

DIARY DATES FOR DECEMBER—JANUARY

Church Services and events are listed on pages 14 -15

Wednesday 1st December, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI meeting
Thursday 2nd December, deadline for objections to incinerator expansion
Thursday 16th December, Hayhurst Arms, 12.30pm. Ladies' Christmas lunch
Tuesday 21st December, St. Mary & All Saints Church, 7.30pm. Equali Ladies' Choir
Friday 31st December, Parish Hall, 8.00pm. New Year's Eve party
Wednesday 5th January, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI meeting
Monday 10th January, Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Parish Council meeting
Tuesday 11th January, Lych Gate (meet). WI rambles (walk)
Tuesday 11th January, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Garden Club 'New Year, New Start' party

Ladies' Christmas lunch

December's Ladies' Lunch will take place at 12.30pm on Thursday 16th, at The Hayhurst Arms. Please let me know if you'd like to join us as I shall be booking a table and will need deposits from those who plan to come.

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GARDEN CLUB

All is going well for the Garden Club and members and guests are returning to enjoy entertainment and company once again.

The last speakers were Martin and Jill Fish (pictured) from North Yorkshire, who showed us their winter garden and the produce that they grow and cook, with wonderful slides. Many new recipes and advice about the use of hardy vegetables made us all go home and start cooking. I made a super winter soup, which lasted us for three lunches! The speakers were thanked admirably by Brenda Yates.



Tickets for our 'New Year, New Start' party on Tuesday 11th January were sold to members. If you missed this, please check with Jane Fairclough, Parm Place, High Street, 01606 891131, as to availability. This year the numbers are limited and we are having a caterer, but please bring your own drinks. It promises to be a good night.

The next important meeting is the AGM on Tuesday 8th February, when your sub will be due. We have a number of people on our waiting list, so please tell us if you are not re-joining the club for any reason so that we can go ahead with inviting people on the waiting list to join. If you are unable to attend, but want to join, please let us know.

The AGM will be followed with a presentation by Dave Brotton on the subject of local wild life, illustrated with excellent photography. All the speakers have been booked for 2022, and we hope we will have a wonderful year once again.

Happy Christmas to you all, and a healthy, exciting new year ahead. Please contact me for further details about anything.

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CHURCH NEWS (cont'd)

Village Voices for Christmas: If you wish to join the choir for the Carol Services at Arley (12th) and Great Budworth (19th), please contact Jack Steel at Jacksteel140@me.com

Ian Chesworth will be leading the choir as usual. Rehearsals will be on Friday evenings 6.30pm – 7.30pm starting 3rd December in church.

Everyone is welcome to any of the services.

Finance Appeal for St. Mary And All Saints: The Vicar and PCC would like to thank all who have so far donated to the ongoing finance appeal. It is so very much appreciated.

The New Year's Eve party
will go ahead but with a new format.
As usual it will be held in the decorated Parish Hall, starting at 8pm with pre-dinner drinks included.
A professionally cooked 3 course meal of dressed salmon, roast rib of beef, with all the 'goes-withs' and a choice of desserts.
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CHURCH NEWS

Services for December and January

December:	
Wednesday 1 st	10.30am Holy Communion followed by coffee
Thursday 2 nd	7.30pm Compline / Celtic Evening Prayer
Sunday 5 th	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am All Age Worship – Toy Service
Thursday 9 th	7.30pm Compline
Sunday 12 th	10.30am Matins
	6.30pm Nine lessons and Carols at Arley Chapel
Thursday 16 th	10.00am Cransley School Carol Service
	5.30pm Great Budworth & Antrobus School joint Carol Service
	7.30pm Compline
Sunday 19 th	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am Parish Communion
	4.00pm Nine lessons and Carols at Great Budworth
Tuesday 21 st	7.30pm Equali Ladies' Choir with Acceler8 Brass Band
Thursday 23 rd	7.30pm Compline
Friday 24 th	4.00pm Crib and Christingle Service
	11.30pm Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am Family Communion
Sunday 26 th	10.30am Parish Communion
January:	
Sunday 2 nd	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am All Age Worship for Epiphany
Wednesday 5 th	10.30am Holy Communion followed by coffee
Thursday 6 th	7.30pm Celtic Evening Prayer
Sunday 9 th	10.30am Plough Service
Sunday 16 th	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am Parish Communion
	6.30pm Evensong at Arley
Sunday 23 rd	10.30am Parish Communion
Sunday 30 th	8.00am Holy Communion
	10.30am Parish Communion



Urgent Call for Action to Stop Incinerator Expansion

Michael Gove, Secretary of State, now has an application on his desk asking for an increase in the annual amount of waste to be burnt at the Incinerator at Lostock from 600,000 tonnes to 728,000 tonnes.



Artist's impression of the proposed incinerator plant

The Incinerator, an energy-from-waste (EfW) plant, is under construction after being granted permission by the Government in 2012, against strong local opposition.

If permission is granted for the increased waste, it would see a huge increase in daily HGV journeys from 262 to 434 on the narrow, single lane, Griffiths Road, Lostock, alongside newly built housing.

In addition, the application asks for extended opening hours, previously agreed to be 7am to 7pm, to 7am to 11pm.

This expansion would inevitably increase pollution. The stack will be 300 ft high (ie. just 10ft lower than Big Ben), plus plume, and is due south of Great Budworth, so will certainly feature on our skyline.

Our local MPs, Esther McVey and Mike Amesbury, along with local Councillors on Cheshire West & Chester, are calling on the community to back their campaign to stop the increases which have now been applied for.

All comments or objections must be received no later than Thursday 2nd December by email to beiseip@beis.gov.uk with the title: 'Lostock Sustainable Energy Plant - Section 36 Consent Variation Application'. Please DO email your objection!

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The November meeting is always the Annual General Meeting, when we recap on the events of the year and look at the finances to see how healthy the funds are.

It has been a peculiar year, as the first six months we had Zoom meetings, when we could have speakers from anywhere in the country without the need to travel to Great Budworth. We grasped the opportunity and with Sue Ritchie's help we all learned a new skill called 'Zooming'. We are now braving it back to proper meetings with the reopening of our Parish Hall and it is good to be back.

We closed the AGM with a supper of cottage pie or fish pie, followed by delicious desserts and a glass of wine. A fun quiz followed, which was just the right balance - not too difficult, but not too easy either!! It was a splendid evening and enjoyed by all. The supper was a 'thank you' to members for all their support and help during the past two years.

The WI no longer owns Denman College, which offered the opportunity to learn new skills, but they have Zoom classes, which enables us to learn new arts and crafts.

Our last meeting for 2021 is on Wednesday 1st December when Graham Stirrup will be our speaker and his subject is 'Life in the 1950s'. Graham lives in Wigan and had a career in industry, but in the last few years he has been a very popular speaker on cruise ships as well as WIs and other clubs.

As the Bulletin takes us into the new year, the first meeting of 2022 on the 5th January in the Parish Hall is a talk by Stephen Neary and the title of his book and talk is 'From Monk to Elvis'. Stephen has written two books; the second is 'The Nearly Man'. He has had 25 jobs so that appears to be why he is the 'nearly' man.

Please note that subscriptions are not due until April for 2022, so the new programmes will be available then.

June Wilkinson 01606 891534

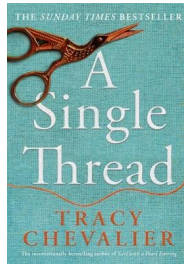
WI Book Club

This month members of the book club are reading 'A Single Thread' by Tracy Chevalier.

WI Ramblers



The ramblers walked to Peover Hall (pictured) from the Grassland Garden centre on Free Green Lane, Lower Peover on their November. The group are out again in December for the final walk of 2021 and again on Tuesday 11th January 2022.



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WHATSAPP RECOMMENDATIONS

Like most WhatsApp groups, our village WhatsApp community has become a forum for those seeking advice and recommended tradespeople, and others responding to those requests. Thanks to these recommendations, many WhatsApp members now have address books full of useful numbers. It seemed only natural, then, to share these with Bulletin readers.

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More details

in February's Bulletin



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PROPOSED ONE-WAY SYSTEM ON BUDWORTH LANE

This idea originated in Comberbach and was discussed at the Great Budworth Parish Council meeting on 1st November, although unfortunately time constraints meant that the discussion was not as detailed and wide-ranging as might have been hoped. Councillors had carefully considered the responses received from affected residents, who were able to cite first-hand experiences of the problems they have encountered. Unfortunately, although the PC has repeatedly raised the issue of safety at the junction of the A559 with Budworth Lane, ultimate responsibility for decision making lies with CW&C, whose response has always been negative, claiming that nothing can be done until five incidents of personal injury occur (a proposition that the PC will not accept). The PC will continue to lobby, in particular, as follows:



1. Sending consultation responses to the new Director of Highways and Area Officers at CW&C.
2. Organising a petition from local residents, pressing for action.
3. Arranging a meeting with CW&C Highways, with local residents to be invited to attend and put their case.

If there is no satisfactory outcome from these approaches, the PC will consider making a formal complaint to CW&C.

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Street on the basis, they say, of the number of objections that were received. The parish clerk said she would look into whether there is any scope for appeal and whether or not safety issues were considered when the decision was made.

Parish Hall and Parish Field Agreement

Work is still in hand to transfer assets to the new charity and deal with related administrative matters. A working party to tackle the improvements to the surface of the field is to be convened.

Bowling Green and Tennis Club Agreement

The Parish Council agreed that there should be a joint lease for the Bowling and Tennis Clubs and that it should be for a term of 25 years, subject to appropriate conditions.

Queen's Jubilee

A meeting was to be held on 15th November in the Parish Hall to discuss ideas for celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The full minutes of the meeting are available on the Great Budworth website (<https://greatbudworth.com/documents>).

Meetings of the Parish Council take place in the Parish Hall, Smithy Lane. The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 10th January 2022. All are welcome to attend.

The Parish Council wishes all residents a very happy Christmas and a healthy 2022.



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Starting **1st December to the 11th December** in small groups of eight, there's a choice of three daily sessions:-

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Maggie Earl

The Parish Council met on Monday 1st November and the following main items were discussed.

Highways

CW&C Cllr. Gibbon reported that a new Director of Highways had been appointed and there was also to be a new head of highways, whose remit will include flooding. She added that there had been a three-day concentrated effort to address highway maintenance issues in Marbury Ward (which includes Great Budworth).

Parish Councillors urged that more needed to be done on this. Once again, they expressed disappointment with the negative responses received from CW&C Highways whenever concerns were raised and solutions suggested and urged a more forward-looking and comprehensive planned programme of works to deal with the many issues highlighted by the Parish Council.

Refuse & recycling collection

Cllr. Gibbon reported that new bins will be issued to all households after Christmas: existing recycling boxes and large garden and rubbish bins will be replaced by four large bins, with a charge being made for the emptying of green bins. The recycling boxes will no longer be used. Parish Councillors expressed concerns about the storage required for all of these bins and the impact on the environment, as well as the difficulties of wheeling bins over uneven ground.

Planning

Cllr. Gibbon also reported that there remains a backlog of undecided planning applications, with some 680 which have not yet been allocated to planning officers. Some are being referred to an outside organisation for initial processing to try and speed things up. Proposals have also been put forward for Urban Village Phase 2 at Winnington. This includes 1500 houses, but there was no mention of the bridge or the necessary extra infrastructure, such as schools etc., to support the size of development. She added that there was also an application for a new sodium HCO₃ manufacturing plant at Winnington Lane, which includes a 56.5 meter high structure.

Lower Pump House

The results of the routine analysis of water samples taken from the lower pump house recently had been received and the results were satisfactory.

Proposed one-way system on Budworth Lane

This is covered in a separate item on page 6.

Proposed Introduction of Double Yellow Lines on High Street

CW&C have decided not to proceed with introducing double yellow lines on High



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BIG BOYS' BIG FAT GREEK SYMPOSIUM

Despite the challenging circumstances, the Greek Symposium proved a great success. It was a village event with a friendly warm atmosphere, a buzz of conversation and much movement of tables and socialising. The food was traditionally Greek, expertly prepared, generally said to be delicious and in ample quantities. A fine selection of Meze, with main courses of stifado, moussaka, lemon chicken and souvlaki cooked on the barbecue by Keith Brudenell, who was braving the cold. While ouzo and retsina was available, it was not drunk in great quantity, unlike the Greek beer and wine.

Freddie, who was awarded his Big Boys' Apron prior to the symposium, successfully sold raffle tickets for amazing prizes.

There was an entertaining archery competition, an opportunity to stick one to Cyclops, and ongoing Greek music.

After all expenses, the event raised fractionally over £900 for local causes. The money has been allocated to the Parish Hall refurbishment, the Budworth Bulletin, the Friends of the School and the Christmas celebrations of the village.

Thank you to everybody who joined in the fun and to the Big Boys who managed the event with such success.



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The Society brought the 2021 season to a close with a welcome return to the George & Dragon for the Annual Dinner and Trophy Evening. Seventeen members were joined by our guest of honour, Nid Peters, to reflect on a successful season and recognise our winning golfers. Following a moving tribute to the late Keiran Peters from Nid and short speech from me, Nid presented each of our competition winners with a gleaming trophy and a keepsake replica.



Rather fittingly, Mr President, Jeremy Lawton, walked off with the President's Shield, while Chris Brennan (pictured, left, with Nid) accepted the Knockout Cup on behalf of the winner, Peter Pearce. Bryan Higgins became the winner of the inaugural Nid Peters Stableford Cup, kindly donated by Nid, for the best single round during the year and also deservedly took home the magnificent Keiran Peters Trophy for winning the order of merit. Bryan is pictured below, holding his trophy aloft, with me (Andy Heath) to the left, Nid and Jeremy Lawton (on the right). There followed a three-course dinner before the stragglers retired to the bar!

Thank you to Ben Colman and the Committee for their support this year, and congratulations to our incoming captain, Steve Cartwright. Have a great year, Steve, and I hope you enjoy it as much as I have.

As always, I'd encourage anyone interested in golf to join us on our travels and look forward to seeing everyone in the new season. Feel free to get in contact with Ben Colman on 07305 076091 or bencolman@gmail.com

Andy Heath
2021 Captain



Paul and Ruth Parker send their best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all their friends and neighbours.



SCHOOL NEWS

The children came back to school following the half term break with enthusiasm and have been working hard, producing some wonderful work across the schools, driven by some beautiful picture books: 'I'm Going to Eat This Ant', 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark', 'Stone Age Boy' and 'The Lost Happy Endings'.

Being part of a diverse UK community means that it is important to respect and understand different faiths and cultures. We have been exploring the differences between how Hindus and Sikhs celebrate Diwali – a festival of light symbolising good over evil, which is celebrated at this time of year. We learned about the story of Rama and Sita from the Hindu faith and how the Sikh community celebrates the release from prison of Guru Har Gobind.

Remembrance Day enabled the children to stop and reflect about the soldiers who served our country in the two World Wars and subsequent conflicts during the two minutes' silence.

Our PCSOs came into school to talk to the children about online safety and how to enjoy bonfire night safely. It was so lovely to make connections with our community police officers and hope they will come into school again soon.

Just before half term the children were offered free entry tickets to the Harry Potter Forbidden Forest event at Arley Hall. Many families accepted the opportunity to visit, which became the main topic of conversation across the school. We are incredibly grateful for this generous offer.

November proved to be a remarkably busy month. We launched Anti-Bullying Week by holding an 'Odd Socks Day' where we recognise that everyone is unique and we celebrate each other's differences. This year's theme is 'One Kind Word' and our learning has focussed on how one kind word can make a huge difference to how someone feels.

Another worthy charity that we support at this time of year is Children in Need. The children are invited to come to school dressed in spots or yellow clothing and raise money in the process.

We are looking forward to an equally busy December as we count down to Christmas: Elf Day, and Elf Dash, Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas pantomime, Reception and Key stage 1 nativity and the Federation Key Stage 2 Carol service, not forgetting Christmas parties and, if we're good, a visit from Father Christmas too!

Thank you! A big 'thank you' to the Big Boys for their very kind donation to the Bulletin, following their successful Big Fat Greek Symposium!