visually impaired, free of charge.

Our weekly recordings are also available for free on the Talking Newspaper App (Android & iOS) or via Devices such as Amazon Alexa or Amazon Echo. If you know of anyone who may benefit as a listener or if you would be interested in volunteering and need any further information, please contact

Mrs Frances McGhee (Secretary) on 07814 564858 or Email : fmclella@yahoo.com

police Facebook page)

Contacts and Groups					
Local Key contacts/organisations	Name	Telephone	Email / additional information		
Parish Council Chairman	Cllr Tony Gabbott	01565 722767			
Parish Council Help and Response Team	Cllr David Nichols Cllr Steve Jones	01565 723837 07887 506861	David.james.nichols2@gmail.com SMJones1@sky.com		
Village Hall Committee Chairman Village Hall Bookings	Pam Arnfield Jill James	01565 722262 07709 864568	chair@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk		
Tennis Courts & Play Area	Penny Allen	01565 722259			
Plumley Stores/Post Office	Jonathan Royle	01565 722277			
Toft Church Hall	Valerie Brooker	01565 650374	Mobile 07973 290756		
Cheshire East Council	Reception	0300 123 5500			
Flexible Transport Service from Plumley to Knutsford on Monday mornings.	Reception	0300 1235110	To book ring between 10 - 12 30 giving at lease 2 days notice in advance		
Cheshire West & Chester Rural Rider	Reception	01606 784100			
Plumley Chapel	Elizabeth Hall	01565 722271			
Plumley and District Probus Club	Alan Eastwood	01565 634992			
Halle	Isobel Nicholson	01606 888890			
Livery— Holly Tree Equestrian	Gloria Robinson	01565 722188	hollytree.ec@gmail.com		
Lower Peover Kids Club 4-14 years		02625 467623	admin@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk		
Butterflies Tots Group	Rosie Tabner	07916 129153	Tuesday morning (term time)		
Plumley WI	Isobel Chetwood	01565 723683	Plumley VH 1st Thursday in month		
Events at Toft Hall					
U3A Drawing and Painting	Mrs Berry Northen	01565 873053	Monday 10.00 am –12.00 noon		
Art Group	Wendy Ramsay	01565 632362	Wednesday 10.00 am -12.00 noon		
2nd Toft Brownies	Ann Liggett		6.00pm - 7.30pm E-mail : liggett@avaya.com		
Toft Quilters	Veronica Walton	01565 651507	1st Wed month 1.00pm -3.00pm		
The Callanetics Group	Carol Gunter	01565 651038	Thursday 9.00am -10.00am		
POLICE SU	Police Contact				
PCSO Amy Mair has surgeries planned for 08/06/2024 - Plumleys Garden Centre 9:30am 23/06/2024 - Treetops Nursery Over Peover 10:00am 29/06/2024 - Plumleys Garden Centre 9:30am (Please note that these can be subject to change or cancelled due to operational requirements. Updates regarding any changes to surgeries or new bookings are posted on the police Facebook page)			To report a crime call 101 for non-emergency enquiries or log a report through the Cheshire Police website. Call 999 when in an emergency and need immediate support.		

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