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**A NEWSLETTER
FOR ATCHAM,
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HOUSES AND EATON
MASCOTT**

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Berrington Parish Council

Berrington Parish Council usually meets at 7pm on the 1st Thursday of every month (except August and sometimes December) at the Chapel Community Centre.

Berrington Parish Council consists of nine elected or co-opted Parish Councillors:

Claire Wild (Chair); Richard Purslow (Vice-Chair); Nick Biggs; Claire Bonsey; Henry Carpenter; Stephy Durkan; Geoff Jones; Sue Mason; and Sue Shedden. More detailed information can be found on our website www.berringtonpc.org.uk Why not come along to one of our meetings. Guests are always welcome. If there is a local issue that concerns you then feel free to ask one of the Councillors for help in representing you in this matter.

Berrington Parish Council Website www.berringtonparishcouncil.org.uk

Berrington Parish Clerk

Mrs Lorna Pardoe, Home, Back Lane, Longnor, Nr Shrewsbury SY5 7PP
Tel: 07379 213308 mail: berringtonpc@gmail.com

Atcham Parish Council

Atcham Parish Council usually meet bi-monthly (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep & Nov) on a Wednesday evening at the Malthouse, Atcham at 7.30pm.

Atcham Parish Council consists of seven elected or co-opted Parish Councillors: Colin Wildblood (Chairman), Simon Adney, Stephen Cook, Laura Dixon, Sue Shedden and Rob Trow.

Atcham Parish Council Website www.atchamparishcouncil.org.uk

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IMPORTANT

**Deadline for the April - May 2022
issue is Friday 18th March 2022**



News from your Shropshire Councillor **Claire Wild**



Happy New Year to everyone.

Hopefully we will soon start to see a drop in the number of Covid cases. Since the beginning of December, Shropshire Council staff have been busy helping the booster roll out alongside the NHS. This work has included providing the venues, staff, helping organise volunteers, turning the Shropshire Local space in the Darwin Shopping Centre into a vaccine hub and not forgetting the operating of Bob, the Vaccine Bus. I am pleased to say that by early January the Shropshire Council area had helped 85% of all our adults over the age of 40 get boosted. This figure is one of the highest in the United Kingdom, with the average being 64%. We have hugely dedicated NHS staff, Council staff, volunteers and carers in our County who all deserve a huge THANK YOU.

Recycling Bin

At Full Council on Thursday it was agreed to provide all households with a new 240 litre bin (similar size to the green bin) for their glass, cans and plastic. These bins can be ordered on-line www.shropshire.gov.uk/waste or you can call 0345 678 9007. Your new bin should be delivered by spring, you can keep your old boxes and use them for something else, recycle them or keep using them, you don't have to have the new bin if you don't want it, it's entirely up to you. There are further details on this in this edition of The Pump and you will also receive a leaflet with your bin collection over the coming weeks. If you want a bin please order it by 1st April 2022.

A458 Speed Reduction Proposals

On Thursday 3rd February at 7pm in the Chapel Community Centre, Shropshire Council will be attending the Parish Council Meeting to present the speed reduction proposals on the A458 through Cross Houses. Please come along and look at the proposals. It is our chance to have input before the designs are finalised.

Allotment Wall

You may have noticed that a section of the allotment wall on the Cross Houses to Atcham Road has been removed. The wall was inspected last year and we were advised that this particular section of the wall needed to be taken down. It will be rebuilt however a structural surveyor needs to advise us along with the Historic Environment Officer from Shropshire Council as the wall is listed.

Stay safe

Claire

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POLICE CONTACT INFORMATION

Our Local Police Team: Tel: 0300 333 3000 ext. 69008. There is also a team e-mail address: shrewsburyre.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

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WE WILL BE BACK IN APRIL

Sadly due to the rise in Covid cases we were not able to restart Youth Club in January as hoped. We are now making plans for April. The good news is we have had three more people put themselves forward to volunteer which is great however we could still do with some more male volunteers. The volunteers made contact with the Youth Club Members over the Christmas period and we hear chocolate was involved. We are so looking forward to seeing you all in April. More news as soon as we know dates.

Our youth club caters for young people aged 9 - 14. Every other Wednesday evening, 6.30pm - 8.00pm at the Chapel Community Centre, The Chestnuts, Cross Houses SY5 6JH. The Youth Club is open to young people from all the surrounding parishes and is run by a fully trained Youth Worker from Shropshire Youth Association along with (fully checked and trained) volunteers. The cost per child, per week is £1. This money will go towards paying for the cost of trips that will be run throughout the year. **Please note parent/guardian permission will be required.**

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The first bins are set to be delivered from May this year, starting in the south Shropshire area, with deliveries then being made in other parts of the county.

Further information

The bin will be 240 litres, the same as those in standard use for general waste and garden waste. It will be a different colour, to differentiate it from the other bins in use. Residents will be encouraged to retain and reuse the existing collection boxes for different purposes. In 2020/21 Veolia collected 17,000 tonnes of plastics, glass, and metals from the kerbside in the Shropshire Council area.



CRESSAGE Gardening Club

A happy New Year to you all as I write this (12th Jan) and hoping your gardens have recovered from the storm back in December. Still some fencing to be replaced!

We are hoping that we'll have further new members at our AGM and Social Evening to come 20th Jan. Now at Cross Houses Community Centre due to flooring problems at Cressage.

The committee is full on planning events for this year. More news at AGM. Really inspiring events!

Happy gardening in between frosts! Liz.

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MONTHLY MEETINGS 2022

8th February - Practical Session

8th March - Demonstration (Basket Designs)

12th April - Practical Session

10th May - Demonstration (Bright & Beautiful)

For information and contact details please visit our website:

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Practical sessions: Help and guidance is given where/when anyone requires. Our aim is to have a relaxed evening and for you to go home with a lovely arrangement you will have created.

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Jayne Caswell, Atcham Parish Councillor and so much more

It was with great sadness that we received the news of Jayne's passing on 6th January 2022. Jayne was a lovely, kind and caring lady who gave so much of her time to the community. She was well known in Atcham having run the Post Office and the family business.

Jayne was a stalwart of the community, not just as a Parish Councillor but she was also heavily involved in the church, the flower club and was a member of the Malthouse Management Committee, where she took the bookings for years. Jayne also delivered the Village Pump in and around Atcham.

Jayne will be very sadly missed and our sympathies go to her Husband Paul and family.

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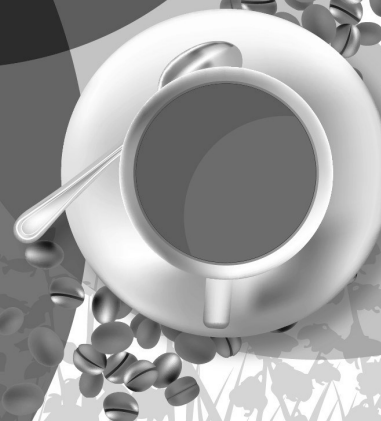
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Happy New Year! Although by the time of reading this, I expect New Year and the Christmas celebrations will feel a long time ago!

We would however like to start our first newsletter of the year by thanking you all for the kind and generous gifts and words that we had from so many of you at Christmas. I want to assure you that as a practice we are incredibly grateful and your support means a huge amount to all our team.

COVID-19

As I write this the Omicron variant is taking effect with growing numbers of cases across the country and more locally. Hopefully by now you will have completed your vaccination course in addition to having a Booster. If you have yet to have these, please look at the NHS website or contact 119 where you will be able to access a vaccination. Also, if you are one of the most vulnerable and were advised to have a Third Primary Dose and then a Booster dose, you will need to have a Booster dose 3 months after your Third dose.

Having your vaccinations reduces your chances of developing severe symptoms from COVID, however we wanted to offer some help and guidance on what to do should you have any signs or symptoms.

If you develop any signs or symptoms or symptoms, in the first instance take a Lateral Flow Test. If this is positive, you should start self isolating. If the Lateral Flow Test is negative, you should arrange a PCR test, which you can do on the government website or by calling 119. You should continue to isolate until you have a PCR test result. At the time of writing this, the current rules are that you should isolate until Day 7, but can stop isolating after day 7 if you no longer have symptoms and have negative Lateral Flow Tests on Day 6 and 7. *(Editor Update - People self-isolating with COVID -19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after five full days if they test negative on day 5 and 6, and do not have a high temperature. The changes come into effect from Monday 17 January. People who are still positive on a Lateral Flow Test must stay in isolation until they have had two consecutive negative LFTs taken at least 24 hours apart).*

Symptoms which you may develop with COVID include

- A High Temperature
- Dry Cough
- Loss of Taste or Smell
- Sore throat
- Cold like symptoms
- Joint aches and pains
- Headaches
- Loss of appetite
- Lethargy or tiredness

Things you can do to help

- Rest and take it easy
- Take Paracetamol for any headaches and joint pains
- Drink plenty of fluids, it is important to keep well hydrated.
- You may have a reduced appetite, if this is the case eat little and often

Much Wenlock & Cressage Medical Practice

Practice News **Continued**

COVID Treatments

You may have heard that there are some new treatments newly licenced for use in treating COVID-19 called Sotrovimab and Molnupiravir. These are only available to a very specific patient population, and those patients eligible have received a text message from the nhs. This treatment is only started in the event of a patient testing positive for COVID on a PCR test and is not prescribed by us in general practice.

Those patients who are eligible for treatment include patients who have

- Down's syndrome

- A rare condition affecting the brain or nerves (including multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease, Huntington's disease or myasthenia gravis)

- Sickle cell disease

- Certain types of cancer

- HIV or AIDS

- A severe liver condition (such as cirrhosis)

- Chronic kidney disease (CKD) stage 4 or 5

- Had an organ transplant

- Certain autoimmune or inflammatory conditions (such as rheumatoid arthritis or inflammatory bowel disease)

- A condition or treatment that makes you more likely to get infections

- Had certain types of chemotherapy in the last 12 months

- Had radiotherapy in the last 6 months

For further details on symptoms, treatments or testing please visit the government website which has lots of useful information - <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Cressage Dispensary

We are aware that things have been difficult with the dispensary over the past month or so and have done our best in terms of communications throughout. We have a team now in place who are working hard to improve the service we provide and appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

Once again, can we take the opportunity to thank you for all the kindness shown over the past few months. It is very much valued by all of our team at the practice and keeps us going through the challenging times.

Wishing you all the best for 2022

From **Dr Jess Harvey**, on behalf of all at Much Wenlock and Cressage Medical Practice

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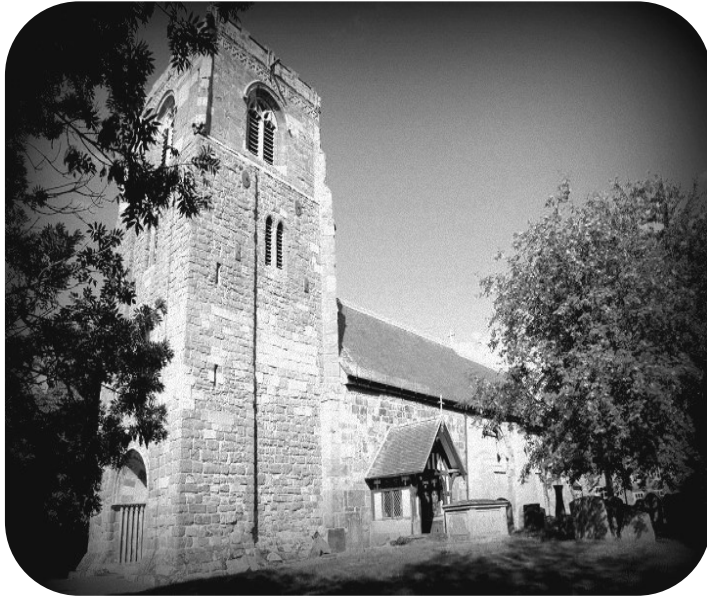


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There will be a Eucharist [BCP] every Sunday at 11 a.m. apart from those listed below.

Ash Wednesday - March 2nd a Communion Service at 11 a.m. with the imposition of Ashes.

Mothering Sunday - 27th March this will be a Family Service at 11.15 a.m. No communion. Posies of Spring Flowers will be presented to all Mums and candles will be lit for those no longer with us. Refreshments served afterwards. A very warm welcome to all.

Sunday 27th March - British Summer time begins - Clocks go FORWARD one hour.

Food Bank - the Congregation decided to donate items to the Food Bank at Christmas instead of sending cards. The response was amazing and transported to the Barnabas Centre in time for Christmas. Thank you to all who contributed.

Sad news - Jayne Caswell died on 6th January. Jane was a familiar figure around Atcham Village where she was involved in the family Garage business. She helped in Church with flower arranging and her last visit was to do the Poppy arrangement for Remembrance Sunday. She was a member of Atcham Parish council and did the bookings for the Malthouse. Her death leaves a huge gap in the community and a very sad loss. Her funeral will be held on Wednesday 2nd February at 12 noon. at St.Eata's. Our deepest sympathy to Paul and all her family. Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her.



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- that your containers were out on the right day.
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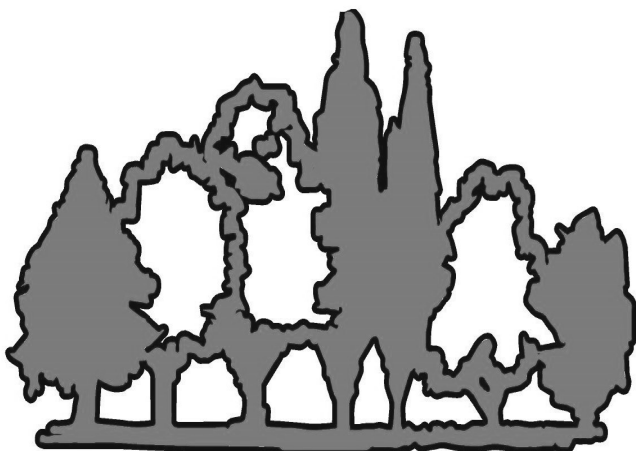
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2021/22 Reading List

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March - *"While Paris Slept"* - Ruth Druart

April - *"The Amber Keeper"* - Freda Lightfoot

COUND & DISTRICT CRAFTERS

Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at Cound Guildhall 10am - 12 noon. £5 per session, different crafts each meeting.



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CROSS HOUSES



We are a small group of very friendly ladies who meet on the third Monday of the month, 10am - 12 noon at the Community Room, Noel Hill Road for a chat and to make items for charity events which we run twice a year for local causes - everyone is welcome and you don't have to worry about ability - we are all different and learn from each other whilst having a laugh.

We welcome new members, please come along and join us.

For more information please contact Sue on 01743 761355 / 07773 161635 or email sueshedden52@gmail.com

DATE CORRECTION

Our popular Christmas Fair will be back (fingers crossed) next year on **Saturday 19th November 2022**. All proceeds to Severn Hospice.



Atcham & Cross Houses Mobile Library

CROSS HOUSES

Usually every other **Friday** morning
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4th March & 18th March

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This term we are 'deep' into other cultures! Ancient Rome, Greece and Egypt have come into our classrooms and we are looking at historical artefacts, learning names of gods, appreciating art and engineering skills and also enjoying some good old-fashioned dressing up days and role play in our classrooms. Our youngest children are getting ready to perform at William Brookes Dance Festival as we believe that having the confidence to take part in a performance is an essential life skill and part of developing 'cultural capital'. All our classes are also working towards musical performances – this term we have borrowed a set of West African drums (djembes) and are enjoying learning about their cultural background.

You can find out more detail about our curriculum on our website but here are the class themes:

Acorns – YR: Traditional Tales

Maple – Y1: Space and Transport

Holly- Y2/3: Egyptians

Willow – Y4/5: Romans

Oak – Y6/6: Ancient Greece

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