



Fledgling swallows in nest

IMPORTANT—This will be Your **LAST** Printed Newsletter!

It has been decided that this edition will be the last Parish Newsletter which will be produced as a hard copy and hand-delivered to you by the Parish Councillors. It has become necessary to reduce costs, and as such, although we will still produce an electronic quarterly newsletter, which can be found on our website—www.kfpc.org.uk—there will no longer be a hard copy version produced. If you wish to receive your own copy, this can be sent electronically by e-mail, but you will need to supply your e-mail address to the Clerk—clerk.kiddfor.pc@googlemail.com - along with a message stating that you give us permission to send you this by e-mail, and that you also give your permission for us to store your e-mail address safely for this purpose, in order to comply with Data Protection regulations.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking Paul Wright (and his family) for their support to the Parish for their time and efforts in printing / reproducing the newsletter over the past 12 years, since we first started issuing it.

Proposed Development — Habberley Road, Low Habberley

Wyre Forest District Council Local Plan has now received the Inspector's report in which it was stated that the Local Plan submitted by Wyre Forest, including this development was, in essence, "sound". Therefore, subject to The District Council considering the Inspector's Report at a full Council meeting on Tuesday 26th April 2022, and if the Council resolves to adopt the Plan by including the Inspector's modifications, then it will become the main document with which future decisions on planning applications will be made, including the outline plan submitted for the development of the field at Low Habberley.



Queen's Platinum Jubilee



A momentous event—this country's longest reigning monarch celebrating 70 years on the throne. A reign which has not been achieved in the past 1000 years, and which is not likely to be repeated in living memory. And rightly so, it is with a sense of national pride that celebratory events are being arranged across the country, including this parish.

Check out, and if you are able, support, the following local events, planned to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

- A **Beacon** planned on Thursday 2nd June at Crundalls Farm—Cllr. Chris Grainger asks if people could kindly donate suitable firewood (Leylandi would be good) preferably without nails or metal. (He can collect—phone number as below).
- A **Tea Party** is planned at Trimpley Village Hall for Sunday 5th June at 3.30p.m. (Contact Village Hall Committee)

Please give your support for these events.

Police Matters

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PC
Steve Thomas
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Jeni Bray
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Steve and Jeni, pictured, are your dedicated Bewdley and Rural Safer Neighbourhood officers, operating locally to combat crime. Every 3 months, they ask the Parish Council to nominate 3 priorities for their attention. Currently these are speeding in lanes, particularly in Low Habberley, and general anti-social behaviour. If you see a crime in progress, you can call 999 or, for non-emergencies, you can call 101 or report it on-line on www.westmercia.police.uk/report

We are very much aware that in current economic conditions, incidents of theft and burglaries, particularly from sheds and out-buildings are still prevalent locally. Our local neighbourhood watch—*trimpleywatch*—operated via e-mail, helps to keep us aware of incidents locally, but we are very much dependent upon the public keeping a watchful eye, and reporting anything suspicious. In particular, recently, with the heavy increases in the cost of fuel, we would ask people to ensure they keep oil tanks and gas bottles especially secure, as they could both be targets.

Parish Council - Please visit our website : www.kfpc.org.uk

The public are welcome to come along to any Parish Council meeting and speak and/or discuss matters with councillors in the Open Forum at the start of each meeting. Opposite are the dates of the next meetings, which are usually on the 3rd Monday of each calendar month, (unless altered for special reasons) and are held in Trimpley Village Hall.

Please see agenda, posted on the website or noticeboards, for details, as we are now returning to holding these at the village hall, as we now cannot legally hold these by Zoom.

Next Meetings (starting at 7.30pm) are: 16th May (AGM)
20th June, 18th July 2022.

Your Current Parish Councillors are:
Mr. C. Jordan : (Chair) Tel: 01299 861484
Mrs. C. Gammond : Tel: 01299 402929
Mr. J. Gammond : Tel: 01299 400750
Mr. C. Grainger : Tel: 01299 403231
Mr. C. Holford : Tel: 01299 404678
Mr. B. Phillips : Tel: 01299 861661
Mrs. S. Stone : Tel: 01562 824666

Please feel free to contact them (or the Clerk (see overleaf)) on any matters of concern re life in the Parish, or come along to the **Public Open Forum** at the start of every meeting.

Parish Annual Precept Charge 22/23—comparison table around District

Parish/Town	2021 -22		2022 -23			
	Precept	Council Tax amount Band D	Precept	Council Tax amount Band D	Parish Council Tax increase (decrease)£	Parish Council Tax Increase (decrease)%
Kidderminster Town	£734,442	£42.50	£831,160	£47.50	£5.00	11.8%
Upper Arley	£16,110	£45.00	£16,110	£45.00	£0.00	0%
Bewdley Town	£200,585	£55.56	£205,542	£56.67	£1.11	2.0%
Broome	£5,500	£27.23	£6,000	£28.57	£1.34	4.9%
Chaddesley	£34,061	£45.35	£34,738	£45.35	£0.00	0%
Churchill & Blakedown	£28,080	£34.71	£28,922	£35.97	£1.26	3.6%
Rock	£55,100	£44.26	£55,100	£43.56	(-£0.70)	(-1.6%)
Rushock	£3,502	£43.78	£3,372	£43.79	£0.01	0%
Stone	£14,220	£49.03	£15,220	£52.30	£3.27	6.7%
Stourport	£287,146	£41.70	£305,245	£43.70	£2.00	4.8%
Wolverley & Cookley	£69,779	£40.66	£80,246	£44.48	£3.82	9.4%
Kidderminster Foreign	£9,493	£21.92	£4,745	£11.19	(-£10.73)	(-49%)

As can be seen from this table, your parish council have **reduced** the parish tax rate by **- 49%** this year. This has been achieved by careful budgeting over many years, and following on from Covid, and these difficult times re increases in the cost of fuel and essentials, we are doing all we can to help local people by passing on the savings we have made. Apart from Rock, we are the only parish to have reduced the Parish rate, following the 5 years previously where we held it at 0% each year.

Trimpley Church

Church service details can be found on the website:
www.ismere.co.uk
Pictures below of recent events held.



Trimpley Green WI

Forthcoming meetings:
18th May— The Swinging 60's with Ray Sturdy
15th June— Mary Quant with Ruth Lowe
20th July—Air Ambulance with Charles Burke



Meetings commence at 7.30p.m. in Trimpley Village Hall, and are held on the Third Wednesday of each month. New members welcome.

Thanks to Volunteers

Again, many thanks to all those parishioners who planted bulbs in the parish. Here is a photo of some of the results, which make such a difference to the parish.



Also thanks to those who helped at the Old Marsh recently off Eymore Lane, where it was cleaned out just before any amphibians began to spawn, or birds began nesting.

Clare Witnell Blount Charity

We are seeking a person to represent the Parish Council on the above Charity as a Trustee, working in a voluntary capacity. Although not onerous in time commitment, it is not an easy position, and would suit a professional person who would like an interesting situation in a local Charity. The charity owns and maintains property in the Franche area as Almshouses. If interested in taking on such a position of responsibility, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council.

AND ... →→
FINALLY AND IMPORTANTLY

Please get full Covid and 'Flu vaccines.



We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE



STAY ALERT CONTROL THE VIRUS SAVE LIVES