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In Inkberrow, Cookhill, Kington and Dormston



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## 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



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**REDDITCH CONSTITUENCY MP** (Inkberrow and Cookhill) Chris Bloore 01527 362815

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**JOIN THE WHAT'S ON DELIVERY TEAM!** We specifically need volunteers to deliver in Midsummer Meadow in Inkberrow and in Church Lane, Cookhill. However, if you would like to volunteer for the future or could cover holidays, please let us know. Our sincere thanks go to Dominic Cropper in Cookhill and to Chris Sidwell and Margaret Woodward in Inkberrow, Chris has been delivering the magazine since the 1970s! An amazing contribution.

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS



## ***‘With You in Mind’***

Our next meeting will be held in St.Peter’s Hall

(rear of church)

on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 11am

## **CHILDREN FROM INKBERROW PRIMARY SCHOOL TO ENTERTAIN US**

For further information, please contact Melanie on 01386 793035

Everyone Welcome

Wheelchair access and parking

## **Alcester Garden Walkabout Sunday June 22nd**

12 noon til 6pm (last tickets 5pm) .

£6 (under 11s free) on sale in Church St.

Enjoy exploring Alcester's 'secret' gardens.

Plants, cream teas, ice-creams, music & more!

Enquiries : 01789 764756

(sorry, no dogs allowed in the gardens)

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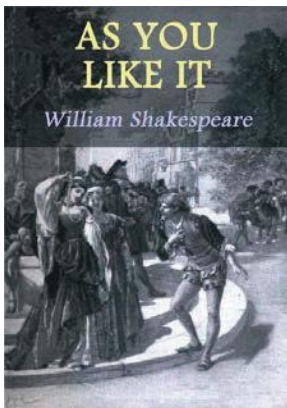
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Inkberrow Village Hall - 4.00pm

Tickets: adults £12.50 children (under 18) £8.00

available from [www.tarantara.org.uk](http://www.tarantara.org.uk)

and Guys Menswear, Alcester.



**KINGTON & DORMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

**THE FESTIVAL PLAYERS PRESENT**

**AS YOU LIKE IT**

**at KINGTON & DORMSTON VILLAGE HALL**

**on THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> June 2025 at 7 p.m.**

**TICKETS £12.50**

**Available from**

**Hannah 07730 434511**

**Sandra 07467 022316**



# Quiz Night Extravaganza!

Join us for an exciting evening filled with fun, laughter, and a chance to showcase your trivia skills at our **Quiz Night Extravaganza!** Gather your friends, form a team, and prepare for a night of challenging questions and great company.



## Event Details

**Date:** Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025

**Time:** 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

**Location:** Inkberrow Primary School



## Highlights

- **Team Size:** 6 members per team
- **Participation Fee:** £45 for a table
- **Snacks & Drinks:** Available for purchase (licensed bar)

## Registration

- **How to Register:** Visit the Microsoft Forms link to register your team. You can pay on the night by cash or card.

## Bingo & Raffle

Eyes Down! Take part in our Bingo Bonanza in the interval



Enter your team here



Quiz master is Jenny Woodcroft

In association with FOIPS

**THE LENCHES AMPHITHEATRE** is a unique and exciting modern amphitheatre for the arts, set within the rural community of The Lenches in the beautiful Vale of Evesham. Nestled into the natural curve of the land, the outdoor theatre sits alongside The Lenches Sports & Recreation Club, in a truly wonderful site, which offers spectacular views across the Severn Valley to the stunning Malvern, Clent and Abberley Hills in the West.

The 250-seater venue provides a superb amenity, bringing theatre and live music to The Lenches, not to mention a fantastic spot to watch the cricket on a Saturday afternoon! The new building next to the amphitheatre seating will provide a brand-new green room, offering a flexible space and wide glass doors opening onto a balcony from which to view both the stage and take in the superb views.

This iconic outdoor venue is a wonderful asset for the wider community, drawing a variety of performers and a multi-generational audience from far and wide. The Lenches Amphitheatre aims to host a wide programme of events to appeal to all age groups, including a variety of outdoor theatre performances, live music concerts and community events, providing a fabulous communal experience in the great outdoors.

## The Lenches Amphitheatre

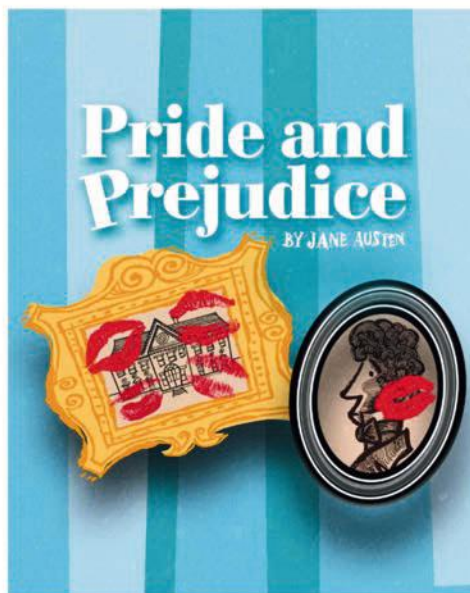
Join us as we celebrate Jane Austen's 250th birthday!

In a whirlwind of balls, dinners and very eligible officers, Lizzy Bennet and Fitzwilliam Darcy stand alone as the only sane, thoughtful people – and they hate each other! Or do they?

Can she see beyond his pride, and can he overcome her prejudice, in order to achieve happiness?

If your idea of Jane Austen is stuffy costume drama then this sparkling adaptation is guaranteed to change your mind.

Bring your friends and family and have a ball as the irrepressible Illyria sharpen their claws to bring you Jane Austen at her vibrant, bitchy best!



THE LENCHES AMPHITHEATRE, WR11 4UQ  
 Sunday, 22nd June 2025 at 4.00pm  
[www.lenchestheatre.co.uk](http://www.lenchestheatre.co.uk)



Gates open from 2.30pm  
 Afternoon tea and a bar available



# Poppy Projects

'Knit & Natter'

OR

'Crochet & Chat'

**\* WEDNESDAY 4TH JUNE**  
**P.E.C.**  
**1PM - 4PM**

**\* WEDNESDAY 18TH JUNE**  
**P.E.C.**  
**1PM - 4PM**

**\* WEDNESDAY 2ND JULY**  
**P.E.C.**  
**1PM - 4PM**

**\* WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY**  
**P.E.C.**

We need poppies with green leaves for the badges and other projects (approx 6cm) as well as plain red poppies.

Patterns available on request.

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or  
TINA HILL - 07740 447 809  
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REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



## Kington Fun Day 28th June

at St James' Church and Glebe from 10.00-4.00  
plus BYO BBQ in the evening

Stalls include -cake, craft, jewellery, tombola

Bouncy Castle, alpacas, vintage vehicles and games



# 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](mailto:olasj.alcester@rcaob.org.uk)  
Website: [www.catholicchurchalcester.org.uk](http://www.catholicchurchalcester.org.uk)

Sunday Mass: 8.30am and 10.30am in the 'warm' church. The second collection is for the Parish Development Fund. Children's Liturgy is 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month.  
Weekday masses: Monday, Friday and Saturday at 10.00am  
Saturday mass is followed by Exposition and Confession.

May 2025 Jubilee celebrations for the system of cancellation of debts has seen a pilgrimage to Rome from the Birmingham Diocese and a small group of local parishioners visiting St Mary's Catholic Church, Harvington. St Mary's is one of the designated Jubilee churches in the Birmingham Archdiocese and after Mass there was a conducted tour of Harvington Hall with its many priest holes.

**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

**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](http://www.stockgreenchapel.weebly.com) where you can also leave prayer requests.

**ST PAUL'S, COOKHILL** Contact Ania Parnell at [admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk](mailto:admin@cofe-inkberrow.org.uk)

**COOKHILL BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday Services for June at 10.30am:**

June 1st	Worship and Communion Service, Rev. Charles Stubbings
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Church Anniversary Service, Bryan Conway
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Worship & Communion Service, Rev. Charles Stubbings
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Worship Service, Neil Rolands
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Praise, rev. Charles Stubbings

*Tuesday 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](http://www.cookhillbaptistchurch.org.uk)

# **COOKHILL BAPTIST CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL 2025**

## **LIGHT OUT OF DARKNESS**

**FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
10AM - 5PM**

**MORNING COFFEE**

**PLOUGHMAN'S**

**AFTERNOON TEA**

**GARDEN PRAISE ON SUNDAY 10.30AM**



The What's On Team gratefully acknowledges a donation from Cookhill Baptist Church. Thank you!

**BENEFICE OF INKBERROW with COOKHILL and KINGTON with DORMSTON**

Vicar: Rev'd Ian Perry, 5 Barley Meadows, Inkberrow, WR7 4DR, 01386 339371  
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**Church of England SERVICES for June 2025****Sunday, 1st June, The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

08.00	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
09.30	Holy Communion	St Paul's, Cookhill
11.00	Morning Praise	St Nicholas, Dormston
11.00	Church @ 11	St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow

**Saturday, 7th June**

14.00	Wedding Service	St Nicholas, Dormston
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**Sunday, 8th June, Pentecost**

09.30	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
10.30	Cookhill Baptist Church Anniversary Service	Cookhill Baptist Church
11.00	Morning Praise	St James, Kington

**Sunday, 15th June, Trinity Sunday**

09.30	Holy Communion	St Paul's, Cookhill
09.30	Morning Praise	St Peter's, Inkberrow
11.00	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Dormston
11.00	Church @ 11	St Peter's Hall (PEC), Inkberrow

**Saturday, 21st June, St Peter's Summer Fete**

12.00-17.00	St Peter's Summer Fete	St Peter's, Inkberrow
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**Sunday, 22nd June, The First Sunday after Trinity**

09.30	Morning Praise	St Paul's, Cookhill
09.30	Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
11.00	Holy Communion	St James, Kington

**Saturday, 28th June, St James Kington Fun Day**

10.00-16.00	St James Kington Fun Day	St James, Kington
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**Sunday, 29th June, The Second Sunday after Trinity**

10.30	Patronal Service Holy Communion	St Peter's, Inkberrow
13.00	Baptism Service	St Peter's, Inkberrow

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

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

**Next Benefice Bookings Evening for Weddings & Baptisms**

Wednesday, 4th June, 19:30-20:30, St Peter's Hall, Inkberrow



## **FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS**

**FUNERALS:** *"At God's right hand there is pleasure for evermore"*

02.05.2025 Chris Rowlands

St Peter's, Inkberrow

**BAPTISMS:** *"Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God"*

11.05.2025 Madelyn Lily Cook

St Paul's, Cookhill

## ***Thought for the Month***

By David R Morgan, Cookhill Baptist Church



### **LIGHT OUT OF DARKNESS**

How many of us have travelled through those dark times in life? Perhaps an illness, loss of a loved one, an accident of some sort, a broken relationship, a setback or redundancy in career, a dream unfilled, or even a house- move? How do we cope?

In the Bible New Testament are recorded the experiences of the disciples and friends of Jesus. They were confronted at the first Pentecost-Easter with the death by brutal crucifixion of their leader – what a dark time for them! Then Jesus had risen from the dead and over some 40 days he was seen by and spoken with numerous people. After tragedy, he offered encouragement, hope and a future – light rather than tragedy.

However, his earthly days were limited. On what we call Ascension Day, Jesus passed bodily into heaven to be with Father God – his passing another dark time for his followers. Jesus promised that his followers would experience God's presence in a new way not limited to one place, through the gift of God's Holy Spirit. As promised, 10 days after Ascension, Jesus's promise was fulfilled with the spontaneous anointing of the believers with the Holy Spirit, recorded in Acts Chapter 2 – another enlightening experience. This event in Jerusalem was the initiation of the Christian Church, which has spread worldwide over many centuries. Jesus's followers had experienced yet again the darkness of losing a friend. But at Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit was a new light into their lives.

We too can experience light into our darkest days by allowing Jesus through his Holy Spirit into our lives.

The forthcoming annual Flower Festival at Cookhill Baptist Church, during the last week in June, will be illustrating the theme of *"Light out of Darkness"*.

David R Morgan

### **Events in St Peter's Church in 2025:**

21.06 - 30th Anniversary of St Peter's Hall (PEC)

27.09 - Harvest Supper & Quiz

11.10 - Alcester Male Voice Choir

### **Kington Fun Day**

St James' Church and Glebe. 28th June, 10.00am-16.00pm

Stalls: cake, tombola, refreshments. Bouncy castle, games, vintage vehicles.



**June Tea at 3** will be held on **Thursday 12th June** 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.

### **ASTWOOD BANK**

**A History in 100 Pictures.** A talk by dr Richard Churchley. Saturday 12th July 7.30pm at St Paul's Church, Cookhill. Tickets £10 include a glass of wine. For tickets ring 892448.

### **St Peter's Churchyard Daffodil Appeal 2025**

In the autumn "The Churchyard Helpers" plan to plant daffodil bulbs in designated areas around the perimeter of the churchyard in memory of loved ones.

We would be very grateful for any donation to help with this task.

Please put the donation (cash only please) in an envelope and post the envelope in the wall safe which is situated on your lefthand side as you enter the church going down the steps.

#### **Please write on the envelope –**

Daffodil Appeal 2025 along with the name/s of the people to be remembered if so desired.

Hopefully, in future years during March, when the daffodils are in bloom, we will hold a coffee morning to help raise money for the upkeep of the churchyard.

Many thanks,

**Reverend Ian Perry.**

# PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS



## Inkberrow Parish Council

Meeting May 21<sup>st</sup> 2025

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

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and Parish Charities– 01386 792073  
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Dinah Griffin - Millennium Green,  
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Your County Councillor is:-

Satinder Bell -  
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There were no public questions this meeting and the Solar Farm Planning Application was discussed as an agenda item and 4 members of the public were in attendance. There were no **Police reports** Congratulations to David Hunter on his re-election to Chair and Robin Lunn on his election to Vice Chair. Thank you to David and Jane Neale, our outgoing vice Chair, and all of our Parish Councillors for supporting our community in their voluntary capacities.

Following recent elections our Parish has a new County Councillor. The Clerk welcomed Satinder Bell to our monthly meetings and will be discussing the Parish Council priorities in the near future.

There were a number of **Highways matters** to note:

The parking prohibition on Stockwood Lane to improve safety and vehicular access has been completed

The partial road collapse on Priory Farm Lane towards Church Hill has been inspected and no safety issues raised, investigations into resolution continue

The road surface on Appletree Lane outside Little Norbury Farm has been assessed by WCC and orders raised for the necessary repairs

The deterioration of verges on Stockwood Lane to Alcester Road (Pinhills) has been referred to WCC Highways engineering to look into possibility of applying bollards / verge masters or lining at the location

The 'Inkberrow' sign is missing at the end of the village will be reported to WCC

A water leak on Earls Common Road between Sands Road and A422 will be reported to STW

The speed of traffic through Holberrow Green was discussed and our PCSO, V Elliott, is looking into some 'speed' bars to monitor car speed.

Our **District Councillor** reported that training sessions for Parish and town Councils was underway on Digital Fundraising for Town/Parish Councils and Village Halls. As part of WDC new promise to develop five new community youth projects in rural areas some new detached work is taking place. YMCA Worcestershire will be out and about in rural areas across the district over the next year to check in with young people and find out what is going on for them in their local area. The contact for more information about this exciting community resource please contact [robin.mace@wychavon.gov.uk](mailto:robin.mace@wychavon.gov.uk) It was acknowledged that there is a backlog in process Planning Applications, due to volume attributed to a pending price increase, a number of BHs and other unavoidable instances. WDC staff are working hard to clear the backlog. The final week of public examination of the SWDPR completed, various matters were completed and the hearings closed for now. The Planning Inspectorate raised the prospect of further hearings in September on ecology and transportation. Latest news on [www.localplanservices.co.uk/swdpreview](http://www.localplanservices.co.uk/swdpreview) The rural grant application end date has been extended to June 9<sup>th</sup> 2025.

Our **Finance Officer** reported that the precept had been received and a donation to the Church for churchyard maintenance was agreed with an increase of 3.4%.

#### There are a number of notes under **Planning Applications**

W/25/00194/HP 32 Stonepit Lane Single storey rear extension to main property and garage. Planning was approved on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025

W/25/00970/CCO Mearse Croft, Mearse Lane B96 6LN. Discharge of conditions 2(1) (desk based Archaeological assessment) of planning appeal APP/H1840/W/24/3356998 in relation to planning permission ref 21/02986/FUL. Closing date 28/5/2025

W/25/00756/TPOA Ivy House, High St, Inkberrow. Undertake tree works, as detailed on application form and in accompanying information

W/25/01004/PIP land at Bouts Lane Permission in Principle for the erection of a minimum of 1 no. dwelling and a maximum of 2 no. dwellings closing date May 28<sup>th</sup> 2025. Proposed refusal as believed to be in open countryside and outside the development area

W/25/01005/PIP, The Geldings, Bouts Lane, Holberrow Green, Inkberrow, Redditch, B96 6JX, Permission in Principle for the construction of up to 4 no. dwellings. Proposed refusal as believed to be in open countryside and outside the development area

A proposed change of date to the Annual Parish Meeting to combine it with Annual Parish Council Meeting was discussed and the Parish Council Standing Orders would be reviewed prior to a decision

On Bank Holiday Monday the village celebrated VE Day with coffee and cake at St Peters Church Hall. This was well attended and raised over £250 for Shelterbox. Our thanks to Jane Neal and friends for organising this event.

Inkberrow Environment Group were given permission to place an additional planter by the bench on Chestnut Close. The Parish Council thank the Environment Group for their contribution to enhancing our village and making it look so pretty and welcoming. The IEG were asked to maintain the grass around the planters because this wasn't in the current mowing contract

No Mow May was proposed and it was agreed that this had been done in some areas and the grass left longer in other areas to preserve grass in the dry weather.



Traffic congestion on Moreton Hall Lane was discussed and agreed it is a Highways issue. A number of locations for the 'Penguin Little Library Scheme' were suggested and the Clerk will contact the organiser to progress with this.

Tim Patrickson, Chair of the Millennium Green Trust, was delighted to take delivery of replacement picnic tables on the Millennium Green. These were kindly donated by Inkberrow WI and the Parish Council for the enjoyment of villagers and visitors to the Green. Allotment judging will take place on on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 6.45 pm



The next meeting is on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 7.30pm in the Bowls Pavilion, Sands Road.

### **Kington & Dormston Parish Council**

Summary from the Parish Council Meetings held at the Village Hall on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Chairman Cllr Collins gave a roundup of the last year on the Parish Council and various reports were read out from local organisations- all can be found in the meeting minutes.

Cllr Nick Bonehill was co-opted as a new councillor at the meeting and the resignation was accepted from Emma Faizey who was thanked for her time and input on the Parish Council.

Various highways issues outstanding to follow up on include:

- Kington Lane new Cow sign and a 'please use passing spaces' sign has been requested
- Two drains at the bottom of Dormston Lane require jetting
- Excessive vegetation on the bend past the Red Hart - affecting driver's sightlines
- Road still not levelled outside the Church in Kington (from where the road was patched an area was missed)
- Radford Road and Kington Lane sign reported and sent to the signage team still not fixed
- The overgrowing hedge and telecoms box on the A422 near the Flyfords.

The PC expressed their support to Neighbourhood Watch in progressing with Smart Water but require financial support from the Police and WCC in order to carry out the initiative at present.

Further research to be carried out on the Phone Box and if Inkberrow Men's Shed could possibly help with refurbishment.

The next meeting was agreed for Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 starting at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

### **Your Councillors**

Chairman – Philip Collins

Cllr Ian Bull

Cllr Victoria Longmore

Cllr Ron Drake

Cllr Tamzin Richards

Cllr Steve Richins

Cllr Nick Bonehill

County Cllr – Linda Robinson

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District Cllr- Nick Dawkes

[Nick.dawkes@wychavon.net](mailto:Nick.dawkes@wychavon.net)

Parish Clerk – Lisa Cope

[kndparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:kndparishcouncil@gmail.com)

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Summary from the Annual Meeting of Cookhill Parish Council held in the conference room at SE Davis, Edgioake Lane on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Cookhill Parish Council returns to Cookhill Village Hall for meetings from June 2025. Meetings will now take place on the **second Wednesday of the month** and will be held in the main hall. Thank you to SE Davis for hosting the meetings since 2021.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES:**

##### **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

The parish councillors elected the Chair and new Vice Chair for the coming year, along with the representatives for outside bodies, statutory committees and other groups.

##### **Cookhill Village Hall – Update**

*VE Day* – The event was well attended and Cllr Sumner thanked everyone for supporting. Nibbles were provided and members of Tarantara sang with parishioners as the beacon was lit. Funding from Wychavon went towards the food, gas for the beacon and the decorations.

*AGM* – Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 6.30pm – The AGM will be followed by a Pub Night. Drinks and nibbles will be available. Everyone welcome!

*Summer Fete* – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July from 2pm – Please contact the Village Hall Committee for more information or if you can offer assistance.

##### **Clerk's Report**

*VAS Warranty* – The Chairman advised that he has downloaded the data from the new Cookhill VAS and will have a report next month. It was resolved not to proceed with the extended warranty purchase at this time.

*Lengthsman* – The Lengthsman has cleaned the village signs and has been keeping the undergrowth cut back on the public footpaths.

*Please remember that if you see anything that urgently needs attention in the village, for example blocked drains or potholes, you can report them directly to Worcestershire County Council via their website.*

##### **Cookhill Allotments Update**

The allotments are looking neat and tidy, the internal grass tracks and public areas have been cut. There will be some strimming of the communal orchard and the burning plot in the next month.

#### **Cookhill Parish Councillors**

##### **Cllr Bob Pinfield (Chairman)**

07971 177373

[bob@roconfoam.co.uk](mailto:bob@roconfoam.co.uk)

##### **Cllr Terry Bennett (Vice-Chair)**

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##### **Cllr Anne Sumner**

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##### **Cllr Mavis Churchill**

01527 893673

##### **Cllr Vinu Gupta**

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##### **Mr. Tony Mitchell**

Parish Paths Warden

07849 755616

##### **County Councillor**

Cllr Satinder Bell

[sbell3@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:sbell3@worcestershire.gov.uk)

##### **District Councillors**

Cllr B. Hurdman

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Cllr N. Dawkes

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##### **MP Chris Bloore**

**01527 362815**

[chris.bloore.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:chris.bloore.mp@parliament.uk)

##### **Clerk – Kate Brazier**

Contact: 07584 687283

[info@cookhillparishcouncil.com](mailto:info@cookhillparishcouncil.com)

There is one spare plot (35) which is next to the car park, it is a small plot and may be suitable for someone starting out on their allotment journey! It will be kept tidy whilst it awaits a new tenant.

A new tenant has taken over the whole of a recently vacated section of plot 31.

*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.*

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**Planning:** the Parish Council has asked Wychavon District Council (WDC) to send notification to us of all planning applications that fall within the parish boundary, these are then discussed at a parish council meeting and the ensuing comments are submitted to WDC. All these applications and comments can be seen online via [www.wychavon.gov.uk](http://www.wychavon.gov.uk)

**The following applications were considered for comment:**

**W/25/00694/TDC5 Land At (Os 0467 6106), The Ridgeway, New End, Astwood Bank**

**Proposed:** Technical Details Consent following the Granting of Application W/24/00433/PIP for the Erection of 2 Dwellings

**Decision:** Consultation deadline was 22<sup>nd</sup> April, the Parish Council left comments **W/25/00804/HP 5 Evesham Road, Cookhill, ALCESTER, B49 5LG**

**Proposed:** Proposed widening and recessing pedestrian vehicular entrance and erection of boundary wall and gates

**Decision:** The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL

To comment on planning applications you can visit the planning portal on the Wychavon website here → [www.wychavon.gov.uk/planning](http://www.wychavon.gov.uk/planning)

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The poster is for Cookhill Parish Council and is titled 'Could YOU be a Parish Councillor?'. It features a cartoon hand pointing at the text 'We need YOU!'. The poster lists the benefits of volunteering as a councillor and provides contact information for those interested.

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or contact the Clerk on:

**07584 687283**  
**[info@cookhillparishcouncil.com](mailto:info@cookhillparishcouncil.com)**

Next **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** is scheduled for  
**WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

Meetings are returning to **Cookhill Village Hall**, 10 Evesham Road, Cookhill, from **June 2025** and will move to the **second Wednesday of the month.**

*Read the Agendas, Minutes & Parish News at [www.cookhillparishcouncil.com](http://www.cookhillparishcouncil.com)*

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**COOKHILL CRICKET CLUB** For further information contact Kenny Hirst 07773 771580 or visit [cookhill.play-cricket.com](http://cookhill.play-cricket.com) [facebook.com/cookhillcricketclub](https://facebook.com/cookhillcricketclub) [twitter.com/cookhillcc](https://twitter.com/cookhillcc)

**COOKHILL GARDEN CLUB** The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June, at Cookhill Village Hall at 7.30pm with a talk by John Egan-Wyer on 'Plants you shouldn't like'. Non-members are always welcome (£6)  
Further information, David Claydon 01527 894317 [www.cookhillgarden.club](http://www.cookhillgarden.club)



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**TUESDAY AFTERNOON TEA CLUB** Contact Bob Mansell on 07747 865235 or Chris Kane on 07799 835912

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*Cookhill* 01527 543887

**INKBERROW LUNCH CLUB** offers a 2 course, home cooked lunch, for £5 on the 3rd Thursday of each month, in the Church Hall from 11.30am. We are a group of sociable, mostly retired people who welcome new company. Transport can be arranged. Volunteers are also welcome to help serve. Please call Carol Pountney on 01386 792945 or Anne Robertshaw on 01386 792333. We look forward to welcoming new and old friends.

**DEBATING GROUP** Meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday in the month at 12 noon in the Bulls Head followed by lunch. Please contact Jill Beddall on 01386 792631 for further information.

**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](http://www.scinkberrow.co.uk)

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**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](mailto:parishcouncil@inkberrow.org.uk)

**INKBERROW SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB** For a new way to have fun, meet friendly people and have some regular exercise, join us on a Thursday evening 7.45pm - 10pm at Bradley Green Village Hall. Contact Ann and Richard Dover 01789 764825  
[/dickieandannie@btopenworld.com](mailto:/dickieandannie@btopenworld.com)

**INKBERROW FOOTBALL CLUB** (part of Sporting Club Inkberrow) is a FA Charter Standard Community Club with both a successful men's, ladies' and youth sections. In addition to the league teams there is a boys development section for 5 to 7 year olds and a girls FA accredited Wildcats centre for 5 to 11 year olds. All coaches are qualified to FA requirements. Contact Mark Wilkinson, 07795 259723 regarding female football or Ed Wallis, 07810 804624 for male football or go to [www.scinkberrow.co.uk](http://www.scinkberrow.co.uk)

**INKBERROW RUNNERS** (part of Sporting Club Inkberrow) We are a small group of runners who meet up during the summer months each week to go for a social run. We also have a virtual presence on Strava with more than 40 members and a 5K challenge. If you would like to know more please contact Bill Lee, 07840 760140 or go to [www.scinkberrow.co.uk](http://www.scinkberrow.co.uk)

**INKBERROW AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURE SHOWS** Contact Sally Jones (Secretary) 01386 793374 or [inkberrowdhs@outlook.com](mailto:inkberrowdhs@outlook.com) Next event: Annual Show- Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September

**INKBERROW MEN'S SHED** - Meeting every Wednesday 10am to 2pm at the Bowls Pavilion. We have a workroom, meeting room and kitchen. We enjoy community projects from bird boxes to bus shelters. Learn new skills, bring us your expertise or, most importantly, just drop in for a cup of coffee or a chat. For more information contact Mick Trott on 07402 533363 or Rodger Fooks on 07957 862302 Website: [inkberrowmensshed.com](http://inkberrowmensshed.com)

**KINGTON & DORMSTON SENIORS CLUB** meet at K&D Village Hall on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Contact Miriam Tilt 01386 792458

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**THE INNER WHEEL CLUB OF REDDITCH** welcomes you to its local monthly meetings and more. Contact Liz for more info on 01386 792431 [redditch.innerwheel@gmail.com](mailto:redditch.innerwheel@gmail.com) Women enjoying Friendship, Fellowship and Fun [www.innerwheel-district6.co.uk](http://www.innerwheel-district6.co.uk)  
[www.internationalinnerwheel.org](http://www.internationalinnerwheel.org)

**INKBERROW ENVIRONMENT GROUP** We are a group of people who work together to enhance and improve the environment in and around Inkberrow. We organise activities such as litter picking, tree planting, enhancing green spaces, a bat walk and improving the environment for wildlife. If interested, please email [contactieg23@gmail.com](mailto:contactieg23@gmail.com)

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