

# SAUGHALL & SHOTWICK PARK PARISH COUNCIL

Oct-Dec 2018

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**Meetings this quarter:**  
Nov 12 & Dec 17

**Surgeries:**  
Nov 10 & Dec 15

**Welcome** to the Parish Council Newsletter which we hope will give you an idea of where your money is going and how the Council spends its time. Wider topics of community interest are also covered.

## Interested in Joining the Parish Council?

Parish Council elections will take place in May 2019 with all twelve places available. There is the opportunity for residents from Saughall and local business owners to stand. Parish Councils make all kinds of decisions covering issues such as planning, local crime, management of open spaces (such as Jubilee Fields), and the delivery of better services and facilities. Parish Councils also negotiate with the local authority and the police, amongst others. If you would like to know more then please feel free to contact any one of us (contact details overleaf.) Details about how to stand for election will be given in the next issue.

## Vernon Institute News

**Chris Harman,**  
**Chair of the VI**

It has been a busy summer at the VI. A long overdue facelift for our village landmark to restore it to its previous glory and hopefully preserve it for many years to come.



I hope you all agree it looks stunning now it has been freshly painted and it's black & white again!

The project has taken a great deal of planning and preparation as well as money to fund the renovations. We had the support of WREN and the Parish Council along with VI funds to finance the largest project on the VI since the clock tower was erected in 1920.

The project involved the replacement of all the render on the main hall and clock tower (we completed the replacement of the render on the small hall at the start of 2017), new double-glazed windows throughout the main hall and snooker room,

repairs to the roadside wall, and the painting of all walls that had been rendered. In addition, new guttering and some roof tile repairs together with some long overdue tree maintenance. We will also be painting the rear of the tearoom now that the trees have been removed.

I would like to thank Peter Young for project managing the refurbishment from concept to completion and Jenny Young for her support obtaining contractor quotes. Our thanks go to the main contractors involved, Bell Stone Masonry, for managing the works very effectively. We would also like to thank you, the residents of Saughall, for your patience while the road was closed – but I think you would agree it was worth it.

*WREN is a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community conservation and heritage projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through Landfill Communities Fund.*



## Local Crime

Unusually long waits have been occurring on the 101 line. 101 should be used to report a crime that has already taken place, or to pass on information about a crime. Alternative contact methods include:

- **Face-to-face** contact at your police station or with your PCSO
- **General Contact Form**

for general queries and advice  
[www.cheshire.police.uk/contact/general-enquiries/](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/contact/general-enquiries/)  
 - **Contact an Officer Form** For contact with a named officer on your case  
[www.cheshire.police.uk/contact/contact-an-officer/](http://www.cheshire.police.uk/contact/contact-an-officer/)

999 should be called when there is a threat to life or a crime is in progress.

## World War I Centenary Commemorations

As a sign of respect, there will be two Remembrance Services at the VI War Memorial on 11<sup>th</sup> November – one at 11am and one at 2pm. As a visual display of our support of this special anniversary, large poppies are to be attached to lampposts along the main thoroughfares in the village. Thanks to Alan Bailey for this inspired idea.



## City Walls / Saughall Medical Centres

**Adie Salter – Practice Manager**

[www.citywallsmedicalcentre.co.uk](http://www.citywallsmedicalcentre.co.uk)

The Practice aims to ensure that all patients receive high quality care and we welcome any feedback from patients. We have developed an active “Patient Participation Group” (PPG) comprised of a small group of City Walls patients who work with Surgery staff on various initiatives to provide solutions to possible areas of concern. Please contact Reception in your Surgery for details. With such a large patient population (16,500 approx.) we have introduced a Virtual Patient Participation Group (vPPG) which enables all patients to “Have their say”. Communications to and

from vPPG members will be by e-mail. vPPG members will receive copies of all formal PPG meetings in addition to receiving information and progress reports on new initiatives and patient suggestions. Applications to join the vPPG can be made at the Surgery or on-line from the CWMC website.

### **Passing Feedback to the Parish Council**

If you prefer, please could you contact Mike Johnson ([mike.johnson@sughall.gov.uk](mailto:mike.johnson@sughall.gov.uk)), phone / address overleaf) with any feedback you have regarding Saughall or City Walls Medical Centre, good or bad. As a Parish Council it is important that we monitor services in the village. To do this effectively we need to have as much feedback as possible.

## Highways Issues

Please pass any concerns you have about local traffic to the Highways Working Group (details overleaf)  
 To report issues such as potholes, flooding, missing signs etc. to CWAC go online: <https://maps.cheshirewestandcheshire.gov.uk/cwac/faultreporting/> or phone: 0300 123 7036 or the Street Scene Team on 0300 123 7035

## Bus Service

Please let the Parish Council know about any problems related to the bus service.

## Computer Skills

Like it or not, many people and organisations now communicate over the Internet. If you would like to acquire more computer skills, then there are various groups in Chester that can help. For example, the Here and Now / Digital Buddies project based in the Storyhouse. You can call Alan on 07932 556062 or Heather on 07958 611618 or email [digitalbuddieshereandnow@gmail.com](mailto:digitalbuddieshereandnow@gmail.com) This is a thriving project and home visits can be arranged.



## Our Community



Many people have good connections with their local community. This often means that if they need help for some reason (e.g. illness) and don't have family living nearby they have people to call on. However, if you are finding it hard to manage on your own or know of someone in the village who could do with some help, then please contact Anna Manning (details opposite) and she will do her best to link you with support.

## Flowers in Saughall

### Planters

There are now **six** Parish Council Planters in Saughall – two by the bus terminus, two at the end of The Ridings, and two at the end of Saughall Hey. We are very grateful to those who have volunteered to help look after them: Gill Whitaker, Candice Quinn Harding, Gillian Amos, Peter Young, Howard Jennings, and Anna Manning. Further planters will be considered, so if you have a location in mind and a couple of volunteers then please contact Anna Manning (contact details opposite). **Saughall Rotary Club** have bought

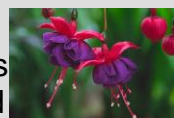


### Footpaths

In July the footpath beside Shotwick House was converted from a permissive path to a Public Right Of Way, thanks to the efforts of Alan Bailey. The former is a path whose use is allowed by the landowner and the latter is a path that anyone has the legal right to use. Improvements will now be far easier to be made: this is an important development.



5000 purple crocus corns and donated them to the village. This gesture is in support of Rotary International's campaign to eliminate polio worldwide with the strapline 'Purple for Polio'.



**Public Grass Areas** A resident would like the Parish Council to consider making more of the large grassed areas in Saughall. Suggestions are wildflowers, woodland. We are considering Saughall Hey, Greenway, Maplewood Grove, and Anvil Close. If you have any ideas for uses for these areas, ideas of further locations, or would like to add your support, please contact Mike Johnson, see opposite

**mike.johnson@saughall.co.uk**

## Flu Jabs

Please remember that flu jabs are available at the Medical Centre and at Saughall Pharmacy.

## Next Issue: Jan 2019

If you would like anything of community interest included in the next issue, then please contact Anna Manning (contact details opposite) by December 13th

## Making Contact with the Parish Council

**Parish Surgeries** are held on the Saturday before each full meeting enabling you to come and talk directly with councillors. Surgeries are normally held outside the Co-op. Dates at the top of this newsletter

## Parish Council

**Meetings** are open to the public and there is a public forum during each meeting. Council meetings take place every six weeks, usually in the Vernon Institute, from 7-9pm. Dates at the top of this newsletter.

An **Annual Meeting** is held in spring, giving the

public and local organisations an opportunity to participate in a full meeting. The Council gives a report on the work carried out during the year. Residents can give views on any matter which affects the community. Refreshments are usually provided.

## Parish Council Working Groups

You can contact any councillor or the clerk using the details below. Some of us belong to specific working groups and so may have more

knowledge about your query

### Field Inspection Group

Jenny Young, Peter Young, Andrew Warrington

### Highways Group

Brian Kerr, Mike Johnson, Dean Taylor-Pogue,

Howard Jennings, Janette Knox

### Communications Group

Alan Bailey, Dennis Holman, Andrew Warrington, Anna Manning

## Parish Councillors (Chairman Peter Young, Vice Chairman Alan Bailey)

Email addresses all take the form [firstname].[surname]@saughall.gov.uk  
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<b>Howard Jennings</b> 07949 377 943 Copperfield, Church Rd, CH1 6EN	<b>Mike Johnson</b> 07778 016 792 11 Fox Lea, CH1 6EE	<b>Brian Kerr OBE</b> 01244 880 347 33 Greenway, CH1 6EG
<b>Janette Knox</b> 01244 881 259 7 Rosewood Grove, CH1 6AN	<b>Anna Manning</b> 01244 880 675 Copperfield, Church Rd, CH1 6EN	<b>Dean Taylor-Pogue</b> 01244 881 556 25 Greenway, CH1 6EG
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**Parish Council Clerk: Shirley Hudspeth** [clerk@saughall.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@saughall.gov.uk)

**Cheshire West & Chester Councillor - Brian Crowe:** Glebe Farm, Coalpit Lane, Mollington, CH1 6JL 01244 851 384 [brian.crowe@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:brian.crowe@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)