



# Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council Newsletter September 2018

## What's On

Village Society Quiz Night – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October, Village Hall.

Remembrance Day Service – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 10.50 am, War Memorial.

Christmas Carol Service – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm, Methodist Church

Village Society Christmas Party – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, Village Hall.

## Chairman's Notes

Firstly, an apology. It now appears that the work that was carried out at the Red Fox junction earlier in the year was a bit of a false dawn. The plans to rework the junction are still in place, but Cheshire West & Chester Highways are awaiting the final design for the junction from the engineers, following a road safety audit which had highlighted a few issues. I appreciate that this, along with the proposed speed limit reduction at the junction, is an important issue for the community and, as a consequence, I am in regular contact with Highways to ensure that these initiatives progress as promised, albeit perhaps at a slower pace than we all would like.

Since the last newsletter there have been a large number of mains water bursts down Huxley Lane. As a result, the Parish Council has written to the Chief Executive of United Utilities asking for details of their mains pipe replacement policy and suggesting that a full replacement might actually be more cost-effective than the unscheduled but regular replacement of short lengths of damaged pipes.

Finally, a word about Operation Shield. Many of our surrounding villages are implementing this system across their villages as a means of deterring thieves from entering their area and carrying out burglaries. Signs are placed at the village boundaries indicating that it is protected by Operation Shield. We have some money to make a start with this in Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall but we really need some positive expression of interest from the community to get this off the ground. Please can you contact the Parish Clerk or Chairman if you are interested in being part of this initiative. Without your involvement this is unlikely to happen and our villages may be more at risk. A summary about Operation Shield is included below, and more details can be found on the Cheshire Constabulary website.

*Ray Mould – Chairman, Tiverton & Tilstone Parish Council (Tel. 07771 813249)*

## **Operation Shield**

Operation Shield is Cheshire Constabulary's **unique DNA marking system** that is protecting homes and businesses in Cheshire by reducing burglary opportunities, deterring offenders, and identifying and recovering stolen property.

It works by using state-of-the-art **unique DNA liquid** which contains an individual code to mark property in your home, garage and shed. The DNA coding in the liquid is registered solely to your address and added to a database. This means that **if anything is ever stolen it can be traced back to you.**

Operation Shield now means that anyone who has been arrested and brought into custody is scanned for traces of the unique DNA liquid. This doesn't just apply to offenders who have been arrested for burglary. As well as scanning offenders, police also process any recovered property for DNA code. This means that police can link offenders back to burglaries which may have happened weeks before, with the evidence that associates them with individual crime scenes.

## **World War 1 Commemorations**

November 2018 marks 100 years since the end of World War 1 and Beeston are hosting a number of events to commemorate this centenary. An open invitation has been issued from Beeston to Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall residents to join them for these commemorations.

Beeston Castle is a designated Beacon site and on Sunday 11th November a beacon will be lit, along with hundreds of other beacons across the country, as part of a national commemoration. Admission will be from 4:30pm with the Beacon being lit at 7pm. This promises to be a spectacular event.

There will also be an exhibition in Peckforton & Beeston Village Hall from the 4th to 9th November and a play, "Will you Remember Them", on the 10th November. Full details can be found in "My Village News".

## **Tiverton Village Society Update**

Saturday 30th June was a beautiful hot summer's day for our Village Day Event. It was a great success, running throughout the afternoon and well into the evening for the many enjoying summer drinks and music. This year we had Ray and Pauline Mould cooking fabulous burgers and sausages from Rose farm, which all went down a treat.

As always, the children had a great time playing on the bouncy castle alongside a paddling pool to help keep them cool. We had our first cake competition at which we were very lucky to have Laura from the Lockgate café as judge, and the winner of the competition was our lovely Heather who had put together two wonderful vegan delights. Our fun dog show was once again a big hit; even in the heat the dogs performed magnificently. The same can't be said for some of the adults, but hopefully they will learn!

I would like to say a special thank you to Ray and Pauline, not only for cooking in the heat, but for collecting and returning all the tables and chairs we needed for the day. Putting the day together is a real team effort, not only by the members of the village society but other residents who every year turn out to help us set up and clear away. So, A VERY BIG THANK YOU to each and every one of you, and of course to everyone who turns up on the day and helps make it such fun.

Our wonderful team includes Claire, Heather, Lesley, Louise, Paula and Pauline, without whom none of these events would be possible.

Best wishes to you all and hope to see you in October. *Jean Toyn.*

## Superfast Broadband STOP PRESS!

As promoter of the Voneus project for superfast broadband I have been very concerned, given the absence of news and the obvious delays, that the company might not actually deliver. After much pestering I have just received the following from Matthew Appleton, founder and Director of R&D at Voneus.

*“Firstly, I am sorry that we have not effectively communicated to you the various efforts that have gone on behind the scenes to progress the project. This has been a matter of timing and we have today published an update about the project on our web site; Voneus.com (latest news/in your area/Cheshire) and this will be updated as things move forward”.*

*“One of the key elements was the acquisition of the key sites without which the project would effectively become both much more complicated and expensive. Next steps are to approach Ofcom to ascertain what frequencies we can use in the area for the licenced links”.*

Extracted from the website; *“We are in advanced discussions with a mast and telecoms operator, adjacent to the fibre source 14km away at Winsford, about hosting the backhaul radio that will deliver all the combined network traffic onto the Internet.*

*This project has now begun to move forward again with the potential acquisition of a key location that can deliver an onward signal from Winsford. With this now “in hand” (albeit still to be confirmed) we can begin to plan in more detail. From this key location premises in and around Tiverton will connect directly, negating the need for a network of smaller relay sites due to the sophistication of the improved wireless radio equipment we propose to use”.*

*“I trust this information if of use and I hope over time we can repair any reputational damage on our side”. Matthew.*

So, no firm timetable as yet but I shall stay on their case and keep you informed.

*Gordon Ibbotson – Deputy Chairman, Tiverton & Tilstone Parish Council*

## Pilates

We have a new Pilates class on Monday mornings at 9.30am in Tiverton Village Hall. Pilates is an excellent way to build strength and improve balance, and the class is suitable for all ages and abilities, including beginners. Come along and enjoy getting fitter and stronger with your friends and neighbours in the village. Everyone welcome. *For more details see [www.strongbodypilates.co.uk](http://www.strongbodypilates.co.uk).*

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