



Little Aston

Shenstone

Stonnall

Parish Council News

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Autumn 2021

ALL THE NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

POST OFFICE REOPENS IN SHENSTONE

After what feels like an eternity, villagers of Shenstone & the surrounding area can once again benefit from having a Post Office. Manny Singh & his father Narinder are delighted that from August 23rd they will be operating the post office from their village shop on Main Street. Also, on the 23rd the Singh Family will be donating £200 each to three village charities: Shenstone Cares, Friends of Greysbrooke School & St John the Baptist Church Hall.

Manny is aware of how much the Post Office means to so many and he is looking forward to putting his newfound skills to good use: he has been training for several weeks as well as running the shop but somehow keeps smiling. Unfortunately, we could not get him to smile for the attached photograph outside the shop, but he assures us he will smile for customers!



Shenstone Community Library Autumn Plans

Shenstone's ever popular library and coffee shop has been open for both books and refreshments throughout the summer. It has been carefully managed to ensure that the safety of all volunteers and visitors meet the highest standard. Numbers are carefully monitored indoors and the large garden has been a comfortable space for both adults and children. The system has worked well and is being continued into the autumn.

In addition, our volunteers are making plans to extend the range of services which are on offer to the community. Several of our clubs which have only been available remotely through Zoom will now be meeting in person. The Shenstone Community Library Local History Group will now meet from the first Wednesday of the month, starting in September, as will the afternoon and evening book groups. Our craft group will also resume in September, and our IT Buddy will also be available every Wednesday morning to support anyone from the community who would appreciate some support from an IT expert. Please ring the library for more details about any of these activities and services.

Meanwhile, the coffee shop will be serving indoors and out while the weather allows. Children's activities will continue. From September the Gallery in the coffee shop will be displaying original artwork once more. The programme changes monthly and covers a wide range of styles and much of it will be available for purchase.

There is just time to catch the entries to the photographic competition. Local photographers responded to our offer on social media to submit photographs taken of the area during lockdown, and the ensuing exhibition has created considerable interest. Do come along to vote for your favourite photographs and help to choose which ones will appear in our annual calendar.

Finally, the library team is developing a partnership with the Friends of Shenstone station. Its first joint venture will be a second sub-branch library in the ticket office to complement the existing Birmingham Road telephone box. We are particularly keen to obtain book donations for young adults to cater for the needs of the young people using the station to get to school. Please leave donations in the library, as usual.

The management team is grateful that longstanding volunteers have been joined by new volunteers to make all of this possible. The skill and commitment from all those who lend their support to this venture is so much appreciated and we look forward to welcoming you soon to enjoy our delicious coffee and cakes, choose from a newly acquired library books, or join in with one of our clubs or activities.

One of our readers enjoying the challenge is pictured.



STONNALL YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE (SYCC)

As readers know, the Parish Council as the long leaseholder of the SYCC has been offered ownership of the SYCC by the County Council. Following careful consideration the Parish Council has concluded that it will not accept the offer but instead recommend to the County Council that the SYCC Management Committee become Trustees.

The Chair of the SYCC Management Committee who has joined the SYCC Working Group has been appraised of this Parish Council decision and the SYCC Management Committee have now indicated to the Parish Council that they wish to pursue the Trusteeship option. The Parish Council is very pleased that this preferred outcome will now be progressed as it is the primary way in which village halls in Shenstone Parish are successfully owned and managed including the Stonnall Village Hall. The Parish Council will ensure that during its remaining time as leaseholder it supports the Management Committee in delivering the repairs and improvements identified for early attention in the recent condition survey. Following a successful transfer of ownership from the County Council the Parish Council will continue to support the SYCC on a consistent basis to all other village halls and organisations within the wider Parish.

Lichfield District Council Local Plan 2040

The Local Plan is currently out for consultation and can be found on the Council's Planning website until the 30th August. Following all consultation representations made, Lichfield Council will submit the Local Plan 2014 to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government who appoint an independent Planning Inspector. The Inspector will report on the Local Plan during 2022 and if approved the Plan will be adopted in the autumn of 2022.

The final option chosen by Lichfield Council for the growth of Shenstone, Stonnall and Little Aston respects the Green Belt context in which all three communities are situated and the quality of each of the village environments and therefore no significant additional housing or economic growth is proposed beyond the existing, agreed proposal for 50 homes primarily located on land at Shenstone Business Park, Lynn Lane. The adoption of the Local Plan in the autumn of 2022 will then allow the Neighbourhood Plans for Shenstone, Stonnall and Little Aston to be refreshed as they are all over five years old. The Local Plan has several statements in respect of the three villages that will be further developed in each of the Neighbourhood Plan renewals. These statements identify that all new building to be of high quality design; the need for improved amenity provision; improved traffic management and some improved access to play provision.

The Parish Council will publish its own submission to Lichfield Council on the Parish Council website.



Parish Council Grants

It will soon be time for the annual round of Parish Council Community Grants. Applications are welcome every Autumn from community groups or organisations across the Parish who need financial assistance for all sorts of projects or initiatives. In the last round of applications funding was granted to Little Aston Tennis Club for a new gate & fencing, Shenstone Community Library for installation of LED lighting, Footherley Hall for a virosafe disinfectant to assist the fight against infection & a new battery-operated lawnmower for Stonnall Gardeners Guild, as well as many others.

Applications from October 18th are encouraged with forms available from the Parish Office.

The deadline is January 4th with funds released before the end of the financial year.

As well as community grants the Council also support larger one-off projects. Some of the recent projects include the new culvert in the brook on Stonnall Playing Fields & the re-surfacing of foot paths on the Lammas Land.

The below figures illustrate the amount spent per Ward over the last three years. The figure in brackets is the total number of grant applications received.

Electorate as follows at Dec 2020

Little Aston 2788

Shenstone 1984

Shenstone Wood End 183

Stonnall 1284

Expenditure 2017/18

Shenstone £10,385 (10) Stonnall £10,120 (9) L.Aston £2900 (2)

Expenditure 2018/19

Shenstone £7619 (11) Stonnall £8924 (4) L.Aston £6948 (3)

Expenditure 2019/20

Shenstone £34,084 (13) Stonnall £28,654 (4) L.Aston £6499 (4)

In instances where funding support is required at other times of the year, applications may be made through a named Councillor for what are called "Councillor Led Grants". This is an opportunity for a Councillor to support a specific project if approached & take the application forward to the rest of Council.

Again, information & application forms available through the Parish Office admin@shenstone-staffs.gov.uk or 01543 481 465.

The Christmas Market is back

Many will remember the huge success of the Christmas Market in 2019.

Sadly, we were not able to hold the event last year but it's back with a bang on **SATURDAY DECEMBER 4th from 4.00pm until 8.00pm**. There will be more stalls with lots of shopping opportunities, food & drink & fun for all the family. If you are interested in having a stall, please Contact Gilly Sperrin on 01543 483 205.

Shenstone Library Reopening



Now Open Longer!

We're delighted to announce that we'll be extending our opening hours at Shenstone Community Library.

See our new opening hours below:

| Library | | Coffee Shop |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| Tuesday | 9am - 5pm | 9:30am - 12pm |
| Wednesday | 9am - 12pm | 9:30am - 12pm |
| Thursday | 9am - 12pm | 9:30am - 12pm |
| Friday | 9am - 5pm | 9:30am - 12pm |
| Saturday | 9:30am - 12pm | 9:30am - 12pm |

We very much look forward to seeing you soon!

Fully Covid Secure



Shenstone Cares

OPEN COFFEE MORNING

Monday 13th September 11.00am

Welcome to our open coffee morning at the Railway Pub 11.00am. Everyone is welcome to come along, meet and make new friends, enjoy coffee/biscuits and discover what ShenstoneCares our local village charity has to offer you!

Railway Pub - Coffee mornings every Monday at 11.00am.

Railway Pub - Monthly meals every 3rd Wednesday. Please express your interest at the Monday coffee morning (13th September) or phone 480472 Afternoon Teas and Outings to be arranged

Looking forward to seeing you all Shenstonecares' Team.

St. John The Baptist Church Shenstone

Presents

Good Company Singers

featuring No Direction

Celebrating Being Back Together Again! A Joyful Concert Featuring Songs from the Shows and other light repertoire

The Good Company Singers



No Direction (the 'Boy Band')!



Saturday 18th September 7.30
Tickets £10 (including glass of wine or soft drink) from Graham 01543 483138

Bill 01543 480652
Veronica 01543 480756

Friends of Shenstone Station 1884

After a somewhat slow start, due to the pandemic, we finally got our Health and Safety Briefing in May and along with it the gorgeous HiViz jackets you can see us wearing! Since then we have begun to clear the bank above the carpark, it will be quite a long job! But we have received many offers of help from people in the village, and The Parish Council for which we are very grateful. Network Rail have sent a strimming team too. I am confident that we will have it cleared and planted with spring bulbs by the end of October. Inside the station ticket office we have been fortunate enough to have two very different exhibitions. The first was artwork created by Sutton Coldfield YMCA round the issues of mental health. The exhibition coincided with Mental Health Awareness week. The second exhibition was on behalf of Shenstone Tennis club and was to promote the club and Wimbledon Fortnight. Hayley, our station officer, helped by producing word-searches and colouring competitions linked to tennis. Hayley really is an asset to our village community! We were very grateful to Karen Ashley for her help in displaying the wide range of tennis related artefacts that had been kindly provided by Shenstone Tennis Club Coach – Zoe Edwards. In September we are hoping to open a Sub-branch of Shenstone Library in the station ticket office. We are hoping that this Sub-branch will be particularly attractive to the young people and young adults that use the station to travel to their schools and colleges each morning as we try to ensure that books in the sub-branch are aimed at those age groups.



We have joined the Community Rail Network group, a national organisation promoting the adoption of stations and the involvement in them by their local communities. We have also joined the Lichfield Rail Users Group. We have been very well supported by Fay Easton Head of Stakeholder & Community for West Midlands Railway and Dave Harris line-manager, based at Sutton Coldfield. Our group has also formed links with the Friends of Wyld Green adoption group.

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday August 28th 2021

Friends of Shenstone Tower are holding a free ‘drop-in’ for the whole community to celebrate the commencement of restoration of the old Tower.

During the event, which runs from 10am, there will be a traditional ceremony of cutting the first sod followed by an opportunity to see and hear all about the progress so far and the future plans for the ancient Tower. There will be a chance to chat with the committee, view displays and enjoy refreshments.

The Friends of Shenstone Tower (FoST) are now a registered charity, and the trustees have raised sufficient funds, obtained planning permissions and been granted a lease in order to restore the old Norman Tower which has stood as a landmark for over eight hundred years.

The start date of 16th August for the renovation and preservation of the Tower has been long awaited. Of course, fund-raising will continue to loom large to provide for the future use and ongoing maintenance of the Tower.

The Tower is all that remains of Shenstone’s Medieval Church which was built around 1200. It was constructed on the foundations of Shenstone’s first church which dated back to Saxon times. The current church was built in the 19th century and the old church was knocked down apart from the old Tower; the outline of parts of the old church can still be seen in the churchyard.

Chairman of the FoST committee, Mr Jeremy Cotton said; “Funding support of the project has been eye-wateringly impressive.



The main funding has come from Historic England without whose support the project could not have got off the ground. Significant donations have also come from many members of our community. We have been supported by Lichfield District Council, Shenstone Parish Council, Shenstone Village Festival, Shenstone & Lichfield Artisans Golf Society and Friends of Greysbrooke School. Further support has come from charitable institutions large and small including HS2, the Garfield Weston Foundation, The Pilgrim Trust, The Leche Trust, and Bells Whisky”.

He added; “We are all so grateful for this massive support from the whole community, for all donations large and small – they all played their part in helping to get our project under way”.

Following removal of much of the ivy from the Tower the true state of the walls became evident and enabled the preparation of a meaningful, comprehensive design for their repair. The plans also included the design of internal floors and stairs which will enable safe access to the roof.

The old roof has rotted away and the restoration includes a replacement and the raising of the parapet by 1.1 metres to meet safety regulations. This increase ironically brings the Tower back to its original height as can be seen in old pictures of the Tower. It will allow safe public access to the roof which will be by arrangement only. When repair of the Tower is finished, arrangements will be made to open it to the public.

The services of specialist architects Anthony Short & Partners have been retained who has completed plans for the restoration of the Church Tower and now that the plans have been approved by Lichfield Diocese and Lichfield District Council the Friends of Shenstone Tower have leased the building from the church, this allows access to grants in order to complete the renovation. The lease will run for 23 years which allows the building to open for the enjoyment and education of the public. Part of the approval process was a bat survey that confirmed, although many are seen flying around at night, there are none in residence in the Tower. Approval has also been obtained to remove the self-set yew tree directly in front of the Tower which will be replaced by planting another yew tree elsewhere in the churchyard.

Volunteering at the National Memorial Arboretum



My first volunteering role was for exhibitions on Saturday afternoons where I would walk about the three exhibition areas speaking to the visitors. I would try hard to answer their questions and if not, always finding another volunteer with far more knowledge to help, learning too as I went along. Drinking a cuppa with another volunteer I met the Foodservices Manager and was soon "poached"! Not literally, but I moved to assist in that area. I started in March 2020 and managed one week before Lockdown struck. When I returned, last summer, I assisted with table clearing, preparing drinks, on the outdoor BBQ one day and was let loose with a till! All these jobs allow the Arboretum to provide a great service to visitors. Latterly, I have been helping the NHS Track and Trace QR for the Restaurant. For those that might know me, I love talking to people so it has been great. There are also many opportunities to help on special days and meet those very important and interesting servicemen and women.

What strikes me about the volunteers at the Arboretum is just how knowledgeable they are about the memorials and history. It makes me proud that there are so many of them who are such experts and visitors are always full of praise for the information they have received. Don't let that put you off though, we all have talents that will help the Arboretum. At first, I felt a bit lacking, but soon realised my assistance (no matter how small) adds enjoyment to someone's day out. There are good opportunities to learn yourself, as much or as little as you wish.

Covid-19 has had a very big impact on the Arboretum and the whole team has worked hard to keep the site open since June last year. One impact has been the loss of volunteers who felt they couldn't come back. Hopefully once our lives return to normal, life at the Arboretum will also return to normal too. The Arboretum is a beautiful, peaceful, and sometimes very moving place of which we should all be proud, so if you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer, please think about the Arboretum. The roles volunteers undertaken are varied, both indoors and out, can be front facing or in the back office and are performed by those both young and old.

If you check the website below you will find out not just the volunteering opportunities (under Support Us) but what is happening at the Arboretum. As well as the physical memorials you would expect, the Arboretum plays a big part in celebration and memorial days holding Armed Forces Day, VE Day, Armistice Day amongst many. You may have seen last year's VJ service with Prince Charles which was filmed at the Arboretum? What you might not have appreciated is that (Covid-19 allowing) they normally have quite a few other experiences throughout the year such as the Illuminated Arboretum in the winter, a Christmas Carol Service, Luna Cinema evenings, exhibitions and activities which both children and adults can enjoy as they go round the site. If nothing else, it is a wonderful place to walk, they even cater for dog owners, with a dedicated route.

<https://thenma.org.uk/>

Lesley Edgley

Stonnull Gardeners Guild

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Youth & Community Centre at 7.30 pm. New members are welcome for a small charge to listen to a variety of speakers & enjoy garden visits near and far.

For more information please contact Pam Ramsell on 01543 372241.

Right of Way in Stonnull to be re-surfaced

Council is currently looking at tenders for work to re-surface the right of way from the Playing Fields up to Church Lane. Regular walkers will know that this much used path has suffered from the effects of flooding repeatedly, so funds have been agreed for remedial work as soon as possible.

Stonnull Wombles



You may have noticed (or at least I hope you have) that Stonnull is looking cleaner than it has for a long time, with less rubbish blighting our lovely village and surrounding countryside, and possible sighting of large red bags of collected rubbish strategically placed for the council to collect. So, I am here to sing the praises of our 'Stonnull Wombles' and to provide some background to the group.

Paul Griffiths and Sharon Cooper were already members of the 'Lichfield Litter Legends'. Sue from the village contacted Paul to ask about accessing rubbish bags. This conversation started the next stage of setting up a local WhatsApp group in April of this year, to include any interested and like-minded individuals who would like to be part of a village litter picking group. We now have 8 members who can be seen regularly picking up the rubbish that is left by the ignorant fraternity (I am being polite here ☺). We message each other to inform of the areas that have been recently cleared, in addition to any fly tipping that needs reporting.

The 'Wombles of Wimbledon' were a definite childhood memory of mine so it seemed logical to plagiarise their brand name for a good cause. Although our outfits are not as glamorous as those worn by the original Wombles, our objective is still the same.

If any of you would like to join our group, then feel free to contact Sue on 07791 912697. She can add you to our group, as well as provide litter pickers and rubbish bags.

New Bench for Stonnall

Sadly, the bench that was outside the shops in Stonnall was recently vandalised.

However, a new recycled plastic bench in black is on order with the same commemorative inscription as before. Should be in place by mid-September.

Community Initiative to Commemorate Poppy Day 2021



On my travels around Derbyshire I have noticed that some towns and villages display large plastic Poppies, usually attached to lampposts, around the time of the annual remembrance day commemorations.

I thought this was a great idea and so I did some research which established that these large poppies can be purchased from The Royal British Legion at a cost of £3.00 each, with the proceeds of course going to the annual poppy appeal. The Royal British Legion was 100 years old in May 2021 and I thought that it was a very appropriate time for our village to adopt this idea.

I approached the parish council and they unanimously agreed to support this initiative by funding the cost of 100 poppies to be put up by the lengthsman and displayed around the centre of each of the three parish villages.

To take this further and ensure we get a good display of poppies all around the village, we will be encouraging residents to purchase poppies for their immediate area. Shirley, the Parish Clerk, is happy to co-ordinate for Stonnall and Little Aston: 01543 481 947. admin@shenstone-staffs.gov.uk

Clearly, the more that is donated, the more poppies that can be displayed. Each of our villages will have a coordinator to be responsible for organising the collection of monies, and I will be fulfilling that role for Shenstone, so look out for more information about how you can join in. Meantime, please talk to your neighbours about displays in your road. And if you'd like to help in any way, please contact me

email: solvac@btinternet.com or on 481022

Thank you
Mary Jones

Anyone wishing to order a Wreath for Remembrance Sunday on 14th November 2021 please email by Thursday 30th Sept 2021 for delivery on Monday 18th October.

On behalf of the Royal British Legion may I thank the people of Shenstone for remembering those that sacrificed their lives for us and supporting veterans.

We will remember

Kartar Uppal, kartar_uppal@yahoo.co.uk
PAO for Shenstone



Stonnall Coffee Club

Our Coffee Club is up and running again, to the delight of many residents, plus a few from further afield.

It was only completely shut for a short time, not the whole fifteen months during which the Hut was closed. This was because of the generous intervention of the Shenstone Library Cake makers, in particular Mary Jones. The Library Cafe had been given some funding from Persimmon Homes and another source, enabling them to provide cake to Shenstone residents, who would miss the cafe in Shenstone. This they kindly shared with Stonnall Coffee Club members so that volunteers from the Coffee Club were able to deliver cake on a weekly basis, to those members who wished to receive it, numbering about thirty.

Anyway, the frequently asked question in the village was, 'When will the Coffee Club be re-opening?' or, sometimes, 'Will the Coffee Club be re-opening?'. The answer was, 'Yes, on Wednesday 21st July', which it duly did, with chairs and tables spaced out, clearly labelled 'Entrance' and 'Exit', and some more delightful cakes, Churchill's favourite, available courtesy again of Mary. The usual team of three was behind the counter, with one or two more 'leaders' around to help, and twenty-nine people turned up the first week. In the second week numbers rose to thirty-three, including two from Edgbaston!

So now, barring any more restrictions caused by the pandemic, we hope we are here to stay, every Wednesday morning from 10.00 until 12 noon, with drinks and light refreshments and the usual raffle. We are hoping that we shall be able to celebrate at Christmas with our usual trip out to lunch. If you would like to join us but have never been before, just come along and you will be very welcome.

Stonnall Village Hall

Since March 2020, Stonnall Village Hall has been locked down, partially open and at last we are fully OPEN.

Support Staffordshire advised the village hall committee, through their ACRE guidelines that with effect from April 12th 2021, we could gradually open up the hall. Throughout the lockdown, the management committee had agreed to maintain regular cleaning of the hall and a deep clean weekly. Sanitisers and anti-bacterial sprays are placed in the foyer and the hall for all visitors to use and these are still available.

Towards the end of April, Stay N Play started, and in May the regular couples who practise their ballroom dancing returned. The size of the hall allowed larger groups who could socially distance such as Line Dancing and Tai Chi to also return. The Tai Chi group were so eager to return, they held sessions at the rear of the hall in the car park, before they were officially allowed inside.

In June, Yoga, the W.I. and Needlecraft came back, although The Stitchers apparently did more chatting than sewing at their first meeting!

At the end of July, we were pleased to have Sequence Dancing back. Now most of the regulars have returned and we have gained another yoga group. Stonnall Players have also said they are starting rehearsals on their panto in September.

At weekends the hall has always hosted many children's parties and adult functions, which we had to cancel. The committee agreed to commission a new website earlier this year, www.stonnall-village-hall.com and this has created a lot of interest and bookings for when we could finally open without restrictions.

Once we could open, we asked the regulars to wipe down the areas they touched before they left and before they started if their group felt more comfortable doing so. Everyone has helped to ensure the hall is safe for all and we have had positive feedbacks from all who are glad to be getting back to "normal".

Final deliveries for Team Shenstone

After 16 months of weekly treat deliveries "Team Shenstone" finally signed off in July..... and went out in a big way! Sadly, the group were unable to hold the planned afternoon tea party for all those recipients who have enjoyed the deliveries due to the then ongoing Coronavirus restrictions.

However, so as not to disappoint, an afternoon tea was delivered to all... perfect timing with Wimbledon on TV! Goodie bags included sandwiches, scones, cream & jam, biscuits & a refreshing soft drink.

As always, Mary Jones surpassed herself not just with her baking skills but her fantastic flair for presentation. The goodies looked almost too good to eat... almost!



An update from our Police Community Support Officer

The summer term saw the arrival of 6 parking buddies at Greysbrooke Primary School, St Peters' Academy and Little Aston Primary School. These were organised by PCSO Steve Smith who secured funding from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and a contribution from each of the schools and Shenstone Parish Council. Their purpose is to make the area outside the primary schools, safer and clearer for all members of the public, especially the children. When asked for her opinion of their effectiveness at the end of the summer term, the Head Teacher from Greysbrooke, Ellie Ballinger said, "The parking buddies are fabulous! They prevent congestion at the top of the road so when turning in/out of Barnes Road, it's much clearer and safer to see. Parents' feedback has been very positive. They loved them from day one and have said it's been much easier and safer to cross the road since they arrived."



Whilst on patrol, a number of people have expressed concern about contacting the Police on the 101 non – emergency number. An alternative way of registering a concern or reporting an incident is to use Facebook, Twitter or the Staffordshire Police web site. It is important that a police log is created when there is an incident that requires police attention; this is not done by emailing or sending a text to an individual officer. It also means that there can be a timely response to a concern, which will not happen if the PCSO is on rest days or annual leave.

Police clinics will begin again in September at a number of locations in the community where you can speak to a local officer, these will be advertised on the Parish council website.

If you are tempted to buy an electric scooter, STOP and THINK. Electric Scooters are classified as motor vehicles, because they are intended for use on the roads, therefore the rules of the public highway apply to them. The Government is currently running trials of electric Scooters (e-scooters); the trial areas in Staffordshire are Stafford and Newcastle-Under-Lyme. Outside of the trial areas, it is against the law to use a privately owned e-scooter on the public roads, cycle lanes or pavements. They can only be used on private land with the permission of the land owner. If a person uses an e-scooter illegally, they could face a fine of £300, get 6 penalty points on their licence and the e-scooter could be seized and it will not be returned and will be disposed of accordingly. To ride a trial scooter in Stafford, a person must be aged 18, have a provisional, full drivers or motorcycle licence UK licence (check the following online tool to see if you can drive on GB with a non-GB Licence (<https://www.gov.uk/exchange-foreign-driving-licence>)). E-scooters must have motor insurance, but this will be provided by the e-scooter rental operator. A trial e-scooter may be used on the road (except motorway) and in cycle lanes. They may not be used on the pavement. They should be only used within the local area hosting the trial. This means that buying an e-scooter to use in the villages, or anywhere in Lichfield that is not private land, is likely to cost a persons a great deal of expense and disappointment.

With the lifting of the Covid restrictions that have shaped our lives for the last 18 months, the volume of traffic and the speed of traffic on many of our roads has significantly increased. We would like to start the Community Speed Watch groups in both Shenstone and Stonnall in the very near future. The work they have done in the past in monitoring the speed of vehicles has been very important in helping to keep our communities safe. If you could spare a few hours a month to become a part of a team of volunteers, trained by the Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership, please contact Michelle Shaker at community.speedwatch@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk to register your interest. Further information could be found at www.staffssaferrroads.co.uk or email PCSO Andrea Horsnall on andrea.horsnall@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk if you would like to discuss this further.

PCSO 25049 Andrea Horsnall

Full Parish Council Meetings 2021

Tuesday 14th September at 7.15pm Shenstone Village Hall

Tuesday 12th October at 7.15pm Shenstone Village Hall

Tuesday 9th November at 7.15pm Shenstone Village Hall

Tuesday 7th December at 7.15pm Shenstone Village Hall

2022

Tuesday 11th Jan at 7.15pm

Tuesday 8th Feb at 7.15pm

Tues 8th March at 7.15pm

Tues 12th April at 7.15pm

Tues 10th May at 7.15pm

Tues 14th June at 7.15pm

Tues 12th July at 7.15pm

Tues 13th September at 7.15pm

Tues 11th October at 7.15pm

Tues 8th November at 7.15pm

Tuesday 13th December at 7.15pm

Locations for 2022 to be confirmed

Meeting of Finance, Legal, Health & Safety Committee 2021

Tuesday October 26th at 5.30pm Shenstone Community Library

2022

Tuesday January 25th at 5.30pm

Tuesday March 22nd at 5.30pm

Tuesday May 24th at 5.30pm

Tuesday July 26th at 5.30pm

Tuesday Sept 27th at 5.30pm

Tuesday Nov 29th at 5.30pm

Locations for 2022 to be confirmed

Meeting of Neighbourhood Planning & Property Committee 2021

Tuesday Sept 21st at 5.30pm Shenstone Community Library

Tuesday November 23rd at 5.30pm Shenstone Community Library

2022

Tuesday February 22nd at 5.30pm

Tuesday April 26th at 5.30pm

Tuesday June 21st at 5.30pm

Tuesday Oct 25th at 5.30pm

Tuesday Dec 20th at 5.30pm

Shenstone Parish Council

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St John the Baptist Church.

Trinity Methodist Church
Shenstone Day Care (Friday Friends)
Shenstone Cares
Shenstone St John's Hall
Shenstone Village Hall
Shenstone Wesley Hall
Richard Cooper Room
Scouts Group
Women's Evening Institute
Shenstone Baby & Toddlers
Shenstone Tennis Club
Shenstone Community Library
Lammas Land Management Committee
Shenstone Pathfinders F.C.
Shenstone Playing Fields
Shenstone Painting Class
Friends of Shenstone Station 1884
Shenstone Quilters
National Women's Register
Shenstone Friends & Neighbours
Rainbow Guide Group
Footherley Club
Guides
Brownies
Shenstone Strollers

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Stonnall Village Hall
Stonnall Youth & Community Centre
Stonnall Gardeners Guild
Stonnall Coffee Club
Stonnall Players
Stonnall Brownies & Guides
Stonnall Scouts/Beavers/Cubs
Stonnall Playing Fields Management Committee
Stonnall Women's Institute
Stonnall Stitchers
Lynn & Stonnall Conservation & Historical Society

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Stonnall Reading Group
Film Club
Stonnall Neighbourhood Watch
SCAR (Stonnall Campaign about Roads)
Stonnall Coffee Club
Diamond Jubilee Allotments
Stonnall Singers

LITTLE ASTON

St Peters Church, Little Aston
Little Aston Recreation Ground (LARGA)
Little Aston Table Tennis Club
Little Aston Pre School Play Group
Little Aston Community Association
Little Aston Village Hall
Little Aston Bowling Club
Little Aston Tennis Club
Little Aston Evening Women's Institute
Little Aston Brownies

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