



Police matters

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Contact information for the
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Neighbourhood Team is on the
village noticeboards or see:

www.warwickshire.police.uk/articl
e/2269/Alcester-South

Snow and Flood wardens

The Parish Council has been approached by Warwickshire County Council to see whether anyone would like to volunteer to be either a Snow Warden or a Flood Warden. Snow Wardens can either enlist help from neighbours to clear pavements, drives and cul-de-sacs or simply just spread salt/grit to steep inclines or areas of high footfall to assist the local community. Please contact Stephen Rawson in the first instance on 01926 734005 or by email: stephenrawson@warwickshire.gov.uk

CRIME REPORT

The Police were unable to attend recent Parish Council meetings but once again report that there have been relatively few incidents in the village within the last few months.:

- Rogue trader- sharpening service for garden tools
- Report of damage to wooden posts along the Green Lane between Coughton Fields and Spernal Lane
- Theft of two wheelie bins
- Attempted outbuilding burglary Park Lane. Forced entry attempted overnight but no theft took place

Useful contact details:

- Make a scam/rogue trader complaint to Trading Standards via Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 03454 040506
- Warwickshire Trading Standards on their Website or Facebook or Twitter accounts
- Sign up to scam alerts at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/scams
- New website, aimed at young adults. <https://www.fearless.org/>. It is run alongside The Independent Charity Crimestoppers. The website says - "*Fearless is a site where you can access non-judgemental information and advice about crime and criminality. What makes this site different is we also provide you with a safe place to give information to us about crime - 100% anonymously*"

As always, please do get in touch with the local Police team if you see any suspicious activity or for crime prevention advice. Please use 999 for an emergency or 101 for non-emergency calls. Additional contact details are on the left of this page.

Mental Health & Wellbeing

Coventry & Warwickshire Mind are offering a brand new service – a ‘Recovery and Wellbeing Academy’ across a number of venues in Warwickshire. This will consist of a range of informal workshops and courses delivered by professional trainers who are highly experienced in the field of Mental Health. These are designed to empower people in recognising their skills, abilities and resources and learning to become experts in their own recovery and wellbeing. The Academy offers a learning approach to recovery and wellbeing that complements existing services provided by Coventry & Warwickshire Mind . Many courses are free of charge and are open to anyone over the age of 18 living in Warwickshire. The new venues will cover a range of locations such as Warwick, Leamington Spa, Stratford, Rugby, Mancetter, Nuneaton and Bedworth providing more access points across the County. The overall aim is to support people in coping with the challenges of mental health issues in a positive way and in moving forward to fulfil their potential and achieve their goals in life. For more information on courses, locations and dates for courses and please visit <https://www.cwmind.org.uk/warwickshire-recovery-wellbeing-academy> Email pathways@cwmind.org.uk or call 024 7622 9988.

Coventry, Warwickshire and Solihull IAPT offers psychological treatments for older people with low mood, stress and anxiety related disorders or depression*. This service is open to anyone aged 65+ living in Warwickshire. Residents are able to refer themselves to IAPT by calling 024 7667 1090 or if by asking their GP to make a referral on their behalf.

*Please note that IAPT is not commissioned to offer treatment for people who have been diagnosed with dementia. It should also be noted that the IAPT service offers this same free service to anyone over the age of 16 living in Warwickshire registered with a GP- it is not limited to older people.

MAUDSLAY PARK UPDATE

- The Sales Suite has re-opened and residents are invited to pop along and see progress
- To date there have been seven property reservations
- Progress on site continues well. Seddons have made a good start and it is anticipated that section 2 (plots 10-16) will be handed over at the end of February 2017
- There is currently a discussion between Helical Bar, Warwickshire County Council and Stratford District Council as to whether the affordable extra care provision will be built on-site
- An alternative planning application has therefore been submitted for the development of clusters 4 and 5, and to replace the extra care block with 13 cottages and a laundry building to serve the site. The Parish Council has objected to this application as no decision has yet been reached about the extra care provision
- The necessary permissions are being reviewed for the installation of AA development directional signs for the site
- A Minibus service between Maudslay Park and Alcester is proposed

The Parish Council continue to have regular update meetings on site with Mr Will Parry, Helical Bar. If you have any concerns about Maudslay Park you are welcome to address them to either the Clerk or Cllr Mrs Louise Bennett who is the nominated portfolio holder on the Parish Council for this development.

Stay well this winter

As temperatures drop, it is important people keep warm and well. Cold weather can lead to serious health problems and can kill. Older people, those with chronic health conditions and people who have a disability are particularly at risk during the cold weather. Cold and flu viruses as well as tummy bugs such as Norovirus also start to circulate at this time of year.

Advice to keep snug, warm and well this winter ranges from getting a free flu vaccination for those entitled, to ensuring homes are heated to at least 18C day and night.

It is also wise to check if you are due for a free pneumococcal vaccination, which protects against pneumonia and other infections.

To prevent the spread of tummy bugs people are reminded to wash hands and clean surfaces frequently if someone within the household is unwell and allow until 48 hours after you last had symptoms before returning to work or school.

Watch the Public Health England video on cold weather and our health.

- For information about flu vaccinations, visit: warwickshire.gov.uk/flu
- For information about pneumococcal vaccinations, visit: nhs.uk/Conditions/vaccinations
- For more advice about staying well this winter please see: nhs.uk/staywell
- For advice and support with fuel bills, please phone Act on Energy on 0800 988 2881

Update on Affordable Housing at Spernal Lane

Linfoot Country Homes Ltd has now submitted the planning application for this development proposal to SDC Planning Department. Seventeen dwellings are proposed including detached, semi-detached and terraced houses and bungalows. Local people who wish to comment can do so through the SDC Planning Portal but those who are in favour of the scheme are encouraged to send letters of support to SDC Planning Department. People who wish to object can also write. It is stated in the application that drainage works will be carried out to the Recreation Ground (as part of the Toddler Area Redesign project) and that the developers will also provide a new gateway feature on Spernal Lane to the north of the new access.

Home Delivery Library Service

The Home Delivery Library Service is a free service to those who are unable to visit or use their local library or Mobile Library due to ill health or infirmity. Using volunteers, books are delivered to people in their homes once every four weeks, based on their personal preferences. Books are available in both large and small print and also talking books on compact disc. For further information please contact Debbie on 01926 851031 or email mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk.