

SAUGHALL AND SHOTWICK PARK PARISH COUNCIL

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Councillor Howard Jennings

Howard Jennings was elected unopposed and took up the vacant seat that has existed on the Council since May 2011 when 13 of the 14 seats were filled following an uncontested election.

Councillor Jennings attended his first meeting on Monday, 5 November 2012. The Council looks forward to working with him over the forthcoming months.

Parish Planning

A Parish Plan is community led and all about the aspirations of local people.

It has been eight years since the Parish Plan was drawn up based on the findings of a residents' questionnaire which informed what really mattered to people living in Saughall and Shotwick Park and what they wanted to see happen in the village to make it a better place for everyone to live in and enjoy.

A mission statement was also issued with a view:

'To providing a thriving vibrant community

with the opportunity for all residents, including children and young people, to be included in social, recreational and community activities'.

The Council is now assisting Nigel Crossley, who is leading the initiative to refresh the Parish Plan. Another questionnaire was drawn up and distributed to all homes in Saughall and Shotwick Park. The questionnaire asked people how they thought the Parish Council was performing and invited suggestions and wish lists of what they would like to see happening within the village in the future.

Completed questionnaires have now been returned and are informing the parish planning process so that the new Parish Plan reflects the up to date views of local people. These views/desires will also be mirrored in any future decisions it makes.

People have told Members that they want to retain control over their own lives; they want a Parish Council which has a local presence and can be seen, communicated with and held accountable.

Our refreshed Parish Plan will be based on information gathered through the village survey, through research, consultation and community participation. Residents have had

a chance to have their say. The new Plan will the incorporate results of the questionnaire setting out our community's vision for how the local community wants to develop. The Plan will identify the actions needed to achieve our vision, and also which groups need to address them, such as the Parish Council, community groups, certain individuals, service providers and other statutory bodies.

Saughall and Shotwick Park's new Parish Plan will have the opportunity to influence a wide range of organisations, such as grant providers and Cheshire West and Chester Council.

All Saints C of E Primary School Christmas Fair

This important fund raising event is to be held on Friday, 7 December 2012 between 5 - 7pm in School.

New Website www.saughall.gov.uk



The Council's new website is live. Please visit it and send your feedback to the Clerk email: clerk@saughall.gov.uk

The website was designed by the University of Chester's Informatics Centre at a total cost of $\mathfrak{L}1,250$.

Footway/Streetlights

If there are any footways or streetlights in the village which need attention please tell the Clerk, and we will report them and let Councillor Brian Crowe (CWaC) know.

Councillor Ian Humphrey



Sadly Councillor Ian Humphrey passed away on 8 November 2012.

lan had been a member of the Parish Council since November 2005 and approached the role with a positive attitude and enthusiasm. He was

incredible conscientious and attended pretty well every Council and Committee meeting that was held during his time as a Councillor.

lan was a great asset to the village. He was always keen to help improve our quality of life and worked diligently in his endeavours. Ian was remarkably public spirited, he had a good heart and was always first to volunteer help with any task or project.

lan enjoyed life in every aspect and relished his golf. He liked to make his views known. He enjoyed discussion and debate and indeed a friendly argument.

lan proactively led the village Homewatch and took the responsibility very seriously. It involved demands on his time which he gave gladly and willingly to the benefit of us all. He could always tell you exactly what was happening in respect of the various incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour that occurred from time to time in our village.

lan's innate good humour and kindliness always shone through. He will be much missed by us all but his was undoubtedly a life well lived and we are sure that he can give a good account of himself in Heaven, for his time here on earth.

Saughall Pre-School



Saughall Pre-School kindly invited members of The Friday Club to a Harvest coffee morning followed by a wonderful production by all the children. The children then presented Friday Club members with very generous bags of produce. A big THANK YOU to everyone at the Pre-School Group from all members of the Friday Club, who send their best wishes for a happy future.



Jeanne Storrar Tel: 880226

Casual Vacancy

The sad death of Ian Humphrey has meant that there is now a vacant seat on the Parish Council. Notices regarding this will be posted on notice boards, after a short period of mourning.

Any ten electors in the Saughall parish may call an election by writing to the Returning Officer, Cheshire West and Chester Council, 5th floor, HQ, 58 Nicholas Street, Chester, CH1 2NP, requesting that an election be held to fill the said vacancy, such a request must be made within fourteen days (not counting Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays) from the date of the notice.

War Memorial



The Council wanted to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by commissioning work to automate the Vernon Institute clock which is also the War Memorial. This

proposal was reliant on the Council being able to secure grant aid to help fund the work required.

A funding application was made to the War Memorial Trust but unfortunately it was unsuccessful.

A further application to provide a new plaque to record the names of those fallen heroes originally missed from the memorial is still under consideration.

Remembrance Day in Saughall



A successful service was held at the Vernon Institute War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday led by the Methodist Minister Rev. Paul Braisedell and St. Bartholomew's Rev. Paulette Gower who also played the reveille on her trumpet. Several wreaths were laid, both personal and representing local organisations.

Many local residents attended the service

which was followed by a lovely reception in the Vernon Institute, organised by the Parish Council Chairman Jenny Young, assisted by Mary Evans of Saughall Woman's Institute and others.



Jeanne Storrar Tel: 880226

Saughall and Shotwick Park Parish Council will be "Tweeting" Soon!

In December Saughall and Shotwick Park Parish Council will be on Twitter for a trial period of three months.

This is one of the ways the Parish Council will be able to let you know what's happening in the village in almost real time.

The Parish Council will be embracing this outlet for social media for the next three months. However, we need your help to make it work, so that we can make it work for you!

If you or your group has an upcoming event in the village that you would like more people to be aware of or if you or someone you know has achieved something that you would like to share and inspire the village with, please let me know via email at:

katherine.ford1@btinternet.com

The Parish Council is very busy finding ways to help improve the every day lives of parishioners in Saughall and Shotwick Park and we will be sharing some of these ideas via Twitter.

Twitter will not replace our very popular Parish Council Surgeries or Newsletters, but will bolster our communications with you.

We understand, as Parish Councillors, that sometimes you may be unhappy with an issue that is occurring in the village, but if you have an issue, we ask you to direct it to any Parish Councillor, the Chairman or the Clerk in writing, in person, or via email. All Parish Councillor's email addresses can be found in this Newsletter and on the Council's website.

We want this to work for you, so please remember: before you "Tweet", Tweet others the same way you would expect to be tweeted yourself.

Kathy Ford Tel: 881459

Future Projects in the Village:

Saughall and Shotwick Park Parish Council's Community Investment Champion (CIC)

What is a Community Investment Champion?

A Community Investment Champion is a business or individual who invests their time or invests financially in the village of Saughall.

Due to the increase, this year, in the Council Tax, it is very important that the Parish Council seeks out as many ways to ensure village costs are kept as low as possible. By seeking outside or internal investment for projects it will ensure that the village will get an injection of funding to kick start worthwhile projects.

There are several very large scale projects coming up in the village including:

improvements to the Vernon institute building;

 a new Sports and Community Use Building

There are also a number of smaller projects being pursued which in themselves, add up to a considerable amount of tax payers' money.

A Community Investment Champion is not just about investing money. Peoples' time sometimes has a greater value than money.

To change something it should start from within. In Saughall and nearby areas we are very lucky to have a broad range of people with exceptional skills and talents. We have artists, business men and woman managing very successful companies, teachers etc.

If people gave an hour or two a month to bring a new skill into the village or to support an existing group many people would benefit. For example artists could share some of their skills with a monthly group, a business owner could run mock interviews or a teacher could run a Maths or English Evening. By pledging an hour or two a month volunteers could potentially unlock a hidden talent, give someone the confidence to go for an interview that they were dreading or brush up on reading or writing skills. These volunteers would be investing in the inner improvement of our village and would be true "Champions".

The Community investments Champions first project - A Multi - Use Games Area (MUGA)

As part of planned improvements to provide 21st Century sporting facility's in the Golden Jubilee Park, the CIC Working Group is in the process of planning to replace the current facility (goal end with hard play surface) with an up-to-date MUGA that complies with Sport England's requirements. The proposal is for a MUGA of a size that accommodates a five-a-side football game, tennis, netball and also cricket training. This MUGA initiative ties in with the new Sports and Community Use Building proposal.

The CIC Working Group aims to exploits external funding in the form of grants and also seeks funding from businesses and individuals who wish to contribute to CIC's projects.

"We aim to provide Parishioners of Saughall and Shotwick Park with 21st Century sporting facilities at 18th Century prices"

What can we offer a potential investor?

- An advert on the Parish Council's website that also includes a link to your company.
- A full page article/advert in our quarterly Parish Council Newsletter.
- Adverts posted on the Parish Council's notice boards.
- Exclusive use of the MUGA for the investors, either individually or as a company (Pre-booking will be required)
- Publicity from the launch of the project in January 2013.

We, as a Parish Council, have been very successful in obtaining the support from Cheshire West and Chester Council's (CWaC) "Altogether Better Team" for the CIC project.

The Parish Council and CWaC will work in partnership to deliver the Community Investment Champions project for the parish of Saughall and Shotwick Park and the Working Group will have access to departments within CWaC to help develop the CIC project.

Saughall has an electorate of 2,419 whilst Shotwick Park has an electorate of 33 (as of May 2011), this does not include persons under the voting age and people who do not live in Saughall but come into the village to use its faculties. To an investor this could potentially be 2,419 plus new customers. If you do invest, you will be able to say as a company or as an individual that you care and are investing in the future health and wellbeing of Chester.

The Working Group aims to begin a four week consultation within the village in January 2013 where presentations of the Community Investment Champions project will be made,

including the plans for the MUGA.

If you would like to invest in the CIC project or would like more information regarding it, please contact the Clerk to Saughall and Shotwick Park Parish Council, Shirley Hudspeth. Email: clerk@saughall.gov.uk

CIC Working Group (Councillors Andrew Warrington and Mrs Kathy Ford)

Audit of Accounts 2011/12

At the end of October the Parish Council received its "external audit" certificate from the independent Audit Commission with no questions or comments – a straight pass!

This is the final part of the independent audit process of the Parish Council's accounts for 2011/12. The law ensures that there is both an internal and an external audit each year. The internal, but still independent of the Parish Council, audit is to ensure that the Council is operating effectively and efficiently whilst the external independent audit ensures that the Council is operating within national standards.

On the basis of the review that has been carried out and in the Audit Commission's opinion, the information contained in the annual return was in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to its attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

K's Nurseries

The Council is aware that little improvement has been made to the K's Nurseries' site and it remains in a seriously dilapidated state.

Consequently, at the request of Members the Clerk wrote to the owners in October to ask if they would consider making some of the site available for community use as allotments until such time as they are in a position to improve the look of the site.

The owners have responded informing that whilst they feel that it could possibly be a

good idea to have allotments at K's and that they would like to help if possible, they wonder if the Council has any indication of how many of the local people would have an interest.

However, K's also informed that they are not in a position to be able to offer any help but this position may change during the course of the next twelve months.

Therefore, if you have aspirations to take on an allotment at some stage in the future please register your interest with the Clerk or any Parish Councillor so that we can respond to K's with an accurate assessment of the interest there is, if K's were to make allotments available on this site.

Help to save our Greenbelt

Once it has gone, it will be gone forever.

Cheshire West and Chester Council is proposing to rollback Chester's Greenbelt and build thousands of houses. This is despite it having lots of other sites in Cheshire West to develop, including plenty of Brownfield sites.

The Greenbelt was introduced to prevent urban sprawl, to stop Chester joining with Ellesmere Port and Merseyside and to protect the city from swallowing neighbouring villages.

The Principal Authority is not yet saying which areas it wants to remove from the Greenbelt. At the moment it is seeking to get permission to roll it back and to say which specific areas are affected later. The areas it is considering include Saughall.

Once Greenbelt land is lost it will never be replaced. Only by making local people's voices heard loud and clear will these plans be stopped.

Therefore, it is important for you to get your voice heard so please let our local MP and Cheshire West and Chester Councillors know what you think via the www.chestergreenbelt.com website.

Lodge Lane Affordable Housing



Members of the Lodge Lane Working Group met on site with the architect and representatives of Chester and District Housing Trust on Friday, 26 October 2012. The purpose of the meeting was to view and approve the building material samples including roofing tiles and windows, for the development, prior to the formal submission to the Planning Authority, Cheshire West and Chester Council.

All Saints Church



Reverend Dave Nugent has been appointed as our next Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of All Saints, Saughall.

Dave lives in Bebington and is presently Hospital Chaplain

to Clatterbridge and Arrowe Park Hospitals. In that position he has been responsible for the pastoral care of patients and staff and has conducted regular services at Clatterbridge and as requested at Arrowe Park and other local churches. He will travel to Saughall in the immediate future until a decision is reached on future vicarage provision. Prior to his present position Dave was a vicar in Liverpool. He is married to Jan and they have three grown up daughters.

The induction of Reverend Dave Nugent will be at All Saints Church on Thursday, 31 January 2013 at 7:30pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

The Priest-in-Charge position is now part-time in Saughall and Dave will be working approximately $3\frac{1}{2}$ days plus Sunday each week.

John Hallas and Brian Eyres Churchwardens

When Does the Council Meet?



The Council is scheduled to meet next at 7pm on Monday, 3 December 2012 in the Vernon Institute on Church Road.

The meeting after that is the Budget Council Meeting and it is scheduled for **7pm on Monday**, **28 January 2013 in the Vernon Institute**.

Notices for all Council and Committee meetings are posted on the Council's notice boards and website. Agendas for meetings are always on deposit in the Co-op Store and posted on the Council's website (www.saughall.gov.uk).

Any resident on the Electoral Roll of Saughall or Shotwick Park is more than welcome to attend all of these meetings.

Report Anti - Social Behaviour Now

If you are experiencing anti - social behaviour and you think that Cheshire West and Chester Council should help address it, or you



would like a Community Safety Warden to contact you please ring **0300 123 7033**, Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5:30pm, Friday, 8:30am - 5pm (excluding Public Holidays) or fill in the online reporting form at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Road Safety



During dark evenings road safety comes to the fore. Road safety is the responsibility of all road users.

Two wheel vehicles will always come off worst in a collision so you are urged to ensure that you give

yourself the best chance of being seen by using suitable high visibility clothing and ensuring that lights are working.

Drivers should ensure that windscreens are clean and smear free and that washers and wipers are working correctly.

If we get ice and snow please ensure that windscreens are fully cleared and demisted before setting off, but don't fall into the trap that some do each year by leaving the car running unoccupied outside their homes while it heats up. Each year thieves take vehicles and their owners will find that as the keys are left with the vehicle, in the vast majority of cases, there is no insurance cover for theft. Please don't be a statistic this year!

If you have information regarding crimes in the village don't forget Crimestoppers is free and anonymous. You can use this method by calling **0800 555 111** or direct using the new police non-emergency contact number – **101**.

How to Contact Cheshire Police

Non-emergency calls **0845 4580000** Only use 999 if....

- There is danger to life.
- Violence is used or threatened.
- A serious crime is in progress or likely to occur.
- A suspect is nearby.
- There is a road traffic collision involving personal injury or danger to others.
- A vulnerable person needs urgent assistance.

Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council's Responsive Service Guarantee

Abandoned Vehicles – will be investigated by the end of the next working day.

Business Waste Compliance – will be investigated by the end of the next working day.

Racist or Abusive Graffiti – on relevant land will be removed or obliterated within 24 hours.

Fly Posting – will be investigated and removed from relevant land within 2 working days.

Fly Tipping – will be investigated by the end of the next working day and cleared within 2 working days following completion of the

investigation.

Nuisance Vehicles – will be investigated within 2 working days.

Dead Animals —will be removed from relevant land within 24 hours.

Sharps/Drug Related Litter – will be removed from relevant land within 4 hours.

Dog Fouling – will be removed from relevant land within 24 hours.

Overflowing Bins – will be emptied by the end of the next working day.

Damaged Street Furniture — will be investigated by the end of the next working day. The Tel. No. to ring is **0300 123 7026**

Cold Callers, Scrap Metal and Cheshire Trading Standards

If you are approached by cold callers at your door selling wares such as tea towels, kitchen implements, etc. please ask to see their "hawkers licence". This is a legal requirement. Mere ID is not enough! Over the pre-Christmas period please be watchful for cold callers, scam emails and/or scam telephone calls.

If you are approached by scrap metal merchants offering to buy scrap metal please remember to take the registration number of their vehicle and telephone it to the Community Safety Wardens on Tel: **0845 4580000**.

If you have doubts about anyone at your door, immediately telephone Blacon Police Station.

If you think you have received a scam email or telephone call contact Cheshire Trading Standards on **08454 04 05 06**.

Dog Fouling Nuisance

The Council is receiving more and more complaints about the nuisance of dog fouling, particularly on Church Road



particularly on Church Road. It wishes to confirm that it has a zero tolerance attitude towards these incidents and will not hesitate to take action against offending dog owners.

The Council appeals to residents to assist it in this matter, both by ensuring they pick up any mess left by dogs and/or acting as an observer and reporting to us any incident they see. The Council will seek assistance from Cheshire West and Chester Council in taking the necessary action against any dog owners who fail to clear up mess left by their animal.

You have been warned yet AGAIN!

Message from PCSO Wendy Leason

Saughall has experienced a worrying increase in anti-social behaviour.

I would like to encourage any resident who may be experiencing issues or who may have concerns to contact me so that incidents do not escalate and individuals causing anti-social behaviour do not carry on with this thereby impacting on the community.

I would like to advise residents that, now as the darker nights are here, take time to review your homes, vehicles and personal safety.

Please remember to set your lights on a timer so that your house is not left in darkness when you are out.

Remember to secure your vehicles and remove anything of value from within.

Secure sheds, garages and outbuildings and remove items of value.

Please ensure your children have lights and reflectors on their bikes.

Parking complaints

Car owners please give careful consideration to where you park your vehicle?

If you have a space on your drive....Please utilise it!

Please refrain from parking on pavements wherever possible.

Please give careful consideration to where

you park when attending functions at the Uniformed Groups' Headquarters on Fiddlers Lane. Avoid parking near to the junction and on the footpath.

PCSO Wendy Leason

Saughall Gardening Club

Saughall Gardening Club meets on the third



Monday of the month (excluding August and December) in the Vernon Institute at 7:30pm.

On 21 January why not join us for our Annual General Meeting and

Social Evening and discover our exciting events planned for the year ahead?

Annual membership costs £1 per person and all are welcome to join.

Gill Whittaker Tel: 881059

Your Help is needed

The Saughall Friday Club that meets on a Friday to provide a day of entertainment and good food for elderly local residents is in great need of further volunteers. Club members collected from their homes approximately 10:40am and returned at approximately 3:00pm. Volunteers are needed to help with this transport. Help is also needed with cooking of the lunches. If you could give a little of your time to this friendly and appreciative club, please call Jeanne on Tel: 880226. Alternatively, you would be most welcome if you call in to see us at the Uniformed Groups' Headquarters Quarters on Fiddlers Lane, which is the Club's meeting place until the new Methodist Church building is completed in a few months.

Jeanne Storrar

Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team

The funding we have raised throughout the year has, again, allowed us to run a very successful Fun Week in the Summer Holidays, for children aged between 7 and 11 years.

Our leader was Heidi a very enthusiastic person with loads of ideas. After getting to know each other we started the week with music and dance workshops and a drumming session. Very noisy but all the children managed to let go with enthusiasm. We had a day with a Roman theme. We had a dig to find anything lying under the Saughall earth. No buried treasure there. The Roman Soldiers from Chester in all their uniform were a great hit with everyone.

Throughout the week the children were making things cooking, ID cards, ration books etc. There was a Pirate Day where maps were created and a ship built with flags, outdoor skills and survival techniques were taught. A water battle ended the day.

Next we had a CSI Day when the children hunted for clues to enable them to solve the mystery. This Day involved the Police and Fire and Rescue Services as you would expect.

The final Day was devoted to the Olympics. There was a parade with all the flags and then teams got together to battle it out over the various events. The closing ceremony included the awarding of medals gained during the week where children had shown new or improved skills. With much cheering the week came to a close.

The week could not have happened without the help of a small army of volunteers from Saughall, behind the scenes. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who gave up their time over the week and also during the planning stages. We had a lot of help from Heidi's family and friends including her brother, mum and dad. Perhaps next year you could call in and see what a good time the children are having. Thanks to everyone in the village for the continued

support you have given us by attending our fund raising events.

As well as the Play Week the Team helped fund the Play Days in the village. This was a joint venture with Chester West and Chester Council and the local Police. Here children were welcome to try their hand at the climbing wall, archery, BMX ramp riding and panna football.

Bea Summers Saughall Neighbourhood Management Team

Saughall Uniformed Groups

Beavers – Mondays, 5– 6pm

Age: 6 – 8 Tel: 881348



Rainbows – Thursdays, 5:30 – 6:30pm

Age: 5 – 7 Tel: 372637

Brownies – Tuesdays, 6 – 7:15pm

Age: 7 – 10 Tel: 881284

Guides - Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9pm

Age: 10 - !!! Tel: 881133

To hire the Scout Hut Tel: 881284 or 881133.

Can you spare some time to help with these Groups please? A CRB check is not required for occasional helpers.

Jenny Young Tel: 881133

A Brownie Smile



Saughall Brownies would like to pass on their Brownie Smile.

We are the middle group of Girl Guides - 7-11

years old. We are the chatty, smiley, noisy group who have fun while we learn (!) new skills and revisit old ones.

This year we have been on a Pack Holiday at Hadlow Fields, put on a show to rival the Oscars with awards that reflected achievement. We have run our own Olympics with the FLAME and raced against the parents and won! Played Touch Rugby and ran a mini Boot Camp.

We have had impromptu parties, made firework chocolate fingers and ate them!!!!! We have been bowling at the Greyhound Park and have requested Laser Quest next time.

We have also been on Nature rambles to identify trees and shrubs, made a rain gauge to collect rain water - it was a very big rain gauge! We planted bulbs and made cards for Christmas!

These are just some of the things we have got up to during the year. If you would like to join in the fun as an adult leader or as a Brownie please ring Tel: 881284.

Keep smiling!

Joanna Brookes

News from the Vernon Institute

After the public consultation at the beginning of October, the Vernon Institute's Estates and Finance Committee has taken over the development project. This Committee has adapted the plans, again, in light of the public responses that were received. The Vernon Institute Management Committee is currently investing in a structural survey of the existing building to ensure that there are no surprises and we will be sharing the latest plans with the village and local residents early in the New Year.

We hope you have all received a copy of the Vernon Institute's November Newsletter. We are now planning to send our next communication out in January and then quarterly there after, thereby falling in between the distribution of the Parish Council's Newsletter.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the Village Christmas Lights switch on ceremony on **Wednesday**, **5 December** also don't forget the Buckley Brass Band Concert on **Sunday**, **2 December**.

An early Happy Christmas to you and your families from all on the Vernon Institute Management Committee.

Chris Harman, Chair of the Vernon Institute Management Committee

Tel: 07966 759100



Saughall Women's Institute

first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Vernon Institute.

The meeting on 4 December will include entertainment by the WI's own drama group. The January meeting will include the WI's 90th Birthday Party which will be celebrated with a 1920's-themed evening.

On 5 February there will be a humorous look at the history of washing -'Twas on the Monday morning...' The 5 March meeting will include a talk on 'Great Days Out'.

New members and visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings. They provide the opportunity to socialise and listen to interesting talks. Members can join in all sorts of activities: walking groups, crafts and go on outings to the theatre or involving darts, drama etc....

Do give it a try!

Lesley Hardy

Email: colinhardyuk@btinternet.com

Parish Council Surgeries



The Council holds successful monthly surgeries on Saturday mornings outside the Co-op Store and at the Farmers' Market in the Vernon Institute. It has now decided to hold surgeries on other

days and in various venues around the village as well.

Notices will be posted on village notice boards, well in advance, to inform where and when forthcoming Surgeries are to be held.

Planning Matters

If you are concerned about a planning application that affects you, please remember that Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council does consult with the Parish Council, who is a statutory consultee, as part of its decision-making process. The Parish Council can send a representative to speak at Planning Board meetings.

In forming its views about planning matters, the Parish Council **ALWAYS** wants to know what villagers think, so please make sure you make your views known to us.

Keep Saughall Tidy

Don't drop litter, put it in one of the many litter bins dotted around the village or take it home. Also, do

around the village or take it home. Also, do not over load your bins. Make sure that the lid goes right down and that rubbish can not escape.

Please report any litter problem areas to the Streetscene Team at Cheshire West and Chester Council on **Tel No. 0300 123 8 123.**

Activities at the Vernon Institute

A variety of activities take place at the Vernon Institute. Please see the notice board in the entrance hall for exact times and contact numbers. Activities include:

- Pilates
- Badminton
- Table Tennis
- Snooker/Billiards
- Women's Institute •
- Saughall Library in the small hall.
 Open:

Tuesday 3 - 4pm

- Gardening Club
- Golden Link
- Play School
- Whist
- Art Club
- Dancing Schools
- Slimming World

- Art Club on Tuesdays, limited numbers, telephone 880733
- Knit and Natter on Tuesdays, 2:30 – 4pm in the small hall
- Farmers' Market

 All local
 produce, Every
 Saturday 9am 12pm in the
 Small Hall.

Activities at All Saints Church

- Senior Monday Meeting
- · Children's Group Meetings and Activities
- Praise and Play

Activities at the Methodist Church

The following activities are provided in the Methodist Hall. The Bookings Secretary is June Downes who can let you have further details (Tel: 880181).

- Mother and Toddlers Group
- Friday Club
- Mollington Singers Choir
- Chester Dance Academy
- The Art Class with John Paskin
- Coffee Morning, once a fortnight

Do you have fast reliable broadband?

To register your need for superfast broadband and follow the progress of the Connecting Cheshire campaign, please follow this link.

http://www.connectingcheshire.org.uk/?page i d=56

Saughall Youth Club

The Youth Club has been closed because it is short of people to help run it. If you think you can help please contact the Clerk.

Newsletter by email

If you would like to be added to the list to receive the Newsletter electronically please contact the clerk.

Email: clerk@saughall.gov.uk

It is appreciated that many people do not have access to email so delivery with the Standard Newspaper will continue as before for most villagers.



Christmas Events at St Bartholomew's Church Sealand

Your Church Serving the Community



18 Dec	6.00 pm	Christmas Market (decorations, tombola and ideas for those last minute gifts)
18 Dec	7.30 pm	A Musical Celebration of Christmas with the Ewloe Community Choir and soloist Ryan Hopwood
23 Dec	11.30 am	Holy Communion
25 Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Communion
30 Dec	11.30 am	Morning Service

(For further details contact Mrs Ann Hughes on 01244 881393)

Season's Blessings to you and all your Family



USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Women's Institute Mrs Mary Evans, Tel: 880177

Saughall Cricket Club Mr Brian Huxley, Tel: 880753

Saughall Table Tennis Club Mr Bob Salisbury, Tel: 881323 email:

rm.salisbury@btopenworld.com

Saughall Friday Club (Day Centre) Tel: Jeanne on 880226 or 07764 608680

Uniform Groups and Scout Hut Bookings Phil Brooks Tel: 881284 Saughall Gardening Club Gill Whittaker Tel: 881059

Saughall Colts Junior Football Club Football for children aged 6-16 Mr Steve Richards 881896 www.saughallcolts.co.uk

> Golden Link Club Margaret Grain, Tel: 881294

All Saints Primary School Headteacher – Donna Prenton Tel: 981090

VI Management Committee Chris Harman Tel: 880205 email: chrisjharman@aol.com All Saints Church Church Wardens John Hallas Tel: 881317 Brian Eyres Tel: 880416

Pre-School Group Mrs Lynda Johnson, Tel: 880954 (Term time only)

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