



New Care Agency



We Are Your Care Ltd

CARING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY COME RAIN OR SHINE

A new domiciliary care agency has opened in the heart of Leintwardine. We Are Your Care is based in the community centre and aims to serve the needs of Leintwardine and the surrounding areas. We Are Your Care is offering a friendly individual service to anyone who is in need of care in their own homes and caters for every illness and disability. The agency is happy to take both council and health authority packages as well as people who pay for their own care.

For more information, please contact Melissa Stokes or Julie Brookes on 01547 540 531 or email info@weareyourcare.co.uk

If you wish to contact or support the Craven Arms Foodbank, run by St Andrew's Church, the details are: Julia Gell, St Andrews Church, Market Street Craven Arms, Shropshire, SY7 9NW

The Food Bank is open Tuesday mornings from 10.30 to 12 noon.

Vulnerable people within the Leintwardine Group Parish can request a delivery if they are unable attend the food bank.

In the first instance you will need to text Julia Gell on 07508 358517, with your name, address, number in the family and if you are able to collect or need a delivery.

If anyone would like to donate food or money towards the food bank please text Julia Gell on the same number.

What's On in February 2021 & Volunteer Issue



For Hall Bookings, when restrictions allow, please contact the Community Centre Booking officer, Mike Rix on 01547 540171 or email: leintwardinecentrebookings@gmail.com

Leintwardine Parish Council Zoom meeting 4th February, 7.30pm

Members of the public are invited to attend. For joining instructions, please contact Paul Russell, LGPC Clerk leintwardinegpc@gmail.com

Leintwardine History Society will present an online talk on Sir John Oldcastle on Wednesday 17th February, time to be confirmed.

To receive the Zoom sign-in information please contact Leintwardinehs@gmail.com

Two history focused local walks have been prepared, a version of which could be completed individually or in groups of six when the restrictions permit.

The December quiz is also available on request.

Email Leintwardinehs@gmail.com for more information.

St. Mary Magdalen Church/Wigmore Abbey Parish Covid update

The PCC has regretfully decided to cancel services in all the churches in Wigmore Abbey Parish at least until the end of February. The following churches will remain open to provide a quiet space for reflection or private prayer, Leintwardine, Downton and Adforton. During this time there will be a weekly ZOOM service in which you are welcome to join. Funerals will take place either at the graveside or the Crematorium. For more information contact Alistair Gloag as below.

Rev Mike Catling is on sick leave until the end of February. If you need to speak to anyone on church related matters you can contact either the parish Reader, Alistair Gloag, 01547 540394 or agloag@btinternet.com or the Rural Dean, Rev Jane Davies 01432 830581 or trendy.rev2@btinternet.com

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2020 – Raised over £3000

The 2020 Poppy Appeal total for the area was a wonderful £3065.29.

Thanks to special help from local shops and schools, volunteer initiatives, church donations and your generosity this exceeded the 2019 total!

At this difficult time demands on the charity are higher than ever so thank you for your continuing support.

Janet Rolfe-Smith, Poppy Area Organiser

FIRST SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Maybe it's being optimistic but the Community Centre Committee is looking ahead to when life returns to something like normal. So, we're thinking about First Saturday and how to revive this popular and socially important monthly event when the rules are eventually relaxed.

We want a team of twelve volunteers who are prepared to organise each month's event, book the stallholders and set up the hall. Naturally, you will be helped by members of the Committee and, if we can attract a dozen folk to take this job on, you'll only be called upon once each year!

We also need to put together a rota of folk who are willing to handle the catering for each event by providing some cake or biscuits and serving teas and coffees.

We would like to hear from our existing catering volunteers to let us know whether they are able to continue as a catering volunteer once First Saturday restarts. Both volunteer roles will probably only involve you once each year.

So, if you and your partner are willing to put yourselves forward to be added to our list of volunteers, we'd love to hear from you. **Please let Martin Goddard know asap by email martinfordgoddard@btinternet.com or phone 01547 540185.**

Leintwardine Flood Group

We are a newly formed group, that are looking into the issues and possible solutions to some of the annual flooding problems in Leintwardine.

We currently need volunteers to join/help us. So, if you are up to helping us clear ditches, write letters/emails, offering help to people who have had their homes flooded or have been stranded here by the floods, please contact the Parish Clerk – Paul on 01547 529025 or leintwardinegpc@gmail.com

If while you are out walking and you see a blocked drain/ditch please let the Parish Clerk know. The more reports we get the more chance we have of dealing with these issues.

If you have any concerns about flooding in Leintwardine or observe any of the following;

- main rivers blocked by a vehicle or fallen tree causing risk of flooding
- flooding from any river, stream, canal, natural spring or the sea
- unusual changes in river flow
- collapsed or badly damaged river or canal banks

please call the Environment Agency Incident hotline Telephone: 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service) or e-mail; enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk

It would be useful to us if you could send a copy of your email/letter to the Parish Clerk at leintwardinegpc@gmail.com

Virtual Volunteering in 2021-Support local people by 'Virtual Volunteering'

A local charity Onside has encouraged people to sign up as volunteers and support their project to visit people in residential care and uphold the person's rights acting in their best interests. A great start to a New Year making difference to local lives.

Onside, which works across Herefordshire and Worcestershire, is looking for people to take on the role of a Relevant Persons Representative (RPR). Volunteers as an RPR are safeguarding the rights of vulnerable people who don't have the mental capacity to consent to care or treatment.

This involves visiting people with dementia, learning disabilities, and individuals assessed to have a lack of capacity to consent to living in a residential care. As an RPR the volunteer would be visiting (currently over video call, full training given) a person just once every 4 weeks for no more than 1 hour. Volunteering would be local to where the volunteer lives.

If you can picture yourself in the role of an Onside volunteer please call Claire Watkins - Volunteer Manager on 07592 737303 or email claire.watkins@onside-advocacy.org.uk to find out more or visit www.onside-advocacy.org.uk