



# NEWSLETTER

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## Wrockwardine Wood & Trench PACT Annual Event 2008

### Fun Day for Everyone

at Oakengates Leisure Centre Astroturf Arena  
on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2008 11am till 3pm

Arena Activities:  
Rounders, Cricket &  
Baseball Shootout and  
lots more!

Dance Workshop  
& Dance off  
Competition

Gigantic  
Inflatable  
Obstacle Course

### Planned Activities

Paintball Range

30 ft  
Climbing  
Wall

Face Painting

Street Sports (inflatable  
football pitch)

Six-a-side  
Football  
Tournament  
11 to 14 and  
15 to 17 years

Barbecue and  
refreshments  
12pm – 2pm

Aerial Activities:  
Water Powered  
Rockets (build your  
own and launch).  
Parachute Gaming  
– suitable for age  
6 upwards

*All details are correct at the time of printing and are subject to change without prior notice.*

This event is organised by West Mercia Local Policing Team in association with Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Community Engagement Panel in partnership with the following: Army Recruitment Team, Telford Housing Partnership, Telford & Wrekin Council and Local Businesses. Sponsorship: Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council.

## North Telford Police Teams: Summer Activities

**L@@K ATTENTION ALL KIDS WE NEED YOU!**

**Telford Police are running Mini Moto Track Days!**

R U aged 6 – 16? Do you want to ride your Mini Moto legally?

Ride your suspension-free Mini Moto at a fully supervised, licensed event

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August @ Telford AFC (Football Stadium) from 10.30am onwards.

Cost £5.00 (to cover insurance)

**Interested?**

Call CSO Rob Hughes **01952 216546** (voicemail) OR Mike Jones **01952 382220** to organise your **FREE** bike safety inspection and to book a place.

**SPACES ARE LIMITED SO BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.**

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## Chairman's Report – 2008

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It gives me great pleasure to present the Chairman's report for what I think has been a year with its ups and downs, but overall has been a successful year for the parish.

The year started well following the elections in May, with Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council being one of the minorities of parish councils returning 100% of seats, therefore maintaining our Quality Status.

The early part to the council year started quietly, then in July I came back from holiday to find out that Norman Pickering had passed away, what a shock! This was followed a few weeks later by the death of Frank Peaceful in September.

Their seats on the Council have been filled by Derek Plant replacing Norman, and the welcome return of Jhalman Singh Uppal who replaced Frank.

One of my pleasurable duties is to present the grants awarded by the finance committee to many charitable organisations within the district. With tonight's presentation this has taken our total to £1550.

The Christmas Party for Senior Citizens of the Parish was held in December at the Sutherland School, and all the people who attended that I have spoken to since, say it was the best one yet. Again my thanks go to the councillors who organised this, also to our Clerk, Yvonne.

The Parish Planning Committee and Working Group have been active, with quotes being obtained to replace the fencing around the Holy Trinity Churchyard, and work is still ongoing regarding the burial grounds at Wrockwardine Wood Methodist Church.

Another ongoing project is the application to make the Play Area in Pinewood Avenue a Village Green.

During the year I attended the funerals of Norman and Frank. I also attended the Remembrance Service at the Parish Church and the Senior Citizens Christmas Party at the Sutherland School (I am proud to say that I am now one of them.)

During April I was invited to attend the planting of a copse in Wrockwardine Wood Infant School grounds in memory of Norman Pickering. Norman was Chair of the School Governors and the planting was carried out by Mrs. Pickering along with the School Council who are made up of children from the Infant School. My last visit in my year as Chair was to Lawley & Overdale Parish Councils Civic Service at The Rock Chapel.

I would like to close my report with a big thank you to all councillors for the trust and support you have given me during the past year, but I cannot end my report without saying a special thank you to our Parish Clerk Yvonne for her help and support during my year of office.

*Councillor Keith Watkins*

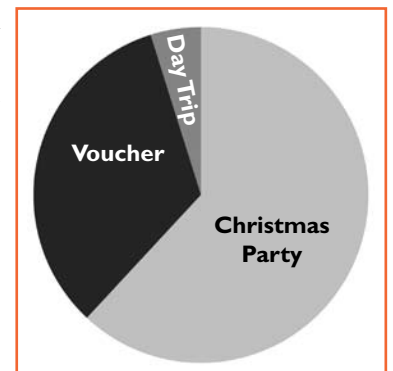
## Results of Christmas Party Survey

We would like to thank everyone who responded to our survey for all Senior Citizens in Wrockwardine Wood & Trench asking if they preferred a Christmas party in December, a day trip during the summer or a shopping voucher at Christmas.

We received a total of 105 replies. Five residents requested a day trip, thirty five would prefer shopping vouchers and sixty five residents want to keep the Christmas Party.

Our next Christmas Party will be held on **Saturday 6th December 2008** at the Sutherland School, Gibbons Road, Trench. Arrangements for collection of tickets will be advertised in our next newsletter in October.

We look forward to seeing everyone again and would welcome new faces. Please contact us if you would like further details.



## Trench Allotment & Leisure Gardeners Society

Would like to thank all residents who have participated in their events so far this year, also to remind you that we will be holding our **PRODUCE SHOW** on **SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER** 2008 starting at 4.30pm.

Interested in a weekend away???? Then why not join us for a trip to **Cornwall**.

Leaving Telford on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September – **Day at Eden Project**

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September – **Day at The Lost Gardens of Heligan**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Return home via Cheddar Gorge

Inclusive of : 3 nights, Bed, Breakfast and Evening Meal at the Barrowfield Hotel, Newquay, Transport and Entrance Fees

£190.00 per person

Full details from The Secretary, Anne Watkins, 14 Oaklands Drive, Trench, Telford, Phone **01952 271764**



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## *News from Holy Trinity Church*

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### **The Revd Matthew. C. Stafford**

The New Rectory Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood, Telford, Shropshire TF2 7AH

Tel: **01952 613865** Email: [oranconall@aol.com](mailto:oranconall@aol.com)

On 10<sup>th</sup> July I celebrated my sixth year as your Parish Priest. It is an immense privilege to be Rector of this Parish and I hope that whether parishioners deem themselves religious or not they know that I am approachable and if you were in pastoral need I would do my utmost to respond or at least point people in the right direction.

### **Restoration and re-ordering works**

Holy Trinity Church begins its restoration and re-ordering work in the coming months. English Heritage has awarded us the first part of our Lottery Grant for the Tower Roof and the investigative work will begin shortly. Many will know that Holy Trinity is one of the coldest churches in Shropshire and we are at present exploring the possibility of underground heating when the new floor is laid next year. The PCC agreed to dispose of the church pews (Subject to Faculty) to make way for interlockable church chairs. Once the pews have been formally valued if anyone is interested in purchasing a pew for posterity please let the Rector know.

### **Church Lead**

Lead from the church roof was stolen once more in June along with the graveyard tap at a cost of £1500. The PCC would be grateful if parishioners would report any suspicious activity that they may see in the graveyard to the Police.

### **Back to Church Sunday**

We shall be keeping Harvest on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 5.30pm. This service will include contributions from our Church of England Junior School and everyone is welcome to attend.

### **Thank you to the White Horse, Wrockwardine Wood**

**A BIG THANK YOU** to the White Horse for hosting two recent fund raising events in aid of church funds. Many people fail to realise that the weekly running cost of Holy Trinity is now in the region of £1500 per week that is financed through the generous financial support of parishioners, so the support of the wider community is greatly appreciated.

## *Wrockwardine Wood Infant School & Nursery*

### **Eco School Project**

The government's 'Every Child Matters' agenda is to give children the knowledge and skills they need to be active members of society. Children are becoming increasingly aware of climate change and the impact of our lifestyles on our environment.

The School Council has been looking at ideas of how the school community can help us achieve the Eco Schools Award. We need to prove that we care about our planet by developing the school grounds, recycling, reducing waste and saving energy.

An Eco Committee has been formed from members of the School Council, school staff, governors and members of the wider community. Together they hope to drive the project forward and make a real difference. So far the following have been implemented:

- We have redeveloped the school grounds so children can access an outdoor curriculum.
- Paper and cardboard are now recycled with immediate savings of £381 by reducing our refuse collection charges. We also recycle printer cartridges and have received over £30.00 to date.
- Vegetable and fruit waste is composted. The compost will be used on our new raised vegetable beds to allow every child to have first hand experience of food being grown. We have adopted a 'Roly Pig' to help with composting.
- We now have monitors to switch off lights and computer screens. We hope this will result in savings in energy.
- Monitors will check that taps are not left on in the toilets and ensure that paper towels are being used with care.
- Environmental issues are discussed in class, for example Year 2 classes recently visited Asda and sourced Fair Trade items. Issues relating to climate change are taught as part of geography.
- Bird boxes have been placed in the grounds to attract wildlife.
- School has taken part in an environmental week to highlight issues and keep awareness high. This was held in conjunction with 'Dads to School Week' when dads and granddads were invited



to come into school to help out with the environmental projects we had planned.

The committee hope to raise funds to purchase water butts and plant more shrubs and trees around school.

We are very proud of our children and school and everyone is committed to making a difference.

Our children's futures could depend upon it!

Classes at Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Centre		
MONDAY	<b>Brownies</b> (7 – 11 years). Telephone Mrs Lawlor: <b>617002</b>	6pm – 7.15pm
	<b>Keep fit for the over 50s NEW CLASS</b> Starts 8th September. Telephone Yvonne <b>616363</b> for details.	7pm – 8pm
TUESDAY	<b>Toddler Group NEW MEMBERS REQUIRED</b> Telephone Tracy: <b>528150</b>	9.15 – 11.15am
	<b>Art Class with Bob Spendlove NEW CLASS</b> Starts 16th September. Telephone Bob: <b>412918</b>	7pm – 9pm
WEDNESDAY	<b>Art Class with Stuart Mann NEW CLASS</b> Starts 24th September, 10 weeks. Contact the WEA: <b>583886</b> or just turn up.	10am – 12 noon
	<b>Art Class (tutor to be announced) NEW CLASS</b> Telephone TCAT: <b>642200</b> to book, quoting course number JE410B. 30 week course.	7pm – 9pm
	<b>Slimming World</b> Contact Donna: <b>251140</b> or just turn up.	7pm
THURSDAY	<b>Art Class with Pauline Jones NEW CLASS</b> Telephone TCAT: <b>642200</b> to book, quoting course number JE410C. 30 week course.	9.30 – 11.30am
FRIDAY	<b>Youth Club for 6 – 11 years</b> Run by the local Police Team	4.30 – 6.30pm



**New Keep Fit Class**  
For over 50s and anyone who requires gentle exercise  
Starts Monday 8th September

at  
Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish  
Council Centre  
7 – 8pm

Please telephone Yvonne on 616363 for  
further details



## Parish Council Contacts:

Les Brayne	616363 (via Council office)	Charles Smith	380223
Karen Hanmer	07852 477 987	Helen Smith	605645
Michael Hanmer	07873 288 355	John Thompson	606363 – Vice Chair
Derek Pearce	279181	Jhalman Singh Uppal	670127
Derek Plant	620274	Anne Watkins	271764
Yvonne Taylor	616363 – Clerk	Keith Watkins	271764 – Chair

## Borough Councillors:

Charles Smith	380223	Bob Groom	380200
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**Borough Councillors for St. Georges** which includes Wrockwardine Wood East Ward and most of Wrockwardine Wood Parish Ward: (Briggs Way, Cappelquin Drive (part) Cockshutt Road, Hudson Close, Iris Crescent, Johnstone Close, Lincoln Crescent, Lincoln Road, Lincoln Villas, Mafeking Drive, Mafeking Terrace, Middle Road, Moss Road, New Road, Old Incline, Proctors Place, Rocfield Terrace, Stafford Road (part), Summer Crescent, The Woodlands, Union Road, Urban Road, Woodland Villas and Woodlands Drive)

Richard Overton	380215	John Minor	380214
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**Please see the survey on behalf of Councillors Overton and Minor on the back page.**

**Email us at [parishcouncil@btconnect.com](mailto:parishcouncil@btconnect.com) or visit our website on [www.wwtpc.org.uk](http://www.wwtpc.org.uk)** (recently brought up to date, please check it out for additions/corrections and use the contact form to advise).

## Parish Council Meetings

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Full Council Meeting	7pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Full Council Meeting	7pm
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Full Council Meeting	7pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Full Council Meeting	7pm

## Useful Numbers:

Police	08457 444 888	Princess Royal Hospital	641 222
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111	Shropdoc (24 hours)	08450 202 131
Transco (if you smell gas)	0888 111 999	NHS Direct (24 hours)	0845 4647
Electricity (loss of supply)	0800 328 1111	Age Concern	587 821
Telford & Wrekin Council	380 000	Oakengates Leisure Centre	382 810
Council Tax/Housing Benefit	383 838	Oakengates Theatre – The Place	382 382
Stray Dogs/ Abandoned Cars, Refuse Collection & large items	384 384	Schools:	
Street Light Repairs	616 363	Wrock Wood Infants & Nursery	387 860
Wrekin Housing Trust	217 100	Wrock Wood Juniors	387 880
Samaritans	256 161	St. Lukes RC Junior School	388 222
Domestic Violence Helpline	0800 783 1359	Wrock Wood Arts College	388 300
		The Sutherland School	387 800



**In order to deliver local policing, you are invited to attend a public meeting that will shape the way we police your neighbourhood in the future.**

**Your opinions are important to us; please let us know what is important to you.**

Partners and Communities Together Meetings (PACT) are currently held at your parish council centre.

A surgery is also held prior to the meeting at 6:45pm.

## **Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Centre Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood**

### **PACT dates for your calendar**

	<b>Time</b>
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2008	7.15pm
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2008	7.15pm

## **Help us to help you**

### **How to contact your Local Police Team:**

Based at:	Donnington Police Station, Wellington Road, Telford TF2 8AE
Email:	<a href="mailto:wrockwardinewoodandtrench.lpt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk">wrockwardinewoodandtrench.lpt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk</a>
Message Line:	<b>01952 216 558</b> (non emergency)
<b>West Mercia</b>	
Non emergency:	<b>08457 444 888</b>
Or visit us at:	<a href="http://www.westmercia.police.uk">www.westmercia.police.uk</a>

There are now two weekly youth clubs for all young people of Wrockwardine Wood & Trench. These youth clubs are led by the Local Police Team and sponsored by the Parish Council:

**Every Friday**  
4.30pm – 6.30pm  
Ages 6 up to 12  
At  
The Parish Council Centre,  
Church Road,  
Wrockwardine Wood

**Every Wednesday**  
6.30 – 9.30pm  
Age 13 – 17 years  
at  
Minnesota Fats  
Cannongate  
Oakengates

The club held at Minnesota Fats is funded by Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council, St. Georges & Priorslee Parish Council and Oakengates Town Council.

If you would like to volunteer to help with running either of the youth clubs, please contact the Local Police Team.

## Have Your Say – Wrockwardine Wood & Trench PACT

The local PACT Panel (made up of representatives from agencies such as the police, local authority, local schools and parish council) is gathering information about local issues in this neighbourhood so that we can work with you to take action to tackle them. Please help us by writing down what you feel to be the biggest local issue / concern on this form and returning it to us.

How to return:

- 1 Complete form, without giving any personal details, and place it into a sealed envelope, addressing it to: LPT Wrockwardine Wood & Trench, Donnington Police Station, Wellington Road, Telford TF2 8AE. You will need to use a stamp.
- 2 Without an envelope – hand deliver to Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Centre (during school hours).

**WHAT** is your issue? (Please be as specific as you can)

**WHERE** is this happening? (E.g. street name / specific location)

**WHEN** is this happening? (Please provide times and days)

THANK YOU

### Survey on behalf of Councillors Overton and Minor, Telford & Wrekin Councillors for St Georges

Dear Resident

As we approach the summer it would be nice to have some feedback from yourselves to help John and I be more in touch with what you would like us to highlight as residents. Below are some questions for you to answer and return to Cllr Richard Overton at the address below:

Do you support a ban on street drinking in local centres?  Yes  No

Do you think St Georges bus network is good enough?  Yes  No

If no, what could be done to improve it? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you think that the Borough Council should collect recyclable plastic as part of the kerbside waste collection service?

Yes  No

What are your top priorities for St Georges? (number 1-5 )

Protection of green areas

More visible policing

More parking spaces

Investment in highways

Better street lighting

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel No \_\_\_\_\_ Post code TF2 \_\_\_\_\_



Cllr Richard Overton

**5 Ways to Contact Your Local Councillors**  
**In writing to:** Members Room, Civic Offices, PO Box 213, Telford, TF3 4LD  
**E-mail:** richard.overton@telford.gov.uk OR john.minor@telford.gov.uk  
**Phone:** Richard - 01952 380215 / 07977 5733 10  
or John 01952 380214 / 07775 705094  
**In person:** Advice Surgeries are held on the second Tuesday of the month between 4pm - 5pm at St Georges and Priorslee Parish Council Offices, Grove Street, St Georges  
**Via the internet at:** www.telford.gov.uk



Cllr John Minor