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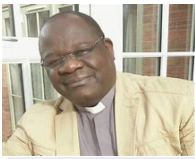
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From Father Lameck Summer of God's Love

Our summer season is here. It is a time to experience the goodness of God throughout the entire season. Most of us will be taking some time to relax and enjoy the summer, whilst others will be travelling to different destinations for holiday. As you embrace this season, I want you to consider doing three things in order to be fully present to what God has for you: Pause, Pray and Positioning.

Pause. This means it is time just to take a break. The schedule has been hectic for so long, and you have been doing so many different things. It is time you hit the pause button this summer. Take time to smell the flowers, feel the grass beneath your feet, laugh with friends, and enjoy life. In other words, let us stop, reflect and pay attention to the pause. Psalm 46:10, says: "Be Still and Know that I am God." It is time to wait upon the Lord, refresh our batteries and get us ready for the next season ahead of us. Let us pause.

Pray. The season of summer allows us to take stock of our journey of our spiritual lives through prayer. This is time to have conversation with God and creating meaningful spiritual relationships. More importantly, listen to God. He still speaks in our times of prayer. He still comforts us in our times of need. Therefore, take some time out to have a conversation with God. You might say, "I never know if I am still in tune with God or my spiritual life is rusty. How do I know?" The most important thing to do is presenting yourself before the God. He knows where you are and what you struggle with. He is already waiting for you. You are going to stumble over your words or repeat yourself. You are even going to say things that sound silly to you when you reflect on them. That is all fine with

the Lord because He knew you before you were even born. Look closely at the prayer Jesus made in John chapter 17. It is extended, repetitive, and meandering. If Jesus had submitted that prayer for a liturgy class in your earthly theological college, he would have received a failing grade. Yet, it was the proper prayer for that moment. His prayer was perfect for that occasion. And guess what? So is your prayer. No one is grading it. Just talk to your God. When we speak, He listens. Then, when we are quiet, after saying all of our words, He speaks in our hearts. Amazing! So, pray.

Position yourself. Get ready for God to do something new in you, around you, and through you. God is doing something new every day for us. We however have to be physically ready to catch when something is tossed to us, we must be spiritually prepared to receive what God is throwing our way. Jesus said in Matthew 11:15, "Whoever has ears, let them hear." Everyone has an idea of how they can position themselves as they wait upon the Lord. The scriptures say in Jeremiah 29:11: For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Then, Proverbs 3:5-6 says: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight." Know this, God is with you, and Jesus loves you more than you know. So, enjoy the summer as you are refreshed by our Lord.

St Alban's Church Tattenhall - Application for a Premises Licence

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of

Tattenhall has applied to Cheshire West and Chester Council for a premises licence for **St Alban's Church Tattenhall**, Church Bank, Tattenhall, CH3 9QE as follows: To permit the sale of alcohol on the premises between the hours of 1100 until 2200 Monday to Sunday.

Full details of the application may be inspected by contacting Cheshire West and Chester Council, The Portal, Wellington Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 0BA during the Council's usual opening hours or viewed on the Council's website: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk or by emailing:

Licensing@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk Representations should be made in writing to the Licensing Authority at the above address no later than 23 August 2023.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for making a false statement is a Level 5 fine on the standard scale

ST. ALBANS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

St Albans needs to move with the times and like every other establishment it has a website!

A year or so ago we were stuck. The website at that time was in a real mess. Lots of incorrect personnel details, mixed up and wrong information was the order of the day. I was doing my best to correct glaring mistakes but frankly I was way out of my depth as I had no idea how it worked.

I don't know how it happened - I like to think my constant pleas for volunteers was acknowledged but I don't know. What I do know is the Website Saviour, Mr Eric Elson, volunteered to help and he has been beyond brilliant. The Website has been transformed. If you are not

familiar with it I urge you to take a look. It is full of past, present and future articles.

I would like to say I am working WITH Eric to ensure the high standard he has created is maintained. What I really do is try to look intelligent and pretend I understand what he is talking about! If you are someone who stands around looking intelligent because you ARE and you understand how websites work COULD YOU LEND A HAND? I make it sound like you need a degree. You don't! A willingness to help is enough. Please get in touch!

Jane Richards
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Upcoming August and September Highlights:

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Selection of dates, all abilities, different age-groups welcome! Further details can be found on www.sporttattenhall.co.uk

- Junior Football with MPH Academy
- Junior Tennis run by Ace Tennis Academy
- Junior Cricket run by Tattenhall Cricket Club
- Junior Squash regular coaching continues Saturday mornings.

Sport Sections

Cricket: The League season continues until early September. Spectators are very welcome! Sunday, 20 August sees the annual President's Day.

Croquet: August sees the return of fixtures in the Snowdonia Cup campaign. Drop in sessions continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Prospective/new members are welcome to 'drop in'.

Football: JFC holds its end-of-season tournament on Sunday, 3 September; the new season starts shortly after – always looking for new players, so contact Junior Football Club

Tattenhall AFC (16+) starts pre-season training end August; following on from last season's success, they are currently recruiting new players. Interested? Contact Charlie Cooke on 07585 339517.

Netball: Juniors and Seniors are on their summer break, resuming play early September.

Running: Cross country and fell

running continues, with Road Running restarting come Autumn.

Squash/Racketball: Coaching and social play continues through the summer, league matches resume in September. Juniors hope to repeat their phenomenal performance of last season!

Tennis: Senior Tuesday club night and Thursday club mornings, together with Thursday evening cardio tennis continue summer through to winter; junior club nights will resume after the summer holidays.

Women's American Football: Tournaments have drawn to a close, but training continues into early winter.

Gym: Cardio-vascular and resistance machines, free weights; Personal Trainers, full inductions, monthly and annual membership available. Did anyone mention the view? Spectacular!
Watch this space - changes are afoot in the gym!

Social Dates for your Diary:

Fridays @ the Flacca:

25 August and 15 September

President's Day Cricket:

Sunday, 20 August

Further details on all the above can be found at
www.sporttattenhall.co.uk or Facebook: **What's on at the Flacca**

Tattenhall Village Fete- St Alban's Church

Saturday July 1st

What an answer to a prayer! The rain stayed off for the afternoon, and hundreds called into The Rectory Garden to sample food and refreshments, the music, the stalls selling a wide range of goods-and just enjoy the general mulling about, chatting and enjoying a great village



event.

The Zimbabwean singers enchanted the crowd with their captivating music-with members of the crowd joining in some of the songs that had repeated phrases. The background music and compering also helped to keep the day zinging along-just amazing to have all this in our village.

And of course, the opportunity to sample tasty Zimbabwean food was, as always, fabulous! Scones, cakes and meringues with tea and other hot and cold drinks were also sold from The Rectory conservatory. Burgers and hotdogs were available, and The Letters Inn had drinks and food too-so there was plenty of choice. And of course, tubs from the Ice Cream Farm were a "hot" favourite too!



Stalls by Tattenhall and District Parish Council, TwiG and all the events that take place at church, and those selling plants, cakes, jam, honey, bric-a-brac, clothes. Tombola, children's toys and books



and games all had many visitors. Face painting was as ever popular with many children and the raffle did well from a stall at the front of The Rectory.

This was just one of the many events taking place in Tattenhall on Saturday July 1st- all the more impressive that the turnout was so good. Thank you to all of you who joined in.

Well done St Alban's, and all the many volunteers who helped set up, man stalls and clear away afterwards. Many thanks to all the local businesses who supported the event by providing the amazing range of raffle prizes. *(This article first appeared on TattenhallOnline)*

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	Ruth Morgan	771841
Handley	Christine Walley	771976
Burwardsley	Barbara Sculthorpe	770418
	Alison Carter	
	Debbie Spencer	

DIOCESAN NEWS



Ordination

Eight men and women were ordained priests by the Bishop of Chester at a memorable service held at Chester Cathedral on Saturday 10 June 2023. Addressing a packed Cathedral, as well as those watching online, Bishop Mark welcomed all who had come from far and wide to support those being ordained.

Is God calling you to ordained ministry?

If you are sensing God's call into ordained ministry or wondering how best to serve God, why not contact one of our Deanery Vocations Advisers or speak to your local priest for more information who can talk things through with you. Or join the [Foundations for Ministry course](#) to explore God's call with others. Find out about some of those in this year's cohort of deacons.

The Archdeacon's Visitation 2023

The above service was held at Tattenhall Church this year. St Alban's welcomed over a hundred Church Wardens and church officers from around The Diocese. We would like to give thanks to all our church members who worked so hard in catering for all our visitors on that day. On the same note, we also give thanks to all those who have accepted to lead God's people as churchwardens for the coming year.



Malpas Deanery News

Our Next Deanery Chapter meeting is to be held on 7th August.

THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER SUNDAY SERVICES



St Alban's Tattenhall 8.00am Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer

10.30am Holy Communion according to Common Worship

10.00am Every Wednesday Communion Worship Service

N.B.

Sunday of the month- Family Service with no Communion

All Saints Handley

First Sunday of the month—Family Service with no Communion
 Third Sunday Holy Communion according to Common Worship

Burwardsley Parish

Songs of Praise on second Sunday of the month only

Gifford Lea

Last Wednesday of the month only (Holy Communion)

ST. ALBANS, TATTENHALL**CHURCH CALENDAR**

6th August Transfiguration of our Lord

**SUMMER BIBLE STUDY- 7th June -26th July**

A special thanks for all those who took part in the summer bible study on 'Beatitudes'. We all learnt a lot from sharing the scriptures and fellowshiping together. Our next Autumn bible study will be in September.

Happy 90th Birthday, Pat!

As you celebrate your special day, we are reminded of your love and unwavering support for the church and community. We just want to say thank you for your wisdom and leadership in church and community. Your inspiration has shown us how to see life through another person's eyes. As you turn yet another page of life, may you look back with pleasure and with happiness on all your accomplishments over the years. Happy 90th birthday!! We are always amazed by the stories you share about your incredible life. Happy birthday from all your friends and family at St Alban's.

Happy 90th Birthday Ken!

Friends and neighbours enjoyed celebrating a very special milestone birthday with a very special man. Ken is a huge supporter of the church and an important member of our community. Ken's fascinating book on the history of the church is a great source of information for anyone interested in local history. An enormous thank you for your support, wit, and entertaining stories about your great adventures. It is always a pleasure to chat. Thank you for your advice and wisdom and your infectious enthusiasm for all things Tattenhall. Enjoy your birthday festival and all the cakes along the way. Happy birthday from all your friends and family at St Alban's.

**FROM THE REGISTERS****Baptisms**

26th May

Sebastian Christopher

9th June

Harry Jo Haspey

From The Registers

12th June- John Selwyn Shone (29.8.32 to 26.5.23)

John Shone was a man of many parts with wide interests, a large family, an impressive breadth of friends and admirers and a wicked sense of humour. He was married twice, both times for almost 30 years, had 4 children, 2 step children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren (and one more since he died). He was born in Hoylake, educated at Marlborough, did his National Service in Germany and then joined the family Flour Milling Business in Liverpool. He retired from full time work when his first wife, Ibbs, died and engaged in a wide range of other interests including golf, bridge, painting and poetry. Having moved from Backford to Gifford Lea after his second wife, Ruth, died he created a new life for himself in the Village, engaging in many social events and making many good and firm friendships. He will be sadly missed by many.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY

From The Records

Gwendoline Elizabeth Wingfield 1931-2023

Gwen Wingfield was born on 24th April 1931 in Handbridge to George and Sally Crocombe. She had a very enjoyable childhood playing and working on her grandparent's farm in Pinfold Lane. During the War when playing on the Meadows she looked up and saw a German plane returning from a bombing raid on Liverpool. The pilot had his cockpit window open saw my mother and gave her a big wave. She waved back. This simple gesture shows both the futility of war and the strength of humanity. After the War she joined the Civil Defence force due to the threat of potential nuclear war. It was here she learned to drive in an ambulance. After her death her name was recorded in the Civil Defence Book of Remembrance at the National Memorial Arboretum at Burton-on-Trent. Gwen had a passion for history and would visit all stately homes and historical sites across Cheshire, North Wales and beyond. She was a 'walking encyclopaedia' of local knowledge and history about Chester, and her own wider family connections of 2nd and 3rd cousins. After retirement Gwen and Bob went on many trips and holidays over to the Continent and travelled twice in their 70s and 80s to Singapore and Australia as part of my father's Royal Navy reunions. They also enjoyed Christmas trips down to London to see Ian his family. Gwen's other passion in later life was her garden. Together with Bob she grew roses, chrysanthemums, hydrangeas, gladioli, tomatoes and of course prize-winning fuchsias at many a Chester flower show coming first place year after year. Sadly about 10 years ago she started to develop dementia and reluctantly she had to move to the Oak Grange care home in Mollington.

Gwen led a full life and was a very strong, resilient and formidable woman. A life well lived and cherished. May her soul rest in peace eternally.



ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY



Songs of Praise

13th August at 4.30pm
10th September at 4.30pm

Congratulations to Lyndsay and Stuart Brown who celebrated their golden wedding with a blessing for family and friends on Saturday 3rd June followed by a reception at Cheshire View. Thank you for sharing this lovely day with us.

From The Register

16th June 2023 Audrey Rose Ryder (90)

Audrey was born on the 15th January 1933 near Bangor-on-Dee, going to Erbistock School at the age of four. Her love at this age was always horses. On leaving school, Audrey took a job in Malpas book-keeping. This job didn't last long and she soon moved to Passey's shop in Chorlton Lane. In her younger years, as well as her love for horses, Audrey also loved dancing and was a regular at Bickerton dances. Audrey was very active in the local community. Where Fairview was situated in the village, there wasn't much that got past without her knowing, and she wasn't backward in coming forwards in asking a question if she wanted to know something, under the guise of asking for the "neighbourhood watch" of course. If ever there was a question that needing answering about the village, Audrey was the person that everyone turned to which probably went some way to earning her the reputation of "Mrs Burwardsley". Even though Audrey suffered great loss in her life and numerous health issues throughout the years, she never once complained or allowed herself to be down. Instead, she dusted herself off, looked out for the ones she loved, was grateful and made the best of what she had, and got on with living life as best she could.

Following a cremation service at Pentrbychan a Memorial Service was held on Tuesday 11th July. Our condolences to her grandsons Mark and Paul.

23rd June 2023 Irene Lawrence (91)

Irene lived in Burwardsley and later moved to Gifford Lea, Tattenhall. Irene attended Songs of Praise service where she enjoyed the singing, chat and cake after the service. Her sparkling eyes and lovely smile will be sadly missed
Our condolences to her family. Rest in Peace

PARISH NEWS DEADLINES 2023

Please remember that if you miss the deadline your item may not be published.

**The Parish News is published every
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The deadlines for 2023 are:

**8th September; 13th October;
10th November**

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Tattenhall & District Parish Council Annual Report 2022-2023

Chairman's Report - Councillor Iain Keeping

Council elections are due on May 4th this year, but the Parish Council has already been completed. Councillors were elected without contest because there were just 15 candidates for 15 places. This does not in any way diminish the democratic process nor the legitimacy of councillors. Any elector of the Parish (or even another Parish if they work here or live within 3 miles) who doubts this is free to stand at the next election in 4 years hence.

Two councillors, Doug Haynes and Lisa White decided not to stand for election this year and I thank them both for their hard work and dedication over a number of years - in Doug's case a number of decades!

Remember that our Parish Councillors are unpaid and represent their electors and not the interests of any political party. Four new councillors have been elected, Peter Clark, Dorothy Darnborough, Mike Foster and Robert Smith. With a total of 15, Tattenhall and District Parish Council has the largest number of seats in Cheshire West (jointly with Rudheath) and since all 15 have been elected we have largest number of councillors (Rudheath fell short of their complement by 7 in their uncontested election).

Only 4 out of more than 70 rural parishes in West Cheshire have contested elections this time and only 18 of the uncontested elections have their full number.

The first meeting of the new council will be on 15th May 2023 at 7:30pm, in the Barbour Institute where electors will be able attend, meet the Councillors and raise questions or issues.

The time burden for Councillors and the Clerk has been managed by reducing the number of Council meetings from twelve to six per year. Nevertheless, the year has been busy for the Council. Routine business has returned to normal following the pandemic, including:

- Scrutiny of and commenting on planning applications (Parish Councils have no power to determine an application).

- Setting the precept (well below inflation this year).
- Risk management and maintenance of Parish-owned land and property ie the Park and children's play area, the Spinney, Barn Field, Glebe Meadow, Youth Pod, Millennium Mile, War Memorial and allotments at Gateshead.
- Awarding grants - £4,690 to 12 local organisations last year.

The Council are aware of issues of particular concern to residents and efforts have been made to address them:

Maintenance: The War Memorial was

closed after sink-holes appeared after the last floods. The monument was also found to be leaning. As previously reported, extensive research and advice was taken leading to underpinning by resin injection.

The contractors, Mainmark, completed the work, at an affordable cost, in time for Remembrance Day. The dogwood surrounding the monument on Mill Field has been removed to prevent damage to the walls and the project will be completed by repointing the stonework in accordance with regulations concerning this grade II listed building.

In addition to the Parish-owned property, the management of the field and pond adjacent to the Spinney has been taken on and together with volunteers from Transition Tattenhall, the maintenance of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Orchard has been taken over from the Borough Council. Watering of the newly



planted orchard was a particular challenge in the hot, dry summer. The Council has been helped by other volunteers including Sea Cadets in clearance of the Mill Brook in the Spinney and Cheshire West in Glebe Meadow hedge-laying along Chester Road.

Open Spaces: Glebe Meadow is now open to the public, but it is important to preserve this unimproved grassland and wildlife area by keeping to the mown footpath and, if you take a dog with you, keeping it on a short lead and picking up after it. An ecological survey has been carried out in advance of the opening and future surveys will be used to ensure that no damage is being done. The council are currently investigating renovation of the Ha-Ha which forms the boundary between the meadow and Rookery Hall.

The Spinney is now maturing after renovation with a significant increase in wildflowers resulting from increased light levels. Management of trees in the Spinney continues to be an expensive balance between safety and preservation. As with Glebe Meadow, ecological surveys will be continued regularly.

The Neighbourhood Plan review includes a review of the designated Open Green Spaces in the Parish. This has been a significant amount of work for the working group who have identified, defined and justified, 24 spaces and wildlife areas which, if approved, will be protected from future development. The details are available on the Parish Council website in the draft document included in March 2023 Council minutes.

Litter: The Council has supported volunteer litter collection by provision of pickers, bags, collection bins and portable ash trays to encourage safe and clean cigarette end disposal. The Green Dog Walkers scheme has significantly reduced the level of fouling by dogs and free biodegradable bags, supplied by the Council are available from the Post Office and Tattenhall News. A litter-awareness session was arranged for children at the Park School. Following representation by the Council it has been agreed that some litter bins will be replaced. The bins have now been replaced by the Rectory, outside Pluto House, by the Spar

bus stop, Barbour Institute, the brick bus stop and a metal bin with cover by the Youth Shelter.

Road Safety: Following speed surveys, the Council has part-funded the signs for the new reduced limits on some of the roads leading into the village. Sadly, repeat surveys have not shown any reduction in average speeds and in some cases the speeds have increased beyond the limits. For this reason the Council will be pursuing alternative speed control measures with the highways department for the future. The Parish Council has no powers to impose speed controls, but can make requests which has been done with regards to Burwardsley Road and Birds Lane. The Council has also arranged training for volunteers in the use of community speed watch cameras.

The junction of Newton Lane and Tattenhall Road is an increasing concern given the number of accidents witnessed recently. In March, the Council held a site meeting at the junction with representatives of the emergency services and the highways department. The danger of the junction was highlighted by witnessing 2 near-misses during the meeting! The highways department has agreed to renew the signage including white lines, but the police view is that the incidents are the result of bad driving, not the layout of the junction.

Concerns continue about parking and difficulties for pupils crossing the roads at the Park Primary School. This had been the subject of meetings with Cheshire West & Chester officers and school representatives in 2020 and 2021 resulting in adjustment of the parking restrictions on Chester Road. However, the yellow lines are routinely ignored at pick-up time. Representation to the police has been made concerning enforcement of the rules. Agreement has been made to undertake an assessment to see if the school qualifies for a crossing patrol. The assessment has been delayed due to covid regulations.

Affordable Housing: Housing in Tattenhall is amongst the most expensive in West Cheshire. 'Affordable' has a relative definition and so a property at 80% of local average price or rent is still too expensive for most. A housing needs assessment in 2018 identified a significant need for low cost properties for young people as well as for the elderly to down-size. Housing

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development in the last 10 years has not met this need. Despite a requirement in the Neighbourhood Plan for 35% of new housing to be affordable, the proportion of affordable in new build in the last 10 years is only 21%. In the past the Council has promoted projects at Smithfield's and Grakle Croft. More recently the Council has supported Tattenhall Community Land Trust in its project to build 4 affordable single bed units on the Keysbrook estate. Hopefully, a strengthened policy in the Neighbourhood Plan review will help, but at present the number and siting of affordable houses built is determined by negotiation between Cheshire West & Chester planners and the developer with the Parish Council excluded.

Other matters: There has been progress in replacing stiles on the most popular public-rights-of-way. Kissing gates have been

purchased and with the support of the Ice Cream Farm routes will be made safer and more accessible over the coming months.

New lights have been purchased for Christmas decoration of the Village. The Events Working Group has been very busy with Christmas Children's parties, painting and willow-weaving workshops, Platinum Jubilee event on Flacca Field with Sport Tattenhall.

Finally I would like to thank all Councillors for their dedication. In particular I would like to thank Ann Wright for her unerring support without which none of the above would be possible.

Dr Iain M Keeping MD, FRCP

Accounts & Finance



Balance Brought Forward 2021-22	£67,846	
Precept 2022-2023	£59,259	
Other Income -	£141,553	Includes: £68,301 FCC Spinney Grant £51,562 Community Infrastructure Levy £15,352 VAT Refund £2,000 Neighbourhood Plan Review Grant £1,988 Miscellaneous £1,265 Jubilee £ 707 Interest £ 354 Gatesheath Allotments Rent £ 24 Tattenhall Book Sales
Staff Costs & Administration	£18,945	Includes: £712 Insurance £1074 Room Hire
Other Costs	£84,116	Includes: £23,842 Grounds Maintenance inc Tree Works & Memorial £16,976 Events & Community Pride £16,482 Projects inc. Spinney Works Management £10,707 Grants £6,820 Neighbourhood Plan £9,005 VAT £ 285 Allotments
Balance Carried Forward (2023-2024)	£165,597	

Planning

Since May last year the Parish Council has been notified of 39 planning applications, 15 were for some form of extension, 12 were for tree works, and 4 were to vary previously obtained permissions.

We received one application to build a new garage and 2 lawful development applications and 1 relating to converting Medway House into a dental practice. A further application for this has just been received.

We have received 1 application for solar panels, it will be interesting to see if the number of applications for solar panels increases in the future as people seek ways to reduce their carbon footprint and power bills.

Other applications of interest include an

application for 27 holiday lodges and 12 holiday pods at Tattenhall

Marina (22/3890/FUL) and an application for a temporary agricultural workers dwelling and new livestock building (23/00876/FUL). At the time of writing these have not been decided by the principle authority, Cheshire West and Chester Council.

The Planning register which includes comments submitted by the Parish Council is published as part of our meetings' agendas, and we post each application when received on our Facebook page.

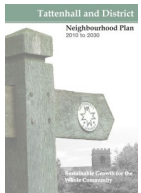


Neighbourhood Plan Review & Design Code

The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) has been under review since late 2019. The pandemic caused significant delays, but the review is now advancing. Policies have been amended to bring the Plan into general conformity with CW&C Local Plan (LP), a requirement. The main proposed change is to Policy 1, partly to bring it into conformity with the LP and partly to strengthen the requirement for affordable housing. The original NP suggested a minimum of 35% of new housing development should be 'affordable', but the relevant Local Plan Policy is weaker, requiring developers only to "work towards a target of 30%". The reviewed NP draft policy would require "at least 30%" should be 'affordable'. It is thought that this would be in general conformity with the LP especially if there is good evidence to back up the local need for affordable housing. The 2018 Housing Needs Survey provided this evidence, but this is now 5 years old. The Parish Council has agreed to fund an update to the Housing Needs Survey which is being carried out by Cheshire Community Action.

The other main proposed change to the plan is in Policy 6, Local Green Spaces. These areas are defined and justified by the Parish Council and agreed by CW&C after which they become 'designated' and protected from future development. The original plan was deemed not to have sufficiently strong justification for the chosen areas. There are a few additional

spaces bringing the total to 24. Alongside the NP, the Village Design Statement (VDS) was also reviewed. In 2020 the Government published guidance on local design codes and the working group recommended replacing the VDS with a Design Code. With support from Localities and AICOM, the Design Code is now near completion and will be presented to the Parish Council at the next meeting. The design code is prescriptive for such matters as housing density, materials and environmental protection. There is a requirement in the proposed NP for all planning applications to comply with the Design Code. The proposed change to the NP designated area has been accepted. The new designated area now conforms to the new Parish boundary. Some residences have been removed from and some added to the designated area. Twenty in all are affected and all have been notified. The next step in the review, once the Housing Needs Survey has been completed, is to proceed to statutory consultation before submission to CW&C. The working group does not believe that the proposed modifications change the nature of the plan sufficiently for there to be another referendum, but this decision will be made by the Examiner.



Single Use Plastic

Single use plastic plays a big part in the litter dropped on our streets. Therefore last year we embarked upon a scheme to encourage people in our village to use less single use plastic, if we succeeded we would gain the Bronze level award. In order to do this we needed to supply:

- * The names of three businesses that would reduce their use of single use plastic by three items.

- * Have ten "allies" who would start to reduce their use of single use plastic.

- * Get the Primary School involved and ask the Parish Council to corroborate what had been achieved in the village.

Contact was made with the school and they had a talk from Helen Tandy, who is from a group called Eco Communities, about plastic waste. They were then given the opportunity to make a large plastic monster as a reminder of the talk and promoting putting their litter in a bin! Since this talk litter pickers and bags have been supplied to the school in order that parents can litter pick the village playground area before and after school.

We have been told that we have fulfilled the criteria for the Bronze level for reduction of single use plastic and once the Parish Council has ratified this hopefully the participating businesses will receive a plaque to show their commitment to reducing plastic.



In addition we have recently had a recycling talk from Tara Dumas the Strategic waste manager from CWAC which was very informative and she is happy to work with the village on recycling. 90% of plastic is not recycled; it is burnt or dumped. Single use plastic eg plastic bags, packaging, straws and plastic takeaway containers just break down into micro particles which pollute our waterways and injure and kill marine life. We can all do something to help including reusing or reducing items made from plastic. Please help us remove single use plastic from our village.

The Spinney



The Spinney has been a great success. Although some people had doubts about the project it has benefitted so many people and our wildlife.

The rooks seem to be as lively and vociferous as ever and yet

otherwise it is a peaceful place where the only sounds are generally from bird song. The wild daffodils around the paths were very cheery in the Winter months and the wood anemones and celandines are a picture at the moment carpeting large swathes of the ground. The increase in wildflowers has been brought about as the light levels have improved following the necessary maintenance and at least 34 varieties of wildflowers were identified last year.

Last Summer the Opal Club had a very enjoyable picnic in the Spinney provided by the Parish Council and catered for by Alison's coffee shop. It was greatly appreciated and this is part of their thank you note,

"Thank you for your extremely kind gift of

providing a picnic for us at The Spinney."

"Since...the Covid epidemic we have not had the opportunity to take the members out so it was lovely to be able to just walk them down the path from the Vault at St Albans."

Sandy Bears Nursery make good use of the Spinney and as it is such a safe and central place the children are able to walk there and enjoy and learn to appreciate and care for wildlife and the environment. However it is also important for adults to be able to enjoy the Spinney as,

"Research shows that being surrounded by green spaces reduces anxiety and improves the immune system, and that regular contact with nature and green spaces promotes better mental health." (King's College London 26 July 2022 Anna Naseem)

It is expected that the wildlife will continue to improve alongside our community and both will benefit from each other.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee



The flags were out and the bunting was up when, on Thursday 2nd June, in glorious weather, the Parish Council's Jubilee Jamboree began the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in Tattenhall.

Many hours of preparation and meetings later Parish Councillors and members of the community spent the morning putting up gazebos and directing stall holders to their pitches in time for the event to begin.



People flocked to the Flacca field where there was entertainment for all ages. The band played; there were donkey rides; souvenirs on sale; a Climbing Wall which proved very popular;

Face Painting; Soft Play and even a tug of war. Children could make their own crown and there was a fancy dress competition with the theme being something associated with the Queen's Reign.

The bar was open; there was tea and cake; and local food outlets provided Pizzas to go, Fish and Chips and Ice Cream and the Tattenhall Singers gathered to enthral the crowd with several songs in front of the marquee.

The fun went on all weekend with many events in and around the marquee to ensure that the Jubilee Jamboree was a great success.



Then there were more.... Events

The Spinney Opening

Saturday 3rd September saw the Grand Opening of the Spinney. Work had been taking place throughout the year to create a boardwalk through the trees providing access to all. A pond has been dug out and a wildflower meadow sown.



There have been a variety of art projects for residents to take part: Natural materials were gathered by children to create collages and Willow weaving workshops took place to create dragon flies and butterflies, now displayed in the Spinney.



Art classes were organised in the Barbour Institute with artist John Clayton.



A large Willow Fox had been commissioned and stands proud in his new home in the Spinney

The opening saw the large, beautifully painted Story telling Chair where children listened to stories and poems that were being told by Kirsty Williams.

There were hotdogs and Pimms on offer, plus supervised 'Marshmallow toasting' for the children.

It was also an opportunity to unveil the bench in commemoration of Councillor Georgina Blackhurst.



Remembrance

It was a pleasure to have our War Memorial repaired in time to hold the Remembrance Service once again. Refreshments were served to all attendees as in past years.

A wonderful start to the Festive season

Once again our village looked amazing with the addition of new star lights criss crossing the high street and with the addition of star lights on the lamp posts.

A new family of Deer lit up the lawn of Olympus house and once again the Snowman were out with their hidden letters making a Christmas word that was rewarded with a Christmas selection box.

The Post Box had a new home in the Spar and Santa was busy replying to those that had written him letters.

On the evening of the 'Christmas Tree Light Switch On' a Victorian Organ arrived at the front of the Barbour Institute playing music and enticing quite a crowd. The attendance was so

good this year that the free Hot Chocolate and Mulled wine ran out.

The school children sang some wonderful songs before Santa arrived on his Tractor to switch the lights on the big Tree and hand out gifts to the children. This was followed with singing from our own 'Tattenhall Singers'.

Christmas Parties for the Children of Tattenhall

This year we asked each family for a £5 deposit that was returned when the children arrived at the parties. This worked well and reduced the number of non-attendees.

The younger children once again enjoyed the Music, fun and games provided by 'Diddy Dance'. There was of course a visit

from Santa and a sack full of goodies.

The older children enjoyed a Christmas themed 'work dance shop' provided by Aisling Swift's 'Panache'. The children enjoyed showing their dance to their parents and also had a visit from Santa.



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Meeting Dates 2023-2024

Monday 3rd July 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Monday 6th November 2023

Monday 15th January 2024
Monday 4th March 2024
Tuesday 7th May 2024

The Parish Council meets on the first Monday of every other month beginning in May each year, from 7.30pm in the Barbour Institute, The agenda is published a week before the meeting and can be found on the Council's website and is displayed on the Council's notice board on the High Street. The Council calls extraordinary meetings as required, and the agendas for these are published in the same way as scheduled meetings.

All Council and Committee meetings are open to the public and include public participation.

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In the first meeting of the new council held on 15th May, Jonny Kershaw was appointed chairman alongside Neil Matthews and Robert Smith as vice-chairmen for the forthcoming municipal year.

At July's meeting the new area inspector for Cheshire Constabulary provided an update on the presence of community support officers in Tattenhall while PSCO Hurst remains on leave. He also highlighted the constabulary's online resident's voice survey where respondents can highlight issues of concern without having to dial 101 or 999.

The youth shelter will be repainted and also be included in the forthcoming Tattenhall art trail this autumn. A consultation will also take place after the summer asking if residents wish for a new multi-use games area (MUGA) and if so where it should be built in the village along with outdoor gym equipment that could be included.

Initial plans to improve pedestrian access across the bottom of Church Bank have been drawn up by CWAC council at an estimated cost of £13,000 depending on the outcome of the application to expand Gifford Lea retirement village. In the meantime it is requested that drivers do not park their vehicles across junctions and dropped kerbs and obstruct pavements in and around the village.



Road markings have been renewed along the top half of the high street and the rose corner end of Rocky Lane at the time of writing and the council has also

requested the same treatment at Newton crossroads where a number of collisions have recently occurred. The council also welcomes quotes by email to repaint historic fingerposts in the village centre where CWAC have conditionally agreed to

supply paint.

More kissing gates to improve access for walkers on the network of public footpaths crossing the parish are to be ordered with this round of funding coming from



Community Interest Levy payments the council is in receipt of. Marker posts on the millennium mile will also be renewed with new locally-sourced timber.

Ellen Edwin-Scott will run storytelling and forest craft sessions in the spinney on two dates during the school holidays to be announced. Wildflower meadows in the spinney and on the park will also be reseeded this year and next subject to further discussion. Suggestions are also welcomed for where more trees can be planted in the village as part of the Northern Forest which was inaugurated in 2018

It is hoped that the war memorial will be repointed by stonemasons in time for remembrance weekend in November. The hugely well-received Christmas lights will also be making a comeback this winter.

And last but certainly not least our annual parish meeting will take place on the evening of **Wednesday 20th September** at the Barbour Institute where the village cup will be awarded. Nominations are most certainly welcome in time to be considered at the next ordinary meeting of the parish council on 4th September.

Cllr. Richard Carden

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Sunday 2nd July – Thank You Day!

Thank You Day began to enable us all to say "thank you" to everyone that helped us through the COVID 19 pandemic.

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We should feel so proud here in Tattenhall and surrounding villages of our community spirit – many visitors comment upon how strong it feels and how vibrant village life is!

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ST. ALBANS NEEDS HELP—THE JOB LIST

HELP would be welcome with the following tasks! Any help, however small, will be much appreciated. It will help spread the load and free up time to tackle the other jobs many of us have – particularly the Church Wardens!

We have been blessed with several people coming forward to offer help over the last year or so. I can't tell you what a difference it

makes and how much appreciated all St Albans volunteers are!

Take a look below – there must be something right up your street?

WEBSITE

- ◆ General help especially with Facebook

SOUP AND PUDDING

- ◆ Making soup or dessert once a year
- ◆ Help set up, serve and clear up at a session once or twice a year!

CHURCH FLOOR

- ◆ Administration of insurance claim

Please ring either Jane or George (01829 770482) for more details and make their day by saying **YES**

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ST ALBANS' CHURCH

HOLEY, HOLEY, HOLEY!

A light hearted title but sadly the story is not a joke.

A major problem has recently come to light at the back of the Church which has been developing over a number of years without anyone knowing. It was noticed recently because some floorboards have become "spongy", soft and unsafe. The pipe draining water from the sink has split and the water from the sink has not been flowing into the outside drain. This means when the sink was used water flowed down the Church wall then under the built in units and the moisture-proof carpet tiles. Consequently the problem was hidden from view and only became apparent when the floor boards would not support body weight. The carpet tiles were removed to reveal extensive damage to the floorboards which have rotted away.

The area has been closed off and made safe.

A claim is being placed on the Insurance Company which will cover part of the cost. Ongoing discussions are being held with the Insurance Company, Insurance Assessors and Technical Assessors. The Church is a Grade ii* listed building and as such the work to be carried out will have to be submitted to the Diocese for approval.

All this means a lot of paperwork and if you feel you can help with the administrative side it would be a great help. Just call me. It would be a one off task!!

George Richards – Churchwarden

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Visit www.tattenhallchurch.co.uk for full details of how you can help us at St Alban's.

Family Songs of Praise with Breakfast

Come and join us at 9:45am on the first Sunday of the month for a scrummy breakfast followed by your favourite hymns and songs chosen by you at 10:30am!

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Visit www.tattenhallchurch.co.uk for full details of our Services, events and how we can help you.





Following the roaring success earlier this year of our pantomime Camelot, the TADS committee has been busy planning our forthcoming programme of productions and events. So if you fancy channelling your inner Captain Mainwaring for Dad's Army, joining us for our late summer social or getting your children involved in our play in a day, have a look at our newsletter and pop the dates in your diary. We are always keen to welcome new members so please visit our web site if you would like to get involved: <https://www.tattenhallamdram.com/>

NEWSLETTER

AUDITIONS.....

Our next production of "Dad's Army", from the original TV show will be staged in November. It will be performed as 3 episodes and will be a popular show with cast and audiences. The main cast is men but there are many interesting and funny ladies parts too. Auditions are open to anyone over 18 but you must be a TADS member to perform

This production will be directed by Rob Turner and produced by Angela Turner

AUDITION DATE:

Tuesday 18th July 7pm

Barbour institute

For more info contact the director on 07813978090

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT TADS

CONTACT US ON

info@tattenhallamdram.com or call Alison on 07711464338



WHATS NEXT?....

The committee is busy making plans for the rest of the year.

We are planning a late summer social; Play in the day for the younger TADS members;

Play read through and meal;

And of course next years productions.

DIARY DATES:

18th July 7pm

Dad's Army auditions at the Barbour institute

3rd September 7pm

Dad's Army read through at the Barbour institute

!6th September from 4pm

Summer social hosted by Jane Mathews at Poplar hall farm

October half term

Play in a day

More details to follow on all these events



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Thank you to all users for their patience whilst the building was being prepped, repaired and painted, especially with navigating the scaffolding. And to the Bolesworth team for the great work and communication.

We're just waiting for our new sign to complete the renovation.



At the Heart of the Village—

Regular Classes and groups at the Barbour Institute include—
Iyengar and Hatha Yoga, All levels of Pilates, Queen Bee Fitness, Tattenhall Singers,
various U3A groups, diddi dance, Tattenhall Over 50s, Panache Fitness and Dance, Kids Ensemble Musical Theatre, Tattenhall Gardening Society.

We also host regular meetings for the Flacca Rec Club, The Village Surgery Group, several Parish Councils, Tattenhall Am Dram Society, Flacca Court, the National Childbirth Trust, Sandstone Ridge Trust, Bolesworth Estate, English as a Second Language lessons, ATC

Upcoming events at the Barbour Institute

- Songs for a Summer Evening – 18th August (tickets available from the Post Office)
- Repair Café - 27th August
- Village Show - 3rd September
- Jumble Sale - 24th September
- Wrestling - 7th October
- TADS Play in a Day - 5th November
- Chester World War I Society Exhibition - 11 November
- Armistice Day - 12th November
- TADS Dad's Army - 23/ 24/ 25 November
- Xmas Switch-on - 1st December
- Children's Xmas Parties - 2nd December
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The Village Surgeries Group

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closed from 1-5.00pm
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and 17th October for
staff training.**

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re-open at 5.00pm
although the surgery
will remain closed until
the following morning.**

September Cybercrime and Scams – DC Andrew Kevan
Cheshire Police
October Rob Toomey – Welsh Copper
November Stephen Shakeshaft - Chester Uncovered Part 2

Our website provides more information on recent talks and details about interest group activities : <https://u3asites.org.uk/west-cheshire/home>

The email address for contributions is WCRu3a@hotmail.com or for membership enquiries contact Dorothy Turpy, our Membership Secretary, at membershipwcru3a@gmail.com.

TATTENHALL OVER FIFTIES (TOF's) **Chairman Noel Atkinson 770808**

At the TOF's meeting in June the speaker was Dr Karen Castle who talked of her experiences working in the prison service. The July meeting speaker was Ken Pye who gave a lively talk about The Joys of Scousers and Scouse.

The meeting on Thursday 3rd August will begin with the AGM. There are a couple of vacancies on the committee and it would be lovely to have some new members; so if any TOF's have a free couple of hours a month to attend the committee meetings we'd love you to join us. The AGM will be followed by the Summer Party with a buffet and entertainment by Paul Stuart.

Speakers for Thursday 7th September will be Fiona Wardle about her work in the Police Force and Thursday 5th October, Roger Ellison. We are hoping to hold the Christmas Market on Thursday 2nd November and the Christmas Lunch will take place on Thursday 7th December.

TRAVEL WITH TOF'S

Once again the sun shone on the day of the coach trip to Aberystwyth. With a short coffee stop in Bala en-route the drive there and back was through beautiful scenery and everyone enjoyed their time in Aberystwyth – there was even some paddling.

The following coach trips have been arranged for Summer / Autumn 2023:
Thursday August 17th **Llandudno**, departing from the Barbour Institute at 9.30 am
Thursday September 21st **Bakewell**, departure time to be announced

TOF's meets in the Main Hall of the Barbour Institute between 2 and 4 on the first Thursday of every month. New friends are always welcome, so come along and be a TOF.

Meditation in the Church



Every Tuesday
6.15pm - 7.00pm

*Come and join us for 30 minutes
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devices with headphones.
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nights draw in!
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church are always welcome.*

Loss Café at St Alban's

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the loss of a loved one or pet?

Have you lost your way in today's world?

At 10:00am, on the last Friday of the month,
as part of our pastoral responsibility in the
Tattenhall community we have a 'Loss Café' in
the Community Room, which is similar to what
was known as 'Forget-Me-Not'.

Come along to the
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and cake in a friendly,
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environment whilst
talking, listening or
sharing your journey
with like-minded
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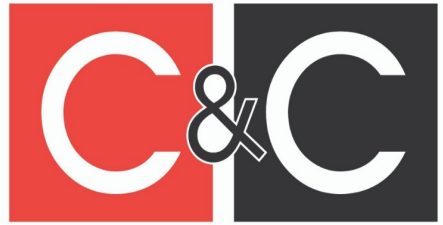
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