



Lapley, Stretton
& Wheaton Aston
Parish Council

NEWS & VIEWS

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Christmas 2021

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Christmas event. It was so good to be back! St Mary's Church raised an amazing £2,000!! Wildwood Alpaca's proved to be a much-loved new addition to the event so we have invited them along again this year. This year we hope to hold the event on Saturday 19th November- save the date! Please get in touch early October if you plan to have a stall with us



Can you sew?

If your answer is yes, then we need you! We would like to make some bunting to decorate the High Street and by St Mary's Church for the Queens Jubilee celebrations. If you think you could sew some flags for us then please let the office know office@wheatonastonparishcouncil.gov.uk as soon as possible. Material will be provided.

The Watershed Benefice - St Mary's Church is open on Wednesday mornings for coffee and tea. All Saints Church Lapley is open on Thursday mornings for coffee and tea. All are welcome

The Queens Green Canopy - We hope to plant some trees in the parish to aid with our climate and biodiversity policy and to join in with The Queens Green Canopy www.queensgreencanopy.org. We would like this to be a community project and hope to work with the children at St Mary's School and residents. If you have some land that you would like to plant up and get involved, then please get in touch with the Parish office by the end of February

Bin Schedule - We understand Street Scene at South Staffs Council will be communicating details regarding bin collections and new bags for recycling in the near future. In the meantime, please see the (current) schedule:

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Your bin collection day is **Tuesday**
Please put your bins out by **7.00am**

2021

November: 30
December: 7, 14, 21, 28

2022

January: 4, 11, 18, 25
February: 1, 8, 15, 22
March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

1 Grey Bin 1 Green and Blue Bin
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Future use of Broadholes Lane Play area Consultation

WE WANT YOUR VIEWS!

For a few years LSWA PC has been looking at ways to improve the use of Broadholes Lane Play area.

The Parish Council carry out significant work in the area at the start of each season to ensure it is safe for opening in April. This is in addition to the regular grounds maintenance plus the costs to make any repairs following vandalism. Due to the lack of use and concerns about appropriate use it is time to investigate if the area can be beneficial to the community in a different manner.

The Parish Council has been tasked with considering other ways to use the area and have already consulted with neighbours in the immediate vicinity of the area to obtain their views.

We have discussed the change of use to community allotments or an outdoor gym. Both of these options have been put forward for more consideration, due to the enclosed nature of the

space, a facility aimed at adults would be beneficial and more appropriate

To be clear, there have not been any decisions made to date and the Council is open to other suggestions; If you have another view for another facility then please get in touch.

The outcome from the first consultation was that allotments would be the preferred community benefit and the parish council are currently seeking advice from The Allotments Association whether this is possible, before a decision is made, a feasibility study needs to be conducted on the soil. We hope to be able to make a final decision at the parish council meeting on 3rd March 2022. Any decision will subject to funding for which we are seeking accessible grants

Following the decision all residents will be invited to an open meeting at the village hall to view plans and; should the decision be to create allotments; meet representatives of the Allotments Association for advice on having your own plot. More details on this to follow.

There are a number of ways you can get in touch with us: you can write to

us at Office FF028, South Staffs Business Hub, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, WV8 1PX, emails us: office@wheatonastonparishcouncil.gov.uk call us 01902 842556 or 07495789051 or leave a note for us in any of the suggestion boxes located in all wards. These are regularly checked by councilors.

Please send us your thoughts by **Wednesday 23rd February 2022**

Have your Say on the future of Broadholes Lane Play area!



Outdoor Gym?



Allotments?

Please send us your thoughts on what the area could be by Wednesday 23rd February 2022



Something Else?



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