THE LILLESHALL VOICE

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Lilleshall Parish Council

Chairman's Introduction *By Bob Taylor*

Welcome to the 'new look' edition of the newsletter, I am delighted to have been voted in as Chairman for another year alongside my colleague Carol Binnington as Vice Chairman. We have been very busy at the Parish with lots of changes, in March we appointed our new Parish Clerk Wendy Tonge who brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience and has already started to bring about positive changes.

At the recent Annual Parish Meeting we had a very interesting presentation from Simon Drinkwater Chairman of Lilleshall Cricket Club and heard all about their plans to bring the Clubhouse back into life and make the Club a real Hub for the community, we look forward to hearing more on their progress. Back in March we were so very sad to receive the resignation of Cllr Dave Shaw, Dave has worked tirelessly for the Parish for many years, we cannot thank him enough for his efforts and wish him well in his retirement. Fortunately, we have replaced the Vacancy with local resident Phil Clayton, Phil brings with him lots of enthusiasm and a general keenness to get involved for the benefit of the village and its residents, we look forward to working with him.

Pictured are the Lilleshall Parish Councillors and the Parish Clerk.

I hope you enjoy the Summer and make the most of the beautiful village we are all so very fortunate to live in. It truly comes alive during the Summer so let's make the most it…..

Small Grants

Lilleshall Parish Council has a small grant fund of £3000 available every year to help local clubs and organisations. If you feel that your local group or organisation would benefit from a grant of up to £300 please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Community Projects

Repainting bus shelters

Our bus shelters have been looking a bit tired of late, so they have recently benefited from a Spring refresh!

Hope you like the new colour scheme.

The topograph returns to Lilleshall Hill

Visitors to the Lilleshall Monument will be able to appreciate their surroundings a bit more, now that the topograph has been reinstated. From the Lilleshall Monument on a clear day, you can appreciate local topological features such as the Wrekin.

Defibrillators within our Parish

We have four defibrillators in the Parish at the following locations.

Lilleshall Youth Club on Limekiln Lane

Memorial Hall, Hillside

Bus stop, Barrack Lane

Adjacent to Identity Hairdressers, The Humbers

The defibrillator cabinets at The Humbers and Lilleshall Youth Club have recently been replaced by the Parish Council. Ensuring that our defibrillators are emergency ready.

Community Facilities

What's going on at Lilleshall Village Tennis Club *By Jilly Broadbent*

We have been having an interesting time at Lilleshall Village Tennis Club. Many changes have come about including the lineup of the committee.

The most significant change has been the retirement of Secretary, Pauline Coffey. Pauline has done the job in an exemplary manner for 30 years. She has ably supported seven different chairpersons during that period with dedication and efficiency. I know that as time has gone on members have felt that there was no way that they could do the job as well and have not come forward to take it on.

However the time finally came and Pauline retired at our 2024 AGM clutching an enormous bunch of flowers, an interesting looking envelope and the biggest round of applause ever heard in the Hillside room ringing in her ears. Wishing you all the best Pauline, you can now relax and just enjoy your tennis.

LVTC is always looking for ways not only to increase the membership but also to look after and keep our current members happy. After the terrific success of our ladies Rusty Racquet Wednesday mornings we have started a similar session on a Tuesday morning for our men.

Many members are finding that due to family and work commitments, attending evening sessions is difficult. There is now a Friday morning session available which is proving very popular.

Details of all our club sessions can be found on our website and on posters at our clubhouse. All in all LVTC is doing well. We have over 50 adult members and five teams in the Shropshire Summer League.

There is an enthusiastic group of youngsters receiving coaching from our dedicated coach Eleanor on a Monday evening.

There are opportunities for everyone so please feel free to discuss these with Jilly Broadbent on 01952 677050 or Wendy Thompson on 07980 261533.

Lilleshall Allotments

The Parish Council has 39 plots at our allotments between Cheswell Grange and Wellington Road which are hugely popular and there is currently a waiting list, in which residents of Lilleshall Parish have priority. The allotments have an Allotment Association who hold a variety of social events throughout the year.

Tending an allotment has numerous physical and mental health benefits including spending time outdoors in contact with nature and consuming fresh, local produce which is great for our bodies and the planet.

Get Involved!

Lilleshall Cricket Club

Lilleshall Cricket Club is currently working with the local community to create a modern and accessible room benefiting community, residents' groups, schools, and organisations who can use it throughout the year.

We would like to invite the local community to an Open Day at the Church Road ground on Sunday 16th June where you will be able to see and discuss the plans, meet the clubs' officials and input into the how we shape the future of the club.

The day will start at 10 am and there will be a BBQ, bar and both junior and adult cricket going on throughout the day until 6pm.

We would love to see you there.

If you can't make it then the bar is open every Friday evening from 6 30pm or on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the day when the cricket is on.

Dates for your Diary

Sunday June 16th
Open Day at Lilleshall CC

Thursday & Friday 1st and 2nd August
2 day cricket summer camp
for children at Lilleshall CC

For further information please contact the club Chairman Simon Drinkwater on 07968 950 625.

Saturday 20th July at Lilleshall Cricket Club

THE LILLESHALL SUMMER SIZZLER

A great afternoon for all! Starting at 12pm

Hog Roast	Open Bar	Bouncy Castle
Ploughmans Buffet	Live Music	Face Painting

Come along and relax, watch your local club play cricket and soak up the sun with your friends and family.

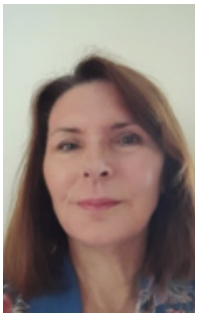
This event is supported by Lilleshall Parish Council.

All funds raised will be donated to Lilleshall CC, Lilleshall Pre-school and St Michael's Church.

For further please contact
Simon Drinkwater 07968 950 625
or contact the parish office on 07473 304 806.

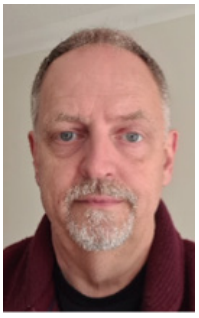
Our Local Councillors *(Please contact via the Parish Clerk)*

Councillor Bob Taylor (Chairman)



Councillor Carol Binnington

Councillor Peter Challinor



Councillor Lawrence Harvey

Councillor Thomas Hoof

Councillor Linda Parker

Councillor Phil Clayton

Telford & Wrekin Borough Councillor

Councillor Andrew Eade **07976 100002** **andrew.eade@telford.gov.uk**

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Parish Office

The Parish Office is located at the:
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We are open every Tuesday between 9.30am and 4pm.

Lilleshall Parish Council Meetings 2024-2025

MEETING TYPE:	DATE OF MEETING:
Parish Council Meeting	9th July 2024
Parish Council Meeting	10th September 2024
Parish Council Meeting	8th October 2024
Parish Council Meeting	12th November 2024
Parish Council Meeting	10th December 2024
Parish Council Meeting	14th January 2025
Parish Council Meeting	11th February 2025
Parish Council Meeting	11th March 2025
Parish Council Meeting	8th April 2025