

Madeley Matters

Madeley
Town Council

Serving
Madeley,
Sutton Hill & Woodside

135th Edition | March 2023

Our Communities of Madeley, Sutton Hill & Woodside

JOIN US FOR THE KING'S CORONATION



SATURDAY 6 MAY
STREET PARTY

PARK AVENUE, 10AM-2PM

ROAD CLOSED TO TRAFFIC 9AM-3PM

Children's Street Party table along with children's party food bags, street entertainment, activities and fun, along with live streaming of the ceremony and cream teas in the Anstice Ballroom (on a first come first served basis).

FREE party table tickets will be issued for children living in Madeley, Sutton Hill & Woodside - proof of ID & address required. Available from Madeley Community Library from 17-28 Apr on Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am-4pm and Wednesdays & Fridays 9am-3pm

FOOD



MUSIC



FUN



Info: 01952 567288



FREE
PLEASE TAKE
ONE





Out and about with the Mayor of Madeley Town Council

I cannot believe we are nearly a quarter of the way through 2023! It is so nice to see the sunshine start to come out and the small signs that spring is on the way! The last few months have been busy but also extremely enjoyable. I love meeting new people and seeing the amazing things our community do.



Happy 100th Birthday Coalbrookdale WI

Coalbrookdale WI hold their meetings in Jubilee House and they celebrated their 100th birthday. Other branches of the WI came along to help them celebrate. I went along to give the group best wishes and to meet the members. It was great to see so many people there.

25 years of Jubilee House

Another birthday celebration was for Jubilee House. Built in 1870, the building was originally a Market Hall and later a nuts and bolts factory. It has housed Madeley Town Council for the last 25 years. Liz Watling was a Councillor at the time of the renovation so it was brilliant that she could come along and help us to mark the occasion.



Fundraising for Diabetes UK

I popped in to see Kelly Lake at the Elizabethan pub in Woodside as Lesley, the owner, has told me about all of the work Kelly has put into fundraising for Diabetes UK. Lesley unfortunately lost her Son last year due to diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA). Since then Kelly has worked really hard to raise both awareness and over £10,000 for the charity. The family have sought great comfort in seeing the community come together during what has been an awful time for them so I wanted to show my support.



Halesfield Day Nursery - Green Mission



Halesfield Day Nursery invited me along to see all of the amazing work they have put into their eco activities. I loved visiting and seeing how engaged the children were. The nursery are an accredited plastic free nursery and they have won lots of awards. David Attenborough has even written to them to acknowledge their hard work. Thank you Helen for showing me around, I am excited to come back again.

Deputy Lord Lieutenant Visits Madeley

I was extremely honoured to host a visit from the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Shropshire. We went to Jubilee House, The Anstice, Park Lane Centre and Hub on the Hill to see all of the amazing volunteers across our community as well as our hard working and dedicated centre managers. I am excited to forge strong links with Lieutenancy and I am always extremely proud to show off our fabulous Town!



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CLlr Helena Morgan



Shop Local, Spend Local

A BIG HELLO & WELCOME TO

YUTOPIA SPA



Now located on Madeley High Street!

Oriental-inspired spa brings heavenly treatments to Madeley. The spa has a large client base, Yutopia Spa has received a Telford & Wrekin Council business start-up grant through the council's Pride in Our High Street programme and now occupies premises at the bottom of Madeley High Street.

The spa will provide a range of holistic therapy treatments from its new home including advanced types of massages, facials, nail treatments, waxing and much more. It will also offer a series of packages such as pamper days which are the perfect gift or relaxing treat.



Madeley Town Council Mayor Helena Morgan, left, & Yutopia owner Donna Brazier Edwards officially open Yutopia.

Owner and highly experienced therapist Donna Brazier Edwards launched her Yutopia brand over eight years ago and has built up an enviable client base.

As she looked to expand her business, the opportunity arose for a new bespoke designed salon in Madeley and Donna and her team didn't hesitate to seize the opportunity.

Find out more about what treatments are on offer at Yutopia by visiting Yutopia's Facebook page and you can also visit their website: www.yutopiaspa.co.uk



Madeley Market News...

Madeley market is growing nicely. There has always been Steve selling his swag and Len selling his plants. They have both been at the market for over 30 years.

In April last year Sweet little things and Sally Beech Creations started trading at the market. Then came Cookes Crafty creations. Roots an Shoots flowers followed shortly after. The market then had the pleasure of Madeley Pet Supplies joining the market family. Kades little toy shack joined the market team in December and last but not least we had the beautiful smelling stall Julie's melts - Scentsational Creations starting in January.

There are more stalls soon to come too. Madeley market has a great bunch of stall holders. They are always up for a friendly chat and are always helping each other. The stall holders absolutely love their days at the market and have a large variety of products on sale.

If you are attending a special occasion you can pop to the market order some beautiful flowers (Roots an Shoots flowers) order a cake (Sweet Little Things) get a pretty hair accessory or jewellery item to wear from (Sally Beech Creations) buy some beautiful gift sets (Julie's wax melts- Scentsational Creations).

If you need household items you can get batteries and tools (Steve's Swag) fruit and veg (Roots an Shoots flowers) pet

food and treats (Madeley Pet Supplies) and plants for the garden (Len's plants).

If you want a lovely blanket or a newborn baby set (Cookes Crafty Creations) or want to buy a fun toy (Kades little toy shack) there's lots to choose from.

Madeley market has a fantastic selection of products and because many of the stalls sell handmade items it makes the purchases extra special and unique. Come and support your local market and meet the lovely stall holders.



Our Community...



Halesfield Day Nursery

**Children at Halesfield Day Nursery
have been busy cooking up a storm recently...**

The nursery runs a baking buddies group every week, which gives children the opportunity to make and try some delicious healthy and nutritious foods. So far, the children have made cheese straws, banana smoothies and wholemeal flat breads.

The confidence the children have developed over the last term has been immense, they have become familiar with the equipment used and also very accustomed to some of the technical language used when cooking. The children are also starting to become more adventurous at trying new foods and encouraging their peers to try too, which is great for promoting healthy eating and broadening children's cultural diets and experiences.

Jackie Morris, the nursery deputy said "It's been lovely working with the children. As it is such a small group, the children have really been able to get involved and work with each other to achieve some wonderful outcomes. You

can see how proud they are of their achievements and can't wait to share their homemade produce with their friends at snack time. We hope to expand this group further as we can see the benefits for the children, already it has developed their communication skills, confidence and their knowledge and understanding of how food is prepared".



Madeley Scout and Guide Hut Update

Over the last 2 years the hut committee has worked with the leaders of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers and Beavers to update the hut and make it a safer, warmer and more attractive place for the children to meet.

We have recently secured a £1000 grant from Veolia to improve our outside space. In partnership with our local "Men in Sheds" group, who gave their time for free, we have made significant improvements to the outside area. We would like to thank Veolia for the grant to enable this project to commence and a big thank you to "Men in Sheds" who worked tirelessly during December and January to complete the transformation. Please see some of our Before and After pictures.

The hut's Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 20th April 2023 and we are looking for local people to join the committee. We would love parents, carers, or relatives of our children to represent each group but also 3 additional local representative to help form the committee.

Also, if you are interested in volunteering to help Girlguiding or Scouting groups then please register your interest by clicking on the relevant link.
Girlguiding | The Leading UK Charity for Girls & Young Women | Girlguiding or <https://www.scouts.org.uk>

You can also email the scout leader:
Ddc_North@shropshiresevernandtemescouts.org.uk



Your Adventure Starts Here



WE DISCOVER, WE GROW

Girlguiding

1st Sutton Hill, Rainbows
Brownies & Guides

Girlguiding is the leading charity for girls and young women in the UK. Thanks to the dedication and support of 100,000

Rainbows - a fun and exciting programme for girls aged 4 to 7, it's all about learning by doing

amazing volunteers, we are active in every part of the UK, giving girls and young women a space where they can

be themselves, have fun, build brilliant friendships, gain valuable life skills and make a positive difference to their lives and their communities. We build girls' confidence and raise their aspirations. We give them the chance to discover their full potential and encourage them to be a powerful force for good.



Our Unit

We are based on Sutton Hill; Our adventures reach far and wide, activities take place inside and out; we love exploring the local orchard, parks, orienteering up the Wrekin, letting our hair down at theme parks as well as learning about the history of our community and Girlguiding. We welcome members from on and off Sutton Hill. One evening we are learning first aid, the next cooking followed by walking the plank plus gaining orienteering skill.

Brownies is about trying new things that teach girls aged 7 to 10 about themselves, their community and their world



All together

The best thing about our unit is we are all under one roof, Rainbows, Brownies and

Guides; we explore together, learn together and grow together as a family. If your daughter is keen to learn new skills, have adventures and make new friends why not join 1st Sutton Hill Rainbows, Brownies & Guides, we'd love to meet you.

Guides have an exciting and varied programme designed to inspire and challenge girls from 10-14



As well as trying activities in their meetings, girls choose from interest badges related to things they want to know more about.

Come join us



Register online: www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

When: Thursday's term time,
5:15pm to 6:45pm



Looking after the environment



News from

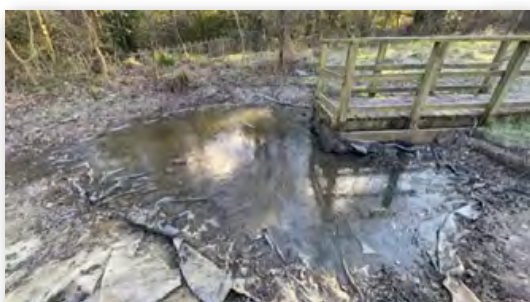
Madeley Orchard

The snowdrops are out at Madeley Orchard.... A sure sign that Spring is around the corner. During the cold weather several of our volunteers have been unable to attend our Tuesday morning sessions. We hope that with better weather ahead they will return and we can start recruiting new volunteers.

With Spring comes a new project; sponsored by Veolia's EnviroGrant. A restful, peaceful area up by the gate into the church grounds is being designed by Phil; one of our volunteers. He has started on a hazel hedge along part of the path and the Community Action Team have helped clear and level the site. We hope to put in a low hedge across to the wall with native plants that will give colour, perfume and flowers throughout the year. It is a restful place and we hope it will be treated with respect. Do enjoy watching its progress.



Our other project is to 'redo' the pond. We have found a lovely man called Stuart who is going to regenerate our pond into a perfect habitat for Great Crested Newts; a protected natural species. This will inevitably result in a certain amount of damage to the area around the pond. We have applied for a grant which will help us replace the rotting wood on the staging and landscape the area around the pond.



Madeley Town Council

MADELEY IN BLOOM COMPETITION

For residents living in Madeley, Sutton Hill & Woodside

Competition Judging - Thursday 13 July, 2023

CATEGORIES:

- Best Allotment (Sutton Hill & West View sites)
- Best Front Garden
- Best Hanging Basket

Madeley Town Council Mayor will be out and about to judge the competition. All entries must be visible from the front of the property

For more information or to register your 'bloom': 01952 567287 or email: julie@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk

The pond has suffered badly from having bricks, rocks, branches, tins and bottles etc thrown into it. It would be nice to think that visitors appreciate the efforts we are making to improve the environment and have a pleasant place to walk, sit and picnic.

We hope to work with local schools so they can understand the importance of protecting our environment and the wildlife that lives in our orchard.

Do please keep an eye on our progress, volunteer to help and please report any antisocial behaviour to the police.

The photos show the areas as they are now and we will keep you all up to date with the progress.

If you would like to volunteer we hold sessions at the Orchard on Tuesdays from 10am-1pm starting 1st March. All welcome.

WE DID IT! MADELEY, WOODSIDE AND SUTTON HILL ARE PLASTIC FREE

How we did it

Back in 2019 Madeley Town Council embarked on a journey to become plastic free through a scheme created by a charity called Surfers Against Sewage. Little did we know how this journey would look.

We started with the refill scheme where our local businesses were able to sign up to be a water refill point. Download the Refill app on your phone to locate which businesses are taking part. All you need to do is take your bottle and they will fill it with drinking water.

Following the success of this we decided to gain plastic free accreditation. Registering with the SAS Plastic Free Communities movement helped us to pull together key organisations and businesses in the town to put in place a five-point plan. The objectives include; setting up a community led steering group, instigating the SAS Plastic Free Schools education programme, getting local council commitment and working with local businesses, organisations and community groups to spread the word and minimise the amount of disposable plastics they use.



What next

Now that we have gained accreditation the work doesn't stop there. We want to continue with the work to ensure sustainability is at the forefront of everything we do. Keep an eye out in future editions for information.

We have held events and pop ups to raise awareness as well as litter picks across our wards and want to arrange more.

You will hopefully have seen the recycling bins that have been installed in Madeley which is a brilliant start in encouraging our community to be more mindful of the waste we use.

We are also excited that our accreditation has helped Telford and Wrekin get one step further to getting Plastic Free Status for the whole Borough. To be part of this project has been a privilege and I am looking forward to seeing where this journey takes us as a Town Council and the wider Borough.



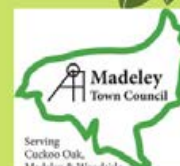
**PLASTIC FREE
COMMUNITIES**
SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE

Freeing where we live from single-use

Plastic Free



MADELEY, WOODSIDE AND SUTTON HILL





WHAT'S ON...

IRONBRIDGE & SEVERN GORGE LIONS

Ironbridge Lions, one of 46,000 Lions clubs around the world, started life in 1979 and, on 5th March more than seventy Members and Guests will gather at the Valley Hotel to celebrate our 44th birthday. Much has changed since 1979, but one fundraising activity has remained a constant; in the summer of that year a group of members laid a strip of sticky tape on the Iron Bridge and invited passers-by to lay down their spare coins with the aim of getting a line right across the bridge. That invite, under the banner "Silver over the Bridge" or "SOB" has been repeated several hundred times since 1979 and has raised thousands of pounds for charity.

In recent years we have dedicated each SOB event to a different small local charity or community group. Members of the chosen group join Lions members on the Iron Bridge for the day and all monies donated go to the group. Our 2023 programme will include 8 SOB events, commencing on Easter Sunday 9th April when we will be joined by Members (and Coracles) from the Ironbridge Coracle Trust. Details of other dates and the local groups involved will be found on our web site <https://www.ironlions.org.uk>

Prostrate screening is another important element of our annual programme. Each year since 2017, with the active support of our friends in Ironbridge Rotary, we have delivered free PSA testing to around 600 men. This year we are holding 3 screening events at the Abraham Darby Academy in Madeley. Each event will accommodate around 200 men and further details including dates and booking arrangements can be found on our web site.

If you like what we do within the community, why not consider joining us. There is great satisfaction to be found in working with friends to help others within the community and you can give as much, or as little, of your time as you can spare. If you would like to have more information, just contact our Secretary Colin Thompson (cthompson@bcs.org.uk) or call 07970 417497

The Joy of Spring

Sibelius, Karelia Suite
Elgar, Wand of Youth Suites
Beethoven, Symphony No. 7

CONDUCTOR
Benedict Goodall

Saturday 18th March, 7:30pm
St Michael's Church, Madeley TF7 5BN
Tickets on the door, £7.50

Telford Orchestra

Spring is in the Air for Music Lovers

Spring is in the air for Telford Orchestra who will be sharing a delightful programme of music on Saturday 18th March at 7:30pm at St Michael's Church in Madeley.

The programme includes the Karelia Suite by the Finnish composer, Sibelius. Sibelius held fervent views about his country's position under Russian dominance and in his late twenties and early thirties, became passionate about the micro-nationalist importance of one particular area of Finland, Karelia. The orchestra will also be performing a selection of movements from Elgar's 'Wand of Youth', inspired by the composer's reminiscences of a childhood in Worcestershire and happy holidays with his family. Finally, Beethoven's 7th symphony will be heard, which was apparently summed up by Tchaikovsky as 'a whole series of images, full of unrestrained joy, full of bliss and pleasure of life'. Under the conductorship of Benedict Goodall, this joyful evening with the orchestra is not to be missed.



Tickets are available on the door priced £7.50 and refreshments will be available.
www.telfordorchestra.org.uk



IRONBRIDGE GORGE WALKING FESTIVAL RETURNS!

9 days of FREE walks, with over 60 walks to choose from

Saturday, April 29 to Sunday 7 May, sees the start of the Ironbridge Gorge Walking Festival now in its eighteenth year!

We are thrilled to be back once more, offering our usual nine day festival of walks. Our programme offers something for everyone, ranging from 3 to 20 miles in length! We have the usual mix of old favourites and new walks for you to try! We have family friendly trails, short informative walks and all-day hikes! Ironbridge and the surrounding area is a fabulous place to walk, with lovely scenery and lots of history to explore. As always, we will be awarding medals to walkers covering 100, 50, or 25 miles over 3 walks or more, and this year we're including a medal for 75 miles as well, so if you're looking for a challenge.....! All walks are free but need to be pre-booked. For a full listing and to book, visit Our Walks at www.ironbridgewalking.co.uk



Let's talk...wellbeing

Here at Madeley Town Council, our priority is to work for our residents, have good facilities, provide support and ensure services are in reach and available to as many as possible.

We care for the wellbeing of all our residents, so much so that we now have a dedicated Wellbeing Officer to provide support and services locally.

Charlotte joined Madeley Town Council in January and is committed to providing support that really makes a difference.

Charlotte said: "Improving wellbeing for people is vital. Wellbeing put in simple terms means feeling happy, but there are so many factors that affect our ability to be happy, and it really is individual for each of us. We have gone straight from a global pandemic, which brought multiple challenges, into a cost of living crisis, so almost everyone will have experienced a dip in their wellbeing at some point over the last three years, I know I certainly did.



"What I want to do now is find out what is affecting your wellbeing, whether that be problems with health or accessing healthcare, struggling financially, wanting to be fitter, wanting to socialise with people similar to yourselves, or something else entirely. That knowledge will help me to plan a programme for the coming years working to achieve change for the residents of Madeley, Sutton Hill and Woodside.

"The survey inside will give me an insight into what wellbeing looks like to you and give me that starting point to tackle change by finding out how you're feeling right now and what you want, and equally what is working well at the moment. Please take the time to complete it, your input really could bring about some positive changes both for you personally and your local community."

Your Wellbeing survey 2023

Each person in your household may complete the form. You can complete the form on behalf of younger children or those unable to complete the form themselves. Where possible please ask the person you are completing the form for to tell you their answers.

Our aim is to build an overview of how you as residents within the Madeley Town Council area are feeling about different areas of your lives at the moment and any information you feel you can share with us will help us to target our work and aim to improve your wellbeing through schemes and projects that we deliver.

If you need more copies of the survey for other members in your household; please email charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk or call 01952 567288.

In which area of Madeley Town Council do you live?

Madeley Sutton Hill Woodside

Which age group are you in?

0-4 5-11 11-18 19-35 36-54 55-69 70+

Are you?

Not yet school age In education Working – Full time Working –part time

Unemployed Retired

Do you consider yourself to have a disability?

No Yes

If you wish to share what your disability is/disabilities are it may help us with future schemes

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Are you a carer for someone in your household?

No Yes (registered) Yes (unregistered)

Please rate your current happiness in the following areas, 1 being extremely unhappy, 10 being the happiest you could be? In each case please feel free to explain why you have given that score, or if the question does not apply to you please leave score and explanation blank.

School/Work 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

More information about your score

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Home/family life 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

More information about your score

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More information about your score

Ability to cope financially	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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More information about your score

Ability to cope emotionally	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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More information about your score

Current fitness level	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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More information about your score

Current health level	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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More information about your score

Have your general happiness levels got better or worse over the last two years?

Better Worse No change

If your happiness levels are worse, please let us know why if feel you can share

Are you receiving or have you received any additional help since COVID-19/cost of living increase?

No	Yes (please state what support you have received)

Thinking about your scores above, what would help most to make you happier? What has made you happier in the past?

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Is there anything else that you wish to share that you feel is important to your wellbeing?

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We very much thank you for your time completing this survey. If you have any questions about the survey or wellbeing please email charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk

Further information

If you prefer to complete the survey online please email (details below) or call Charlotte on 01952 567288 for an electronic copy.

Once you have completed the survey please return it in any of the following ways:

Post to: Jubilee House, 74 High Street, Madeley, Telford, TF7 5AH

Drop in to: Madeley Library at The Anstice or Jubilee House

Email to: charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.co.uk

You can also take a photo of your survey and email it back if you have completed it but have no other way to return it.

Closing date for responses: Friday 28th April

Please note that we cannot and will not identify you from the information that you provide and will not share any personal information that you give. After the closing date all surveys will collated. The general findings of the survey and how the information will be used will be shared with residents in the coming months.

Charlotte is keen to hear about all your wellbeing issues and ideas. Please don't hesitate to share your ideas for projects or services at any time. Equally if you are already delivering or starting a scheme that has a wellbeing focus in the area, please let Charlotte know at the email address above.

WHAT'S ON...

IRONBRIDGE ROTARY CLUB

Ironbridge Rotary Club has always been quick to respond to a challenge, and the recent devastating earthquake in Turkey and Syria has been no exception. Within hours of the tragedy we had contacted ASDA and organised two collections to provide relief. The proceeds were swiftly handed over to the Red Cross, who had the means to get the money through to where it was needed. In addition, they were able to arrange match funding, which meant that our donation was doubled before being transferred. Our thanks to the many local people who contributed so generously to this appeal.

We have also continued our regular donations in both cash and kind to the Food Bank to help relieve the stress local families are facing in the current financial crisis. This aid will continue for the foreseeable future.

We recently made a presentation to Southall School to help provide equipment for science education for the older pupils.

Now that we are approaching the warmer weather we shall be out and about with all our usual activities. Our popular dog show will be returning so watch for the adverts. We are also planning to be at any Fairs in the area hoping to contribute to the fun.



A recent donation of food to Telford Crisis Support



An Update from Severn Gorge Countryside Trust



Severn Gorge COUNTRYSIDE Trust

Easter Fun

Easter is fast approaching, so join us for some outdoor family fun on Wednesday the 5th of April, searching for easter eggs and looking out for all things Spring! Head to our Eventbrite page to book your place using the QR code below. You can also view the other upcoming events on our latest Outdoor Learning Programme, including natural dyes, basket making, mammal tracking and many more.

Wild Garlic Galore

This is a great time of year to get out and explore our sites, looking out for the beautiful bluebells (the UK is home to over half the world's population) and pungent wild garlic. Why not try collecting some wild garlic leaves to make your very own pesto: simply blend your wild garlic leaves with some cheese, garlic, lemon juice, oil of your choice, and pine nuts (or substitute a nut you like, walnuts can work well!). Season with salt and pepper and enjoy on pasta or with some crusty bread. Loamhole Dingle and Captain's Coppice are great sites to find this fabulous free food.

No Mow May

We are also encouraging people to take part in the No Mow May challenge, a great way to help our struggling wildlife. On a single summer day an acre of wildflower meadow can contain 3 million flowers, producing a kilogram of nectar syrup for pollinators. So, lock up your lawn mower this May and embrace the wonderful flowers and long grass – as well as the butterflies and bees they attract!

To find out more about our work follow us on Facebook or visit our website www.severngorge.org.uk



Scan the QR code



Madeley Town Council & Jubilee House News...

JUBILEE HOUSE *What's On...*

Here at Jubilee House we have various clubs and groups that meet and are welcoming to new members.

Mondays:

9.30-12 – Madeley Art Club
1.45-3.15 – Harmony Singing

Tuesdays:

9.30-10.30 – Aerobics
7-9 – AA

Wednesdays:

9-12 – Nettiecrafts
7-9 – Yoga

Thursdays:

10-12 Madeley History Group
1-3 – Friendly Retirement Group

Fridays:

9.30-10.30 – Aerobics
1.30-4 – Jubilee2 Dance Club

Calm Café

5-7pm, 3rd Thursday of the month for Veterans to meet up for a cuppa and chat

Coalbrookdale WI

1-3pm, 2nd Wednesday of the month



Madeley Miners Horse & Cart in its new home at the gateway to Madeley centre

Feedback quotes...

"I've always liked the horse and cart and I'm glad it is being looked after."

"Much better place!"

"Absolutely wonderful news. I was friends with his late son and we used to talk fondly of his fathers sculptures. I lead walks around Gerry's other sculptures in Brosley during the Ironbridge Walking Festival. Very clever man."

"Couldn't have picked a better place for it, I remember Mr. Foxall doing them"

"It looks great and very fitting. Hopefully it encourages interest in the industrial heritage of the area to children and young people"

"Was lovely to see, it was easily missed in its previous location it looks great and now everyone can see it, a good move!!!"

"This is the perfect place for it. It's fantastic to see on the island xx"

"We had a lovely surprise seeing it when we approached it on Monday"

There are other sculptures located in Brosley:

Geoff Barnett: *"The ones up Brosley were from the Power Station and were made also by the power station lads."*

For more information about Gerry's sculptures you can read the Shropshire Star article:

Solved: Mystery soldier sculpture was work of late Telford artist | Shropshire Star



PROM POPUP!

We are collecting preloved ballgowns, evening dresses, prom dresses and suits so that we can offer them to our residents for this year's prom season in our local schools.

If you would like to donate a suitable item please drop it in at Jubilee House, High Street, Madeley. Last year we ran a successful project to help local youngsters get ready for their prom events and we would like to repeat it again this year.

Cllr Kelly Middleton is once again the lead for this project and we will be announcing 'PopUp' events to give these out, so look out for details on our social media pages.



Royal British Legion... Madeley Branch!

Madeley is looking to re-establish it's own branch of the Royal British Legion. Madeley Town Council and the Royal British Legion will be holding a recruitment drive in Madeley Library (at the Anstice) from 14 – 18 March (Tues-Fri 10am-2pm Sat 9am-12noon). If you are interested in becoming a committee member or joining please come along or contact us on 01952 567 288.





MADELEY EASTER BUNNY TRAIL...

Crusher here is so excited and looking forward to visiting all the shops & businesses in Madeley with his friends this coming Easter. Why not take part in the Easter Bunny Trail which will see bunnies in our town's windows along with clues to collect.

The trail runs from Monday 3 April to Thursday 6 April. Forms will be available from Madeley Community Library and there will be an Easter treat awaiting you when you complete the trail.

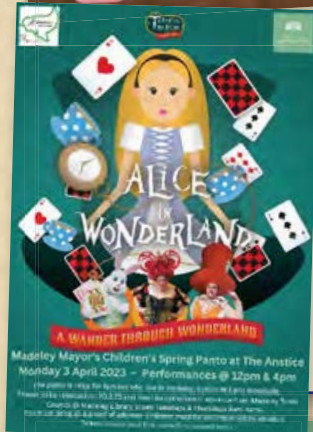


Mayer's Children's Spring Pantomime...

Madeley Mayor; Cllr Helena Morgan is pleased to announce her Children's Spring Panto. This lovely performance of Alice in Wonderland is FREE for families living in our parish (Madeley, Sutton Hill & Woodside).

There will be two performances on Monday 3 April; 12noon and 4pm. Tickets will be available from 20 March to collect from the Madeley Town Council Community Team at Madeley Community Library on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 9am-4pm and Wednesdays & Fridays between 9am-3pm. You will need to bring with you proof of ID and address to be eligible for tickets.

We hope you enjoy the show!



ANSTICE NEWS...



2023 has got off to a flying start, our first event in the ballroom was a joint 60th and 18th Birthday party. A great time was had by all.

If you're interested in booking the ballroom for a special occasion then please email info@theanstice.co.uk We are currently taking bookings for 2024.

First bingo of 2023...

Literally was a full house!!! The daytime bingo has now changed day from a Wednesday to a Tuesday afternoon, this seemed very popular with everyone has there wasn't a spare table anywhere in the ballroom! Our next bingo session will be a Friday night. This will take place on Friday 24th March... free entry and eyes down at 7pm!

Valentines

A fantastic afternoon was had by all at our Valentine's afternoon tea dance. A big thankyou to Moonlight Serenade for the music. The dancing from everyone was amazing. But the credit must go to the amazing café team and volunteers who helped... especially Zoe our chef who created her magic on the plates.

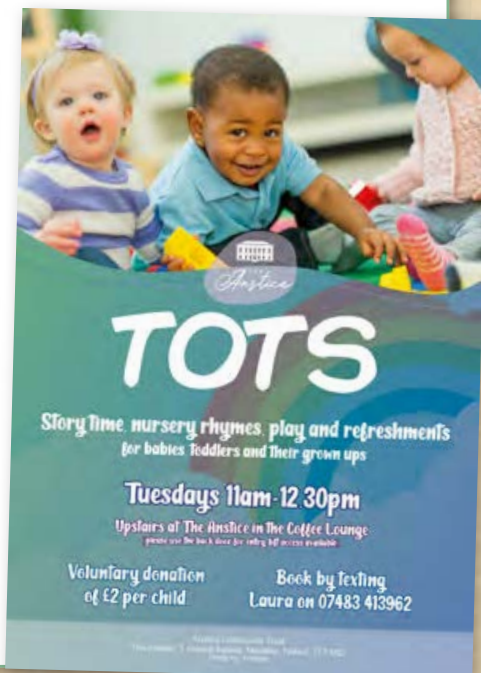
Keep your eyes open for the next Afternoon Tea Dance at The Anstice on Monday the 8th of May as you can guess this will be our Coronation Afternoon tea dance. Tickets for this event will be on sale from The Anstice.

In other news

The Anstice Tots playgroup started a few weeks ago and is already really popular. It's lovely to see our babies and toddlers socialising and playing together. Very importantly, this group gives an opportunity for their grown ups to meet up too; have a chat and enjoy a rare hot drink (biscuits are also available!). If you'd like to join in, please text Laura on 07483 413962. Sessions run every Tuesday, 11am-12.30pm and we would be very grateful for a donation of £2 per child.

We would just like to Thank the community for their continued loyalty and support its very much appreciated.

Team Anstice X





News from our Community Centres

WINTER WARM SPACES...

Various venues in our town have received funding to provide Winter Warm Spaces for people to use and receive a warming meal and drink. These spaces have been funded until the end of March by Telford & Wrekin Council and Madeley Town Council and can be found at the following locations:

Winter Warmer
Madeley Baptist Church
High Street, Madeley

We will be opening our Church every Tuesday and Thursday from 10.30am- 3pm from 1 November to end of end of March.

We will be providing tea, coffee, toast and biscuits throughout, together with a Soup Lunch from 12.00noon.

Everyone welcome to keep warm, save energy costs, meet new friends and enjoy a wholesome meal of bread and soup together.

See you there!

Funded by grants from Telford & Wrekin Council & Madeley Town Council

St Mary's Warm Space
Everyone welcome, come on in
Open Mondays 10 am until 2 pm

Come in and join us for warmth, tea, coffee, biscuits and around midday a cup of soup and a roll

PARK LANE CENTRE Warm Space
WE WILL BE PROVIDING A WARM SPACE THIS WINTER. NO NEED TO BOOK - JUST TURN UP

HOT FOOD
DRINKS
GAMES
CHAT

TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS
2PM - 5PM
STARTING TUESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

PARK LANE CENTRE, TELFORD, TF7 5QZ

THE HUB on the HILL

WINTER WARMER
Every Tues, Wed & Thurs
1pm-3pm

(November until March)
104-106 Southgate, Sutton Hill, Telford TF7 4JG

THE Anstice

WINTER WARM-UP

Tuesdays—Fridays
1pm-4pm

Drop-in to The Anstice Café for a FREE bowl of soup or stew, bread roll, hot or cold drink and a warm, welcoming space.

Anstice Community Trust
Charity No. 1162626
The Anstice, 1 Anstice Square, Madeley, Telford, TF7 9BD

WINTER WARM PACKS

We have Winter Warm packs available for those who may be struggling with heating their homes at the moment. If you need help or support - please come and speak to a member of staff at Park Lane Centre Reception on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 2pm - 4pm

Packs may include (dependant on needs):
Insulation for windows and doors
Hot water bottles
Fleece throws



Open Tuesday and Wednesday
2pm - 4pm



Park Lane Centre | Woodside |
Telford | TF7 5QZ | 01952 683 700



VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDERS NEEDED

Do you have a few hours a week spare to befriend people who are lonely, isolated or have mental health issues?

Yes!

Become a **Befriender** with Stay Supported Housing



Call Maria Spock
Stay Supported Housing -
Volunteer Coordinator
Call 07470504315

Or Email

mariaspeck@staytelford.co.uk



Do you have experience working with victims of Domestic Abuse?

Do you have around 3 hours of free time to run a coffee morning, In Madeley, for victims of abuse?



If "yes" please contact me

Call Maria Speck
Stay Supported Housing -
Volunteer Coordinator
Call 07470504315
Or Email
mariaspeck@staytelford.co.uk



learn telford

www.learntelford.ac.uk

In addition to this upcoming Food Safety course there is due to be a jobs fair at the Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill on Thursday 18 May; this is being funded by Cllr White & Cllr Jones and their Pride Fund for Sutton Hill residents. There is also a drop-in session at the Hub on the 1st Tuesday of the month from 10am-12noon to support people with employment and learning advice, so anyone wanting a CV to help them apply for employment can come along.

Why not come along and find out what Tai Chi is all about? There will be a taster session at the Hub on Thursday 11 May - if you would like to join in please book on.

At Jubilee House, we have a Level 2 Award in Child Development starting on the 20th April, and potentially an ESOL and Level 2 Craft course also waiting to be confirmed.

I will also be hosting a drop-in on the 1st Thursday (10-12) at Madeley Library to support people with employment and learning advice.



Food Safety Course Level 2

During this 1 day course, learners will build an understanding on the importance of safe food handling practices and keeping foods safe. Topics covered include: food safety laws, types of contamination and the associated risks, bacteriology, personal hygiene, safe food handling practices and more.

Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill, TF7 4HG

Tuesday 28 March 2023

9.15am - 4.15pm

Please arrive prompt for the enrolment and the course will start straight after

The course is free if you are:

- Aged between 19-24 and Not in Employment Education or Training (NEET)
- Aged over 50 and unemployed or at risk of redundancy
- Employed and without a Level 3 qualification
- Disabilities or special educational needs
- A single parent with at least one child at home
- Unemployed for over 12 months

If you don't meet the above criteria the cost of the course will be £56.00.

For more information, or to register your interest, please contact
01952 381061, online learntelford.ac.uk

Only one of the following courses funded in any 12-month period: First Aid, Pandemic First Aid, Food Safety, Health & Safety and CSC's card (does not affect any other Learn Telford courses)



For further information about all the above or to book please phone
01952 381 061. You can find out what courses Learn Telford have
available by visiting: www.learntelford.ac.uk



Telford & Wrekin
COUNCIL



Woodside Sequence Dance Club

This is Woodside Dance Club as it was 30 years ago. Sadly, our membership has depleted greatly for one reason or another.

We would love to build our numbers back up again so we would welcome anyone to come and join us. We meet every Thursday afternoon, 2-4pm at the Park Lane Centre Woodside and every Friday afternoon, 2-4pm at Jubilee House, Madeley. We love to dance, have tea & biscuits and enjoy the music.

We also organise lunches and day trips throughout the year. Everyone's very welcome. If you would like more information, please contact Pauline on 01952 596 857.

MADELEY COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM *at work...*

The community action team is a result of collaborative working involving a three-way partnership between Telford & Wrekin Council, their primary grounds and cleansing contractor Idverde and ourselves here at the Town Council.

The team focus on a wide and varied number of activities across the parish which sees them tackle some of the jobs that are not included in the core grounds maintenance contract that Idverde currently carry out on behalf of the Local Authority.

Some of the work includes additional litter picking, pruning, footpath sweeping and weed clearing as well as helping to keep our rights of ways open throughout the summer months plus much more and they assist the Town Council in many other ways that may arise throughout the year.

It has already helped to raise the standards and enhance the local environment, the key to this success is that the new team work only in the parish - so a true sense of pride in your patch way of working is gained.

The team are tasked with seasonal duties so they can meet the demands of each season ranging from weed and grass growth related problems during the growing season of the spring and summer months and then on to tackling the leaves in the Autumn during leaf fall for example plus much more throughout each of the seasons.

Here are just a few examples of what they've been doing recently:



Helping to clear footpaths near New Road Madeley



Citizens Advice Bureau

Receive help and advice about benefits, work, housing, money plus much more....

Park Lane 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 9am-4pm – drop-sessions
Jubilee House Tues (fortnightly) – need to book, ring: 01952 567193
Hub on the Hill Tues (fortnightly) – need to book, ring: 01952 567193



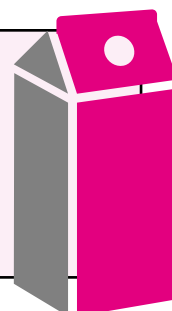
TELFORD CRISIS SUPPORT

Struggling families still need our support. Jubilee House is a donation point and also a pickup point for pre-ordered food parcels.

You can drop off donations of store-cupboard groceries at Jubilee House Mon-Fri between 9am-4pm and we'll ensure that the Telford Crisis Support unit gets them.

If you require emergency assistance such as a food parcel – please ring: 01952 380 400

thank you



Over the last couple of Months members of the Woodside and Madeley Team have been busy with Drugs warrants, Bike Marking Events and Targeting off Road bike nuisance.

At the beginning of February 2023 a successful drug Warrant was carried out in Madeley where by a male was arrested on suspicion of producing cannabis. 55 Plants were located and the male was arrested and later bailed. This warrant was conducted on the back of intelligence provided by the local community. So if you do have any information relating to drugs please give a call on 101 or please email us woodsideandmadeley.snt@westmercia.police.uk.

We have also carried out bike marking outside the Anstice Hall and also outside the Park Lane Centre in Woodside, 20+ bikes and Mobility Scooters were marked and registered with Smartwater.

We have also been trying to tackle Off Road bikes in the local area.

Last month two bikes were seized by Police in the Madeley area. We continue to target this issue as part of our Charter priority.



Meet your safer neighbourhood team

We are a dedicated group of police officers and police community support officers (PCSOs) who work with local communities and partner organisations to keep our residents, businesses and visitors safe and to prevent crime and tackle anti-social behaviour in your locality.

Officers can be contacted on the numbers below concerning community issues. To report a crime in progress call 999 and for non-emergencies, report online at www.westmercia.police.uk/report. If you are unable to report online, you can contact us via the 101 non-emergency number.



Woodside and Madeley

woodsideandmadeley.snt@westmercia.police.uk



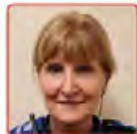
PC Chris Barrett
07967 300040



PC Gemma Pagan
07790 950764



PCSO Karen Carter
07971 395049



PCSO Linda Davis
07814 054824



PCSO Rebecca Hopkins
07773 053659

Cuckoo Oak and Ironbridge

coi.snt@westmercia.police.uk



PC Sam Fogg
07929 783258



PC Sean Maddocks
07817 941855



PCSO Tom Bean
07971 395042



PCSO Amy Newbrook
07970 544310



PCSO Dave Venus
07814 055346

Whilst the information is considered to be true and correct at the date of publication, changes in circumstances after the time of publication may impact on the accuracy of the information (January 2023).

Police Surgery Dates:

Monday 20th March 2023

Park Lane Centre
10:00am – 11:00am

Tuesday 28th March 2023

The Café, Park Lane Centre
12:00am – 2:00pm

Monday 3rd April 2023

The Anstice
2:00pm – 3:00pm

Thursday 11th May 2023

Online police surgery
6:00pm – 7:00pm
(via a link on Facebook and Twitter)





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Wellbeing Officer – Charlotte Dade
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DUST + GLORY

Lent and Easter 2023

LENT

Ash Wednesday Service | 7pm St Lawrence Little Wenlock | 22nd Feb
Lent Group | 7pm at St Michael's Madeley | Starts 27th Feb
Lent Group | 12:30pm at St Michael's Madeley | Starts 28th Feb | Lunch Incl.
Lenten Service | 7pm starting at Holy Trinity Coalbrookdale | 1st Mar
Lent Group | 6pm at The Hub Sutton Hill | Starts 2nd Mar

HOLY WEEK

Holy Communion | 7pm at St Luke's Ironbridge | 3rd Apr
Holy Communion | 7pm at St Lawrence Little Wenlock | 4th Apr
Holy Communion | 7pm at Holy Trinity Coalbrookdale | 5th Apr
Maunday Thursday Agape Meal | 7pm at Sutton Hill Church | 6th Apr
Good Friday Reflection | 2pm at St Michael's Madeley | 7th Apr
Service of Light | 7pm at Holy Trinity Coalbrookdale | 8th Apr

EASTER SUNDAY

St Lawrence Little Wenlock | 9:30am | Holy Communion
St Michael's Madeley | 10:30am | Holy Communion
Sutton Hill Church | 10:30am | Holy Communion
Holy Trinity Coalbrookdale | 11:00am | Holy Communion
St Luke's Ironbridge | 11:00am | Holy Communion

St Michael's Church Madeley - stmichaelsmadeley.org

Sutton Hill and Woodside Churches - suttonhillwoodsidechurches.org

Holy Trinity, St Luke's, & St Lawrence Churches - coalironlitt.co.uk



Madeley Town Council Office:

Town Clerk: Alison Hinks

Town Council Office: Jubilee House, 74 High Street,
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Usual opening hours: 9am-4pm Mon-Fri

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Council Meeting Dates

Monday 15 May - 6.30pm

Annual Parish Meeting & Annual General Meeting



NEXT EDITION OF MADELEY MATTERS

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If you would like to submit an article for consideration please
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