

Foodbank urgently needs Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank

The Foodbank urgently needs the following items: Hot chocolate, cheese crackers, meat/fish paste in small jars, rice pudding, custard, long life puddings, soap, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes and laundry detergent. There are green donation containers at Morrisons, Waitrose, Linden Drive Co-op and Lutterworth Churches. Prefer to donate money? Check our website www.lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money

If you need a food parcel either telephone 07821 802793, or send an email to info@lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk to find out about the procedure during Coronavirus.

Bitteswell WI

Dawn writes

Committee members were able to hold a meeting this week in a members garden. Unfortunately, we fear that it may not be possible to hold any monthly meetings this year. However, it was suggested that we may hold various small group meetings of 6 outside in members gardens, for craft, book club or just a general chat.

If any of the above appeals to anyone new that would like to join our WI please contact our President Dawn on **01455 641094**

United Charities Education Grant

Do you want to learn something new? Or are you planning to sign up for a course at an adult education centre, FE college or University? At any age or stage, whatever subject you are interested in, whether arts and crafts, maths or science, history or geography, United Charities could help with a small grant funded by the Jim & Amy Deacon bequest.

Apply in writing, stating which course you want to take, where, and what you want to achieve, to the Treasurer, John Booth at The Brambles, Ashby Lane, Bitteswell (or by e-mail to john7319@googlemail.com) by August 31 2020.

Bitteswell and Bittesby Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **17th September**. Style of meeting to be confirmed. If you wish to bring any important issues or concerns to the attention of the council. Please contact the clerk before the meeting by email: parishclerk@bitteswell.org.uk For agenda details past and present go to www.bitteswell.org

Planning Applications

- 20/01055/REM | Erection of 4 dwellings with associated garages and access road (reserved matters of 18/01280/OUT, including details of appearance, layout and scale) | West End Farm West End Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SE
- 20/00981/TCA | Works to trees (fell) | The Moors Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA
- 20/00976/TCA | Work to trees (fell) | Grange House Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA
- 20/00979/HAZ | Application for Hazardous Substances Consent for the proposed Gasrec Biomethane Refuelling Station at Magna Park, Lutterworth. | Gasrec Biomethane Refuelling Station Argosy Way Magna Park Lutterworth LE17 4XN
- 20/00946/TCA | Works to trees (fell) | The Old Bakery Manor Road Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4RZ
- 20/00916/TCA | Works to trees (fell), Porganna House, The Nook Bitteswell, LE17 4RY
- 20/00920/TCA | Works to trees (fell) | Delamere Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA
- 20/00865/REM | Erection of a storage building (Reserved matters of 20/00240/OUT) | Lutterworth Rugby Football Club Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4LW
- 20/00689/FUL | Change of use of equestrian buildings from personal to commercial use for the purpose of equestrian/mental health therapy | The Elms Lodge Ullesthorpe Road Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4LR
- 20/00863/FUL 64 bed two storey Care Home and 20 assisted living bungalows to be built in a field between Brookfield Way and Bitteswell, accessed off Brookfield Way.

BITTESWELL NEWSLETTER



photos by Malcolm King



*Lovely views
of St. Mary's
Church*

August 2020

Funded by the United Charities of Bitteswell

Litter picking and helping the environment in more ways than one!

Sharee Jones writes:

Bitteswell residents enjoying their walks around the village and country footpaths have also been taking a bag and filling it with any litter they see en route.

Not only is this helping keep the environment clean and safe for the wildlife but the aluminium drink cans that are collected can be recycled.

Recycle for Helipads

In our last newsletter Graham Johnson of Lutterworth Rotary Club tells us that he has volunteered to be a collection point for local residents to give their aluminium drink cans.



Helipads For Hospitals is a UK charity

founded by

former RAF and Air

Ambulance helicopter pilot

John Nowell (in photo with crushed cans). The aim is to collect about one million drinks cans and other unwanted aluminium items (ie. saucepans) and to use the raw material to form an alloy strong enough to build a helipad on site at hospitals. www.helipadsforhospitals.org.uk

The first priority is Leicester Royal Infirmary, where air ambulance helicopters currently have to land on Nelson Mandela Park so the patients — often critically ill—have to be transferred to road ambulances and driven to the Accident and Emergency Department, about ¾ of a mile away, adding precious minutes to the journey. **So remember to save your cans and place in collecting bins on Graham's drive at Field House, Ashby Lane. Thank you.**

Mr Haynes of Valley Farm would like to lead the appreciation on behalf of the people in the village who continue to collect rubbish, especially from the grass verges towards Woodby Lane, to help keep our village a clean and lovely place to live. Thank you for your time in doing this and your efforts do not go unnoticed.

Schools Out for Summer!

Faye Winterton writes:

The school holidays are now upon us bringing to an end the unusual era of home schooling that we have become accustomed to. Despite all the adversities in these unprecedented times the teachers at St Mary's Bitteswell have continued to provide daily live lessons and contact with the children, ensuring the children have continued their learning. The resilience shown by the children and the teachers to make this work has been phenomenal and to show our appreciation to the staff who have continued to work tirelessly over these past few months, the children and their families used the village Green to clap for Mr Evans, Mrs Cupit, Mrs Pearson and Mrs Baxter at the end of term.



We used the space on the Green again to say goodbye to Mrs Maher on her retirement, even managing to organise the children and their families to sing for her. Even in adverse times you cannot stop St Mary's from singing! It was not the send off we would have liked to give her but it was lovely to see so many children and families, past and present, come to thank Mrs Maher for her dedication to the school over the past 11 years. We wish you a very healthy and happy retirement.

New Head Appointed

Mrs Cupit, who has been a teacher at St Mary's for many years, will be taking over from Mrs Maher as Head Teacher. I think the parents will share with me in congratulating Mrs Cupit on her appointment and we are delighted that someone with knowledge of the school, a passion for education and learning as well as her enthusiasm for music will be leading St Mary's. We wish her well and look forward to supporting her in her new role.



September Newsletter

We would love to hear your news, photos, perhaps proud photos of new school starters, or those going on to the 'big' school. Do you have any Lockdown stories to share.

The deadline for September newsletter is Wednesday **26th August**. Contact Editor Sharee Jones email Bitteswellnewsletter@gmail.com or phone 07834 689828

Church Opens for Worship and Prayer

Margaret Foster

With safe measures in place, St. Mary's Church can now open its doors for quiet private prayer on **Tuesday and Saturday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm**. On **Sunday 9th August at 4pm** there will be an Evening Service with social distancing (no communal singing). Sunday Live Services will still continue.



As a church we are aware that some people have expressed concern about being unable to contribute financially on a regular basis as they might normally have done. If you wish to contribute please use online banking. Account Name Bitteswell PCC Sort Code: 60-13-30 Account Number: 20101384 or cheques payable to Bitteswell PCC and sent to Treasurer Mr Tony Woodhead, 12 Dempsey Close, Lutterworth, Leics. LE17 4GL

Our grateful thanks to Rev Charlie and Rev Tom for their ministry in these challenging times. We hope to see you under more normal circumstances in the not too distant future, but in the meantime keep safe and well.

Jim & Amy Charity Taxi Service

Funded by United Charities it has been an invaluable service especially during lockdown for village residents to help travel to medical appointments and other emergencies. Contact **Mrs S Carlton (552077)** and **Mrs M Osborne (07858154233)**