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https://www.yourchurchwedding.org/

For general information you may find the website

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/ useful.

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A Message from the Rectory written by Rev Laura



My goodness it's got dark, and cold! We're waking up in the dark, we're getting on with daily activities and we're coming home in the dark.

For most of us that's ok; it's an excuse for staying in, cosy at home, for evenings with open fires and mugs of hot chocolate, but for some the darkness is a real problem. The lack of sunlight can cause low mood and for a few it can lead to serious depression.

We're approaching Christmas and all seems bright and shiny, it's a time of decorations and bright twinkly Christmas lights everywhere you look. But for many it doesn't matter how many lights the neighbourhood is festooned with, it's still dark, perhaps that is true for you.

Perhaps you are facing a first Christmas without someone you love because they have died or have gone away. Perhaps you, or someone you love, are facing illness or a personal crisis. Perhaps you are lonely or just worn out with life.

If that is you then the message of Christmas is very much for you this year. I don't mean the sanitised sentimental one we see in Christmas adverts (as cute as they are) but the real message; Jesus being born into a dark world of political upheaval and uncertainty, a world of pain and loss. Jesus being born as a human being to experience everything we do so that He can truly walk with us in whatever darkness we face. Jesus coming to earth as the Light of the World, to win a victory over the things that hold us hostage and to shine His light and dispel the darkness. In that Christmas message we can find hope and joy.

After the darkness of the night dawn always breaks. Once we reach the 21st of December the days will begin to lengthen again, the light returns. This Christmas and New Year I pray for the light of God to shine brightly in each of your lives, for hope to overwhelm the darkness, for you to know joy and peace.

Rev. Laura Hnatiuk

Rector



Celebrating Christmas Together... all welcome!

Sunday 6th December

10.30am – Advent Communion with Carols – St Michael's Woolstaston
4pm – Christingle – St John's Stapleton

Sunday 13th December

11am – Blue Christmas & Blessing the Tree of Light – St Edward's Dorrington
6.30pm – Carols – St Mary's Leebotwood

Thursday 17th December

7pm - Carols at the Pub - Dorrington's Horseshoes

Sunday 20th December

10.30am – Carols – St Mary's Longnor
4pm – Carols – Stapleton Village Hall
4.30pm - Nativity Walk - Picklescott Village Hall
6pm – Carols – St Michael's Smethcott

Tuesday 22nd December

6.30pm - Carols around the Tree - Longnor Churchyard

Thursday 24th – Christmas Eve

4pm – Crib Service – St Edward's Dorrington
3pm Christmas Evening Prayer – St Mary's Leebotwood
8pm – Christmas Communion – St John's Stapleton
11pm – Christmas Communion – St Edward's Dorrington

Friday 25th – Christmas Day

10am – Christmas Communion – St Michael's Church Smethcott
10am – Christmas Communion – St Mary's Church Longnor

Joy to the world!
the Lord is come, let earth receive her King!

From Hereford Diocese: The Venerable Sam Hustwayte

Archdeacon of Ludlow

Lights!!

I love light. When the children were teenagers, upstairs I kept finding bedroom lights left on, and when questioned got the response – 'I'm going back up in a minute'. Eventually I threatened to remove bulbs if lights stayed on. For a few days light switches were found, but then those invisible people who live in the bedrooms and need lights on when everyone else is downstairs began to reappear. There wasn't much light pollution from the street – there is even less now, so it was particularly dark when the lights were off, and the winter gloom does feel unpleasant. Winter can be a time of depression and loneliness, longer nights and cold temperatures don't tend to encourage us to be joyful and smile. Maybe it's no wonder the children leave their bedroom lights on.

Lights though bring a smile, a glimpse of joy and wonder to our faces throughout the year …..the fireworks in the dark sky, the flames of a bonfire, the candle flame flickering on a table, the warmth of the sun on your face….and so as the Christmas lights go up (and so do our electric bills), it struck me that our home doesn't feel quite so gloomy and the atmosphere in the streets and communities is lifted briefly. The lights that decorate our homes and streets through December and into January may well be part of the temporary secular celebration of Christmas, but they speak about the permanent light of Christ, the light that shines in our lives, banishing the gloom and darkness.

The Bible is full of the contrast between light and dark, perhaps one of the most famous passages is in John's gospel where Jesus speaking to Pharisees and other Jewish leaders says this 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life'. We often say of Jesus, over the Christmas period, that he is the light that shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not overcome it. Christmas comes and goes again so quickly, for a moment we focus on the birth of Jesus, the gift, the light come into our dark world and then the lights are put away! But the cold wet weather and dark winter nights remain, perhaps even more starkly than before the joy of Christmas time.

Christians believe that the light (Jesus), who has come into the world has not gone, he is with us each day bringing light into our lives and often we need to open our eyes to see it. As we put up and take down our lights this year let's not forget that Jesus brings light to everyone, every day of the year.

The Venerable Sam Hustwayte

Archdeacon of Ludlow



St. Edwards Dorrington

December Services

13th Blessing the Tree of Light	11am	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk
20th Holy Communion	11am	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk
24th Crib Service	4pm	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk
24th Christmas Communion	11pm	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk

Refreshments are served following 11am services.

A sincere **'Thank You'** to everyone who has helped to clear, clean and tidy our churchyard and church this year,

Your continued support, time and hard work have been very much appreciated.
A huge **'Thank You'** also goes to a farmer from Longnor who took away a mountain of hedge clippings for us in his trailer. Work in the churchyard will resume in Spring 2027 where we hope to build on the great improvements already made.

Please come and support our first **Christmas Tree Festival** in church on **Saturday December 12th** from 10am to 4pm. The theme of 'Celebrating Dorrington' will be represented through the decorations on each tree provided by the different groups, organisations and businesses in our community.
Complimentary refreshment will be available throughout the day. We look forward to welcoming you.

Tree of Light. A Christmas tree will be erected at the side of the altar decorated with white lights. These will be lit and dedicated at the service on **Sunday 13thDecember** and will remain lit until the 4th January whilst the church is open. You can dedicate a light in memory of a loved one by donating £5 to St Edward's Church. The names of those being remembered will be read out during the service and placed near the tree and on the notice board in the vestibule.

Please contact Peter Smith on 01743 719294 or one of the churchwardens if you would like to remember a loved one in this way.

Christmas is abundant with wonderful things – trees, gifts, food, family and friendship – but the best thing is Christ himself. Let's remember that it is not all about presents but the presence of Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us..

January Services

10th Holy Communion	11am	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk
17th Morning Prayer	11am	Lay Lead
24th Holy Communion	11am	Rev. Laura Hnatiuk



"I'll have a blue Christmas without you
I'll be so blue just thinking about you
Decorations of red on a green Christmas tree
Won't be the same dear, if you're not here with me."

Blue Christmas
& Blessing of Tree of Light

St Edward's Church

Dorrington

Sunday 13th December
at 11am

Remembering with love & hope



WHAT'S ON AT DORRINGTON VILLAGE HALL

	Weekly	Monthly
Monday	Short Mat Bowls 2pm-4pm (seasonal) Zumba 6.30pm-7.30pm	
Tuesday	Pilates 6.30pm-7.30pm	WI 7.30pm-10.00pm Second Tuesday of the month
Wednesday	Pilates 7.30am-8.30am TED's Coffee Morning and Craft and Chat 10.00am-12.00pm	Dorrington Young Farmers 7.30pm-9.00pm First Wednesday of the month
Thursday	Badminton 9.30am-11.30am Chair Yoga 11.30am-12.30pm Brownies 5.30pm-8.30pm (term time only)	
Friday	Art Class 10.00am – 1.00pm (Back on 11th September 2026)	
Saturday	Diana Griffiths School of Dance 8.30am-2.30pm (term times only)	

For information about the hall and to book please visit the Dorrington Village Hall website.

Alternatively please e-mail the administrator on info@dorinngtonvillagehall.co.uk or call on 07762 449935

The Filling Station

Dear Friends

The next Filling Station meeting will be on Wednesday 2 December 2026 at Leebotwood Village Hall at 7.30 pm with refreshments available from 7.00pm.

The speaker is Andy Faichney, one of the leaders of Grace Church Shrewsbury, He will be speaking on our theme for this year 'Truth' based on John 14:6 *"I am the way and the truth and the life. No-one comes to the Father except through me"*.

The following meeting will be on 6 January 2027.

We hope you can join us.

DORRINGTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Dorrington W.I.
November 2026

The November gathering of Dorrington W.I. included our AGM.
We started with our usual business meeting and then moved on to the formalities of the AGM.
Minutes of last year's meeting were reviewed and agreed and we then had a report from the President who thanked the committee for their work over the last 12 months. The secretary, Helen, then read out her report covering the year, highlighting the varied events, topics and entertainment we have enjoyed together. Our treasurer then gave us the financial report for the last 12 months. Five of the existing committee were willing to stand again and with no other nominees they were elected unanimously for the coming year, as was the present president.

Following the serious part of the evening, we buckled down to make angels. St Edward's church in Dorrington are having a Christmas Tree Festival on Sunday 12 December and have asked members of the community to decorate trees to be displayed.
With just some little wooden spoons, little cocktail doilies and a little imagination we created a tree full of beautiful angels.
After our refreshments we taxed our brains with a fascinating quiz created by Angie.
We had to match assorted pictures associated with 10 famous women, complicated by there being more than ten images of women. This created a lot of scratched heads and laughter before our four teams managed to complete the puzzle. A big thank you to Angie for a great end to our evening.

Our competition this month was an item beginning with 'J' and was won by Helen who brought a jelly in the shape of a rabbit. Many of us were reminded of childhood parties graced with just such a jelly!
Next month our competition features 'K'

At our meeting on Tuesday 8th December we will be visited by Shrewsbury Handbell ringers.
We look forward to hearing some seasonal tunes.

We wish everyone a Happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming new members in the 2027.

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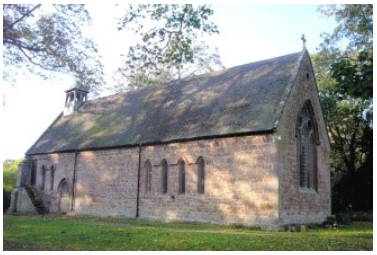


St Mary's Longnor

December Services

St Mary's Longnor

		Services	Sidesperson	Reader
13th December	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Phyllis Rigg	Trevor Thomas
20th December	10.30am	Carol Service with Christingle	Annabel Warburg	Lots!
Christmas Day	10.30am	Family Communion Service	Johnny Lansdell	Norene Dunn

Paul Harris RIP
We hold Margaret Harris and all her family in our thoughts and prayers and send them our deepest condolences, following the sad and sudden passing of Paul Harris on 2nd November. Paul was a lovely gentleman and was much loved and respected by his many friends in Longnor. He worked tirelessly during many years for the Village Hall and contributed an enormous amount to many other parts of village life too. He will be deeply missed.

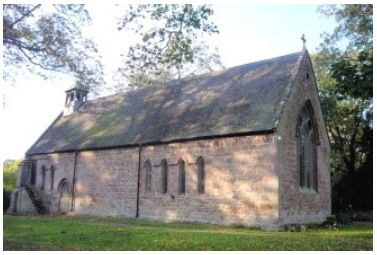
Poppy Appeal – THANK YOU!
A huge thank you to everyone who gave donations to the Royal British Legion during the period of Remembrance. At the time of going to press, more than £200 had been donated.
And thank you to everyone who decorated the church with poppies – and to all those who knitted and crocheted them. The church looked stunning, and it was a wonderful tribute to all those who gave their lives during the two World Wars.

Carol Service with Christingle – Sunday 20th December at 10.30am in Longnor Church
This year our traditional festive service of carols and readings will be a combined Carol and Christingle Service. Coffee and mince pies afterwards in the Village Hall. Everyone warmly welcome. Collection for The Children's Society.

Longnor Village Carols Round the Tree – Tuesday 22nd December at 6.30pm
A warm invitation to everyone in the village (and friends and relations) to come and enjoy singing 'Carols Round the Tree'. This year it will once again take place **in the churchyard**. Collection for Hope House Children's Hospice.
It will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the Village Hall from about 7pm.

Blessings and best wishes for a very Happy Christmas!





St Mary's Longnor

January Services

St Mary's Longnor

		Services	Sidesperson	Reader
10th January	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Trevor Thomas	Helen Francis
17th January	11.00am	Service of Holy Communion at Leebotwood Church		
24th January	10.30am	All Age Worship	Phyllis Rigg	Norene Dunn
31st January	10.30am	Benefice Communion	Annabel Warburg	

Brass Cleaning and Flowers

3rd & 10th January	Amanda Lansdell
17th & 24th January	Annabel Warburg

Happy 2026!
We hope and pray that 2027 will be a happy year for everyone living in Longnor and the Steeplewood Fold Benefice – full of hope and blessings.

THANK YOU
A huge thank you from St Mary's Longnor PCC to everyone who helps look after the church throughout the year, cleaning, polishing brasses, washing altar linen and doing flower arrangements. People often leave comments in the Visitors' Book about how much they appreciate the church being kept open and how well cared for it looks. A special thank you to Clive Hasted who mows the grass and keeps the churchyard looking neat and tidy and to Angela Hill for all the wonderful work she does in the churchyard too.

Winter Warmer in Longnor Village Hall – Wednesday 13th January from 12 noon
Please come and enjoy a simple lunch of soup, bread and cheese in the Village Hall. Everyone welcome - drop in anytime between 12 noon and 2pm. No charge, but donations gratefully received for Longnor Church.

Longnor Village Social – Friday 29th January from 7.00pm
Our monthly Village Socials are family-friendly get-togethers, a chance to catch up with old friends and make new ones. Food available plus a bar. Everyone very welcome.

RNIB Appeal for used stamps and foreign or old coins
The RNIB is always grateful for used postage stamps, surplus foreign currency, or any unusable old British currency, which they can recycle into funds for much-needed services to support blind and partially-sighted people. There are collection boxes for stamps and coins at the back of Longnor Church, which we will pass on to the RNIB. Many thanks for your donations.

The Shrewsbury Ark, which provides a safe haven in the town centre for homeless and vulnerable people, is always grateful for donations of non-perishable food items such as tea, coffee, sugar, cereals, tinned meat and fish, cakes, biscuits and toiletries. There is a box for donations at the back of Longnor Church. - Do please help fill it up!



St Mary's Leebotwood

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Church Cleaning

Sunday 6 December	Pam Martin
Sunday 13/20/27 December	Anne Hone
Sunday 3/10/17 January	Maryjane Hargreaves
Sunday 24/31 January	Karen Mason/Lisa Lupton
Sunday 7 February	Cherry Downes

Flowers

Sunday 6 December	Doreen Mansell/Lillian Collins
Sunday 13/20/27 December	Anne Hone
Sunday 3/10/17 January	Maryjane Hargreaves
Sunday 24/31 January	Karen Mason/Lisa Lupton
Sunday 7 February	Cherry Downes

Christmas is coming – Advent is here – Happy Christmas and New Year!

Please think about our neighbours and friends who may appreciate a helping hand/eye in the colder weather – if only to check that they are well and don't need us.

The last PCC meeting discussed progress on raising funds for the roof project – fund raising is progressing well, but we still need to raise around £8k: hopefully we will be able to go forward with the works in 2027, bat survey and licence permitting.

Leebotwood's Carol Service is on 13th December at 6.30 – we look forward to decorating for Christmas on 12th ,an evening prayer is planned for Christmas Eve at 3pm and Leebotwood are to host the group service on Sunday 27th.

We congratulate Antony Shorter and Naomi Hindley who were married at Leebotwood on 31st October.

Also at this time of year can we please thank all our volunteer helpers:
those who clean the church, do the flowers and tidy the churchyard: their work is much appreciated. Can we particularly thank Karen and Lisa for their work on Vinted and their end of season sale in Leebotwood Church which was well supported. We thank the Corbett family for their excellent quiz. We thank Toby who recently replaced our failing church lights. And thank you to Andrew our treasurer who has made numerous grant applications on our behalf towards the roof works. Thank you all of you.

Our December services will be:
Sunday 13 December Carols at 6.30pm
Thursday 24 December Evening Prayer at 3pm
Sunday 27 December Benefice Communion at 10.30am

Leebotwood Village Hall

Winter Warmer free Coffee and Cakes
Dec 4th and January 8th
10.30am til 12.30pm
Pop in anytime

QUIZ
Feb 6th 2027
7.30pm
Call or email to book your space

Great British clean up
Help keep your village and hall as tidy as possible by joining together for small jobs around the village.
Saturday 13th March 2027
10 til 12 (and a free cuppa and butty at the end !)

NEXT MEETING **Tuesday 12th January 7:30pm** Village Hall - All welcome

The Facelift is Complete
✨Enjoy our sparkling new hall with:
Ample parking
Kitchen facilities
Projection wall
A welcoming community space
Free wifi☆☆☆☆☆

Perfect for: Clubs • Socials • Work Meetings • Training Sessions • Community Events

Items Available to Hire: Trestle tables • Comfy dining chairs • Party glasses • Crockery • Hot water urns and more **Donation only required** for hired items.

Join Our Friendly Village Hall Team! we'd love to meet you😊
Give as much or as little time as you like - **No experience required!**

Regular Groups
🧘**Yoga** **Thursdays at 9:30am (**Becca)

🐓**Small Holders Group** **2nd Thursday of every month**
shropshiresmallholders@gmail.com

🎨**Art Classes** Email Lesley Brown for dates
lesley@lesleybrownart.co.uk

Contact Us: 01694 643 353

It is run entirely on donations and from fundraising.
Please help us save our beautiful church.

Donations can be made online using the QR code or website, or in person to any PCC member

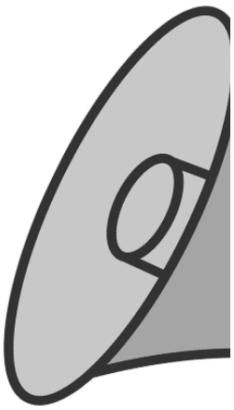
Thank you

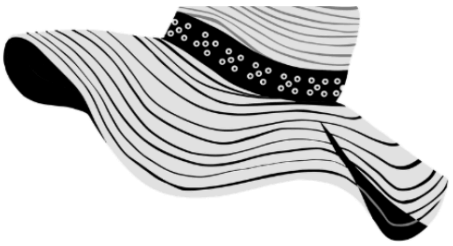
Website

https://leebotwoodpcc.square.site/

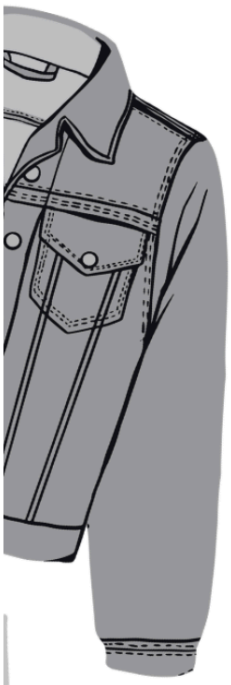
PCC Members

Anne Hone, Karen Mason, Cherry Downes, Lisa Lupton, Kellie Bramble









St Mary's, Leebotwood

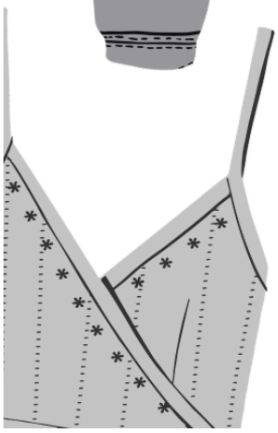
Recycle For The Roof Is Back

and we really need your help!!

Do you have clothes that no longer fit and that you no longer wear?

Why not donate them to the church to help us raise funds for the roof





We are asking for donations of good quality, second hand, women's, men's and children's clothing



DONATION DROP OFF POINTS

LEEBOTWOOD & LONGNOR PARISH COUNCIL

L&L PC

RECENT UPDATES -

Wifi for Leebotwood (Longnor to follow)!

Following on from our success last month with the new Vehicle Activated Sign in Leebotwood, we have even more good news to share, the village hall now has WiFi! A massive thank you to Councillor Holt for his hard work in organising and setting up the system. With internet access now available, the groups and events that use the space will be open to a great many more possibilites and we can't wait to see the first use cases of the amazing new system being enjoyed by everyone.

As for Longnor, we're still 100% commited to bringing the same upgrade to both of the halls however we've run into a couple more technical roadblocks in provisioning the necessary infrastructure; that being said, the issues are actively being fixed and so expect to hear some news from us within the next few weeks.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

Longnor School Traffic Safety

Circling back to another point which was introduced in the last edition, we're taking a more detailed look at the highways issues facing Longnor and it's been highlighted that the traffic around the school is a dangerous and concerning focal point with parked cars, heavy vehicles and young children all in the mix together. Whilst this has been relayed back to Shropshire council in support of the long awaited 20mph speed limit change, we're also exploring options that we can implement in the village to aleviate these risks with our intentions set towards long term solutions that ensure the safety of our future generations.

In the following months, we're looking to engage with Longnor School and the community to gather feedback and opinions about proposals adressing these problems. We'd like to ask you all to please engage with these as greatly as you can, it's early days for now but details to follow once we're clearer with our direction.

If you have any comments or feedback for us, we would love to hear from you. Please come along to our bi-monthly meetings or feel free to contact us below and we will get back to you ASAP.

clerk@leebotwoodandlongnor-pc.gov.uk www.leebotwoodandlongnor-pc.gov.uk



Next Meeting: Monday 11th January
Leebotwood Village Hall @ 7:30 pm



St Michael and All Angels Smethcott

December 2026 /January 2027
St. Michael and All Angels, Smethcote

Encouraging the whole community to discover the good news about Jesus Christ

	Flowers and brasses	Cleaning
13 December	All to help for Christmas	Sophie Forbes
25 December	Geoff Jarrett	Hilary Day
10 January	Ruth McKim	Kerry Locker
24 January	Sarah Macmillan	Ben Macmillan

We were very sad to hear of the death of Ron Parish who died in October. He and his wife Breda lived at Pogan Hall for many years and he was a dedicated member of the village hall committee. Fond memories of him and Breda showing us all how to dance at village hall events. Our thoughts are with Breda and the family.

We also learnt of the sudden death of Godfrey Cookson in early November. Godfrey farmed at Smethcott Farm for many years and was a stalwart of the church and village hall. Over the years he was an active member of our PCC. He mowed the churchyard, was auctioneer at our Harvest Supper, and made bird boxes and parcel drop boxes which raised large amounts for church funds. He was always willing to help and he will be sadly missed. Our thoughts are with Jeanette, Basil, Christine and all their families.

A date for your diary – **Follow the Star** - nativity walk on Sunday 20 December. We will meet at Picklescott village hall at 4.30 pm and progress steadily to the church – meeting shepherds and kings along the way and arrive at church to see the stable and baby Jesus.
Please bring lanterns and torches and come dressed for the weather. There will be a short service of two carols and two lessons from 5.45 pm followed by mulled wine (or hot chocolate) and mince pies. Please come along for the whole journey or select the part that appeals to you most. It would be lovely to see lots of children, their parents, family, friends and pets. If you want further details then please contact any member of the PCC (e.g. Bridget, Kate, Sophie or Nicky). Helpers would be very welcome too please.

As usual we will be having our Boxing Day dog walk and drinks at church from 11 am to 12 noon. Mulled cider, Prosecco and roasted chestnuts. Donna Robinson is organising this for the village hall.

Our first breakfast church will be on the 10th January in the village hall at 10.00 am.

Thought for the month

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13 v 8 NIV).

SMETHCOTE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Meeting Report 11th November 2026

Our Armistice Day meeting began with a report of our recent visit to the National Memorial Garden, formerly the National Arboretum. A truly poignant reminder of the history of wars that the nation has been involved in. Members did an escorted tour of the garden with an invaluable commentary of all the memorials within the gardens. Free time followed and allowed us all to visit areas that had personal resonance. We thanked Suzanne and Sarah for a very successful trip

The remainder of the business meeting highlighted our fund-raising achievements at our Soup and Pudding Lunch. This event brought a lot of community involvement and pleasure. The Market stall was a similar success and Sarah asked for support for our next market on the 21st Of November. Ros, was able to give us very positive report of our financial status after a really busy fundraising year that has helped us build our finances.

We are now planning for next year. We will be repeating some events, and venturing to run our own market, making a focus of supporting local businesses and individual makers. There will also be an epic visit to Longleat! The Lions had better beware,

Dorothy Nicolle, our speaker, continued the theme of Remembrance with a talk titled 'Shropshire in the Second World War. The was a constant stream of memories and anecdotes, too many to mention. Dorothy is a collector of stories and also some very 'Tall Tales'. Facts and Figures tumbled from her memory. She pointed out that it is almost impossible to believe that a more remote and rural county had so much involvement in the war. Many of our big estate houses became hospitals and convalescence homes. Some became military training sites and many stored ammunition, war supplies and armoury.

Our biggest receipt was of children, mostly from slum or deprived areas London and big cities which were German targets. 15,000 evacuee children were rehomed in Shropshire. They came with very little. Very few clothes and none suited to country living in the winter. Poor hygiene and few life skills. Unable to do basic things like eat with cutlery. Traumatised and frightened by events, host families had real difficulties helping them to settle here.

Or flower of the month competition was won by Sue J. The next meeting is at Picklescott Village Hall on December 9th. We will be collecting Toys for Children. Supporting children in Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital, who cannot go home at Christmas.

Information Suzanne 07749 575833

SMETHCOTE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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Panto From The Past

Friday
February 26th 2027

Tickets £10.
Available from rospreen@outlook.com

Dick Whittington Millenium Mayhem
Productions from our Archives.



Welcome Drink
Paid Bar
Refreshments in Intermission
Raffle



Venue
Stapleton Village Hall SY5 7EF
Information Suzanne 07749575833

Thank you for your help

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Tin Tuesday

at

Stapleton Village Hall

The Village Hall will be open for donations
10 am -12 pm
Every other Tuesday.

Please help us support the Food Bank at
Barnabas Church Centre

We can accept donations of tinned and dry goods. Household items, toiletries and baby foods.

Important

All items must be in date and packages must be whole and sealed

During the Festive Season
Please feel free to donate at any of our events.



St John the Baptist Stapleton

December 2026 and January 2027

Services - Details of Services are in the centre of this magazine and on the Church Noice Board

100 Club

December	1st prize	38	Linda Mottram
	2nd prize	93	Tom Ashton
January	1st prize	67	Charles Evason
	2nd prize	1	Helen Higgenson

We will be collecting your 2027 payment during Jan/Feb.

Gift Day 2026
Thank you to everyone who gave a donation on our gift day to our beautiful ancient Church and helped support our Christian mission.
It is never too late for you to give.
Our Church is open every day for private prayer.

All Age Christingle Service
Sunday 6th December at 4.00pm
Come and support the work of the Children's Society
and help lots of children to have a good future.
A big welcome to all children,
you get to make a Christingle loaded with sweets
and you can take it home!

Carol Service in the Village Hall
Sunday 20th December at 4pm

Followed by mulled wine, mince pies and biscuits
The collection will be in aid of the Shrewsbury Food bank at the Barnabas Church Centre.

Offers of mince pies or shortbread really appreciated

Our **Christmas Eve** Service will be at 8pm

There will be a Book sale on Saturday 16th January

Thank you to everyone who has helped at Services, cleaned our Church, arranged flowers and tidied the Churchyard during 2026

Christmas wishes to everyone and best wishes for 2027

Stapleton Village Hall SY5 7EF

13th February 2027.

7 pm.

A Taste of Ukraine.

An evening of traditional food, music and entertainment
in support of the official charity



Tickets £20

Available from Sue Wills suewills769@gmail.com

For any dietary requirements contact gaildenham2u@yahoo.com

Bar Raffle.

All proceeds from this event will be
donated to Shropshire's official charity.

Shropshire Supports Ukraine



St Michael and All Angels Woolstaston

Church Flowers.

6th December (Carol Service) Allison Rodenhurst.
3rd January No Service
7th February Neil & Mary Cadman.

The Carol Service will be at 10.30am on the 6th of December. There will mince pies and mulled wine after the Service.

We were sorry to hear of the very sad loss of Mr Godfrey Cookson from Smethcott, a main stay of the local farming community. He loved his motorbikes and had a great personality. He will be greatly missed by all; we would like to send our heartfelt condolences to all the Cookson family.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

There will be no Service in January.



Hello everyone from Dorrington Surgery,

I would like to introduce myself. My name is **Emma,** and I am the new Dispensary Manager, replacing Lisa, who has moved on to a new surgery.

I have over 25 years' experience working in pharmacy and dispensing doctor practices. I am very fortunate to be supported by an amazing and dedicated team, many of whom you will already know.

Karen, Julie and Nikki have many years of experience between them and will now be working at Dorrington Surgery on a permanent basis, rather than across both sites within Beeches Medical Practice.

We are actively promoting our **"Use It or Lose It"** campaign, which encourages eligible patients to use our dispensing service. To qualify, you must live **more than one mile from a retail pharmacy**.

If you are on regular medication and are interested in becoming a dispensing patient, please speak to a member of the dispensary team and we will be happy to discuss your eligibility and register you on our system.

The dispensary can be contacted on **01743 874565 (Option 1)** or by email at prescriptions.dorrington@nhs.net. We are here to help our dispensing patients with any medication queries or concerns.

Please note that we are **unable to make appointments**. To book an appointment, please call **01743 874565 and select Option 4**.

We are also **unable to accept patient samples**. Any samples should be taken directly to **The Beeches Medical Practice**.

We only accept Card Payments for Prescription Charges.

Dispensary Opening Hours

Monday: 8:30am to 1:00pm
Tuesday: 8:30am to 1:00pm
Wednesday: 8:30am to 1:00pm and 2:00pm to 6:00pm
Thursday: 8:30am to 1:00pm
Friday: 8:30am to 1:00pm

We look forward to supporting all our dispensing patients and continuing to provide a friendly, efficient service.

Kind regards,
Emma
Dispensary Manager
Dorrington Surgery

St Edward's CE Primary School



St Edward's CE Primary School offers wraparound care from 7.45am - 6.00pm, Monday to Friday term time only (excluding PD days).

Breakfast Club Information - Breakfast is served daily until 8.30am. Weekly food choices & activity timetables are available on our school website and in our school newsletter.
Times: 7.45am - 8.45am
Cost: £3 per child (£2 for additional siblings)

After School Club Information - A light tea is served daily. Weekly food choices & activity timetables are available on our school website and in our school newsletter. Themed nights every 2 weeks.
Times: 3.15pm - 6.00pm
Cost: £4.00 per child from 3.15pm - 4.30pm
Full Session £8.00 per child (£4.00 for additional siblings)

We accept Tax-Free Childcare. Bookings via Google Forms links. For more information visit our website or contact the school office.

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Telephone:
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Monthly Letter from Stuart Anderson MP for South Shropshire

Towards the end of October, I chaired my latest rural crime roundtable in Much Wenlock in collaboration with Shropshire Chamber of Commerce. I have always been clear that when a quad bike worth £10,000 is stolen or livestock is killed, it is far more than a statistic or a financial loss. For those affected, it can deal a serious blow to their livelihood, undermine their confidence, and leave them feeling less safe in their own community. There is no reason why these criminals should get away with their disgusting acts. Measures proposed by the Conservatives, including funding 1,000 dedicated rural crime officers and cracking down on secondary markets where stolen tools are sold, would make a real difference. I will continue working in Parliament and with local stakeholders to push the Government to act.

Whilst we must always condemn those who undermine our way of life here in the countryside, we must also seize every opportunity to celebrate those who sustain it. So, I am delighted to once again be backing South Shropshire in the annual Countryside Alliance Awards, better known as the Rural Oscars. Whether it is a village shop open all year round, a rural pub serving local ales, a butcher who knows every customer by name, or a farm shop showcasing local produce, our independent South Shropshire businesses are lifelines. The Rural Oscars are awarded in six categories, and regional finalists will be selected in early 2027. I am urging every constituent to submit their nominations by Sunday 13th December at http://countryside-alliance.org/awards.

In Parliament, the new Chancellor of the Exchequer delivered the Budget in October. Sitting in the House of Commons, I was left feeling much the same way as Kemi Badenoch when she said in response, 'is that it?'. To stand up for South Shropshire, I seized the opportunity to call for greater support for our high streets, pubs, horseracing industry, independent businesses, and residents reliant on off-grid heating such as heating oil and LPG. I also demanded immediate financial assistance for our local farmers who have had an incredibly difficult year. Whatever the issue may be, I will always use my position in Parliament to speak up for South Shropshire residents.

Finally, it is already that time of year again! My annual Christmas E-Card Competition, one of my absolute favourite traditions, is now open and will be running until the 4th December. The winning design will appear alongside the designer's name, age, and school on my official parliamentary Christmas E-Card which is sent to hundreds of people including the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition. All school-aged children in South Shropshire can enter, including those who are home-educated. To take part, please create a festive design on plain paper with your name, age, and school on the reverse, and send it to Stuart Anderson MP at 75a High Street, Bridgnorth, WV16 4DX, or by email to stuart.anderson.mp@parliament.uk. I cannot wait to see all of the brilliant entries.

If you have any national or local concerns, I would love to hear from you. You can get in touch by emailing stuart.anderson.mp@parliament.uk or phoning my team at 01746 555025.

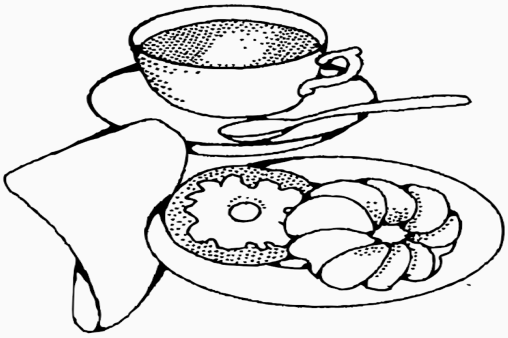
Monthly Column from Chris Naylor
Shropshire Counciler for the Ward of Burnell

Chris was unable to contribute to the magazine this edition, however will be back in the New Year!
We shall look forward to reading his column in 2027

Leebotwood Village Hall

WINTER WARMER

FREE TEA AND COFFEE



DECEMBER 4TH & JAN 8TH

10.30-12.30

TEA • CAKE • RELAX

ALL WELCOME POP IN ANYTIME

Follow the Star

Sunday 20th December



Please join us on a nativity journey.

Meet at Picklescott village hall at **4.30 pm** and walk down to the church to find the shepherds and kings along the way and baby Jesus in his crib.

Come dressed for the weather and bring a torch.

All welcome — children, mums and dads,

grandparents, friends and pets.

A couple of carols and lessons in church at **5.45 pm** followed by hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies.

Contact Bridget or Kate for further details

07977 140494 or 07914 760682

Merry Christmas

Stapleton Village Hall

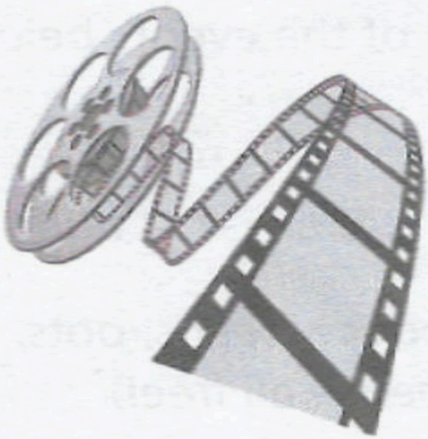
Chat&Do

Dates for December Tuesday December 15th

We will meet again in January for more
Craft, Conversation and Good Company

January 5th & 19th
Information beaumont.carol@gmail.com

Stapleton Village Hall SY5 7EF



Our film nights are held on the first Saturday of every month,

Film Night

Films are free to view,
the bar opens at 7pm

The film starts at 7.30 with an interval for ice cream and refreshments.

No ticket required.

SMETHCOTE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Programme
December - March 2027

December 9 Picklescott
Miss Plymley Recollects – life in Georgian and Regency Britain – Allison Utting
(a pretty teacup and saucer)



January 13 Leebotwood
Over the Top of Scotland – Gill Castle
(something tartan)

February 10 Leebotwood
Members Annual Meal.

March 10 Picklescott **- Annual meeting**
The 'spirit of Shelton' - ghost, history and past treatments – Kate McLanachan
(a mental health tip)

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month. with time to chat from 7pm
Meeting Starts at 7.30 pm

Information Suzanne Gill President.....07749575833

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ON
SATURDAY, 12TH DECEMBER
10am - 4pm

Come and see our beautiful trees and enjoy complimentary tea, coffee, squash, biscuits and mince pies.

Everyone is welcome!

Services in December 2026 – Lectionary Year B

Sunday	Dorrington	Leebotwood	Longnor
6th December **2nd Sunday of Advent** **Purple, Advent** Isaiah 40: 1-11 Mark 1: 1-8			
13th December **3rd Sunday of Advent** **Purple, Advent** Isaiah 6: 1-4, 8-13 John 1: 6-8, 19-28	**11am** **Blue Christmas with Blessing the Tree of Light** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**6.30pm** **Carols** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**10.30am** **Morning Prayer** Lay Leaders Team
20th December **4th Sunday of Advent** **Purple, Advent** 2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16 Luke 1: 26-38	**11am** **Holy Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**All go to Longnor or Dorrington**	**10.30am** **Carols** Lay Leaders Team
Thursday 24th **CHRISTMAS EVE** **White/Gold, Christmas** Isaiah 52: 7-10 John 1: 1-14	**4pm** **Crib Service** Rev. Laura/Chris B **11pm** **Christmas Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**3pm** **Evening Prayer** Lay Leaders Team	
Friday 25th **CHRISTMAS DAY** **White/Gold, Christmas** Isaiah 52: 7-10 John 1: 1-14			**10am** **Christmas Communion** Rev. Caro Wright
27th December **1st Sunday of Christmas** **White, Christmas** Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 3 Luke 2: 15-21	**Benefice Communion** **10.30am at Leebotwood** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk		
3rd January **Epiphany** **White, Epiphany** Isaiah 60: 1-6 Matthew 2: 1-12			

Smethcott	Stapleton	Woolstaston	Also This Month
	4pm **Christingle** Mike James	**10.30am** **BCP Advent Communion with Carols** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**Wednesday 2nd December** 7pm onwards **Filling Station** Leebotwood Village Hall
	9.30am **Holy Communion** Rev Laura Hnatiuk		
4.30pm **Nativity Walk** Picklescott Village Hall **6pm** **Carols in Church** Lay Leaders Team	**4pm** **Carols in Stapleton Village Hall** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk		**Pub Carols** **Thursday 17th December** 7pm Horseshoes Dorrington
	8pm **Christmas Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk		**Tuesday 22nd December** 6.30pm **Carols around the Tree** Longnor Churchyard
10am **Christmas Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk			
Benefice Communion **10.30am at Stapleton** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk			

Services in January 2027 – Lectionary Year B

Sunday	Dorrington	Leebotwood	Longnor
3rd January **Epiphany** **White, Epiphany** Isaiah 60: 1-6 Matthew 2: 1-12			
10th January **Baptism of Christ** **White, Epiphany** Genesis 1: 1-5 Mark 1: 4-11	**11am** **Holy Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk		**10.30am** **Morning Prayer** Lay Leaders Team
17th January **2nd Sunday of Epiphany** **White, Epiphany** 1 Samuel 3: 1-10 John 1: 43-50	**11am** **Morning Prayer** Lay Leaders Team	**11am** **Holy Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**All go to Leebotwood**
24th January **3rd Sunday of Epiphany** **White, Epiphany** Genesis 14: 17-20 John 2: 1-11	**11am** **Holy Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	**6.30pm** **Evening Prayer** Lay Leaders Team	**10.30am** **All Age Worship** Lay Leaders Team
30th January **Presentation of Christ** **Gold/White, Presentation** Malachi 3: 1-5 Luke 2: 22-40	**Benefice Communion** **10.30am at Longnor** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk		
7th February **Sunday before Lent** **Green, Ordinary Time** 2 Kings 2: 1-12 Mark 9: 2-9			

Smethcott	Stapleton	Woolstaston	Also This Month
Benefice Communion **10.30am at Stapleton** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk			**Wednesday** **6th January** 7pm onwards **Filling Station** Leebotwood Village Hall
10.30am **Breakfast Church** Picklescott Village Hall Lay Leaders Team	**9.30am** **Holy Communion** Rev Laura Hnatiuk		
9.30am **Holy Communion** Rev Laura Hnatiuk			
			Wednesday **3rd February** 7pm onwards **Filling Station** Leebotwood Village Hall
		10am **BCP Communion** Rev. Laura Hnatiuk	

Craft, Cuppa & Chat







Every Wednesday 10-12 noon







We are a small friendly group of crafters.

We meet every Wednesday morning between 10am and 12pm.

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Dorrington Village Hall

Contact: Rosie Gittings

Email: rosie6857@gmail.com

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Save the date
Saturday 10th April 2027
A murder mystery party will take place
on the evening at Stapleton village hall
Three course meal
In aid of Stapleton Church
Further details from
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Bridge Is Fun!

Condover Duplicate Bridge Club is a small and friendly club that is always welcoming new members!

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For further information visit www.bridgewebs.com/condover/

SHREWSBURY LADIES LUNCH CLUB

A voluntary organisation supporting local charities

ALL LADIES WELCOME

Future dates and venues for your diaries

Thursday 16th April at the Wroxeter Hotel

Thursday 16th July at Wroxeter Cricket Club

Tuesday 8th December at Condover Golf Club

FOR FURTHER DETAILS. TEL BEVERLEY ON 07817665631
Or EMAIL SALLY ON sallydavies365@gmail.com

Shropshire Ornithological Society

The home of birding in Shropshire

Meetings run from Oct to Apr and take place at Bayston Hill Memorial Hall on the first Weds of each month, starting at 7.15pm. Entry charge £2 for non-members, members free. Refreshments are served during the interval for a small fee.

Weds 4th November – "24 Years of Barn Owl Conservation in Shropshire" with John Lightfoot - co-founder of Shropshire Barn Owl Group and owner of Talon Nestboxes. John & his wife Wendy have decades of hands-on experience monitoring Barn Owl populations across the County and will share a wealth of knowledge, fascinating stories and a deep insight into the lives of these elusive nocturnal hunters.

Weds 2nd December – **"Under African Skies" with Mark Sisson** – renowned award-winning wildlife photographer. Prepare for an unforgettable journey through incredible wildlife and extreme habitats on a continent where Mark has spent most of his recent overseas working life. Although lions and elephants may at times steal the show, this evening promises to reveal much more of the hidden wonders of this extraordinary place.

Please check the website in case of changes to the programme. You can also find details of our fieldtrips on our website. To find out more visit **www.shropshirebirds.com**

RSPB Shropshire Local Group

Meetings are held at Bayston Hill Memorial Hall on the 4th Tues monthly from Sept to Apr (exc Dec). Meetings start at 7.15pm. Entry £3 (members), £7 (non-members).

On Tues 27th October, **Alicia Leow-Dyke** presents **"Return of the Beaver"**. Alicia is the Welsh Beaver Project Officer for the Wildlife Trusts in Wales – which aims to re-establish beavers into the wild in Wales. She also advises other organisations interested in bringing beavers back, and has played a pivotal role in the Old Riverbed beaver project in Shrewsbury.

On Tues 24th November, "**The Work of the RSPB Investigations Team Protecting Raptors**" by **Jack Ashton-Booth** and **Niall Owen.**

The RSPB's Investigations Team works with police and partners to bring about prosecutions and help carve out a better future for these magnificent birds.

Monthly field trips continue throughout the year. To contact us and find out more about what we do: you can find us on Facebook, email **shrewsburyrspbgroup@gmail.com** or visit **www.rspb.org.uk/groups/shropshire**

1st Dorrington & Leebotwood Brownies

Dorrington Village Hall
6.30 - 8pm, Thursdays in Term Time

Brownies is for girls aged 7 -10 years old, we play games, make friends and have fun doing crafts and outdoor activities.

If your daughter would like to join us now or in the future, give us a ring and we'll tell you more.

Contact: Ruth Lawrence Brownie Guider
07830 815071
Hannah Ashton Asst. Brownie Guider
07590 618230
Or email: dorringtonbrownies@gmail.com

Dorrington Bowling Club

Why don't you try bowling?

Bowls is a sociable sport played by people of all ages and abilities. We bowl throughout the year, outdoors in summer and indoors in winter. You need no special equipment to start, we will lend it to you.

To learn more about indoor bowling contact Tom Hewitt 01743 718420 or for outdoor bowling contact Peter Smith 01743 719294.

Badminton

Monday nights – 8pm to 9.30pm at Church Stretton Sports Centre

£5.00

If you enjoy playing badminton, then feel free to come and join us.

We play doubles, making up teams with whoever has the energy to keep going – we don't play to a league or table.

If you're interested, please contact James on 07979474326, or just turn up.


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RYTON FLICKS IN THE STICKS.

PROGRAMME FOR SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2026. 3rd Friday of the month unless specified otherwise.

SEPTEMBER 19th. I SWEAR 2025 15 Director Kirk Jones (121 mins)
NB 4th Friday of September

I swear is a remarkable, and deeply personal coming of age drama that approaches Tourettes syndrome with unusual sensitivity and emotional intelligence. It is a poignant biopic based on the true story of Scottish Tourette syndrome activist John Davidson. Critics have widely praised Robert Aramayo's Bafta-winning transformative lead performance and the film's empathetic balance of raw, heartbreaking struggle and occasional respectful, laugh-out-loud humour.

OCTOBER 17th. HOCUS POCUS 1993 PG Dir. Kenny Ortega (96 mins)

Three witches hanged in Salem 300 years ago are resurrected at Halloween time in present-day America. This classic has Halloween film has scares and gross-out moments. It is funny, scary, but warm and human all at once. Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker and Kathy Najimy enjoy themselves enormously as the three witches.

NOVEMBER 21st. EVERYONE TO KENMURE STREET 2026 U Dir. Felipe Bustos Sierra (95 mins).

Everybody to Kenmure Street is a critically acclaimed 2026 documentary directed by Felipe Bustos Sierra. It chronicles the true story of a May 2021 UK Home Office raid in Glasgow's Pollokshields area, where hundreds of local residents rushed into the street to successfully prevent the deportation of two Sikh neighbors. Spirited and uplifting, Everybody to Kenmure Street triumphantly captures a community's witty, determined stand against injustice through the power of collective action.

DECEMBER 19th. A BOY CALLED CHRISTMAS 2021 PG Dir. Gil Kenan (104 mins)
Earlier showing at 6pm. Full details to be announced later.

"A Boy Called Christmas" is a resplendent Santa Claus origin story with a star-filled cast (Maggie Smith, Joel Fry, Kristen Wiig, Jim Broadbent, Stephen Merchant) with sumptuous visuals, and some melancholy details to keep it from being too sugary. Enjoy spotting the origins of many Christmas traditions, but what will stay with you is the message of kindness, courage, and as Aunt Ruth (played by Maggie Smith) explains, the stories that hold the universe together.

All films start at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated. There's a half time break with tea/coffee and cake. Entrance fee £7 which includes refreshments.



Maggie Smith, Jim Broadbent, Joel Fry, KristenWiig, Stephen Merchant, Toby Jones

PG

A Boy Called Christmas

A Boy Called Christmas is a resplendent Santa Claus origin story, based on a childrens' book by Matt Haig, with a stellar cast and sumptuous visuals.
An ordinary young boy called Nikolas sets out on an adventure into the snowy north in search of his father who is on a quest to discover the fabled village of the elves, Elfhelm. Taking with him a headstrong reindeer called Blitzen and a loyal pet mouse, Nikolas soon meets his destiny.

Ryton Village Hall
SY5 7NB

Friday
18 December
6.00 pm

Tickets
Standard: £7.00
Under 18s: £3.50
Family: £15

Enquiries: 07835 928069
There will be an interval for seasonal refreshments which are included in the cost of the ticket. Tickets available on door. Cash only.

FLICKS IN THE STICKS

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Andrew Scott, Brendan Fraser, Kerry Condon, Chris Messina, Damian Lewis

12A

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Ryton Village Hall
SY5 7NB

Friday
15 January
7.30 pm

Tickets
Standard: £7.00
Under 18s: £3.50

Enquiries: 07835 928069
There will be an interval for refreshments which are included in the cost of the ticket. Tickets available on door. Cash Only.

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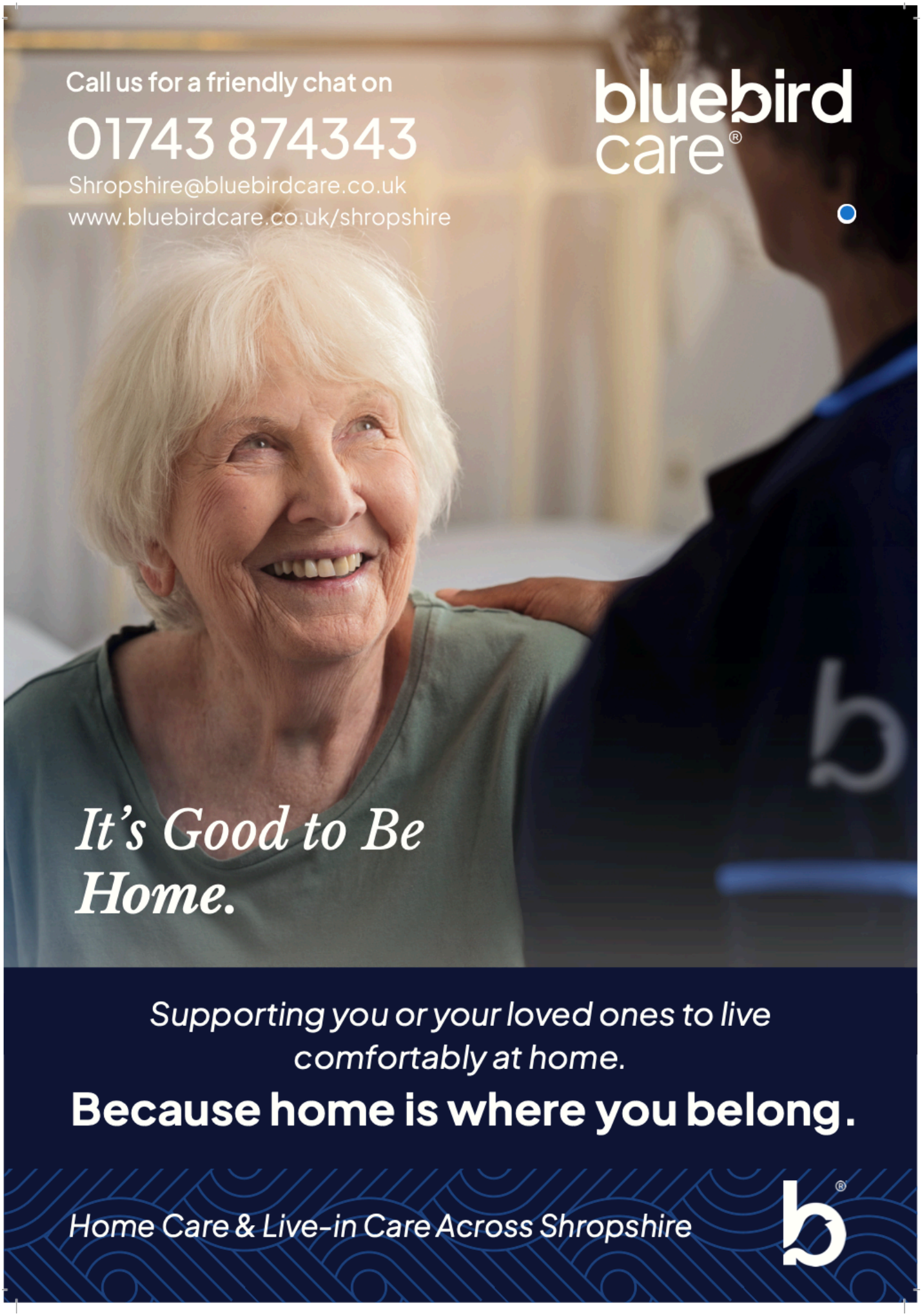
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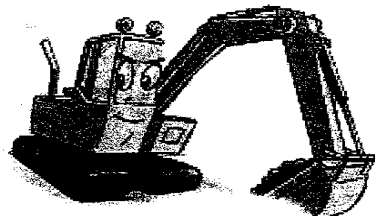

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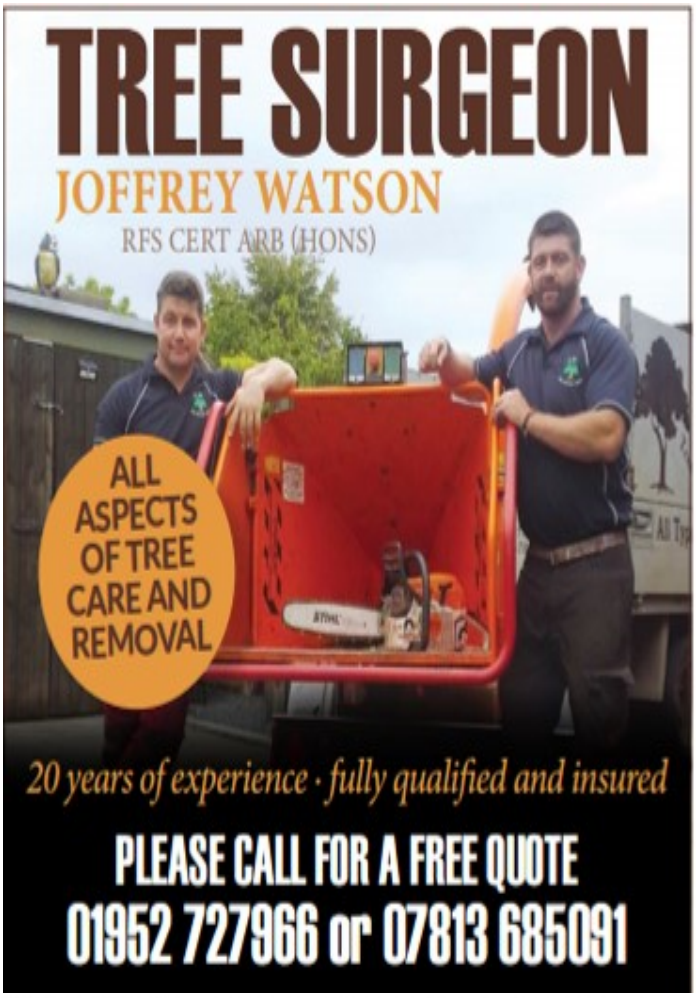

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Friday	December 18th	Flicks in the Sticks	Ryton V. H 6pm
Sunday	December 20th	Follow the Star	Picklescott Church

January 2027

Friday	January 15th	Flicks in the Sticks	Ryton V.H.7,30pm
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