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# KETLEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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# Message from Cllr Anil Saini, Chairman of Ketley Parish Council

"At the Annual Parish Meeting on 8 May 2014 it gave me great pleasure to report the successes of the Parish Council over the last 12 months, particularly the complete refurbishment of Ketley Community Centre, in what I described as a 'particularly busy year' for Councillors, staff and volunteers associated to the Parish Council. I would like to extend my thanks to these people and to all those parishioners who have continuously engaged in helping the Council through their participation in various associations like Friends of Paddock Mound, Friends of the Garden of rest, Ketley History Group, Ketley Good Companions, Ketley Youth Club and numerous other voluntary groups." Kind regards, Cllr Anil Saini

If you would like to discuss any issues with the Chairman, Cllr Saini holds a monthly surgery at Ketley Community Centre between 12 – 2 pm on the last Thursday of each month.

# Simon Malpass, Co-opted Councillor for Ketley

Simon Malpass was formally sworn in as the new Co-opted Councillor for Ketley at the Parish Council meeting on 11 June 2014.

#### Cllr Amrik Jhawar, Deputy Mayor of Telford & Wrekin Council

Ketley Parish Council would like to congratulate their fellow Councillor, Cllr Amril Jhawar, for being appointed as Deputy Mayor of Telford & Wrekin Council for the forthcoming year.

#### **Election of Chairman of Ketley Parish Council**

At the Annual Meeting of the Ketley Parish Council Cllr Anil Saini was re-elected as Chairman and Cllr Hilda Rhodes was elected as Vice Chairman of Ketley Parish Council for the forthcoming year.

# Ketley Parish Council Meetings

Ketley Parish Council has a Full Council meeting once a month (with the exception of August) when residents of the Parish can attend to raise issues in the public session held at the beginning of each meeting. The dates of future meetings are:

Wednesday 9 July 2014 at 7.00 pm, Wednesday 10 September 2014 at 7.00 pm and Wednesday 8 October 2014 at 7.00 pm. Ketley Parish Council also have a monthly Finance Committee, which monitors the Parish Council budget and a monthly Resources Committee, which is responsible for personnel issues, contracts and health & safety. Details of these meetings are published on the Parish Notice board at Ketley Community Centre.

#### **Red Lake Garden of Rest**

Ketley Parish Council has agreed a maintenance contract for Red Lake Garden of Rest with T&W Council Environmental Maintenance Team and TWS. The Parish Council has a full time TWS employee who is responsible for the maintenance of the Garden of Rest, along with other environmental work throughout the Parish. If there is any area of the Parish that you feel needs to be cleared or cut back, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk, contact details above.

#### PACT Meetings at Ketley Community Centre

West Mercia Police have organized a PACT meeting for local residents at Ketley Community Centre on Wednesday 9 July 2014 at 6.00 pm. This is an opportunity for residents to speak to the local policing team about their concerns.

#### **Defibrillator at Ketley Community Centre**

The Parish Council has recently purchased a defibrillator for Ketley Community Centre. This life saving equipment is located in the Reception area of the Community Centre and can be used on people in the event of a cardiac arrest. Community Centre staff have been trained in how to use the equipment.

#### Free Wi-Fi at Ketley Community Centre

Ketley Parish Council has installed wi-fi service throughout the Community Centre for centre users to use free of charge.

# Rooms Available for Hire at Ketley Community Centre

Ketley Community Centre has rooms available to hire for an hourly cost of £12.50 per hour with discounts for charities. There is a large hall ideal for birthday parties and sporting activities, an Art Room with a sink area, a fully equipped IT suite with internet access and free wi-fi, a formal meeting room with flip chart and projector and a classroom with a linked kitchen ideal for courses and training events. There is also a stage available at an additional cost. Please contact the Community Centre Manager if you would like to book a room.

# Health & Safety Changes at Ketley Community Centre

Regular users of the Community Centre will have noticed changes to entrances to the building. Following a Fire Risk Assessment, the Parish Council were advised to have one main entrance into the building with disability accesses only to the back of the building. This is to ensure that Course Tutors sign in when they arrive and the Parish Council is aware of the number of people in the building. Again, this is for the safety of our Centre Users in the event of a fire.

# Rights of Way in Ketley

There have been some proposed changes to the Rights of Way network in the Telford Millennium Village to coincide with phase 3 of the development. The Parish Council has asked if ROW 111, which runs to what was the old railway holt in Hadley could remain. Councillors felt that this is an important piece of Ketley heritage, which should be saved for future generations.

# 2014-15 Budget for Ketley Parish Council

Ketley Parish Council has carried forward from the last finance year a balance of £183,335 into the 2014-15 budget. The Parish Council has set the following budget for 2014-15:

Budget Headings	Anticipated Receipts	Anticipated Payments	
	£	£	
- Administration		36,753	
- Street lighting		55,573	
- Environmental Work		25,000	
- Grants		5,500	
- Projects	500	16,000	
- Community Centre	17,441	69,067	
- VAT reimbursement	14,000		
- T&W Council Precept	114,484		
- Bank Interest	973		
- Garden of Rest	5,500	2,860	
- General Reserve	57855		
TOTAL BUDGET	210,753	210,753	

If residents would like to view the 2013-14 accounts, please contact the Clerk (contact details above).

# **Friends of Paddock Mound**

Martin Noble is leading a mammals survey on Paddock Mound on 27/28 June 2014. Various traps will be set on the Friday evening and then checked out on the Saturday morning. Members of Friends of Ketley Paddock Mound will be there to assist Martin, but all local residents are very welcome to come along. Children in particular would find this an enjoyable experience.

The Friends group is currently setting up a working party who will be looking at future possibilities for the development and management of the site. It will also be looking at various funding opportunities. There will be at all times, close collaboration with the Parish Council.

#### **Ketley History Group**

- 2 July 2014, 7-9pm: Members of The Ketley History Group will share updates on their 2013 and 2014 research, including details of the 120th Anniversary of The Ketley Estate Sale; Rope Making in Ketley; Ketley Plane Crashes & more.
- 5 July 2014, 10am 3pm: A Special Exhibition on the 120th Anniversary of The Ketley Estate Sale. In July 1894, on behalf of the Duke of Sutherland, farms, residences with grounds, villa residences, 2 inns, 365 cottages and gardens, and 834 acres were auctioned. The exhibition will reveal what lots were sold, who brought them, how much they paid, the location and who lived there before and after the sale. If you have information relating to any of the auction lots please bring it along to the exhibition.
- 3 September 2014, 7-9pm: Canal History in Shropshire: talk by Shrewsbury & Newport Canals Trust followed by a photographic presentation of the Ketley Branch Canal and its Inclined Plane Basin.

# St Marys Church, Red Lake

St Mary's Church, Shepherds Lane, Red Lake, Ketley are arranging a Teddy Bears' Picnic on Sunday 10 August 2014 from 11.00 am until 1.00 pm, with songs and crafts. Bring your own picnic, drinks will be provided.

# **Ketley Youth Club at Ketley Youth Centre**

Ketley Youth Club will not be running during the summer holidays. The last session will be Tuesday 15 July 2014 and will re-start on Tuesday 9 September 2014.

#### **Shaping Places**

Telford & Wrekin Council is developing a new Local Plan called Shaping Places. It will set out the scale, type and location of future development in the Borough. This process involves a number of stages. T&W Council have just closed the consultation on the proposed housing and employment sites, which in Ketley identified two areas for housing development

totaling 41 houses. The Parish Council and residents will be consulted again during 2015 on the Draft Local Plan. The proposed sites for housing are displayed in Ketley Community Centre.

#### Road Closure - Waterloo Road, Ketley

Severn Trent Water will be undertaking upgrading work along Waterloo Road, Ketley, from its junction with Wrens Nest Lane to its junction with Overdale from Monday 11 August 2014 for approximately 8 weeks. A diversion route for vehicles will be via the B5061 Holyhead Road, B4373 Mossey Green Way, B4373 Old Park Way and Rock Road.

#### Walkaround Ketley

Do you know any of the history of Ketley? Want to find out more about the area you live in and stretch your legs at the same time? Then why not join me and members of the Ketley History group on a walk around Ketley on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014 - meet outside the Sanctuary offices at 20 Ketley Park Road at 10.00a.m. The walk will take no more than 3 hours and will give everyone a chance to learn something about the area you live in. Adults, children (under 16s must be accompanied by an adult) and families all welcome. All you need to bring is a drink (particularly if it is hot!) and to wear some sensible shoes for walking. David Churm, Telford Millennium Community Co-ordinator.

# Job Box Mentors - New 1-to-1 for Unemployed People in Telford & Wrekin

Job Box Mentors can work with you on a personal 1-to-1 basis to support you and help you move forward in your ambitions. They can help you evaluate your options or prepare for an interview. They could help you find training or education. They also keep up to date with what's going on with local employers so you can get the inside track on new jobs, sometimes even before they're advertised! If you've tried to get support before and felt you weren't understood or weren't listened to, then getting your very own Job Box Mentor who will work closely with you and respond to your needs, may be exactly what you need. It's like a VIP service tailored specifically for you and it's free! No classes, no generalised approach, no cost, just really friendly, skilled and knowledgeable mentors that are interested in helping you to get where you want to be with work and skills. To get your own Job Box Mentor or find out more, phone, email, text or contact us through Facebook or Twitter. You can contact The Job Box team in various ways: facebook /telfordjobbox; twitter @telfordjobbox; email telfordjobbox@telford.gov.uk; telephone 01952 382888 / 07797 873891.

# Patchwork and Quilting Classes at Ketley Community Centre

Come and learn to create patchwork and quilting projects with Anne Garner aka 'Annie's Patch' at Ketley Community Centre, Holyhead Road, Telford TF1 5AN on a Fridays between 10am – 2pm on the following dates: 4th July 2014, 11th July 2014, with more classes starting in September 2014. £25 per weekly session to include use of sewing machine (Janome Model DXL 603. I have 4 machines available). Refreshments and materials for project instructions included. Refreshments provided. Contact at: <a href="https://www.anniespatch.com">www.anniespatch.com</a>, phone 07969649855 or find me on Facebook Annie's Patch.

#### **WEA Computer Courses at Ketley Community Centre**

This is a 15 week course that allows students to learn the areas of computing that interest them without having to cover things they already know or have no wish to learn. The tutor will help each student to devise an individual learning plan on one of a range of topics such as word processing, using the internet, email or Photoshop. The student can progress with this as far as they want, and while they will be encouraged to then move on to another aspect of computing there's no pressure if that isn't what the student wants. It is suitable for those with no previous knowledge and also those who already know quite a bit but are keen to learn more. There are no tests or exams, just an opportunity to learn at a pace that suits the student in a friendly, supportive environment. Courses will run Mondays 13.00 - 16.00 starting on Monday 22nd September or Tuesdays 9.30 - 12.30 starting on Tuesday 23rd September. All WEA courses are free to those in receipt of means tested benefits. For those not receiving benefits, the cost for each 15 week course is £135, which can be paid in two installments. Contact Sue Blair on 01952 614451.

#### **TCAT Courses at Ketley Community Centre**

Improve you English and Maths starting Monday 15 September 2014 between 1.00 pm - 3.30 pm. Digital Photography for Beginners starting Thursday 18 September 2014 between 9.30 am - 11.30 am. For more details contact TCAT on 01952 642237.

#### **Course Enrolment Afternoon**

If you would like to enroll on any courses run at Ketley Community Centre, an enrolment afternoon is arranged for Monday 8 September 2014 between 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm at Ketley Community Centre.

# **Contact Details For Your Local Councillors**

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