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Autumn Winds of Change—Welcome to New Councillors

Following due process, we have now co-opted three new Parish Councillors to fill 4 vacancies on the Council. and send a warm welcome to these people in offering to serve the local parish in this way. One vacancy still remains available for anyone who wishes to application submit an form, available on our website, for local people willing to give of their time and efforts in this capacity.



A warm welcome is extended to: Cllr. Becci NortonCllr. Steven Leigh......Cllr. Richard Roberts



Making a Difference

It is with much sadness that we received resignations from three of our Parish Councillors. Chris Jordan, Sue Stone and James Gammond had all put in many years of time and effort in their voluntary roles, selflessly serving the local parish, with much of their work being unlauded, and indeed, unseen by many, by working in the background for the good of local people. They all had separate, individual reasons for leaving their roles, and we wish them well for the future.

Continuing on the theme of good service to the local community, the Parish Council are very proud of and wish to thank the many local people who voluntarily give of their time and effort to make this parish a good place to live-the aim of all of us who live here. Dealing with withdrawal and reduction of services being offered by the larger local councils is challenging and it is often incumbent on the smaller local authorities to "help themselves" - often without any recompense or adequate funding to do so—and so the voluntary efforts and work by local people is much needed and appreciated.

One obvious and simple way to get involved is, whenever going out for a stroll, to take a bag with you to collect any litter from roadsides and public places, and to dispose of it responsibly. We know many people already do this, but one local youngster took this to heart, and made litter collection his contribution to the Community for his Duke of Edinburgh award. Once a week, Alfie Ralls collected litter in the lanes near to Grey Green and Crundalls, resulting in many bags of litter being collected, and disposed of responsibly, instead of a slow, and possibly hazardous decomposition into the environment.



Well done Alfie with thanks from the **Parish Council and congratulations** on achieving your award.

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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. Verbal contributions later in the meeting are at the discretion of the Chair.

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 before each meeting on the website or noticeboards, for details.

Next Meetings (starting at 7.30pm) are: 20th November, 18th December 2023, and 15th January 2024

Your Current Parish Councillors are: . Mr. C. Holford: Tel: 01299 404678 (Chair) Mr. C. Grainger : Tel: 01299 212174 Mr. B. Phillips : Tel: 01299 861661 Mrs. R. Norton : Tel: 07916082260 Mr. R. Roberts: Tel: 01299 401048 Mr. S. Leigh: Tel: 07305328817 VACANCY—applications welcomed.

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.

Farewell

Holy Trinity Church

It has been a busy summer at Holy Trinity, and there is a lot to look forward to this autumn as well. <u>Holy Trinity's 2024 Calendar</u> was launched in the church on Saturday 23rd September. There was a splendid display of all the photographs entered for the Competition. The usual excellent coffee and cakes were available to all who attended. The Calendars are for sale at £6 each, please contact Sue Thompson on 01562 752389.

Sunday 24th September was our <u>Harvest Festival</u> Service. An opportunity for everyone in the community <u>2024 Calendar</u> to bring along traditional Harvest gifts as well as canned and packaged food. The fresh produce was auctioned and the money raised, together with the canned and packaged food, will be taken to the Franche food bank.

Churchyard maintenance continues with fortnightly '**Rake and Cake'** gatherings on a Thursday at 4pm where everyone is welcome to bring tools and get stuck in, or simply to enjoy cake, coffee and a chat.

In August there was a prayer trail in the churchyard to help engage mind, soul and senses in the beautiful summer season.

Holy Trinity is delighted to be hosting a performance by Rebecca Rose and guest for cello and violin in the church on **Thursday 26th October**, 7.30 for 8pm, tickets £10 available from Becci on 07916 082260 to raise money to get the church bell ringing again. (Note—now sold out)

We bade farewell to the Rev Simon Archer recently at his last service in Trimpley before he moves to Burton at the end of October. We wish him well in his new appointment.

Christmas Services All Welcome

Carol Service—4p.m Sunday 17th December Christmas Eve Crib Service—3p.m. Sunday 24th December Christmas Morning Service—10a.m. Monday 25th December

Preparing for Spring



chance for a catch up always with a smile, of course. Meeting at Village Hall Car Park. Warm

drinks & cake at Holy Trinity afterwards . Any info Chris Holford 07836 333030

Details to follow on facebook and posters. (Facebook - follow @ HolyTrinityChurchTrimpley)

Help for Upper Arley school

Grace Notes Concert—2nd December

Date for your Diary

A recent community led event to celebrate the life of local motor racing legend Peter Collins has raised

£600. Arley C of E School supports some 17 children from Kidderminster Foreign Parish.

The School will use the donation to fund books and equipment.



Parish Rights of Way

One of the joys of this parish is the availability of local Rights of Way-be that for walking or horseriding. We would like to thank Richard Roberts our PROW Warden who has worked tirelessly this year with our local Contractor and Lengthsman Chris Bunn to get local footpaths and bridlepaths into good shape to allow easy passage. This is not easy-many hours of inspection have been voluntarily given by Richard with major problems being reported to the ultimate authority-the County Council-and also instructing Chris on where seasonal growth clearance was required. Despite a grant of just £450 to do all of this work, the Parish Council have spent almost £650 to achieve this this year. There has been exceptional growth in vegetation this year, but we hope that the paths are now easy to enjoy with the best clearance we have achieved in many years. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank local land-owners for their cooperation and assistance in achieving this

Trimpley Green WI Meetings

15th November—AGM and Crafts **20th December**—Line Dancing with Billy + Festive Food New members always welcome. Meetings (usually) commence at 7.30p.m. in Trimpley Village Hall, and are held on the Third Wednesday of each month. For enquiries, please phone Alison on 07581436338

Broadband availability in the Parish

Thanks to former Parish Councillor Chris Jordan, the remaining households in the parish, near to the Reservoir, may soon be able to access Superfast Broadband. Chris continues to champion this matter on our behalf with enabling authorities to get everyone good access, that does not cost a fortune.

Stones on Roadside Verges

Irrespective of how attractive stones are outside properties, we would remind householders that the roadside verge is a safety verge owned by the County Council on official County roads. Stones can be a hazard for passing traffic, being unable to take to the verge to avoid a collision, and in deep snow, may not be seen at all. We have received complaints about stones in verges, by road users and indeed, we could report these for removal, but would initially ask parish householders to remove them themselves.

Village Hall Events for your diary

9th November—Christmas Fayre, Trimpley Village Hall—7p.m. start.
9th December—Christmas Party
24th February 24—Kurling Event



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