

## Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank

Over the last year, the Foodbank has seen a 36% increase in demand for its service, linked to the roll-out of Universal Credit with its in-built delay of 5 weeks until the first payment is made. Despite this extra demand, the Foodbank is well stocked with food, after receiving record donations in December and January. We are currently short of non-food items like bin bags, dish cloths, washing up liquid, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper and paper tissues. We also need laundry powder or liquid (Morrisons sell small white boxes of Bio powder for just 80p and these are ideal).

There are green donation containers at: Bitteswell - St Mary's Primary School, Lutterworth – Morrisons, Waitrose, Sports Centre, Age Concern Charity Shop (Town Square), Linden Drive Co-op, St Marys' Church, Chapel Street Christian Fellowship, Catholic Church, United Reform Church and Bartrams Estate Agency on Church Street.

For information call 01455 558797 or email

[info@lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk)

Want to donate money? Check our

website [www.lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money](http://www.lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money)

## The Jim & Amy Deacon Charity Taxi Service

United Charities runs a taxi service for village residents funded by an endowment from Jim & Amy Deacon, a couple who lived in Bitteswell in 1970s/80s. Their thoughtful generosity provides this useful service for residents who need help to travel to medical appointments and other emergencies when they do not have access to their own transport within their family or friends. This month, the telephone contacts are **Mrs S. Carlton** (552077) and **Mrs M. Osborne** (07858154233).

## Bitteswell Village Hall

### Glenys Peverley advises:

The **Chairman** and **Treasurer** of the village hall committee have both resigned. This means that village residents will need to put themselves forward to enable the continuing use of the hall. Please contact **Glenys** on **01455 553614** so that the hall can continue to function. Grateful thanks must be given to **Linda** and **Mike** for everything they have done in the past which ensured the hall's renovations and improvements.

### VE Day - 75th Anniversary

**Friday 8th May**, is the **75th Anniversary of VE Day** (Victory in Europe Day).

It will be marked across the Harborough District as part of the national activities.

HDC will be making available **£500** for each parish council towards VE day celebrations.

Parish councils need to request the funding and confirm that the monies will be used for VE day celebrations only.

If you have any suggestions for celebratory events, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council. Contact details in the next item.

HDC are still looking at how to commemorate the formal end of WW2, **14th August**, with the 75th Anniversary of VJ day.

### Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Thursday 19th March at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall**.

All members of the public and press are welcome to attend. If you would like 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](mailto:parishclerk@bitteswell.org.uk) or telephone 07561 810375. Minutes of past meetings are available on the Parish website: <https://www.bitteswell.org.uk/agenda-and-minutes1.html>

## Planning Applications:

**9/01190/NMA** Change of roof materials, increase in cladding, change to fenestration, addition of solar panels and air source heat pump (non-material amendment to 18/01481/FUL) Turnpike Lodge The Green Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SB

**19/00798/PCD** Discharge of condition 12 (badger survey), 13 (bat survey) and 15 (archaeology WSI) of 18/01280/OUT | West End Farm West End Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SE

**0/00011/FUL** Part demolition and erection of single storey rear extension and roof configuration. Bitteswell Farm Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4LS

**20/00142/TCA** Works to trees (fell T5) Oak House, 2 Yeomans Keep, Valley Lane, Bitteswell, LE17 4SW

**20/00175/TCA** Works to trees (fell T2) Bitteswell Cottage Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA

## Bitteswell W. I.

Bitteswell WI next meeting is on **March 10<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm**.

**Douglas Clinton** will give a talk on Traditional Leicestershire Customs.

**Competition:** Family Heirloom.

**24<sup>th</sup> March:** Craft Class - Weaving.

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2.30 until 4.00 pm**

Bitteswell W. I. will be holding a Food and Friendship Afternoon Tea **for only £1**. Bitteswell Village Hall

## Church News

As we move into the season of **Lent**, coupled with our sermon series looking at the Gospel of Matthew, we are presented with a time for reflection.

On **March the 22nd** we celebrate **Mothering Sunday**, a very special occasion in the church calendar.

Traditionally it was the day when young girls in service went home to visit their mothers but nowadays we give thanks for the ladies who have, or still do, impact in our lives. We would love you to come to any of our Services.

## Church Services March 2020

**March 1st 10.30am**  
**Benefice Service in Lutterworth**

**March 8th 11am**  
**Holy Communion**  
Sidesperson Mr G. Buxton

**March 15th 11am**  
**Morning Service**  
Sidesperson Mr C. Tipple

**March 22nd 11am**  
**Mothering Sunday Service**  
Sidespeople Children

**March 29th 11am**  
**Morning Service**  
Sidesperson: Mrs A. Hayes

**No flowers during Lent**

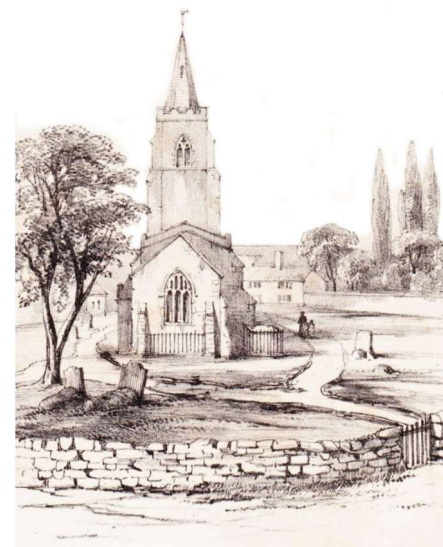
## Wycliffe Drama Group

WDG are celebrating their 70th anniversary by staging a **Tale of Two Cities** by **Charles Dickens**.

Adapted for the stage and directed by maestro **Richard Hill**, the performances take place from **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April through to Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, at Lutterworth Community College**.

**Tickets are on sale from Max Electrical or from the WDG Box Office on 07458 302158**

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## Village Newsletter

### Next Issue

If you have any items for inclusion in the April edition, please contact David Carlton, Town Yard Cottages, Lutterworth Rd, (Tel: 552077 or email:

[sndcarlton@sedace.co.uk](mailto:sndcarlton@sedace.co.uk).) before

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020.**

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