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SEVERN TRENT WATER PAYMENTS phone 03457 500 500 to request a 'watercard' which enables you to pay water and sewerage at Alcester Road Service Station, WR7 4DB or at 'Simply Fresh', Alcester.

MOBILE LIBRARY

Third Tuesday in the month **Inkberrow**

10 - 10.20am Stonepit Lane 10.25 - 10.40am High House Drive

10.45 - 11.10am The Green Kington

11.45 – 12noon Glebeland Car Park Second Monday in the month

Cookhill

1.25 – 1.45pm Lower Cladswell

Lane

1.50 – 2.05pm Oak Tree Lane 2.25 – 2.40pm Portway Cottage

Farm

Third Monday in the month **Dormston**

2.15 – 2.35pm Cockshot Lane/ Park Crescent



Inkberrow20 is a campaign to lower the speed limit on the High Street between Chaston Close and Sands Road to 20 mph, as it is in many other built-up areas in England. In the first instance, please sign the petition online at https://chng.it/TymwgQrdM6 or on paper at The Forge Shop on the High Street.

Then we will take this to our elected councillors to petition Worcestershire County Council and the Highway Authority.

Thank you.



Please note the **sheep** are back **in the 2nd field on the Millennium Green**. Please ensure you keep your dog(s) on a short leash. Thank you.



COLOUR!

STOP PRESS! The What's On can now offer you the opportunity to advertise in colour! See the front page for prices. When sending notices or adverts to the editors, please send in black & white or colour accordingly.

The What's On Team would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We would also like to thank all those involved with the magazine for their contribution over the past year.

INKBERROW VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU!



We need volunteers to help keep Inkberrow Village Hall tidy.

We are hoping to have a 'Spring clean' of the building and surrounding grounds, to include hedge trimming and leaf clearing. We are also looking for local volunteer handymen to take on small occasional jobs as they arise such as carpentry, plumbing, decorating etc. Can you help? If so please contact Rodger Fooks on 07957862302 or email rodgerf@sky.com.

KINGCOT CRAFT GALLERY

Alcester Road, Flyford Flavell, Worcs, WR7 4DF

OPEN DAY

Saturday and Sunday -7^{th} & 8^{th} December, 10.30-4.30pm It's the first weekend in December, you've got your What's On to plan your month, and Christmas is rushing upon us!

Why not pop in and see what you can cross off your list, I'm sure we can help with something. With glass art, watercolours of local scenes and exquisite cross stitch cards, pictures and tags, there will be something we can tempt you with.

Drinks available with donations to charity gratefully received – Helen will rattle a tin at you.......



Christmas Present Appeal 2024



Christmas is a very special time of year, and for children it is especially exciting and magical. But sadly, this is not the case for all children.

Would you like to help to spread some Christmas cheer to vulnerable children and those living in poverty on our doorstep? Please help make a child's life a bit brighter this Christmas and let them know that you care. You can put a smile on a child's face this Christmas by giving them a present to open on Christmas Day. If you would like to help, please support the Christmas Present Appeal below. Thank you.



Be a Star – Christmas Present Appeal, Salvation ArmyYou can help spread the joy of Christmas to families here in Worcestershire whose children would otherwise not receive a gift.

Please drop off your unwrapped present by Monday 9th December.

Drop-off location (Inkberrow): 24 Churchway Piece, WR7 4HB. Alternatively, please call Steph on **07595 567629** and **we will collect** from you, if you prefer.

All presents will be taken to the Salvation Army where they will be wrapped & distributed to those most in need.

The Salvation Army believes that every child deserves a **new gift** at Christmas so they are unable to take used or second-hand gifts.

Suggested Gift List for Children and Young People

- **0-3 yrs:** Dolls, teddy bears, cot mobiles, baby clothes, bath toys, CDs of suitable music and nursery rhymes, puzzles
- **3-5 yrs:** Dolls and action figures, cars, lorries, DVDs and CDs (music and nursery rhymes), colouring sets, pencils, crayons, books, puzzles
- **5-9 yrs:** Educational games & toys, stationery (colouring sets, pencils, crayons, school sets), CDs & family friendly DVDs, books, puzzles, wordsearch, crosswords
- **9-12 yrs:** Games and toys, stationery, DVDs, books, t-shirts, hair accessories, gloves, scarves, hats
- **13-16 yrs:** Books, make-up and toiletries (please try to ensure non-allergic ingredients if possible), gloves, scarves, hats, t-shirts, hair accessories and gift vouchers

Thank you.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS



'With You in Mind'



Our next meeting will be held in St.Peter's Hall on Thursday 12th December at 11am

CHRISTMAS CAROLS, MINCE PIES AND CHILDREN FROM INKBERROW PRIMARY SCHOOL ENTERTAIN US

Thursday 23rd January

SYNCOPATED RHYTHM

For further information, please contact Melanie on 01386 793035 Everyone Welcome

Tuesday Afternoon Tea Club

(no meeting December)

TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY 2025 THE FAMOUS SUTTON HOO SHIP BURIAL DISCOVERY

A talk by Paul Hayward, a retired history teacher and local historian at St Peter's Church Hall, Inkberrow, 3 pm to 5 pm Cost £5 includes tea/coffee and delicious cake. Please come along and join us a warm welcome awaits you.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and all the best for the NEW YEAR

Further information

Bob Mansell on 07747 865235 or Chris Kane on 07799 835912



2:00 pm

Inkberrow Primary School would like to invite the retired members of our community to our annual get together.

Come and have a cuppa and a treat whilst our children entertain you!







Alcester Singers Christmas Concert



Saturday December 14th at 4pm St Nicholas Church, Alcester

Featuring Britten's 'Ceremony of Carols' with harp and including audience carols

Tickets £10 (under 14s free) from Humphries Shoes, Alcester (cash only) or on the door.



Grand switch-on of over 1,000 lights! LAXFORD HOUSE CHRISTMAS TREE Poplar Piece, Inkberrow

Saturday 7th December, 6.30 pm

Join us once more as we celebrate the start of Christmas by switching on the lights accompanied by a street organ, a children's chair-o-plane ride, hopefully a steam vehicle, refreshments and fireworks!

Come along, have fun and raise money for this year's worthwhile charity

This year we will be raising money for

The Midlands Air Ambulance

Whose invaluable work in saving lives in our area relies totally on the support of individuals and businesses. We're sure you'll give as generously as you have in past years.

Collecting tins will be around the village and you can also contribute via our Crowdfunding page, https://www.justgiving.com/page/LaxfordXmasTreeforMidlandsAirAmbulance

We are once again indebted to Paul Davis of S.E. Davis, Simon Thomas of Thomas Brothers and PSW for their generous support

Avril and Chris Rowlands, 01386 792051 or 07957 428548



Coffee Morning

Bring a Friend

Thursday 9th January

The Old Bull at II.00am

We look forward to seeing you!

CHURCH INFORMATION

PASTORAL CARE In and around Inkberrow: The clergy, together with the wider local Church, offer prayers daily for anyone requested, family or friends, who are sick or in any special need. We also have people who are available to visit, listen and support, all conversations held in confidence. If you would like to ask for prayer and/or support - for yourself, or someone else - please contact one of the clergy.

CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES 'Our Lady and St. Joseph', Priory Road, Alcester. B49 5DY

Parish Priest: The Right Reverend Geoffery Scott OSB, Abbot of Lindisfarne.

Safeguarding Officer: David Sullivan

Phone 01789 762573 or email olasj.alcester@rcaob.org.uk

Website: www.catholicchurchalcester.org.uk

Sunday Mass: 8.30 and 10.30am in the 'warm' church. The second collection is for the Parish Development Fund. Children's Liturgy is 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

Weekday masses: Monday, Friday and Saturday at 10.00am Saturday mass is followed by Exposition and Confession.

There will be five talks in preparation for Christmas led by a local parishioner starting on Tuesday 19th November at 7.30pm. The talks last for one hour and you are requested to bring a Bible with you. Everybody welcome!

The Parish Hall is available for hire. Phone 07876 796277 or email hallbookings@catholicchurchalcester.org.uk for rates and availability.

We are able to enjoy the services of two talented cooks. The main hall can seat 48 people for a 'fine dining' experience. You supply the ingredients and explain how you would like them prepared and our cooks will quote you a price and do the rest of the work for you.

New Cleaning Rota - new volunteers are needed to join the cleaning rota. Please contact Jenny Holmes on 07810 141466

Church Gardening - help is required. Please contact Karen Tither on 01789 765089 if you are willing to get involved.

The parish beehive has been harvested and yielded a total of 32lb of honey which will be on sale to parishioners at £6 per lb for the Parish Development Fund.

REDDITCH CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY GROUP meets at the Bridge Centre, Headless Cross, Redditch B97 4JX on a monthly basis. Enquirers are welcome and may contact Dr. Susan Porter (group convener) on 07789741900

COOKHILL BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday Services for December at 10.30am:

Ist December

Toy Service Birmingham City Mission, John Platt

8th December

Christingle Service, rev Charles and Jenny Stubbings

15th December

Worship and Communion Service, Rev. Charles Stubbings

22nd December Crib Service (Nativity) Jenny Stubbings

22nd December 4pm Candlelight Service

Tues 24th Dec 11.40 Midnight Communion Service

Wed 25th Dec Short Celebration Service, Rev Charles Stubbings

29th December Worship Service, Bryan Conway

Sunday Services for January 2025 at 10.30am:

5th January Communion and Covenant Service, Rev Charles Stubbings

12th January Worship Service, Rev Peter Cook

19th January Worship and Communion Service, Rev Charles Stubbings/ David

Morgan

26th January St Paul's Cookhill Patronal Service

Tuesdays mornings-Coffee at Ten- 'A warm space'. Bring a craft or hobby or just come for a chat. Bring those who are lonely. Soup lunch will be served.

Tuesday evenings 7.30pm - Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at the church Friday morning 10.30am - Prayer Meeting at the church.

Visit our website- www.cookhillbaptistchurch.org.uk

STOCK GREEN BAPTIST CHAPEL Services are usually held on the first and third Sunday of the month at 3.00pm. Please check www.stockgreenchapel.weebly.com where you can also leave prayer requests.

ST PAUL'S, COOKHILL Contact Ania Parnell at admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday 7th December 2024 at **4pm** St Peter's Church, Inkberrow

With *tarantara* mixed voices choir

a wide and varied repertoire to raise funds for

St Peter's Church Fabric Fund

Tickets £12 from: Richard Savage 01386792791/07933078989 Melanie Hart 01386793035/07976789444

BENEFICE OF INKBERROW with COOKHILL and KINGTON with DORMSTON

Vicar: Rev'd Ian Perry, 5 Barley Meadows, Inkberrow, WR7 4DR, 01386 339371
Associate Priest: Rev'd Diane Hayward-Wright, 1 Church Drive, Cookhill, 01527 892727

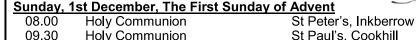
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Reader: Janice Swan, Rosevine, Withybed Lane, Inkberrow, 01386 792363

Administrator: Ania Parnell: admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk, 07852367085

Website www.cofe-inkberrow.org.uk

Church of England SERVICES for December 2024/ January 2025



11.00 Morning Praise St James, Kington
11.00 Church @ 11 St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow

Sunday, 8th December, The Second Sunday of Advent

11.00 Patronal Service St Nicholas, Dormston

15.00 Messy Church St Peter's Hall (PEC). Inkberrow

Wednesday, 11th December

11.00 Midweek Communion St Peter's, Inkberrow

Sunday, 15th December, The Third Sunday of Advent

09.30	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow

11.00 Church @ 11 St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow

16.00 Carol Service St James, Kington 16.00 Carol Service with The Ballard St Paul's, Cookhill

Singers

Thursday, 19th December

19.30 Carols by Candlelight St Peter's, Inkberrow

Sunday, 22nd December, The Fourth Sunday of Advent

<u> </u>	<u> </u>	in Canaay Cratavone
09.30	Morning Praise	St Paul's, Cookhill
09.30	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
11.00	Holy Communion	St James, Kington
11.00	Chocolate Nativity	St Peter's, Inkberrow

Tuesday, 24th December, Christmas Eve

16.00	Crib Service	St James, Kington
16.00	Chocolate Nativity	St Paul's, Cookhill
18.00	Carols on The Green	St Peter's, Inkberrow
20.00	Candlelit Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Dormston
23 30	Midnight Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow

Wednesday, 25th December, Christmas Day

09.30	Family Communion	St Paul's, Cookhill
10.00	Family Praise	St Peter's, Inkberrow
10.00	Family Praise	St James, Kington

Sunday, 29th December, The First Sunday of Christmas

10.30 Benefice Holy Communion St Peter's, Inkberrow

Sunday, 5th January, Epiphany			
08.00 09.30 11.00 11.00	Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Praise Church @ 11	St Peter's, Inkberrow St Paul's, Cookhill St Nicholas, Dormston St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow	
Sunday, 12th January, The First Sunday of Epiphany			
09.30	Morning Praise	St Paul's, Cookhill	
09.30	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow	
11.00	Morning Praise	St James, Kington	
Sunday, 19th January, The Second Sunday of Epiphany			
09.30	Morning Praise	St Peter's, Inkberrow	
09.30	Holy Communion	St Paul's, Cookhill	
11.00	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Dormston	
11.00	Church @ 11	St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow	
Sunday, 26th, The Third Sunday of Epiphany			
10.30	Patronal Service Holy	St Paul's, Cookhill	

Church @ 11 on 1st & 15th December and 5th & 19th January - Live, contemporary and modern worship. **All welcome.**

Midweek reflection: 10am, Wednesdays, The North Avon Group, YouTube Channel

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Communion

FUNERALS: "At God's right hand there is pleasure for evermore" 29.10.2024 Robert Morris St Paul's.

29.10.2024 Robert Morris St Paul's, Cookhill 15.11.2024 Louise Morton St Peter's, Inkberrow 20.11.2024 Muriel Mary Tye Redditch Crematorium

Next Benefice Bookings Evening for Weddings & Baptisms

Wednesday, 4th December, 19:30-20.30, St Peter's Hall, Inkberrow

Thought for the Month

By Rev'd Ian Perry, Priest in Charge of the Benefice of Inkberrow with Cookhill and Kington with Dormston



Christmas is a season brimming with joy, hope, and love. For Christians, it's more than a festive time; it's a sacred reminder of God's deep love for humanity. As we reflect on Christmas, we are called to focus on the humble and miraculous birth of Jesus Christ, who entered our world not in power or privilege, but in a humble manger. This is a profound image of God choosing simplicity and vulnerability to reach each of us.

In the stillness of that first Christmas night, we see God's desire to be close to

us, Emmanuel, meaning "God with us." The arrival of Jesus reminds us that God understands our struggles, our pains, and our hopes, walking alongside us through every season of life. Jesus's birth symbolises light breaking through darkness, a promise that even in our hardest times, hope remains.

As we celebrate with family, friends, and communities, let this be a time to remember God's gift of love, mercy, and grace. It's a season to share that love in tangible ways — helping those in need, forgiving one another, and welcoming others as Jesus welcomed us. Just as the shepherds and wise men travelled to see and adore Him, may we also seek to draw closer to Christ, embracing the peace, humility, and hope that He offers.

As you are reading this Band Aid 2024 will have been released marking 40 years since the first version was released. Reflecting on that first version and the lyrics I have a sense they are timeless and speak into our world today.

And in our world of plenty, we can spread a smile of joy, Throw your arms around the world at Christmas time

But say a prayer, pray for the other ones, at Christmas time it's hard, but when you're having fun

There's a world outside your window, and it's a world of dread and fear, where the only water flowing is the bitter sting of tears.

We are blessed to be living in a beautiful part of the country, and we must be grateful and share what we have with those who do not have so much. Generosity and showing love to our neighbours is the key to changing our world for the better

I hope and pray to see as many of you as possible in our churches during Christmas, I feel incredibly blessed and privileged to be Priest in Charge here.

This Christmas may our hearts open to the mystery of God's presence among us, and may we carry forward the light of Christ into the world, not only during the Christmas season but every day that follows.

Have a blessed and peaceful Christmas

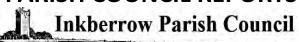
Revd Ian



Christmas Tea at 3 will be held on Thursday 19th December at 3pm, St. Paul's Church, Cookhill. Join us for a chat, cuppa and cake. Everyone welcome for this very popular event of friendliness and association.

St Paul's Church is open all day for prayers and reflection in addition to being a very adaptable and flexible space with kitchen and facilities for your special requirements together with beautiful grounds for your delight and pleasure. Please contact Ania Parnell at admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk Please visit our website for further details www.cofe-inkberrow.org.uk Our Services can be found under the Benefice Church of England Services

PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS



For any queries, in the first instance, contact:-

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parishcouncil@inkberrow.org.uk
01386 791084

Your councillors are:-

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Your County Councillor is:-

Laura Gretton - | Igretton@worcestershire.gov.uk

Meeting of Parish Council held 20th November 2024

Planning Applications and updates:

W/24/01961/CLE land and buildings at Stockwood Lane, Moreton, Underhill Inkberrow. Application for lawful development certificates for the continued use of Tractor Repair Workshop and associated respite area, access track and hardstanding associated with the buildings. The Parish Council have asked Wychavon planning to check the accuracy of Information within the application and the legal position of this type of development.

W/24/02237/RM Withyfields Withybed Lane Inkberrow WR7 4JJ Closing date Application. For reserved matters, approval for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following outline approval W/ 16/ 01712/OU For the erection of 30 dwellings as Approved under Planning reference W/ 16/ 03026/RM- variation of condition. The Parish Council object to this application. There are concerns regarding road infrastructure, access to Withybed Lane and the number of houses and their layout on the site.

Poppy Cascade

The Parish Council commend the village on The Poppy Cascade at St Peter's Church, a project led by Melanie Hart and (St Peter's Church) Tina Hill (Inkberrow WI). It has brought together a whole community for many, many months and is a stunning piece of art that has been admired by locals and many visitors from across the Midlands thanks to it hitting the national and local news headlines. The Poppy Cascade was supported bν the handmade flower arrangements inside the church, made by our WI and by those who served refreshments and cake.

Who and when to contact in the Councils

Thank you to those villagers who have yet again commented on full litter bins and been out and about collecting litter in the blue bags. These have been reported to Wychavon for emptying and collection.

If you see anything in our village that needs attention then please let the District or County Council (WCC) know via the portals. Wychavon for environment, animals, parking, transport, planning etc www.wychavon.gov.uk/report-it and WCC for road and path issues www.worcetershire.gov.uk/council-services/travel-and-highways/report-road-or-path-issues

Public Consultation event for Wheaten Hill Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at Feckenham On Thursday 28th November, 2pm-7pm there is a public consultation event for Wheaten Hill Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at Feckenham Village Hall, High Street, Feckenham, Redditch, B96 6HN

During the consultation period, Alpaca communications would like to engage with a cross-section of the community so that everyone has a chance to put forward their views.

There is a consultation brochure which has been sent to local residents informing them of the proposals alongside an invitation to the consultation event. If you would like a copy, please email parishclerk@inkberrow.org.uk

Alpaca have said that the feedback received during the consultation period will be reviewed and considered by the project team and will be incorporated into the scheme where possible when they submit the application to Redditch Borough Council.

Christmas Tree on the Green

It's not many weeks now until Christmas and plans are underway to celebrate again with a Christmas tree on the Village Green. If any villagers would like to be involved and help on the day, then please contact the Parish Council for more details.

Contact your Parish Council via email <u>parishcouncil@inkberrow.org.uk</u> our Facebook page Inkberrow Parish Council, or our website www.inkberrow.org.uk

Next meeting: Wednesday 15th January 2025 at 7:30pm at the Bowls Club, Sands Road.

CAR SERVICE operates in Inkberrow to take those who have no-one else to take to hospital/dental appointments. Please contact Elizabeth on 01386 792896 or 07949 548652 for further information.

REDDITCH CONSTITUENCY MP (Inkberrow and Cookhill) Chris Bloore 01527 362815 chris.bloore.mp@parliament.co.uk

DROITWICH and EVESHAM CONSTITUENCY MP (Kington and Dormston) Nigel Huddleston 020 7219 5814 nigel.huddleston.mp@parliament.uk

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Summary from the Cookhill Parish Council Meeting held in the conference room at SE Davis, Sandhills Farm, Edgioake Lane on **Tuesday 5**th **November 2024**

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES:

Cookhill Village Hall - Update

Solar Edge Charger – The committee are still waiting for information from ALT Solar with regard to the Solar Edge EV charger. Currently, there is no system available in the UK, for this particular charger, that will accept direct payments from members of the public wishing to 'top up' their vehicle.

Luncheon Club – The club continues every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month. Places can be booked by phoning Eileen Payne on 01527 892225.

Friday Coffee Morning – The coffee morning continues each Friday from 10am - noon and we have been pleased to welcome PCSOs and/or police officers, when they are able to attend (usually once a month).

Social Evening - There will be a social evening held on **Saturday 30th November** from 6.30pm onwards, those attending can help put up the Christmas decorations. Refreshments will be provided and the bar will also be open for those wishing to purchase drinks.

Christmas Pantomime – There will be a performance at the Hall by Aunty Jen Productions on Thursday 19th December. Tickets are on sale now at auntyjenproductions.co.uk

If anyone has any queries regarding Cookhill Village Hall, please email enquiries@cookhillvillagehall.co.uk or phone Anne on 07891 732888

New Year's Eve at Cookhill Village Hall

Enjoy an affordable, fun and relaxed evening at Cookhill Village Hall!

Join us for a 'Pub style' night to welcome in the New Year at Cookhill Village Hall. Guests will be asked to bring their own food and the bar will be open. Drinks must be purchased from the bar. Tickets £5 a head.

Please contact Clive on 07402 893734 for more info and to book your place.

Cookhill Parish Councillors

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chris.bloore.mp@parliament.uk

Clerk - Kate Brazier

Contact: 07584 687283 info@cookhillparishcouncil.com

Clerk's Report

Bleed Kit Cabinet – The new Bleed Kit cabinet has arrived and the Village Hall Committee have agreed to install it on the outside of the Village Hall, next to the defibrillator. A spare bleed kit will be kept behind the bar.

Red Telephone Box – Ongoing. Western Power will need to be contacted about switching off the power and a local company will provide a quote for moving it.

Noticeboard – The new noticeboard has been installed at the junction with Church Lane and Cladswell Lane. The old board will be taken away to see if it can be repaired to replace another of the older noticeboards.

Cookhill Allotments Update

There is currently one vacant plot (35) with the potential to have up to three or four more at the bottom of plot 31. Plot 35 will be rotovated as soon as conditions allow.

There is no one on the waiting list, but there is one potential tenant who is interested in having a large plot, such as the whole of the vacant part of plot 31.

The internal grass tracks are very soft after the recent wet spells of weather and tenants have been asked to keep vehicles off them until they dry out.

Please contact Mr David Claydon, the Allotment Association Chair, on 01527 894317 if you are interested in viewing one of the available plots, or in joining the Waiting List.

Platinum Meadows

The Lengthsman has planted three new fruit trees, a plum, pear and an apple, at Platinum Meadows, making the area in the corner of the meadow into an orchard! The grass has been cut around the crocuses and daffodils, in preparation for Spring.

Litter!

Please can we remind you to either take your rubbish home with you, or to use the waste bins provided around the village. Thank you!

INKBERROW POST OFFICE

The Inkberrow Post Office will close in its current form on Friday 24th January 2025.

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Next PARISH COUNCIL MEETING is scheduled for TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2024 at 7.00PM

Meetings are held in the Conference Room at SE Davis, Sandhills Farm, Edgioake Lane, B96 6BG. Please park at the entrance to the yard and proceed to the Conference Room to the rear.

Read the Agendas, Minutes & Parish News at www.cookhillparishcouncil.com

Kington & Dormston Parish Council

Summary from the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall on Monday 11th November 2024.

Cllr Robinson urged eligible residents to get their Flu and Covid vaccines booked in to avoid a Winter Tripledemic in the NHS

The Parish Council is looking to install another VAS speed sign along Cockshot Lane (near Bramling) please email the Clerk if you have any issues with this. A pole will be installed, and councillors will decide to either purchase an additional VAS or swap with the current one intermittently. Other highways issues noted were graffiti to the white gates upon entering the village, resurfacing works planned for Dormston Lane and finishing the patching works on Kington lane.

A request was also made for a 20mph speed limit in Kington, which Highways have stated is not possible currently, but 30mph painted road roundels have markings have been approved The Parish Council agreed to replace the four trees in Kington which were destroyed last year. The Blue telephone box was discussed, and ClIrs are first keen to request the Police maintain it as it is under their ownership- if no action is taken the PC will consider next steps.

Your Councillors

Chaiman- Cllr Philip Collins
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Parish Clerk – Lisa Cope kndparishcouncil@gmail.com tel. 0777 3793185

The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th January 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall-everybody is very welcome to attend.







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INKBERROW CRICKET CLUB (part of Sporting Club Inkberrow) is a family friendly cricket club consisting of a Senior team playing in the Worcestershire County League and a thriving Junior section delivering the ECB's All Stars and Dynamos programmes. New players of all ages are welcome. Contact Alistair Eaton, 07771 958636 (Seniors) and Stu Freeman, 07957 545581 (Juniors) or go to www.scinkberrow.co.uk

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INKBERROW BABY AND TODDLER GROUP Are you looking for somewhere to entertain your baby or toddler? Come along to the village hall on Monday afternoons 12.30pm-2.30pm. Look forward to seeing you. Contact Alicia 07890 537258 or Rose 07843 617454. Or just turn up.

INKBERROW ALLOTMENTS COLLECTIVE actively assists allotment holders at the site in Sands Road. If you have an interest in working an allotment and would like to see the plots then come down, meet some of us, have a look around and maybe add your name to the waiting list by contacting the Parish Clerk, Paula Gittoes, by emailing: parishcouncil@inkberrow.org.uk

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STOCK AND BRADLEY GARDENING CLUB We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, between September and June, at Bradley Green Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. We are a thriving and friendly group and membership is only £5 per year. Visitors are always welcome (£3 per meeting). For more information on our programme of speakers for the year email meadowfarm33@aol.com or call Rob Cole on 07544 832052.

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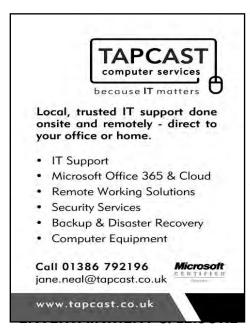
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