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Parish Councillors by Ward

Loggerheads Ward

(4 vacancies)

Cllr Ian Douglas

Cllr Mick Hodgkiss

Cllr Gerald Hughes

Cllr Ed Martin

Cllr Paul Northcott

Mucklestone Ward

Cllr Graham Sedgley

Cllr Jim Vallings

Cllr Jamie Friend

Ashley Ward

Cllr Sue Fox

Cllr Bunty Hodgkins

(2 Vacancies)

Tyrley Ward

Cllr Bert Bennion

Cllr Roy Claydon

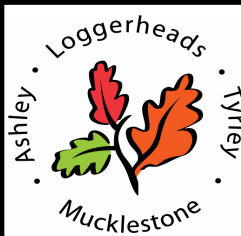
Cllr John Pimlott

All Councillors can be contacted on 01630 673426 or by email to:
loggerheadspc@btconnect.com

Please note; there are a number of vacancies to be filled on the Parish Council. If you think you have the necessary attributes to be a Councillor and can spare just a few hours of your time each month, then please contact the Clerk for further details.

Parish Council Meetings

Meetings of the Council are being held on
Thursday, 25th September, at Oddfellows Hall, Ashley and
Thursday 23rd October at Hales Club, Hales



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Inside this edition of YOUR Parish Newsletter

**THE FUTURE OF LOGGERHEADS LIBRARY
A MODERN RECREATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL AND HERITAGE
CENTRE IN LOGGERHEADS?**

Have your say on future proposals affecting Loggerheads

Do you know about the proposals for the future of the library in Loggerheads? Or about the alternative use of land next to the new fire station on Market Drayton Road and before the Burntwood on Eccleshall Road? What do you think about building a new modern facility in Loggerheads which could provide the community with a recreational, educational and heritage centre? Read inside to see how you can have your say on these proposals. Take the time to complete the short questionnaire inside this newsletter and return it to the box located in the Co-op or email your views to the Parish Council.



PROPOSALS FOR YOUR LIBRARY

Staffordshire County Council is currently consulting residents about the future of the library in Loggerheads. They are clear that this is not an exercise to close libraries that are well supported but it is looking to reduce costs. The current cost of opening the library in Loggerheads for 700 hours a year is £26,000. The proposal is for Loggerheads to be a “Library Local”, with the local community leading, managing and delivering the library offer, giving them the opportunity to maintain services, or introduce services to meet local needs. SCC will support the community to take on this role but won’t be directly involved in the management or staffing.

Loggerheads has an active voluntary group in the Loggerheads Community Information Shop and they have expressed a preliminary interest in working with SCC to consider how to support a proposal that would see the library stay open. It may also develop to become a coffee shop and meeting place for residents of all ages.

Further information on the consultation can be found at:

<http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/leisure/librariesnew/Help-shape-library-service/Help-shape-library-service.aspx>

Please respond to the consultation before 7th October.

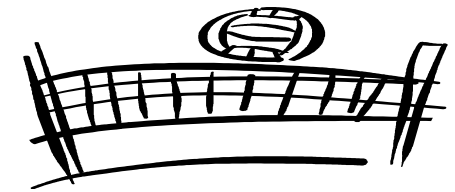
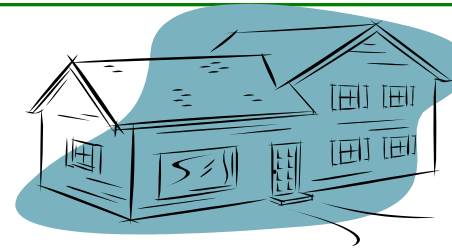
The Parish Council is keen to find out what residents think .

Please get involved and support the Loggerheads library and take some time to complete the questionnaire to share your views with the Parish Council.

TADGEDALE QUARRY

According to the Market Drayton Advertiser, plans to build houses at Tagedale Quarry are set to be unveiled at the end of September. Keep an eye on the Parish Council notice boards and our website for more information as and when the plans are received.

A MODERN RECREATIONAL, EDUCATIONAL AND HERITAGE CENTRE IN LOGGERHEADS?



Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council is consulting residents in Loggerheads about the alternative use of land that it owns at Market Drayton Road, next to the new fire station, and on Eccleshall Road, before the Burntwood. The land is currently used for grazing and is situated in the village envelope. The Borough Council is clear that the most likely alternative future use is residential housing.

NuLBC have only sent letters to residents who live adjacent to the two sites and the Parish Council wishes to seek the views of all residents on the proposed sale of land for residential use. If you need more information you can contact your Borough Councillors, David Loades & Paul Northcott.

The Ashley Memorial Hall Committee has recognised that the hall has limited and old fashioned facilities and no opportunity for expansion. Loggerheads does not have a community base with sporting facilities. Back in 2003, the Parish Plan included a vision for a Community Centre with facilities for all ages as well as sports. The Market Drayton Road site that Newcastle Borough is considering for sale could be a suitable site for such a Community Centre.

The Hall Committee has asked the Parish Council to support the preparation of a business case for a new Community Centre in Loggerheads. The Parish Council wants to know your views on both of these proposals; the sale of land by Newcastle Borough Council and the plan for a modern recreational and educational facility in Loggerheads, before it responds to both.

Please take time to fill in the questionnaire or email the Clerk.