

# Newtown Linford Magazine

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# The Bradgate

Group Parish



This past week I caught up with my sister-in-law, just returning to work from furlough. We discussed how her company had reacted to the lockdown period and she commented that in her industry, businesses fell broadly into two groups: those who had simply wanted to go back to what they were doing and the way they were doing it before lockdown, and those who had taken the time to think and be creative in shaping new ways of doing things. Her observation was that the second group are recovering far better than the first.

Of course the Church works in a very different way, but some of the same challenge presents itself to us at the moment: do we just want to go back to how we were, or are we willing to consider learning from what this past few months has (at times, forcibly) taught us? The reality is, if we're being very honest, that things weren't exactly going swimmingly and the challenges the Church faces both locally and nationally predate current restrictions and changes.

So what do we do?

Well, the first step as churches is to pray. We believe God has a plan and purpose for his Church and that he is willing to grant wisdom to help us navigate tough times if we ask.

Second, we share the stories of what God is doing and has been doing, even during lockdown, so we can notice and hopefully discern through them how God may be shaping us for the future.

Third, when we've prayed, listened and noticed, we decide and we step out in faith.

As a diocese across Leicestershire at the moment we are looking to do those three things, focussing during the remaining months in 2020 on the first two. In our services and online, we will be using resources to pray. There will be opportunities to tell of what God has been doing in our lives – from the big issues to the small moments that have stuck with you.

May I invite you to visit <https://leicester.anglican.org/about-us/sbgt/> to learn more, to find resources for your own prayer and to contribute your own story? You can use this QR code on your phone to go straight there.

We know what Jesus has done, we need to notice what he is doing and learn what he wants us to do, for his glory and his kingdom, next.



## Coffee & Cake News October 2020

I am writing this on what could be the last few lovely days we have experienced over the summer of COVID - one thing we can be thankful for. The Autumnal weather will be upon us very soon and we will be spending more time indoors.

I have had a nice email from the Village Hall Committee to inform us that it is not possible to accommodate us in the hall due to government restrictions and cleaning for the time being. I will let you know as soon as we are allowed back

Joe Costello is still running the Zoom meetings on a Thursday at 11am and as we go into the winter months I think more of you would enjoy seeing and speaking to others. Please contact Joe on

[joe1846@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:joe1846@hotmail.co.uk) or tel 249613 for his patient instruction

I have had a flyer put through my door by a lady who is offering Companion services and much more, you may have got the same flyer but she looks and sound perfect if company and help is required (Editors note - see advert on page 9).

Think that is it for this month hope you are all well and fingers crossed we are back as a group very soon **Carol Ann**

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## Coffee Morning Cake Recipe

### 6-ingredient gooey Swedish chocolate cake (kladdkaka)

Quite possibly the quickest, easiest, gooey-est (and so best) chocolate cake you'll ever make. This has only 6 ingredients and takes only 30 minutes to make and bake from start to finish. A cake that is so perfect for serving to guests... or just scoffing at home in front on the TV!

**PREP TIME 10 mins**

**COOK TIME 20 mins**

#### INGREDIENTS

- 4¾ ounces salted butter
- ½ cups cocoa powder (plus 1 tablespoon) unsweetened, plus extra for sprinkling
- 1¾ cups sugar
- 1 cup plain flour (actually, just less than a full cup, about 0.85 cups)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3 eggs lightly whisked

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Pre-heat the oven to 180C/350F. Line the bottom of a 7-9 inch spring-form cake tin with a circle of baking paper, then grease the paper and the sides of the pan.

1. Melt the butter in a medium saucepan, then take off the heat and set aside.
2. Add the cocoa, sugar, flour and vanilla to the butter and stir a little. Then add the eggs and stir everything together until well combined.
3. Pour the mixture into the cake pan and bake for 20 to 25 minutes (see note below) until the top is set but the centre is still gooey (the top should be firm but crack under a little pressure from your finger). Let the cake cool in the pan, then run a knife between the pan and the cake to loosen it. Turn out onto a plate or cake stand (see note below). Dust generously with cocoa powder and serve warm with ice cream or cream.

A note on which cake pan to use:

I usually use a 9 inch spring form cake pan for this cake, but a 7 inch cake tin will work as well.

You might need to make the recipe a couple of times to get the baking time just right (yes, it's one of those recipes, but once you've nailed it, you've nailed it). See below for more hints on getting your cake just right!

Getting your cake just right

Although this is a super quick, easy and delicious cake, it can 'sometimes' (not always) take a bit of perfecting. If your cake still isn't

cooked on top after 20 minutes, keep checking it every couple of minutes until it is. I usually find 20 minutes is about right, but of course it depends on your oven/the exact size of your cake pan etc.

You want to avoid overcooking the cake though, because then it won't be as deliciously gooey.

After your cake is cooked...

You'll find that your cake is quite delicate just after cooking. Let it cool in the pan, then turn it out onto a plate or cake stand.

I usually hold a plate on the top, then invert it quickly. Your cake will then be on a plate, but it will be upside down. To turn it back the right way, I put another plate on the bottom of the cake and turn it back the right way.

Can you make this chocolate cake gluten free?

Yes! I officially tested this recipe using just almond flour in February 2020. It works just as well as it does with ordinary flour.

## **Tennis Club News**

Introducing our new Coach Rob Brig

Rob is a very experienced coach and we are very pleased he has joined the club to carry on the great work Paul Nichols did whilst he was with us. Rob has played at a very high level and still plays the odd doubles match for Boris Becker's Club in Germany when required.

He has worked with the LTA organisation in performance. He is very excited to be joining us and has new ideas for the Club going forward.

The Group lessons are up and running on a Thursday and Saturday with After School Club and Cardio tennis. If you are interested in learning a new sport, keeping fit or dusting off your racquet there is a coaching session for you in his programme.

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## Newtown Linford Choral Society

The Choral Society has now opened the autumn season by recommencing its weekly rehearsals following a summer break. Although the rehearsals cannot take place in the Village Hall as usual, they are instead carried out online. This was rather odd to begin with, but now we find it fun to see and chat to other choir members on our home computers or phones. In addition, our director Sue issues weekly videos to help with the music, and also with singing techniques. This season the videos will include some input by David Morris, Head of Singing at Loughborough Endowed Schools and ex Swingle Singer, as well as professional soprano Ella McNamee and her brother Matthew.

In the Summer Concert we normally sing a variety of popular music, such as songs by The Beatles or The Carpenters. In contrast, for the Winter Concert we perform pieces of classical choral music, and currently the pieces that we're rehearsing include compositions by a young contemporary Norwegian composer, Ola Gjeilo, and 18<sup>th</sup> century Italian composer, Pergolesi. Once the current pandemic is over we intend to perform these at a concert, accompanied by an orchestra.

If anybody would like to give membership of the Choral Society a try, please ring Iris or I on 01530 243822, and we can tell you all about it. You don't need to be able to sight read music to join, as learning tracks are provided to help with the notes, and you won't need to pass an audition.

**Peter Sayer**



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## Information from David Snartt.

### COVID-19 Testing Boost in Loughborough.

A new 'Lighthouse Lab' facility will be established in Leicestershire to increase the UK's COVID-19 testing capacity, in an investment creating 400 jobs. The UK Department of Health and Social Care's Lighthouse Lab at Charnwood Campus in Loughborough is a partnership with global diagnostics company PerkinElmer. It will be the seventh major lab supplementing NHS labs, processing tests across the National Testing Programme.

The Lighthouse Lab network has been established to increase the number of COVID-19 tests that can take place each day. The labs receive samples from care homes, COVID-19 testing centres and home testing kits, which are then processed by a skilled workforce from across the scientific community. The lab at Charnwood Campus aims to process 50,000 tests per day by the end of the year and will be delivered and managed by PerkinElmer.

Don't forget to keep updated on all COVID-19 news, visit [www.charnwood.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.charnwood.gov.uk/coronavirus) for all Charnwood Borough Council service changes and developments, useful links to NHS and government advice, business support, community information and more.

### Staying Safe From COVID-19 Scams.

As people worry about their health, families and finances during the COVID-19 pandemic, unscrupulous criminals are taking full advantage of these fears and are preying on members of the public. As scams that have been around for a while are 'updated' to exploit this situation, Leicestershire Trading Standards are warning residents to remain vigilant. The following are two of the various scams currently circulating to be aware of.

**Telephone scams:** Beware of cold calls pretending to be from a trusted organisation – such as banks, the police, a utility provider or a computer company. Trying to obtain personal or financial information, they encourage victims to hand over card details, or trick them into revealing PIN numbers or transferring money into accounts they control. If a call wasn't expected, it's always best to hang up and find the real phone number from an actual bill or similar documentation.

**Door-to-door scams:** It is the elderly and most vulnerable in our communities who are targeted by criminals with cold calls on the doorstep. Scammers take the unsuspecting victims' money and may also attempt to obtain personal information that may then be passed to other fraud-

sters. Recent scams include individuals turning up out of the blue with bogus offers to clean front doorsteps or driveways claiming this will kill off bacteria and help prevent the spread of coronavirus.

Traders have been in local areas offering discounts for work carried out, particularly for home improvements and gardening work. These people may seem genuine, but the work is often unnecessary and substandard. Do say no to unwanted, or uninvited callers at the door. Do make sure your back door is closed and locked so no one can gain entry whilst you are distracted if someone knocks on your front door. Do not open the door if you are not sure.

### **Shop Safe, Shop Local.**

Shop safe, shop local – that is the message from Charnwood Borough Council as it launches a campaign to support local businesses. The Council and partners, are calling on people to support their local high streets and reassure them that significant steps have been taken to ensure visitors are safe when shopping in the Borough. High Streets have extra signage to remind people of the need for social distancing and local businesses have introduced their own measures to ensure they are complying with the latest COVID-19 guidance. Extra cleaning is also taking place in some areas and pubs, cafes and restaurants have introduced a range of measures including test and trace.

Over the coming months the Shop Safe, Stay Local campaign will be highlighting the steps taken to ensure our local high streets are safe places to visit. They are not only safe, but also great places to visit for shopping, eating and going out. For more information on the campaign, please visit [www.charnwood.gov.uk/shopsafeshoplocal](http://www.charnwood.gov.uk/shopsafeshoplocal).

### **2020 Charnwood Sports Awards.**

Charnwood Borough Council has made the difficult decision to cancel this year's Charnwood Sports Awards. The annual awards, which take months of planning, celebrating the achievements of sports clubs, individual athletes, coaches and volunteers across the Borough.

The coronavirus has meant that many sports and activities have had to be put on hold during recent months, but the awards will return to celebrate sporting achievements next year.

### **Rural/Farm Watch.**

I have had a meeting with the Police Sergeant for our local area, Steven Kilsby.

He is keen to set up a rural watch scheme for the farming community and

like organisations such as owners of horses. Sergeant Kilsby would be interested to hear views from the farming community and others as to how we can work together to help reduce crime in our rural areas and meet up with the Parish Local Policing Team on a regular basis. He stated it is important that people know that there is a Local Policing Team as well as the 24/7 response officers. Your Local Policing Team for the Parish are Police Constable Moore and Police Community Support Officer Jarvis.

Contact details for Sergeant Kilsby by e-mail [steven.kilsby@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:steven.kilsby@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk). He is keen for residents to register their interests and also follow Charnwood Police on social media.

### **Newtown Linford Cricket Club**

On behalf of everyone connected with the Club, we wanted to say a huge thanks to all those in the village who helped us positively avert a potentially catastrophic situation on 15th September when members of the travelling community took up temporary residence on our outfield.

We feared the worst but thanks to a number of quick-thinking and supportive local villagers (you know who you are) the danger dissipated within a couple of hours.

If ever that community spirit was to come to the fore then tonight was that night. Thank you again to everyone involved.

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	4.30pm Evening Worship	
18th October  <b>Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>		9.00am Morning Worship
	10.15am Online Service	10.30am Online Service
	4.30pm Evening Worship	
25th October  <b>Twentieth Sunday after Trinity</b>		9.00am Morning Worship
	10.15am Online Service	10.30am Online Service
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# CHURCH REGISTERS

## Funerals

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19 August ~ Renelle Bradley  
28 August ~ William Cook



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends, and pray that they may find peace through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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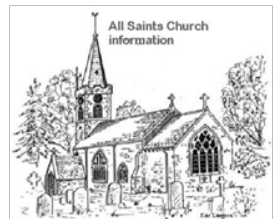
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**Regular Events** - Bell ringer's practice: Monday 8pm (cancelled)

**Website:** [www.allsaintsnewtownlinford.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsnewtownlinford.org.uk)



A screenshot of a Facebook live stream. The main video shows a man in clerical attire (white cassock and black stole) speaking from a pulpit in a church. The background shows a church interior with stained glass windows. On the right side of the screenshot, there is a Facebook interface with a post titled "Online Service, Sunday 22 March 2020" from "All Saints - Newtown Linford". The post includes a description of the service and a link to the live stream. Below the post, there are several smaller images and text for other church events, including "Join Us As We Pray" and "Saturday 21 March" and "Friday 20 March".

## Wild flowers in All Saints' Churchyard

All Saint's Church is now an Eco Church, and one of the parts of this is looking after the Churchyard in an eco friendly manner. We have designated the area where the old beech tree used to stand as a wild flower area. Since it was felled plenty of plants have decided to grow there, which is good, but not always what we want if the area is to look attractive, and currently thistles have taken over.

Some of the questions, which would be relevant to us, and which we can address in the eco church land survey are:

- The land at our Church is managed for the encouragement of native wildlife (birds, animals and plants)
- We grow plants on our land that benefit birds, bees, butterflies etc
- Our Church maintains an area of land for native wildflowers.
- Our Church has researched and established a mowing regime appropriate to the conservation of the grassland and wildlife present
- Our Church avoids the use of harmful chemicals (pesticides, herbicides or fertilizers) in the management of our land (excluding paths and driveways)
- Our Church participates in responsible native tree planting schemes in accordance with guidance from environment professionals
- Composting facilities are available on our Church land.



Is there anyone in the village who is knowledgeable about wild flowers or who would like to help with the project? We would be very grateful if you could let us know.

**Contact Jane Woolmer – [ejwoolmer@gmail.com](mailto:ejwoolmer@gmail.com)**

## Linford Lades Coffee Morning Cancelled

Some of the ladies at the Linford had got together to host a coffee morning for Macmillan and it was due to be held on 25th September, however due to Covid we have postponed this for later in the year.

Apologies to those who had booked - another date will be set when things are more appropriate. All Covid rules will be complied with.

**Sarah Brown**

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## Newtown Linford Neighbourhood Watch - A member of the Parish Council



At the time of writing this article, August crime statistics are not yet available, however, over the last month we have experienced some incidents.

Firstly, a garden tractor was stolen from a property within our Parish. Heavy duty cutting equipment was used to gain entry, not just to the outbuilding where the item was located but through two locked field gates. The theft occurred overnight and appeared to be well planned.

Secondly, the preschool had their social distancing cones stolen one Tuesday morning between 8.30 and 9am and criminal damage was caused to the Stag Head on Bradgate Road the same week. He is now missing his lower left antler.

Leicestershire Police are also appealing for dashcam footage following an incident which took place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August at approximately 5.30pm on Benscliffe Road, whereby a cyclist was pushed from his bike by a passing motorist and sustained a broken hip. If you can help Police with their enquiries, please contact them on 101 quoting reference 20\*435094.

A number of residents have been reporting night time activity in the village, with visitors arriving to go to Bradgate Park during dark hours and returning to their vehicles at dawn.

I have spoken to the Charnwood West Police Team who have increased overnight patrols in the area of Bradgate Road and Bracken Hill.

Bradgate Park has also reassured me that Rangers are on site during these times and monitor the activities of visitors. Anyone deemed to be causing a nuisance is asked to leave. However, I believe there have been no such reported events.

Public Rights of Way are accessible at all times despite the Park being 'closed' and there is nothing to stop visiting during dark hours. However, if you are concerned regarding activity in the village and believe it to be a Police matter, please report via 101. Thank you.

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## Information from Leicestershire Police

### **Rural Watch – “Working together with the rural community”**

Rural Watch is a free scheme set up to support communities in the fight against rural crime including, Churches, equestrians, rural businesses, farmers, clubs and societies and residents.

If you live, work or visit rural communities you are our eyes and ears. Join our police officers and a network of people who share information about crimes in rural areas.

The main aims of the Rural Watch scheme are to:

- reduce local opportunities for crime and vandalism
- reinforce community spirit so that everyone can contribute towards the protection of their property
- introduce early warning systems in the farming and countryside areas
- improve the intelligence flow between rural communities and police.

Together we can actively take steps to prevent crime, report suspicious incidents and provide education and reassurance on the issues that matter the most to rural communities.

#### **Join Rural Watch**

To become a member of the scheme please email:  
rural.watch@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk giving your:

Name                      Address                      Contact details

You can also follow the ‘Leicestershire & Rutland Rural Crime’ Facebook page.

### **Have you heard of Neighbourhood Link?**

Neighbourhood Link is a community messaging service from Leicestershire Police that provides news and information about policing activity or initiatives, crime prevention advice, as well as major incidents affecting your area.

If you would like to be kept up-to-date, you can sign up to this service through the Leicestershire Police website by following the link on the homepage. Go to [www.leics.police.uk](http://www.leics.police.uk)

Keep ‘em peeled!  
Best wishes,

**Hannah Shaw, Parish Council Clerk**  
**Tel: 01530 249945**  
**Email: [clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk](mailto:clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk)**

**NL Cricket Challenge 23rd August 2020.** We may live in an unpredictable world but we can still rely on cricket to provide fun and entertainment. There have been some high quality matches provided by the 1st team this summer as they reached the semi-finals of The Covid Cup and on Friday nights the ground has been buzzing with the sound of younger children enjoying an introduction to the sport through the ECB's All Stars initiative. Of course we also had the 4th annual Village Cup for residents of Newtown, taking place at the end of August - a one day extravaganza of enthusiasm, laughs and a modest amount of talent.

2020 has been full of surprises, and so it should have been expected that the Grey Grizzlies would turn from perennial losers to glorious victors this time. Having defeated the Linford Lions in the semi-final, in the final they took on the Newtown Knights, who had squeezed past last year's champs the Bradgate Braves in the other semi. In an exciting match watched by a good yet socially distanced crowd, the Grizzlies set a target which just proved too much for the Knights. Congrats to captain Jay Hall and his team, which coincidentally featured Rev'd Richard for his third win in four years.

Our sincere thanks to The Access Group for sponsoring the event (and the Lions); to the other team sponsors Athena, Cooks Midlands Ltd and Fusion Electrics Ltd; to the Cricket Club for hosting us; the umpires, scorers and helpers; the anonymous sponsor of the hog roast; Rex for the shirts and to all of the players who took part with the best of humour and sportsmanship.

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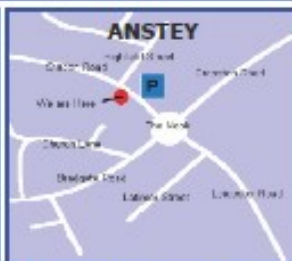
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## News from Newtown Linford Parish Council

**Have you looked at the website recently?  
[www.newtownlinford.org.uk](http://www.newtownlinford.org.uk)**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September marked one year as Parish Clerk (where has the time gone?) and it has certainly been a rollercoaster of events and activities. I feel very settled in the role and thank everyone for their warm welcome and continued support.

I attended my first Newtown Linford Village Cricket Competition on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August and didn't we all have a jolly good time? It was lovely to see so many of you after so long and to put some faces to names of those I hadn't yet met! It really was a fantastic day for the whole community.

Over recent months, residents have expressed concerns regarding the high speeds of vehicles travelling through the Parish and particularly, as they approach leaving the village along Main Street towards Sharpley Hill.

Chairman, Sue Pritchard, has downloaded the VAS data from all units and has found some interesting changes to vehicle movements since the start of lockdown.

Selected weeks from June, July and August 2020 were compared with the same weeks in 2019 and shows traffic flow has been more evenly spread throughout the day, rather than in morning and afternoon peaks. However, vehicle numbers have remained roughly the same.

Traffic speeds do seem to have increased during the lockdown and in particular, motorbikes but careful consideration would be needed with regards possible measures that could be taken, to ensure other road hazards are not incurred as a result.

I have contacted the Leicestershire Police Road Safety Unit and Charnwood NPT with a view to resurrecting the Community Speedwatch scheme. If this is something you might be able to assist with by volunteering time in holding speed checks, please contact me via the details below.

Resident, Claire Costello, has very kindly volunteered as Community

Biodiversity Champion for our Parish and has recently attended training provided by LCC. Claire is hoping to form an action group to help create a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) and would like to hear residents' ideas on how we can conserve biodiversity in the area.

In short, a BAP is a strategy for conserving and enhancing biological diversity in the local area. For example, biodiversity can be enhanced through simple measures such as installing bat and bird boxes, insect and bee hotels or by allowing native wildflowers to flourish as they do on Markfield Lane and in the Churchyard. The work at All Saints' has recently been awarded an Eco Church Bronze Award.

Initially, Claire would like to hold a virtual meeting for any resident interested in discussing ways in which we can protect and enhance biodiversity in our Parish. If you would like to be involved or to find out more information, please contact Claire at [cecostello25@gmail.com](mailto:cecostello25@gmail.com) Biodiversity training maybe available to anyone wishing to join Claire in her work.

In the last fortnight, you'll see from my NHW article that the Preschool social distancing cones were stolen from outside the Village Hall and our Stag Head is missing a lower antler, recorded by Police as criminal damage. Repairs will be carried out by the original sculptor, Peter Leadbeater and the cost to replace the antler is £100.

This week, I have been informed of a non-stop RTC involving a streetlight on Markfield Lane. Did you know the Parish Council own a large percentage of the streetlights in the village, including all those on Bradgate Road, Groby Lane, Main Street and Markfield Lane? LCC Highways attended and the light has been cut to a stump and made safe. As we have no details of those responsible, it will be the Parish Council's responsibility to fund the necessary works. If you are witness to such an event, vehicle registration plates are useful to us to claim against third parties, however, I truly hope those involved were unharmed and came away from the incident better than the streetlight did! Did you witness the collision? If so, please get in touch!

Lastly, by popular request, Parish Councillors considered a motion and voted unanimously in favour of purchasing a supply of litter picking equipment for use within the Parish.

I am pleased to report, we now have a supply of litter pickers, bag hoops and bags available by prior arrangement, to residents wishing to litter pick. Please note, gloves should be worn when litter picking but are not currently provided and volunteers should adhere to current COVID-19 guidance when litter picking. All equipment will be quarantined for a pe-

riod of 72 hours and sanitised between uses.

To book the use of our new equipment and to organise collection of the rubbish, please contact me on the details below.

Thank you to all those who have expressed an interest in keeping our surroundings clean, tidy and rubbish free.

On with more news.....

### **Bob Bown Memorial Field**

Thank you to everyone who has been in contact with their ideas for the play park. As previously mentioned, suggestions range from a zip line to a basket swing, a modular play unit for infants to a climbing wall for older children.

Each of these suggestions are being looked into and of course, plans are coming together for the replacement football fencing and goals. I hope to have all costings in by the end of September for Councillors to consider. We'll do what we can!

Remedial works will also be carried out to trees surrounding the play park, in the not too distant future. We don't expect there to be much disruption whilst work takes place.

### **Cemetery and Churchyard**

The Cemetery and Churchyard are looking well maintained and continue to have fortnightly cuts throughout the Summer months.

The Cemetery entrance and exit gates have recently been attended to by a contractor who has made necessary adjustments to ensure easier opening and closing. I hope this helps Cemetery visitors who may have previously struggled.

As I conclude for this month, the Government have announced a change in guidance as of next week, which will see a ban on gatherings above 6 people both indoors and outdoors, with some limited exceptions. Please continue to follow Government guidance including "Hands, face, space" and stay safe.

Until next time....

Best wishes,

**Hannah Shaw**

**Parish Council Clerk**

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