

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 29 Apr	Drop-In Coffee Morning 10:30 to 12am Tiverton Village Hall, all welcome for a chat and cup of coffee.
Tues 4 May	Tiverton Garden Club: Hanging Baskets - A Demonstration 8pm in Tiverton Village Hall
Tues 11 May	Tiverton Village Hall AGM in Tiverton Village Hall at 7:30pm. All welcome to attend
Tues 18 May	Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm, Tiverton Village Hall (the agenda is published on the noticeboard by the telephone box)

If you want your event listed here, email to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk

Village Hall News

We have now had the results of our energy survey that we announced in the June 2009 issue recommending improvements to the loft insulation, a better control system for the heating and a more efficient oil boiler, together with some optimistic views on the potential for solar PV generation. Whilst there is nothing surprising, we have some good data and professional views to support grant applications. Better loft insulation and improved boiler controls are our number one priority as we try to reduce our carbon footprint.

In addition we are also looking at improvements to the kitchen area and revamping the bar area as storage for tables and chairs.

We need to be able to offer facilities that are as good as any in the area to continue to attract users and pay our way. This all adds up to an impressive programme and the Hall Committee does need to attract younger members to continue the good work.. Our aging committee may have the enthusiasm but no longer have the energy to contribute as they used to.

Do please come along to the AGM on 11 May 2010 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall and make an offer to help in some way.

The village hall is available for hire to local residents. There is more information about size, facilities, etc on the website at www.tiverton-cheshire.org.uk/VillageHall/

Contributions/Letters

Contributions for the Aug 2010 edition should be addressed to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk or on paper to any parish councillor by the middle of July.

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TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

April 2010

Chairman's Letter

The Parish Council is having a spring clean! And no, we are not entering the Best Kept Village competition again. Local village signs are being updated which will at last put Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall firmly on the map. The proposed new Tiverton Village sign will blend in with the Millennium Seat on Smithy Green. Peter Willis, a local artist who painted the sign for the Year 2000, has been approached for a picture for the new sign.

The fencing on the A49 service road greens has been replaced and the curvature of the approach bend improved so that the new fencing should remain undamaged. When parking for the village hall, please be aware that large lorries may need to use the service roads, and try to avoid obstructing their passage.

Stocks Bank Green that contains the War Memorial has been beautifully maintained, so please do not drive your vehicles over the grass.

Any potholes can be reported to Cheshire West and Chester gov.uk under fault finding or by phone to 0300 1237036.

Dumped rubbish can also be reported by ringing 0300 1237026.

If anyone is interested in attending a First Aid Course, please contact me (732855)

The Parish Council AGM is on Tuesday 18 May 2010 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall, the public are very welcome to attend.

Janice Farrall, Chair

Stile Replacement Programme

After what must seem an age, we have finally got the metal kissing gates we heralded in the May 2007 issue. After a substantial consultation exercise through 2008 with landowners and footpath representatives, the Parish Council submitted a list of 10 stiles that were in need of replacement,

The Countryside Management Service (CMS) erected the stiles in February/March of this year, as many parishioners will have noticed.

To the surprise of the Parish Council, CMS have provided us with more than expected - of the 10 stiles we requested, 6 were changed to plan and at least 6 additional kissing gate stiles were erected along other parts of the parish footpath network. We are pleased to have at last got more accessible stiles on many of our footpaths, although some of these metal kissing gates replaced perfectly good wooden stiles in places where access was not an issue.

Any problems with footpaths should be addressed to Countryside Management Service (Tel: 01606 301482/3). This Service also deals with enforcement issues such as removal of obstructions across a Public Right of Way.

A Message from St Andrews Church, Huxley

The St. Andrew's Working Group is looking at whether the redundant Church next to Huxley School could become a new community facility for the village and enhance the ongoing viability of the School. They have presented initial ideas to various people and groups, including the PCC and CheshireWest councillors, and been really encouraged by the local interest and support

They're now consulting potential users to get a clear understanding of the demand for possible uses such as a Sure Start Children's Centre, Pre-School, Arts Centre or Rural Education Centre.

If there are any thoughts from Tiverton Parishioners about the future of St Andrews, please get in touch with Lorna Pleavin - 781296, Mary Raybould - 781107, or Malcolm Smart - 781563

Web Site Reminder

For up-to-date information of what's happening in the Parish and back issues of PC Newsletter or Parish Council Minutes, please check out www.tiverton-cheshire.org.uk

Homewatch

Village Co-ordinator - Roger Blake

Tel: 01829 733 787 or by e-mail: rogerandmaureen@meadowf2s.com

POLICE - Contact Telephone Number:- 0845 458 0000

For Rural Officers - Messages can be left on 0845 458 6377 or 0845 458 6394.

If you wish to pass on information via an independent and anonymous source you can call CRIMESTOPPERS ON - 0800 555 111 or e-mail - www.crimestoppers-uk.org

If you are leaving your property unattended for any length of time e.g. holidays etc. please inform your neighbours or Roger Blake. Roger will also check on your property whilst it is unattended if you so wish. Roger can be contacted on the above mentioned telephone number or by e-mail.

Cold Callers

Trading Standards are keen to know of all incidents of cold calling, door to door sales dusters/pictures etc, tree loppers, tarmacers, callers requesting scrap metal etc. in a constant effort to combat potential doorstep crime. There is a telephone number to ring should they call at your door and are there at the time, or still in the area. Trading Standards operates a van with TS officers that will come out immediately to gather details from these callers. If they feel it necessary they can request Police to attend. The number is 0845 1132500 the cold caller will not know that you have rung Trading Standards. The officers will act as if they are carrying out a general sweep of that area and your identity need not be disclosed. However it is important that you ring as soon as possible for them to be effective.

University of the Third Age (U3A)

A couple of years ago there was a lot of discussion about the possibility of forming a branch of U3A in the village, but the ideas never coalesced into action, disappointing quite a few people. But take heart, Tattenhall have recently formed a branch that meets in the Barbour Centre at 2pm on the 3rd Thurs of the month. Those in Tiverton might find it a much easier place to get to than Frodsham, Northwich, Crewe or Chester the other 'nearby' branches of U3A. If you are interested in joining, contact Contact Hilary Scarratt on 01829 770516