

**MADELEY**  
*Christmas Lights Switch-on*

**NEW SPECTACULAR SHOW**

**SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2026** | **12PM TO 6PM**

**5PM - A SWITCH ON SHOW LIKE NEVER BEFORE IN MADELEY!**

**WHAT'S ON**

- SANTA'S GROTTO
- MARKET
- MAKERS MARKET
- CRAFTS
- FACE PAINTING
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- ACTIVITIES

**FREE PLEASE TAKE ONE**

## Christmas 2026

*Christmas is a busy time for everyone here at Madeley Town Council, when we're keen to celebrate with as many of our local residents as possible. Check out what we have coming up.*

### Christmas Lights Switch-on\*

Save the date of Madeley Town Council's extra special Christmas Lights Switch-on event for 2026, and make sure you don't miss it. On Saturday 28 November, you'll be able to enjoy all the usual fun and games that makes our switch-on one of the most loved events of the year for residents, but come 5pm you're in for a treat. For the first time ever Madeley Town Council is bringing you a whole show, this is not just the flick of a switch, this is a switch-on spectacular that will be a treat for every single person watching and listening.

Throughout the day the kids will be able to partake in a range of activities, including seeing Santa\* in his enchanting grotto, face painting, making crafts and, new for this year, try our racing simulators or axe throwing! We will also be bringing you the Christmas and Makers Markets with lots of gift buying opportunities, and who can resist the tombola stalls. If you're hungry there'll food vendors with pizza, hog roast, BBQ meats, sweet treats and more. And as ever, we will have our outdoor stage bringing you a mix of live entertainment. Look out for more to come as the planning continues.

*We're already excited and we can't wait to welcome you all along for what is promising to be a great event.*

*\*please note that Santa is available for children living in the Madeley Town Council area only with pre-booked tickets. Free tickets are available from Madeley Community Library from Tuesday 10 November to those parents showing proof of address.*



### Over 60s Christmas Parties

As has become another traditional event on the Madeley Town Council calendar, our over 60s residents will be able to enjoy a free Christmas party once again. Join us for a hot Christmas dinner, some afternoon entertainment and the obligatory pulling of a cracker. This year you will have the chance to choose between our Christmas Party at the Park Lane Centre in Woodside on Tuesday 8 December, or our party at The Madebrook in Sutton Hill on Wednesday 9 December. On Tuesday we'll have the powerful voice of the lovely Helen singing for us, or choose to come to The Madebrook and be entertained by JD Magic, where Jack Dent will do close up magic, play piano and sing!

Tickets are FREE and will be available from 10am on Monday 2 November from Jubilee House in Madeley. Please bring proof of your Madeley Town Council address and age with you, and be sure to tell us whether you wish to attend our Park Lane Centre or Madebrook party.

The only thing left to do is decide on your outfit, whether Christmas jumper or full-on sparkles, anything goes at this time of year!



## Pumpkin Trail & Half-term Fun

Half-term is almost upon us, and if you're wondering what you can do with the kids now the days are getting shorter without it costing a fortune, check out the activities Madeley Town Council has on offer throughout the week across Madeley Community Library, the High Street and the Hub on the Hill in Sutton Hill.

**Pumpkin Trail** – Running from Tuesday 27 – Saturday 31 October, collect a trail sheet from Madeley Community Library and get out searching for pumpkins in the windows of local High Street and surrounding businesses. Note where you found them and their names and you will be able to collect a sweet treat when you return to the library with your completed sheet. For those looking to make use of their spooky Halloween costumes more than just once, why not dress up to give the businesses a smile as you're out on the trail!

Why not come along to our other **FREE** activities too. Drop-in to Madeley Community Library on Tuesday for crafts. Not only will you be able to make something, you could also take some time to check out the wide selection of books and even join the library to borrow some and keep reading at home.

You can also take part in a number of activities at the Hub on the Hill including a drop-in Halloween film on Monday, including popcorn and squash. There are also a number of bookable sessions, with sports on Monday, Forest School Bushcraft on Wednesday, the Gaming Bus on Thursday, and a Halloween themed cooking session and party on Friday giving you another chance to show off your special trick or treating outfit.

Visit [hahh.telford.gov.uk](http://hahh.telford.gov.uk) for the bookable sessions. For everything else, just drop-in, no booking required.

There's lots going on, so whatever the weather, you don't need to be bored.

## MADELEY TOWN COUNCIL 2026 COMMUNITY EVENTS

### OCTOBER

|    |                          |                                         |
|----|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 26 | Children's Film          | Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill            |
| 27 | Pumpkin Trail in Madeley | Madeley                                 |
| 27 | Children's Crafts        | Madeley Community Library @ The Anstice |
| 28 | Children's Activities    | The Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill        |
| 29 | Children's Activities    | The Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill        |
| 30 | Family Halloween Disco   | The Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill        |

### NOVEMBER

|    |                                       |                                                                |
|----|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8  | Remembrance Sunday Service and Parade | Madeley                                                        |
| 11 | School's Remembrance Service          | Madeley                                                        |
| 13 | Children in Need Fundraising          | Madeley Community Library and The Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill |
| 28 | Christmas Lights Switch-on            | Madeley                                                        |

### DECEMBER

|   |                             |                                |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 4 | Woodside Christmas Event    | Woodside                       |
| 5 | Sutton Hill Christmas Event | Sutton Hill                    |
| 8 | Over 60s Christmas Lunch    | The Park Lane Centre, Woodside |
| 9 | Over 60s Christmas Lunch    | The Madebrook Madeley          |



**MADELEY TOWN COUNCIL'S PUMPKIN TRAIL**

**TUESDAY 27 - SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER**

COLLECT TRAIL SHEETS / SWEET TREATS FROM  
**MADELEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY**  
**AT THE ANSTICE**

**HUNT THE PUMPKINS IN WINDOWS OF LOCAL BUSINESSES TO CLAIM A SWEET PRIZE**



**FREE OCTOBER HALF TERM**

**TUESDAY 27 - SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER**

MADELEY PUMPKIN TRAIL – COLLECT TRAIL SHEETS FROM  
**MADELEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY (DROP-IN)**

**DROP-IN SESSIONS**

**HUB ON THE HILL, SUTTON HILL - MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 1PM - KIDS HALLOWEEN FILM**

**MADELEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY - TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 12-3PM - CRAFTS)**

**BOOKABLE SESSIONS**

**MONDAY 29 OCTOBER 11.30AM-3.30PM - SPORTS**

**WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 11AM-3PM - FOREST SCHOOL BUSHCRAFT**

**THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER 11AM-3PM - GAMING BUS**

**FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 11AM-3PM - HALLOWEEN COOKING & DISCO**

**BOOKABLE SESSIONS TAKE PLACE AT THE HUB ON THE HILL**

**BOOK AT: HHAH.TELFORD.GOV.UK**

## Guest Editor Jasmine



Jasmine

**Madeley's Library** is a relaxing and welcoming space where people can read, borrow and request books, research on the computers available, or simply come in to chat – it is in this environment, where the latest additions to Madeley Town Council reside; our Library and First Point Officers, Anita and Lorna.

The Library & First point officers are readily available to welcome and help the community, whether it be with blue badges, bus passes, photocopying, printing, book requests, or advice on any concerns or questions you may have. Students, book clubs, crafting groups, authors, parents and their children, or solo browsers are all encouraged to involve themselves in some way to build up the community aspect our librarians hope to create.

For Anita, her future aspiration is to involve more children in the library, to encourage reading, viewing it as a vital part of children's development; through crafts, reading sessions and competitions, Anita hopes to make the library, and more importantly, reading, a regular part of children's lives. Likewise, Lorna hopes to motivate all ages to find comfort in their public library, and to make the environment an inviting space for the residents to "simply sit in a quiet corner to read or reflect on life."

However, they acknowledge that community input is vital to a thriving public space, and passionately encourage that you have your say:

*"We also value your opinions and ideas about what you would like to see taking place in the library."* – **Lorna.**

Working in the Library has been a dream job for both Lorna and Anita. Anita – who used to work as a teaching assistant for young children – has always loved reading and finds the job to be an amazing way for her to continue that passion. As an avid fantasy reader (recommending Terry Brooks 'Shannara' and R.A Salvatore's 'Dark Elf' series) and self-taught knitter, Anita finds solace in the quietness of her hobbies as a way to distract the mind. For Lorna, she adores the communal aspects of the job – as a volunteer walk leader for Ramblers Well-being Walks for Telford and Wrekin plus a helper for the community garden and orchard, she finds great joy in socialising with all walks of life through her hobbies, viewing them as a great way to get out and have fun.

As of now, though they are both still finding their footing. The Library & First point officers have found that the people especially have been the most incredible aspect of the job, and cannot thank the residents enough for all the kindness and patience they have given as Anita and Lorna become acclimated;

*"Thank you to the people I have already met, they've all been so welcoming, patient and kind. We look forward to people coming in and helping them find what they need."* – **Anita.**

**Madeley's Community Library is in safe hands, and it'll be exciting to see what comes next!**



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### Madeley Town Council Office:

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**Tel:** 01952 567 280

**Usual opening hours: 9am-4pm Monday-Friday**

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**Email:** [info@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

**Web:** [www.madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

## Madeley MAYOR'S Monthly DROP-IN



**Come along and meet with Councillor Helena Morgan at her Madeley Mayors monthly drop-in at Madeley Community Library.**



**Dates in 2026/27:**

**31 October**

**30 January 2027**

**27 February**

**27 March**

**24 April**

*"Share your views, ideas and concerns about our local area and I will do everything I can to help."*

**10AM - 12 NOON**

**MADELEY  
COMMUNITY LIBRARY  
@THE ANSTICE**

# Madeley Social

## Upcoming calendar and news from January!

### Have you joined our Madeley Social group yet?

It's Madeley Town Council's exclusive group for those over 60. Meeting weekly on a Thursday from 1-3pm at Jubilee House in Madeley, there are a range of activities to take part in from crafts and games, to quizzes and bingo.

There's always time for a chat with others, just as there is always tea, coffee and biscuits available.

Joining the group is easy, just pop into Jubilee House reception to complete a quick contact form, book and pay for the sessions you're interested in, then come along and enjoy.

We also have some good news from January, Madeley Social is moving from term-time only to a year-round group, so apart from the Christmas close down, you'll be able to enjoy the group every week if you wish.

During the school holidays, you'll still be able to come along, and while there will be no planned activities those weeks, for just £1, indulge in tea, coffee and biscuits, and chat with other members. It will help ensure you keep your social calendar going all year round.

**Check out the poster of upcoming activities up to the end of the year and get booking!**

#MOVINGON

## 50+ Gentle Exercise Class

FIT4ALL

FIT4ALL.ORG.UK

### Madeley, your gentle exercise class is here!

#### About Moving On

Moving On is suitable for over 50's offering gentle exercise classes. Creatively mixing a seated and standing approach, we offer exercise that will help you towards achieving improved levels of well-being and fitness.

#### Who Can Join

- Aged 50 or over
- Telford & Wrekin resident
- Looking for gentle exercise

**WEDNESDAY @ 11:30 - 12:30**

Supported by



Jubilee House  
High Street, Madeley, Telford, TF7 5AH

Classes cost £3 per class  
or pre-buy 4 consecutive classes for £10\*.

## Madeley Social



Social group and activities for over 60s

**Thursdays**  
**1-3pm**  
Term-time only

- Book sessions in advance at Jubilee House reception
- Sessions £2 per week (unless stated below)
- Pick the activities you wish to join

|        |                     |        |                                |
|--------|---------------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| 10 Sep | Tech talk           | 12 Nov | Bingo                          |
| 17 Sep | £1 Drink & Chat     | 19 Nov | £10 Trentham Shopping Village* |
| 24 Sep | Bingo               | 26 Nov | Gentle boxing                  |
| 1 Oct  | Meditation          | 3 Dec  | £5 Wreath Making               |
| 8 Oct  | Games & Curling     | 10 Dec | £1 Mince Pies & Chat           |
| 15 Oct | Scam awareness talk | 17 Dec | Games & Curling                |
| 22 Oct | Quiz                |        |                                |
| 5 Nov  | Craft - Weaving     |        |                                |

Tea, coffee & biscuits every week

Term time only, no session 29 October

\*Open to members (joined before 02/07/26) or residents of Madeley Town Council only

For more information about Madeley Social please email [charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk) or call 01952 567280.

# MADELEY REMEMBRANCE SERVICE & PARADE

Commemorating the sacrifices of members of the armed forces and of civilians in times of war

## Sunday 8 November 2026

9:45am Church service at St. Michael's Church, Madeley TF7 5BN

10:30am Parade from the Barley Mow car park on Court Street

10:45am Act of Remembrance at Madeley War Memorial

11:15am Refreshments at The Anstice

### All Welcome

Together, we will remember them

# Madeley Town Council

## Madeley Borough Councillor Surgeries 2026/27



Come along and meet with Madeley Borough Councillors Paul Watling, Janice Jones & Derek White at their monthly drop-in surgery

Wed 7 October 12:30-2pm ~ Hub on the Hill

Sat 7 November 11-12noon ~ Madeley Community Library @ The Anstice

Wed 2 December 12:30-2pm ~ Hub on the Hill

Sat 6 February 11-12noon ~ Madeley Community Library @ The Anstice

Wed 3 March 12:30-2pm ~ Hub on the Hill

## Let's talk...

FREE

-Friendly & supportive  
-Everyone welcome

MENOPAUSE

Second Wednesday of every month

Join us at any of our 2026 or 2027 dates:

- |                             |                             |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • 14 <sup>th</sup> October  | • 9 <sup>th</sup> June      |
| • 11 <sup>th</sup> November | • 14 <sup>th</sup> July     |
| • 9 <sup>th</sup> December  | • 11 <sup>th</sup> August   |
| • 13 <sup>th</sup> January  | • 8 <sup>th</sup> September |
| • 10 <sup>th</sup> February | • 13 <sup>th</sup> October  |
| • 10 <sup>th</sup> March    | • 10 <sup>th</sup> November |
| • 14 <sup>th</sup> April    | • 8 <sup>th</sup> December  |
| • 12 <sup>th</sup> May      |                             |

Complimentary  
tea & coffee



Park Lane Centre,  
Woodside from 7-8pm

For more information about Let's talk...menopause please contact Charlotte at Madeley Town Council on 01952 567288 or email [charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:charlotte@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

## RAMBLERS WELLBEING WALK MADELEY

11am

START -  
OUTSIDE THE ANSTICE

FINISH -  
SWEET LITTLE  
THINGS TEA ROOMS

TAKES PLACE EVERY THURSDAY  
EVERYONE WELCOME, JUST TURN UP

### SWEET LITTLE THINGS

MANY WALKERS LIKE TO CONTINUE CHATTING AFTER THE WALK. THERE'S A LOVELY MENU AT SWEET LITTLE THINGS. WHY NOT MAKE YOUR WALK EVEN MORE SOCIAL

For more information email [info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk](mailto:info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk)



## Did you know Madeley Town council offer grants of up to £1,000

For Voluntary Groups and Charities who organise community activities in our local area.

These can be used towards:

- The purchasing of equipment
- Running costs of a group
- Hosting special events or celebrations
- Starting costs for new groups
- and much more...

Grants will be looked at in the next Committee meeting.  
Applications by 18 January 2027

For more information :

Ring: 01952 567 283

Email: [sam@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:sam@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

Or pop into Reception at Jubilee House,  
74 High Street Madeley TF7 5AH



Get in touch  
if you want  
to find out  
more!



# Jubilee House

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Sutton Hill & Woodside



Hub on the Hill  
at Sutton Hill



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**Jubilee House**  
The home of  
**Madeley Town Council**  
Open weekdays  
9am-4pm



**Jubilee House**  
The home of Madeley Town Council



|     |                                                           |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| MON | 10-12noon Art Club<br>1:45-3:30pm Singing                 |
| TUE | 10-11am Gentle Aerobics                                   |
| WED | 11:30-12:30pm Moving on Exercise<br>9-12noon Nettiecrafts |
| THU | 10-12noon History Group<br>1-3pm Madeley Social           |
| FRI | 10-11am Gentle Aerobics                                   |

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**Room Hire Available Weekdays**



Marks Room



Meeting Room



McGavin Room

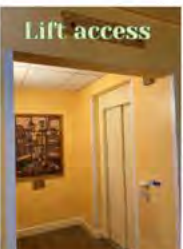
**Marks room £17 per hour**  
**Meeting Room £11 per hour**  
**McGavin room £11 per hour**

**Other Services:**



Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin  
Talking Therapies





Lift access



Kitchen Facility

## BIG HEART YOGA

at the marks room, jubilee house, madeley

### Big Heart Yoga

Yoga for Every Body, Every Age, Every Soul

Curious about yoga? Thought it wasn't for you? Big Heart Yoga offers friendly, welcoming classes right in the heart of Madeley

Whether you're stiff as a board, stressed to the max, or simply want to move and breathe a little more mindfully, there's a space for you here

What is yoga?

Yoga is more than stretching. It's a practice that links breath with movement to support your body, calm your mind, and restore balance. You don't need to be flexible, fit, or experienced – you just need to show up

All levels welcome –  
complete beginners to  
regular practitioners

Small group classes in a  
cosy local studio

Inclusive, non-judgemental,  
and down to earth

Book now : [www.bigheartyyoga.co.uk](http://www.bigheartyyoga.co.uk)

save

**10%**

off your first class  
with code  
**BHYIO**

## Just Credit Union is enjoying its new home in the heart of Madeley High Street.

This year, Just CU celebrates 25 years of providing flexible savings and affordable loans to local people. It has recently expanded the region it serves which has enabled Just CU to provide hubs for local people to access whilst keeping a permanent branch for local people to access in Telford.

Steve Barras, Business Development Manager, said: "We are delighted to have maintained the presence of a credit union in Madeley's High Street, and we have welcomed many local people who need assistance with accessing our savings and loans. All our services are available online, but it's important people can access face-to-face support when it's needed. As we are coming into the colder months and thoughts turn to heating costs and Christmas, we want to ensure local people can access safe money management."

You can find Just Credit Union at Jubilee House, 74 High Street, Madeley TF7 5AU.

Opening times are 10am to 2pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and it is closed on Wednesday. You can view all Just CU services online:

[www.justcreditunion.org](http://www.justcreditunion.org).

Telephone: 01743 252325 Email: [info@justcreditunion.org](mailto:info@justcreditunion.org)



**JUST** Credit  
Union

Your Credit Union Branch

- Flexible Savings
- Affordable Loans
- Ethical Banking
- Safe Money Management

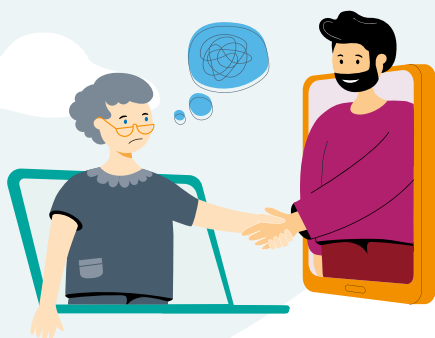
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Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin  
Talking Therapies

Are you struggling with **anxiety**,  
**post traumatic stress**, or **depression**?

**Talking Therapy is available,  
without needing to see your GP**



If you are aged 16 or over,  
you can **self-refer online** or over the **phone**

[www.mpft.nhs.uk/stwtt](http://www.mpft.nhs.uk/stwtt)  
0300 123 6020



## How to get in touch

Visit our website to speak to Limbic, our robot referral assistant, or complete the online self-referral form.



Scan to complete the  
online self-referral form

Talking Therapies can help you identify your thoughts,  
influence the way you respond to things, helping you to  
change how you are feeling, for the better.



Service provided by  
Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust

## Who are we?

Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Talking Therapies are a free NHS Service, providing a range of recommended therapies for common mental health problems, such as anxiety or low mood. We are trained Psychological Therapists, and we offer information, guidance and talking therapies in a range of different formats.

## Who is our service for?

Anyone aged over 16 years old registered with a GP in Telford & Wrekin or Shropshire who may be experiencing:

- Anxiety
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
- Depression
- Phobia
- Panic
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)
- Social Anxiety
- Health Anxiety

## How we can help you

The support on offer will focus on helping you move forward and will concentrate on steps that you can take yourself to tackle your difficulties. This can include many different options, including online supported programmes, courses, and one-to-one interventions. We can also signpost you to other services in the area that may be useful to you. You can self-refer and arrange a first appointment online, or call us if you prefer to register by phone. Once your referral is processed we will send you a link to book an appointment online.

During this appointment, the practitioner will discuss your difficulties with you and look at ways in which we can support you to help yourself improve your wellbeing. During your call, we will ask you some questions from a questionnaire to try to understand how severe your difficulties are at the moment. At the end of the appointment, we will talk through the available treatments and agree on next steps.

## Services we offer

### Online Supported Programmes

We provide access to online supported CBT (cognitive behavioural therapy) programmes, tailored to your specific needs. The programmes consist of several modules. You can complete these at your own pace, in your own time. The goal is for you to take the information and techniques learned and start applying them in your day-to-day life.

At regular intervals, a trained Psychological Therapist will check your progress by telephone or online, and provide feedback and guidance.

### Courses

We offer a range of different courses that you may find helpful to book into, covering various topics. These courses are offered both online and face to face, and are focusing on teaching techniques and learning skills. Please check out our websites to look at the timetable of courses available.

### One-To-One Support

We offer one to one support with one of our specially trained Psychological Therapists, this can be offered online (via OneConsultation), by telephone, or at a local venue dependant on your needs and where would be more convenient for you.

The sessions are time limited and will focus on helping you move forward, by learning new skills and techniques to tackle your difficulties.

### Personal Information

All personal information provided to the Trust is treated confidentially. There are, however, some important times when we will need to share information with others in order to optimise your care. It is the responsibility of all health professionals to share some information with your GP and possibly other health care professionals.

This is particularly important if there is information which would help to prevent you from harming yourself or someone else.

# Madeley Community Library

01952 382950 | [library@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:library@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

At Madeley Community Library, we are dedicated to creating a safe, friendly, and family-orientated space at the heart of the community. Our library is more than just a place for books, it's a welcoming hub where everyone can relax, learn and connect. We take pride in offering a wide range of free opportunities and activities for all ages, making it easy for families and individuals to enjoy a day out with us.



## Madeley Community Library OPENING TIMES

|           |              |
|-----------|--------------|
| Monday    | Closed       |
| Tuesday   | 9AM - 4PM    |
| Wednesday | 9.30AM - 4PM |
| Thursday  | 9AM - 4PM    |
| Friday    | 9AM - 4PM    |
| Saturday  | 9AM - 2PM    |
| Sunday    | Closed       |



Please note the library may be self-service during staff lunch breaks between 12-1 PM

### CONTACTS

Phone: 01952 382950

Email: [library@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:library@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)  
[www.madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

Madeley Community Library (The Anstice)  
Park Avenue, Madeley, Telford TF7 5BB

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More than  
just a library...



### Signing Up

Signing up is simple, free & for any age. Children under 16 will need to provide a parent/guardian's contact details. If you are an adult, please remember to bring a form of ID, or a utility bill with your name on.

You can take out up to 10 books and 10 audios for 3 weeks. You can borrow and return books at any branch.

You will receive a library card and a 4-digit PIN. This will give you access to all the Telford & Wrekin Libraries. It will also give you access to our computers, printing services and Kiosk machines.

Nervous about signing up?

Stay tuned for our sign-up sessions.



### Renewing

You can renew books in person, online or via the phone.

### Reservations

You can reserve books online using the following website:

<https://library.telford.gov.uk/web/arena/reading-lists>

Alternatively, you can place reservations at the desk or via the phone. These will be available for collection at the front of the library. You may receive a call, text or email when your reservation is ready for collection.

### Returns

Returns can be made using the Kiosk machine or at the main desk. We will shelve your returned books for you.

### IT Services

- Free computer access
- Free WIFI
- Free Access to Driving Theory Practice
- Free Access to Ancestry



### Printing & Photocopying

15p B&W A4      30p Colour A4  
30p B&W A3      60p colour A3

Please note it is cash only.

Please sign up to the library to use these services.



### Borrow Box

Borrow Box is our App for your phone or tablet where you can access ebooks, eaudios, emagazines and more for free.

Download the App on the App Store and use your library card no. and PIN to create an account. If you need help setting up please come into the library with your device and we can get you set up!

### Families

#### Bookstart Baby Packs

Available for infants under 12 months, each pack includes a storybook and a finger puppet to encourage early reading.

#### Children's Reading Challenges

Following the Summer Reading Challenge we will be launching writing competitions and further reading challenges for children throughout the year.



### Crafts

We also run a variety of monthly craft activities- all completely free! Each craft has a different theme and colouring sheets.



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## Families continued

### Schools

We work closely with local schools to stock the books children need for their studies, helping families access the right resources easily.

We encourage school and nursery visits to the library. If you would like to arrange a visit please contact us directly.

Additionally, we are happy to serve 'hot chocolate' on a Tuesday to the students studying in the library.



### A Welcoming Space

This library is breastfeeding-friendly and recognised as a safe space for families.

## Disability Support

The library is fully accessible, with step-free access on the ground floor and disabled toilet available. All our bookcases are the recommended distance for wheelchair users. Additionally, we have free parking on-site, including designated disabled spaces.

### Applications & Further Support

We can assist with submitting applications for Blue Badges and Bus Passes. If your application is successful, these will be sent directly to you by post by Telford & Wrekin Council.

The Community Hub is open the 4th Wednesday of every Month from 10am - 12 noon, offering access to a range of support services.

We work in partnership with organisations including Citizens Advice, Telford Autism Hub, Healthy Lifestyles and many others.

### The Home Library Service

The Home Library Service is a free service which offers the regular delivery of books to your home. This is for those who may find visiting a local library difficult because of age, disability or responsibility of caring for someone else.



You can request this service at: <https://webforms.telford.gov.uk/form/199>

### Book Accessibility

At Madeley Community Library, we are committed to ensuring that reading is accessible to everyone. Our collection includes a wide range of books designed to support diverse needs.

We stock titles recommended by the Dandelion Group, who advocate for marginalised communities. In addition, we provide a selection of large-print books and audiobooks, ideal for those who may need or prefer alternative formats. There are a range of early reader, and phonics books for young readers. Borrow Box also has a range of dyslexia fonts available online.

We are also proud to work in partnership with Read Easy, who offer one-to-one support for adults learning to read, right here at Madeley Community Library.

## Book clubs

We believe reading is best enjoyed when shared. That's why we are proud to support two thriving local book clubs, as well as offer opportunities for new groups to get started.

### SLS Friendship Group

We would like to say welcome to our new book club, the SLS Friendship Group. They will be utilising the library space for their monthly book club.

### Madeley Book Club

Meeting on the first Friday of every month at 1pm, the Madeley Book Club is a friendly and engaging group of readers. Due to its popularity, this club is currently at full capacity.

### Start Your Own Book Club

Why not start your own book club? Madeley Library supports groups of up to 8 members by providing a set of books each month, delivered straight to the library free of charge. It's a wonderful way to share your love of reading and spark new conversations.

## Author Book Sale at Madeley Library

In May, Kay and Anne from Telford Book Club hosted a Local Author Book Sale at Madeley Library, bringing together 13 talented local authors for a fantastic day celebrating books and the people who write them. Throughout the event, authors had the opportunity to chat with readers, share the stories behind their books, and connect with fellow book lovers.



The event was a wonderful success, with a warm and welcoming atmosphere that highlighted the strength of the local literary community. It was fantastic to see so many people coming together to celebrate a shared love of reading while supporting independent authors from the area.

Telford Book Club also continued its fundraising efforts in support of Lingen Davies Cancer Support and is delighted to have exceeded their fundraising target. The club would like to thank everyone who attended, donated, and helped make the event such a memorable and successful day. Notable thanks go to the authors who attended: Emma Woodhouse, Elly Osenten, Amy Beashel, Tess James-Mackey, Pete Jackson, Huw Carrington, Sheeba Eeswaramoorthy, Liz Carter, Stephen Brotherton, Diane Saxon, Sarah-Louise Davies, Stuart Kenny and Tasha Kenny.



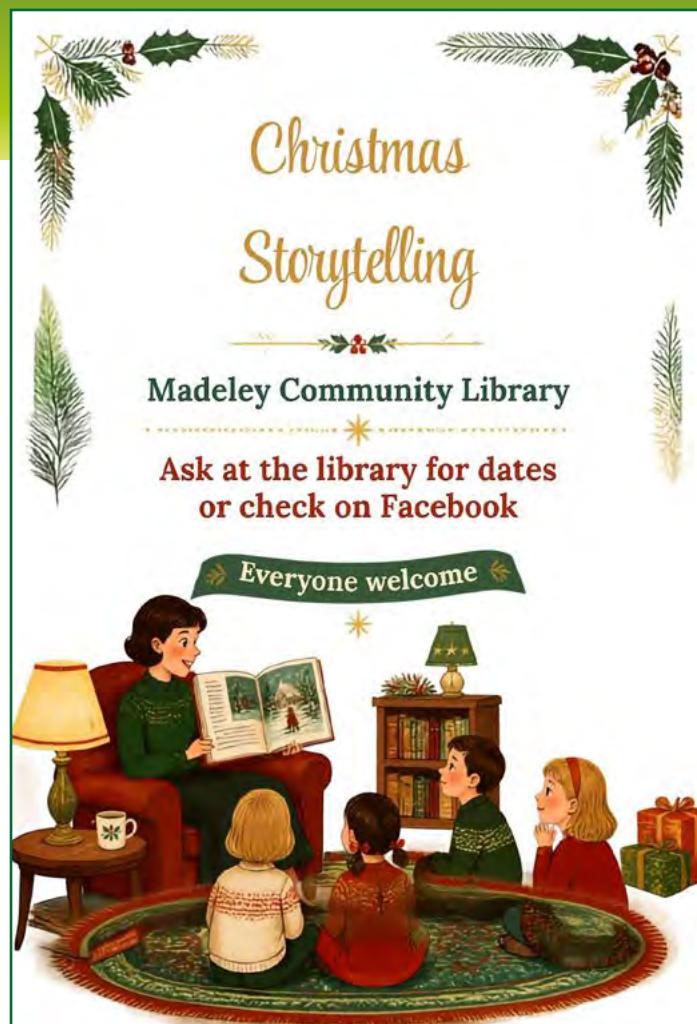


**Children's Christmas Crafts**

**Madeley Community Library**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and 12th December  
10am till 12 noon

**Free**



**Christmas Storytelling**

**Madeley Community Library**

Ask at the library for dates  
or check on Facebook

Everyone welcome



Meet author **Diane Saxon**

**THE CARETAKER**  
DIANE SAXON

Promoting her new book  
**The Caretaker**

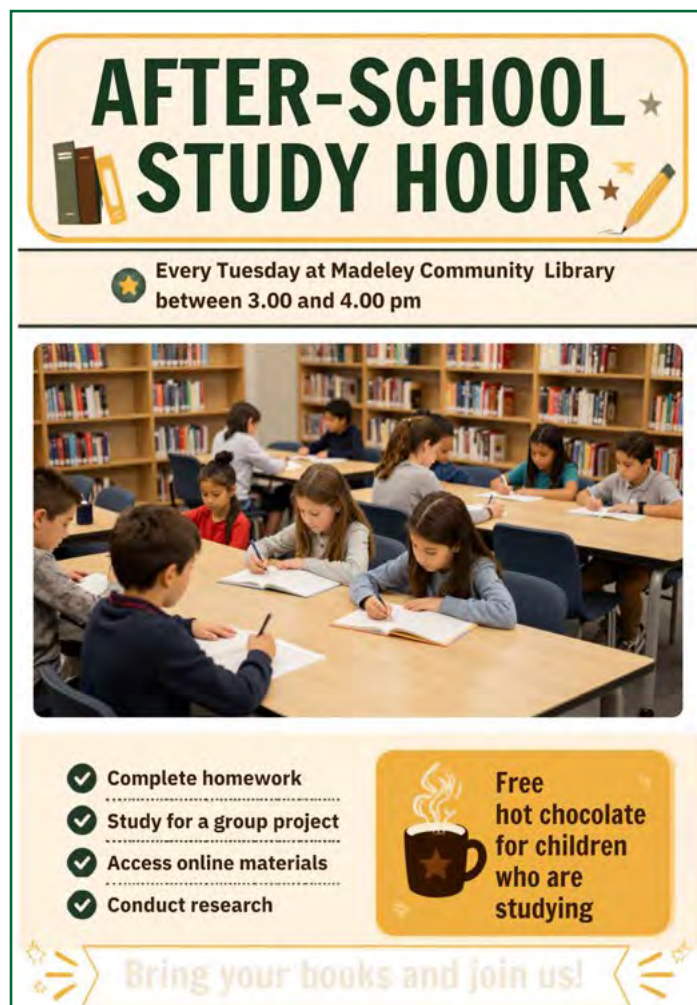
**Saturday 21st November**

**10am till 12noon**

**Madeley Community Library**

**Question and answer session**

Everyone welcome



**AFTER-SCHOOL STUDY HOUR**

Every Tuesday at Madeley Community Library  
between 3.00 and 4.00 pm

Complete homework  
Study for a group project  
Access online materials  
Conduct research

Free hot chocolate for children who are studying

Bring your books and join us!

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**Are you looking to start an exciting volunteering opportunity in 2026?**

**Are you someone who would enjoy teaching adults to read one to one?**

**Could you support our volunteers and join the Management Team?**

**Do you know someone who wants to learn to read?**

Read Easy groups offer free, confidential, one-to-one coaching for adults who want to learn to read or improve their reading skills. Since 2019, volunteers in Shropshire have been supporting adults so they can feel more confident and independent, being able to read letters, complete forms, apply for jobs, send a text, read a new recipe, bus timetable or prescription. Imagine being able to share a bedtime story with your children and grandchildren for the very first time. We offer a free, friendly and fun programme which is delivered in local community buildings such as local libraries for two 30-minute sessions a week. All online training and resources are provided by the local group. We are keen to recruit Volunteer Reading Coaches and Volunteer Management Team members, there's a variety of opportunities available, depending on your individual interests.

We have helped over 50 adults across East Shropshire and we've celebrated 12 graduations, which is where our readers have completed the programme. It is estimated that 16% of the adult population in our area have low literacy skills and we are keen to support them if they get in touch.

The government has recently stressed the importance of adults reading with children as part of the 2026 National Year of Reading campaign. But what happens if the parent, grandparent, relative, care giver or guardian, struggles to read themselves? By supporting adults, we also strengthen family life and create opportunities for the next generation.

If you, or someone you know, could benefit from friendly, confidential support, contact Read Easy Telford and Shropshire East today, and contact Claire on 07941 515220 and [tewrleader@readeasy.org.uk](mailto:tewrleader@readeasy.org.uk) Read Easy volunteers offer support all over Shropshire, so please get in touch, wherever you live, we look forward to hearing from you soon.



**Can you read a newspaper, prescription, recipe, or bus timetable?**

**- Not Everybody Can**

**Do you know someone who could benefit from the support of our reading coaches?**

**Free**

**Confidential**

**1 to 1 Coaching**



**For more information**

Contact our Team Leader,  
Claire on 07941 515 220 or  
[tewrleader@readeasy.org.uk](mailto:tewrleader@readeasy.org.uk)

**No classroom!  
No cost!  
No deadline!  
No exams!**



**Giving adults the reading skills and confidence they need to fulfil their potential and live life to the full**



**Our goal is for all adults in the UK to have the reading skills they need to fulfill their potential and live life to the full.**



**Give someone a skill that will allow them to fulfil their goals and live everyday life more easily.**



**I couldn't imagine a life without being able to read and not being able to enjoy a book and the joy that it gives.**



Wendy, Read Easy Coach

Read Easy Telford and Shropshire East

## LEGO Donations Needed



Madeley Community Library is currently looking for donations of LEGO blocks and would be grateful if any of our families could donate LEGO that they no longer use.

We are looking for all types of bricks, connectors, base plates, mini figures etc.

If you are able to help, please drop off donations to the library during opening hours.

Thank you in advance for your support.



## FREE KIDS CRAFT SESSION



First Saturday  
of every month

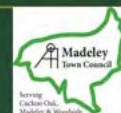


9.30-11.30



Madeley Community Library

COME ALONG AND GET CREATIVE



Madeley Community Library  
@ The Anstice

## Book Sale

Join us for our  
monthly pre-loved book sales

in aid of  
Lingen Davies Cancer Support

Check our Facebook page  
for upcoming dates

50p per book  
or  
3 books for £1

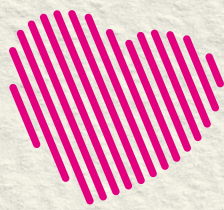


## Toys for Tots Play Session

9.30am - 11.30 am  
3rd Saturday of every month

Read, colour or play with  
a selection of toys whilst visiting  
Madeley Community Library.





## Need a Bit of Support?

### Your Local Live Well Community Hub is Here for You

***Are you worried about money, feeling isolated, struggling with your health, or unsure where to turn for advice?***

The Live Well Community Hubs in Madeley, Sutton Hill and Woodside bring local support services together in one place, making it easier to get the help you need, close to home.

Whether you're looking for support with your wellbeing, managing everyday challenges, getting online, finding activities in your community, or accessing practical advice, you'll find friendly people who can help.

You can speak with organisations including Citizens Advice, Telford Mind, Healthy Lifestyles, Family Hubs, The Independent Living Centre, Telford & Wrekin CVS and help with phones, tablets and laptops. We also welcome a range of guest organisations throughout the year offering advice on issues such as housing, employment, energy bills, adult learning opportunities and more.

***Cllr Helena Morgan commented:***

Many people are facing pressures with household bills, housing, health or accessing the support they need, but it is not always easy to know where to turn. The Live Well Community Hubs bring trusted local organisations together in familiar community venues, offering free, practical advice close to home. I would encourage residents to drop in, even if they are unsure what help may be available, as the team can listen, advise and connect them with the right support.

While you're there, you can also enjoy a free hot drink and take advantage of a free blood pressure check.

No appointments. No pressure. Just friendly support when you need it. Everyone is welcome.

#### Where to find us:

- **The Park Lane Centre, Woodside**  
First Wednesday of month, 10am–12pm
- **The Hub on the Hill, Sutton Hill** –  
Second Wednesday of month, 10am–12pm
- **Madeley Library, The Anstice**  
Fourth Wednesday of month, 10am–12pm



**LIVE WELL COMMUNITY HUB MADELEY**

Hi!

Everyone welcome!  
Come in for a chat and a cuppa

Cześć

4th Wednesday of the month,  
Madeley Community Library at  
The Anstice TF7 5BB 10am–12noon

**Come and talk to:**

- The Healthy Lifestyles Team who also offer blood pressure checks
- The Independent Living Centre
- Telford and Wrekin CVS
- Citizens Advice
- Telford MIND
- A Family Hub Practitioner
- Telford & Wrekin Council's digital support for help with using your phone, tablet or laptop
- Plus other guest services

**Dates**

|           |           |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| MAY<br>27 | JUN<br>24 | JUL<br>22 | AUG<br>26 | SEP<br>23 |
| OCT<br>28 | NOV<br>25 | DEC<br>16 | JAN<br>27 | FEB<br>24 |
|           |           |           | MAR<br>24 |           |

**For further information on the  
Live Well Community Hubs, please  
email [ann.rowley@tandwcvs.org.uk](mailto:ann.rowley@tandwcvs.org.uk)**





# Live Well Community Hub



# WHAT'S ON

**LIVE WELL COMMUNITY HUB SUTTON HILL**

**Hi!** ਸਤ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਕਾਲ

**Everyone welcome! Come in for a chat and a cuppa** Cześć

**Come and talk to:**

- The Healthy Lifestyles Team who also offer blood pressure checks
- The Independent Living Centre
- Telford and Wrekin CVS
- Citizens Advice
- Telford MIND
- A Family Hub Practitioner
- Telford & Wrekin Council's digital support for help with using your phone, tablet or laptop
- Plus other guest services

**2nd Wednesday of the month, Hub on the Hill TF7 4HG 10am-12noon**

**Dates**

|        |        |       |        |        |
|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| MAY 13 | JUN 10 | JUL 8 | AUG 12 | SEP 9  |
| OCT 14 | NOV 11 | DEC 9 | JAN 13 | FEB 10 |
| MAR 10 |        |       |        |        |

**LIVE WELL COMMUNITY HUB WOODSIDE**

**Hi!** ਸਤ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਕਾਲ

**Everyone welcome! Come in for a chat and a cuppa** Cześć

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- The Independent Living Centre
- Telford and Wrekin CVS
- Citizens Advice
- Telford MIND
- A Family Hub Practitioner
- Telford & Wrekin Council's digital support for help with using your phone, tablet or laptop
- Plus other guest services

**1st Wednesday of the month, The Park Lane Centre TF7 5QZ 10am-12noon**

**Dates**

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| MAY 6 | JUN 3 | JUL 1 | AUG 5 | SEP 2 |
| OCT 7 | NOV 4 | DEC 2 | JAN 6 | FEB 3 |
| MAR 3 |       |       |       |       |

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE NEXT

## SUTTON HILL RESIDENTS MEETING

HAVE YOUR SAY!

- ➔ Discuss local issues
- ➔ Meet your local Councillors & West Mercia Police

JOIN US:

Monday 26th October  
Monday 30th November  
Monday 25th January 2027  
Monday 22nd February  
Monday 26th April

6 - 7pm

@ The Hub on the Hill

EVERYONE WELCOME



Cllr Paul Westing



Cllr Janice Jones



Cllr David White

Project: Care and support to create a better borough



**Families in Telford**

**About Us**

We are a charity based in South Telford who truly believe in the importance of equity. We run free to attend groups for under 5s and their grown ups to enjoy time together.

**You can do it!**

**The Green Team**

- Our amazing team has a huge wealth of training, knowledge and experience.
- We can offer information and support for the whole family.
- The loveliest bunch of ladies you will ever come across.

More about our groups at [www.familiesintelford.co.uk](http://www.familiesintelford.co.uk) or find us on Facebook

**Slimming<sup>®</sup> WORLD**

*You're so Welcome*  
at our friendly group! ♥

The doors are *always* open to welcome *new & old* members.

We're a friendly group full of *heaps of love & support* with absolutely *zero judgement.*

OUR VENUE  
**The Hub on the Hill**  
♥ Sutton Hill

**THURSDAYS**  
5.30pm  
♥  
7pm

**SATURDAYS**  
8.30am  
♥  
10am

*Come for the weight loss... stay for the friendship!*

Real people.  
Real support.  
Real results.  
Together.

♥ You're never alone on your Slimming World journey. ♥

*See you there!* ♥



## Healthy Lifestyles Team

Come and meet our Barbara.

The Healthy Lifestyles Service provides a FREE, personal service to **motivate, encourage and support** local people to make changes to improve their health and wellbeing.

**Book an appointment** to see our Barbara here...

<https://webforms.telford.gov.uk/form/320>

## Wiggle & Giggle Wednesday

### Gentle Exercise for Older Adults

Stay active, steady and smiling with **Wiggle & Giggle Wednesday**, a friendly exercise session designed especially for older adults. Move safely, improve confidence, and enjoy time with others in your community.

#### What to expect:

- Gentle, low-impact exercise suitable for all abilities
- Improve strength, balance & flexibility
- Help maintain independence and mobility
- Fun, friendly and social atmosphere
- Hot drink provided after the session ☕ — relax and chat together

#### Cost:

£2 per exercise session



#### Where?

Hub on the Hill  
Sutton Hill, Telford  
TF7 4HG

#### When?

Every Wednesday at 11:30am

**No experience needed — just wear comfortable clothing and come along to move, smile and enjoy good company** 😊



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

**HUB on the Hill**  
YOUR HUB. YOUR IDEAS.  
YOUR COMMUNITY.

**LOVE PLAY ACTIVE**

**NEXT GEN YOUTH CLUB**

CHILL  
CHAT  
PLAY  
CREATE  
GET ACTIVE  
BE YOURSELF

**TUESDAYS**  
4:00PM - 5:30PM

**SCHOOL YEARS 5 - 10**

- GAMES
- SPORTS
- MUSIC
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- CHILL ZONE
- AND MORE!

Good Vibes  
Brighter  
Futures ♥

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

A SAFE SPACE  
NEW FRIENDS  
GREAT ACTIVITIES  
STRONGER TOGETHER

*All Are Welcome* ♥

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**Sutton Hill**  Madeley Town Council  
Serving Madeley, Sutton Hill & Woodside

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON**

**SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER**  
at the Hub on the Hill

**1PM - 4.30PM**

**MAKERS MARKET**  
Shop local and find unique gifts!

**HOT FOOD & DRINKS**  
Festive treats to keep you warm!

**SANTAS GROTTO**  
A special visit for our little ones!

**FAMILY DISCO**  
2.45PM - 4.45PM  
Get into the festive spirit with music, dancing and fun for all the family!

**5PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON**  
Let's light up Sutton Hill together! 

**A MAGICAL DAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY!**

**SAME GREAT COMMUNITY BRIGHTER TOGETHER**

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
FAMILIES ♥ FRIENDS ♥ COMMUNITY

*See you there!*

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**IN PARTNERSHIP WITH**  **LOVE PLAY ACTIVE**

**YOUTH CLUB**

**GAMES SPORTS ARTS & CRAFTS CHILL ZONE AND MORE!**

**FRIENDS FUN ACTIVITIES BELONG**

**A SAFE AND FRIENDLY SPACE FOR ALL**

**WEDNESDAYS 3:30PM - 5:15PM**

**SCHOOL YEARS 1 - 6**

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Sutton Hill, Telford

**PLAY LEARN MAKE FRIENDS BE YOU**

**Stronger Together**

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ON SITE HAIRDRESSER

*Look Good Feel Amazing*

**HAIRCUTS**  
All ages

**BLOWDRYS**  
Smooth & stylish

**COLOUR**  
From highlights to full colour

**STYLING**  
For every occasion

**AND MORE!**

**BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY!**

**Good Hair Brighter Days**

**Call in to book**

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Sutton Hill, Telford

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Turn the page on something great... 

**BOOK CLUB**

**WE LOVE BOOKS. WE LOVE PEOPLE.**

*Let's enjoy both together!*

Join our friendly Book Club where great stories bring people together. Share your thoughts, discover new favourites and enjoy good company in a relaxed and welcoming space.

**Everyone Welcome!**  
ADULTS OF ALL AGES

**MEET NEW PEOPLE**

**DISCOVER NEW AUTHORS & GENRES**

**SHARE IDEAS AND GREAT CONVERSATIONS**

**RELAX, UNWIND AND ENJOY A BREW**

**A SPACE WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS**

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

- Friendly chat about books we love
- Recommendations & new reads
- Occasional author spotlights
- A welcoming group for all reading tastes!

**LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 1PM - 2PM**  
*We'd love to see you there!*

**BRING YOUR BOOKS. BRING YOURSELF. LET'S READ TOGETHER.**



## S&S Crochet

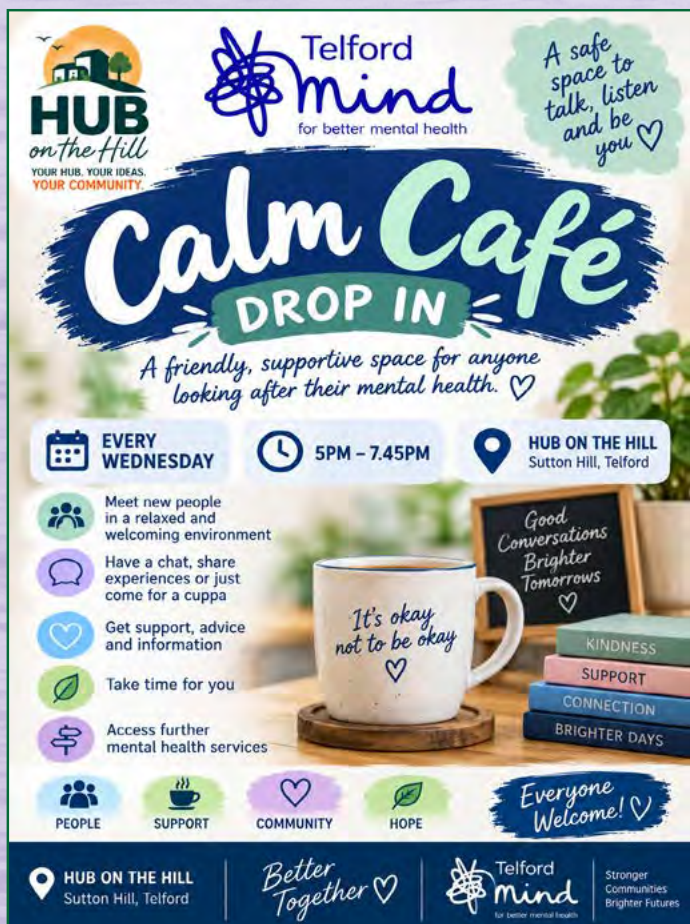
**Wednesdays 10-12**

**@ Hub On The Hill**  
Suttonhill Community Centre

- All ages from 18 up are welcome
- Beginners and advanced
- Friendly
- Work on a small project or big project together
- Help each other
- Bring your equipment
- Join in on the fun

**Self serve**  
coffee & tea  
in the cafe  
**= FREE!**

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Creating a better borough



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**Telford Mind**  
for better mental health

**A safe space to talk, listen and be you**

## Calm Café

**DROP IN**

*A friendly, supportive space for anyone looking after their mental health.*

**EVERY WEDNESDAY** **5PM - 7.45PM** **HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

- Meet new people in a relaxed and welcoming environment
- Have a chat, share experiences or just come for a cuppa
- Get support, advice and information
- Take time for you
- Access further mental health services

**Good Conversations Brighter Tomorrows**

*It's okay not to be okay*

KINDNESS  
SUPPORT  
CONNECTION  
BRIGHTER DAYS

**Everyone Welcome!**

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

**Better Together**

**Telford Mind**  
for better mental health

Stronger Communities  
Brighter Futures



## Christmas PYJAMA PARTY

**FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER**  
5PM - 7PM

Join us in your pyjamas for hot chocolates, food and games!

SNUGGLE  
PLAY  
EAT  
BE MERRY

HOT CHOCOLATE HAPPINESS

HOT CHOCOLATES  
FOOD & TREATS  
GAMES & FUN  
ALL WELCOME!

Wear your Pyjamas and bring your Christmas spirit!

GOOD FRIENDS BRIGHTER CHRISTMAS TIMES

**BOOK HERE** → <https://hhah.telford.gov.uk> **SPACES ARE LIMITED!**

## Christmas NATIVITY & CAROLS

**IN THE SQUARE**  
**WEDNESDAY 23RD DECEMBER**  
11AM - 3PM

FARM ON WHEELS  
LIVE NATIVITY  
CHRISTINGLE MAKING  
LIVE CAROLS

Everyone Welcome!

A special day for our community

Come together to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas

FAMILY COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

LET'S COME TOGETHER AND MAKE IT A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER!

YOUR HUB. YOUR IDEAS. YOUR COMMUNITY.



**HUB on the Hill**  
YOUR HUB. YOUR IDEAS. YOUR COMMUNITY.

## CHILDREN'S RUN INDOOR CARBOOT

**CHILDREN ONLY SELLERS!**

Pre-loved toys, books, clothes & more!

**BUY ♥ SELL ♥ REUSE ♥ SUPPORT**

Clear out for Christmas!

Good Toys Brighter Tomorrows

**£3 A TABLE**

**Pre-loved Toys Happy New Home!**

In an effort to clear out those pre-loved children's toys or clothes ready for the Big Man's arrival in December!

**SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER** **12.15PM til 1.15PM** **HUB ON THE HILL**  
SUTTON HILL, TELFORD

PLAY  
LEARN  
SHARE  
GROW

**BOOK VIA**  
SPEAKING TO JANET OR ZOE  
IN THE HUB

Small Sellers Big Ideas

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

Small items Big smiles Stronger communities

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

Supporting our young community

YOUR HUB. YOUR IDEAS. YOUR COMMUNITY.

**COMING SOON!**

**HUB on the Hill**  
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**BRING your own CRAFTS**

*With Lauren*

Bring what you're working on, get inspired and let's create together!

A relaxed and friendly session where you can bring your own projects, get creative and enjoy the company of others.

**1PM - 3PM** **FRIDAYS** **ALL CRAFTS WELCOME!**

*Create • Chat • Connect*

**HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

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info@madeleytowncouncil.gov.uk

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**Trident**  
PEOPLE | HOMES | COMMUNITIES

Here to help, in your community

**WEEKLY DROP-IN SESSIONS**

Come and meet your Trident team for advice, support and a chat.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY** **12PM - 4PM** **HUB ON THE HILL**  
Sutton Hill, Telford

**WE CAN HELP WITH:**

- Housing advice and support
- Repairs and maintenance queries
- Tenancy support
- Managing your rent and payments
- General advice and signposting

Stronger homes. Brighter futures.

**All welcome!**  
No appointment needed

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Sutton Hill, Telford

Working together for stronger communities.

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**OCTOBER HALF TERM AT THE HUB ON THE HILL**

**MONDAY (HALF TERM) 11.30AM - 3.30PM**  
**SPORTS**  
GET ACTIVE HAVE FUN ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!

**WEDNESDAY 11AM - 3PM**  
**FOREST SCHOOL BUSHCRAFT**  
EXPLORE • LEARN CREATE • BE OUTDOORS

**THURSDAY 11AM - 3PM**  
**GAMING BUS**  
PLAY LEARN COMPETE

**FRIDAY 11AM - 3PM**  
**HALLOWEEN THEMED COOKING SESSION AND PARTY!**  
COOK CREATE EAT PARTY SPOOKY FUN!

**NATURE SKILLS ADVENTURE DISCOVERY**

**BOOK HERE**  
<https://hhah.telford.gov.uk/>

SPACES ARE LIMITED - BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

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Sutton Hill, Telford

Same great community brighter opportunities

See you there!

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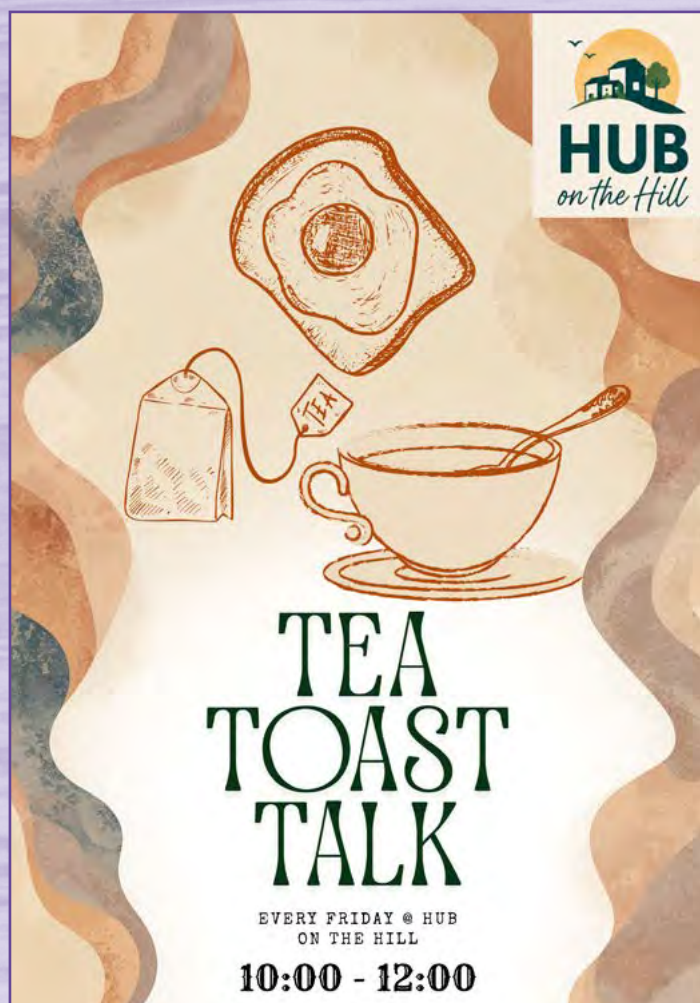
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### Mobile Police Surgery Bluebell Park, Sutton Way

16/10- 6-7pm  
20/11- 6-7pm



# Demolition works at Severn Walk in Sutton Hill has now been completed - paving the way for a brand new community centre on the existing 'Hub on the Hill' site.

The building at the rear of the Hub on the Hill, which was empty, very unsightly and attracting anti-social behaviour, has been knocked down as part of the first phase of an exciting project which is being managed by Telford & Wrekin Council, working in partnership with Madeley Town Council.

The new community hub at 103 Southgate will provide improved and expanded services for residents and will play a key role in supporting community activities and wellbeing.

The Hub on the Hill, which is managed by local people for local people, is in need of significant repairs so it is more cost effective to build a new facility rather than refurbishing the existing one.

Plans for the ground floor of the new hub include a central atrium area for events, a cafe, a larger hall enabling more sports and leisure activities, a community library and a youth and education room.

A new neighbourhood health hub is also proposed for the first floor which can be used for a range of activities including health checks, mobile screening, vaccinations, and outpatient appointments, as well as a potentially meeting rooms for local partners and groups to use.

It is also proposed that the new hub will include improved outside space, with the possibility of an outdoor gym and a community garden.

An event is planned for October where residents will be asked to give their views on the plans.

Telford & Wrekin Council, local ward members and partners are committed to working together to ensure that a new centre becomes a 'one-stop shop' hub for activities accessible to the local neighbourhoods.

Investment in a new hub will create a new focal point for Sutton Hill, leading to wider plans for the regeneration of local estates and also enable Madeley Town Council to rethink how the space is used to maximise footfall and income generation.

**Councillor Lee Carter, Telford & Wrekin Council Leader, said:**

*"These demolition works are the first part of an exciting project to bring a new community centre to Sutton Hill.*

*"Now is the time to redevelop this facility to create a new focal point for Sutton Hill, providing more services and facilities to help local people improve their health, gain qualifications and get a job, and maximise their household incomes.*

*"This project is all part of our commitment to make Sutton Hill and Telford and Wrekin a better place to live, learn, work and socialise."*

During the demolition of the current building at Severn Walk, there will be a temporary reduction in car parking provision (six spaces in total) in the surrounding area but every effort is being taken to minimise disruption and ensure that works are completed as efficiently as possible.

**Councillor Helena Morgan, Chair of Madeley Town Council, said:**

*"The Hub on the Hill has been at the heart of Sutton Hill for many years, so it is fantastic to see this project moving forward.*

*"This is an opportunity to create a modern, welcoming hub that brings even more services and opportunities into the heart of the community. I would encourage residents to get involved and help shape what comes next."*

**Councillor Paul Watling, Telford & Wrekin Council's Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health and Ward Member for Madeley & Sutton Hill, said:**

*"We're really excited about this new development which will be a huge boost for everyone in Sutton Hill.*

*"The current hub on the hill has been a focal point of the community for decades and is a place where local people can meet, socialise and take part in essential community activities on their doorstep.*

*"Creating a new modern, facility will not only safeguard the hub's future for generations to come, it will also enable additional facilities to be offered so these are really exciting times. We're pleased to see the demolition works start."*

The work in Sutton Hill forms part of the Council's wider commitment to making access to services and support easier and closer to home and complements longer term regeneration taking place across Sutton Hill, Brookside and Woodside, including the Government funded Pride in Place programme.

While Pride in Place focuses on longer term regeneration and giving residents a greater say in shaping their neighbourhoods, the Council's own investment is supporting immediate, visible improvements to streets and shared spaces in these communities.

Woodside was selected by Government as one of the first areas in the country to take part in the programme, with Telford & Wrekin Council providing additional funding to expand the investment to Brookside and Sutton Hill

Pride in Place funding was secured through joint work between Telford & Wrekin Council, Telford MP Shaun Davies and the community.



# THE Anstice NEWS...

## Wedding License

*We have some very exciting news...  
The Anstice is now a licensed wedding venue!*

We had our first wedding ceremony on Saturday 18th July – the lovely couple met the Registrars down in the Kemberton Room then headed upstairs to the Ballroom where they got married on the Mezzanine. It was a beautiful wedding; the Ballroom lent itself perfectly to the occasion.

We are very excited for this new chapter for The Anstice. If you're interested in having your wedding with us, please get in touch with Lyndy at [manager@theanstice.co.uk](mailto:manager@theanstice.co.uk)



## Ballroom Floor

Speaking of the Ballroom, we've called in the experts who say the floor is 60+ years old, well-worn and will need replacing before too long. It's been very well danced on over the years. 60 years is good going! So this is our next mission; to replace the floor. The floor is extremely special to all of us, so we're looking at a like for like replacement with identical Maple boards. It will look and feel just as it does now.

To complete this project, we need planning consent and to raise funds, both of which will take a bit of time, so watch this space.

## Membership

*Did you know about our Membership?*

Our charity name is 'Anstice Community Trust', known as ACT for short, and the type of charity we are means we have to have Members to exist. These Members keep an eye on our Trustees, who in turn keep an eye on us staff to make sure The Anstice is run competently.

Members can attend the AGM, ask questions and elect Trustees. They also get 10% off in the Café, a gift voucher to use in the Café on their birthday, and they receive regular updates from The Anstice team.

To be clear, you do not need to be a Member to come into The Anstice – it's no longer that kind of club. If you would like to apply, please pop in and see us or contact us at [info@theanstice.co.uk](mailto:info@theanstice.co.uk)

## Youth Clubs

**Tuesday evenings during term time we also host two youth clubs run by All About Youth.**

The Junior Youth Club, for children in Years 6, 7 and 8, runs 5pm – 6.30pm. The Senior Youth Drop-in, for Years 9+, is open 7pm – 8.30pm.

Both provide a safe, welcoming space where young people can have fun, build friendships and grow in confidence. Led by qualified youth workers and supportive volunteers, all appropriately trained and DBS checked, they offer sports, gaming, creative activities, and community projects. Members can also take part in exciting opportunities such as young leaders training, youth forums, and social action projects.

## Anstice Juniors Youth Club

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## Charity Fundraiser for the Lingen Davies Sunflower Appeal Update



The Lingen Davies Sunflower Appeal is aiming to raise £5 million to help bring a brand-new Cancer Care Unit to the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford. Scheduled to open in 2029, the new centre will provide 30 chemotherapy bays, a Lung Diagnostic Centre, and a Urology Investigation Unit, bringing vital cancer services closer to home for thousands of local people.

On Saturday 30th May, we were incredibly proud to host a fundraising event in support of this amazing appeal, and The Anstice community came out in full force, showing community spirit at its very best.

**Together, we raised an incredible £17,550! What a truly fantastic achievement!**

We'd like to say a huge, heartfelt thank you to everyone who made the day such a success.

Thank you to everyone who donated, attended, and took part in our fantastic raffle.

Thank you to our amazing volunteers and staff, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure everything ran smoothly.

A special thank you to Dave from the Foresters Arms, Madeley, who kick-started the project earlier this year and helped make this event possible.

And finally, but certainly not least, thank you to Kerry Beattie, whose vision to give something back to the Lingen Davies Charity became something far beyond what anyone could have imagined. Your dedication and passion have helped create a lasting impact for our community.

To every single person who supported this fundraiser in any way - thank you. Take a bow. You should all be incredibly proud.

**As always, we love to see you, so please pop in. Alternatively, you can get in touch with us by phone on 01952 567230, email [info@theanstice.co.uk](mailto:info@theanstice.co.uk), or visit our website [www.theanstice.co.uk](http://www.theanstice.co.uk)**



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### Tots

Every Thursday we run a playgroup for 0-5's and their grown-ups upstairs in the Ballroom. It's relaxed and friendly. There's no commitment to come every week and no pressure to arrive on time or stay until the end.

We have drinks and biscuits, tea and coffee, story time and nursery rhymes and lots of different toys for the children to play with. It's also a supportive space. It costs £2 per family and our doors are open 10am - 12noon.

**If you'd like to find out more, please get in touch with Laura or Lauren on 07483 413962.**



THE  
*Anstice*

## CHALLENGING PERCEPTIONS

Children, Young People & Families Support Charity

### **His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire becomes Patron of Challenging Perceptions**

*Appointment marks a major milestone for the Telford charity in its 10th anniversary year.*

Challenging Perceptions is proud to announce that **His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire, Anna Turner, has agreed to become a Patron of the charity.**

The appointment comes as Challenging Perceptions celebrates its 10th anniversary and looks ahead to the next stage of its development.

Founded in 2016, the Telford-based charity supports children, young people and families, with a particular focus on mental health, autism, learning disabilities and more recently dads via the Telford Dads project. Its work includes inclusive activities, wellbeing support, family projects and creating opportunities for children and young people to influence the services and communities around them.

#### **Chair of Trustees, Fiona Doran, said:**

*"It is my great pleasure to serve as Chair of Challenging Perceptions and to share in the incredible journey that has seen the organisation make a lasting impact across our communities. Working alongside schools, health services, local government and community organisations, we have helped improve inclusion, challenge stigma, and ensure that the voices of children, young people and families are heard and valued."*

*We are delighted that the Lord-Lieutenant has agreed to become our Patron. This patronage is a significant recognition of the work that Challenging Perceptions has undertaken over many years and will help champion the charity's mission, raise awareness of the issues we address, and support our ambitions for the future. Together, we remain committed to building more inclusive communities where everyone has the opportunity to thrive."*

#### **His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire, Anna Turner, said:**

*"It wasn't a difficult decision to accept the invitation to become a patron of Challenging Perceptions because it is a vibrant and essential service that I have every confidence is helping to improve lives. On visiting the Park Lane Centre I was struck by the embracing inclusivity to so many families that are living with the everyday difficulties that mental health, learning disabilities and autism brings. To have this user-led charity offering such extensive support, advice and friendship can only enhance the quality of life for users."*



#### **Carl Bailey, Founder and Chief Executive, said:**

*"We are incredibly proud and honoured that His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant has agreed to become Patron of Challenging Perceptions."*

*What started as a small community group ten years ago has grown into a charity making a real difference to children, young people and families across our community."*

*This is a very special moment in our history and reflects the hard work and commitment of our trustees, staff, volunteers and supporters, as well as the children, young people and families who are at the heart of everything we do."*

*We are extremely grateful to the Lord-Lieutenant for supporting our work and look forward to having them alongside us as we enter our next decade."*



*From left to right: Carl Bailey, Chief Executive; Anna Turner, Lord Lieutenant; and David Brown, Trustee of Challenging Perceptions.*

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- 9 NOVEMBER - POPPYCRAFTS
- 16 NOVEMBER - LAVENDER BAGS
- 23 NOVEMBER - BALLOON MODELLING
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- 14 DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS CRAFTS



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# PARK LANE CENTRE

## ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★ THE PARK LANE BOOT CAMP STORY ★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★



Having retired from my career in Engineering in 2020 I needed to find something to fill the void, apart from the normal jobs etc around the home. I was always very keen on exercise and fitness and wished that I could find an opportunity to channel my interest in this area because I already held a Level 2 exercise qualification.

In May of 2022 this opportunity arose when the Park Lane Centre Manager wanted to get the outdoor gym adjacent to the centre in use. My volunteering initially began as a Health Champion but changing to a Volunteer for the Park Lane Centre for practical reasons within several months of starting this project.

After an initial meeting between Management from the Park Lane Centre and a Telford & Wrekin (T&W) representative it was agreed that one day a week we would offer a free exercise class on the outdoor gym area and that post exercise the centre would provide free tea/coffee to those taking part.

I felt that just using the outdoor equipment alone would not provide sufficient resistance/intensity for the participants taking part and suggested that I create other exercises/exercise stations in between the outdoor equipment to accompany them. In order to do this, we would require some funding, and this was initially provided from the Park Lane Centre and T&W. In the later years because the group sessions have become so popular we have received funding from both the local councillors' pride funds and PLC (Park Lane Centre). I also suggested at the initial meeting, that during the winter months when the weather was inclement and possibly unsafe to be outside it would be a good idea to move the group indoors whenever possible, in order to keep continuity; again, this request has been granted by subsidy from the PLC.

The weekly sessions have been running on a Wednesday for almost four years now and I am pleased to say that we have not had to cancel any sessions over this period. Initially the first few sessions did not have many attendees, one or two at the very most but gradually over the weeks and months mainly through word of mouth the group began to grow, and we now have ten to twelve people every week. The group are very diverse in both age and fitness level, and we have a 50/50 split of male and female. The people who attend are mostly locals from the surrounding area and some from organisations such as ABT and MIND.

The group who are now mainly regulars have grown together to such an extent that we celebrate any Birthdays within the group with cake, post workout of course. In addition, we have supported more than one hundred people in the time the outdoor boot camp has been running.

Moving on into the future I hope to offer free one to one personal training at the PLC and offer advice on diet and exercise to anyone wanting help.

I am able now to offer this service because I recently gained my level 3 qualification in personal training through the generosity of PLC who sponsored myself.

The last word so to speak:- When I started the sessions in May 2022 I had no idea that the sessions would last this length of time or become as popular as they have done, or that I would be able to offer personal training sessions, but I am pleased that we have achieved all this and long may it continue. I would also add my thanks to all the people who support these sessions each week whose efforts otherwise go unseen for without them we would not be where we are today.

*Howard Mostyn*

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# PARK LANE CENTRE



## WOODSIDE WORKING TOGETHER

*A Park Lane Centre project*

*Building a stronger  
Woodside - Together*

**There's lots happening in Woodside through Woodside Working Together, based at The Park Lane Centre. All of our activities are free, inclusive & open to our local community.**

Our Urban Gardening Project is transforming four local spaces with community growing areas, planting beds, a heritage hedgerow & community orchard. We'll be working alongside experts from The Greenwood Centre to plant the hedgerow & orchard trees on Tuesday 24th November, 1st December & 8th December 10.30am-2.30pm. Meet at The Park Lane Centre & bring a shovel, gloves or any tools you have. Hot drinks & snacks will be provided. Please call us to find out more & let us know you're coming to help.

We're also looking for people with carpentry or DIY skills to help us create community planting beds from recycled pallets & wood during a few weekend sessions throughout October. To get involved, email [snow.hemmings@parklanecentre.co.uk](mailto:snow.hemmings@parklanecentre.co.uk) or give us a call 07482 374563.

On 22nd October, everyone is invited to our Community Pumpkin & Lantern Walk, with a pumpkin & light trail followed by pumpkin

soup, crusty bread & pumpkin carving at The Park Lane Centre. The walk will show case the new locations from our Urban Garden Project, including the newly created Woody's Rabbit Trail. Full details will be shared on our social media. Everyone is welcome!

Our Family Cooking Club is a six-week course where families prepare a meal together, explore new foods, learn about budgeting & get children involved in cooking. Families then sit down to enjoy their meal together in Woody's Warren Café, with free soft play too. Our next course starts 4th November, so please call to book or find out more.

We are running alongside the Hangout Plus Cafe, additional youth projects such as the Unmasked Project. We are working with a local artist to collaborate to create a mask that will help them to process their own emotions.



### *It's finally here!*

The Welcome To Woodside directory. If you live in the TF7 area you will receive one through your door in the next few weeks. We have copies at the Park Lane Centre Telford. The directory contains useful local information about business, community groups & services. The updatable online version is [www.park-lanecentre.net](http://www.park-lanecentre.net)

Huge thanks to all those who worked hard to help the Woodside Working Together team get the directory designed & completed. Pictured is Janet, one of the charities directors, who you might just spot on the pages of the directory.

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## Examples of work carried out by the Community Action Team (C.A.T)...

1. Fallen tree branches blocking footpath on **Kemberton Road**, cleared
2. **Rough Park** footpath opposite Wildwood, trees and vegetation cut back and hardstanding cleared of mud, leaves and detritus.
3. **Summerhill**, coppice near play area cleared of understory vegetation around trees
4. **Waverley** self-set vegetation cleared and removed, and overgrown shrub cleared from footpath
5. **Westbourne** footpath cleared of overgrown weeds and debris
6. **Warrensway** footpath cleared of overgrown weeds and debris.

They have also removed a huge amount of overgrown vegetation from wooded areas and hedgerows around Wellsfield shop in Woodside to open up site lines between shop and the play area to try and help with ASB issues.

The team has been working hard around the Madeley Parish clearing footpaths and tidying neglected areas throughout the estates.

### ROUGH PARK



### KEMBERTON ROAD



## SUMMERHILL



## WAVERLEY



## WESTBOURNE



## WARRENSWAY





## Madeley Community Orchard News

### **The community orchard is doing well.**

At the time of going to press the majority of fruit has been collected by the users of the orchard. The trees did well and are now being pruned to remove water shoots. We still have a group of keen volunteers who work at the orchard every Tuesday morning. During the very hot weather we started at 8.30, and finished by 12 to avoid burning up! After some rain, the grass is turning green again and is almost ready for a cut. We are going to cut the meadow areas later this year, to allow moth and butterfly eggs to drop to the ground.

We have received 2 grants this year, from Fujitsu (£500) and Postcode Lottery through Groundwork (£2000) This funding will cover our incidental expenditure on replacement tools, gravel, timber to replace our raised beds and we are investigating polo shirts with our logo on for the volunteers. We have had lots of visitors, not all 2 legged. We have been studying our wildlife visitors to the pond during the hot weather and the cameras have caught foxes and badgers, squirrels, mice, voles, rats and 2 regular cats. They have all been logged and recorded and we are pleased and proud that our work enables such a wide range of species to call the orchard home. Telford and Wrekin Council ecologists offered to lead a bat walk and the first of these was in August, with 10 visitors using bat listening devices while we peered into the dark. We heard three species, and learnt loads about bats! The next walk is on 15 September.

All of the volunteers welcome visitors, and we hope you enjoy walking through the orchard. Please take some time to sit at our benches to listen to the birds and watch the butterflies and bees. It is truly a wonderful space.





## Message from Shaun Davies MP



*Hello Madeley, Sutton Hill and Woodside!*

**It's always a pleasure to write to you for Madeley Matters, particularly when there is so much happening across our communities.**

*In my last update, I shared the news of the £30 million investment secured for Woodside, Sutton Hill and Brookside. This is a huge opportunity to make a real difference to the places we call home, and I wanted to take the opportunity to tell you a little more about what comes next.*

*I'm pleased to be working alongside local councillors and independent elected chair Reverend Jo Farnworth, as we begin to shape how this investment can deliver the greatest long-term benefit. We have real opportunity to make improvements that will be felt for years to come, whether that be improving play parks, streets and neighbourhoods or creating better opportunities in health, education and housing.*

*But this cannot be done without listening to the residents who live here. You know your communities better than anyone, and your experiences, ideas and priorities need to be at the centre of the decisions we make. I want this to be an investment that reflects what local people want and need, so over the coming months we'll continue listening to residents and making sure their voices are amplified. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you would like to share your view: [shaun.davies.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:shaun.davies.mp@parliament.uk)*

*I am so proud to call Telford my home, and I am ambitious for the future of our town so I will continue working with our local representatives and residents to keep things moving on to deliver the improvements residents deserve.*

*This investment is one part of the wider work I am doing to stand up for Telford. Since being elected, I've have now helped over 12,000 people across Telford with issues from pensions and housing to prescriptions and NHS services. Listening to residents is central to my work, so I hold regular events across our town, including coffee events, surgeries and street visits.*

*I am still pushing for even more breakfast clubs, better postal delivery services, improved 5G coverage, better educational/employment opportunities and equal opportunity for our town – just to name a few! There is still much more to do, but I am determined to keep making the case for Telford and ensure our communities get the attention and investment they deserve.*

*You can find details of upcoming events on my website, where you can also sign up for my weekly Thursday update to keep up with the latest news and work taking place across Telford.*

*I'm also looking ahead to the winter months, which for me include some of the most important events of the year, particularly Remembrance. Every year, I take every opportunity to honour those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country, as well as recognising the brave servicemen and women who continue to serve and protect us today. It is always a privilege to stand alongside our communities in remembering their courage, service and sacrifice.*

*And, before we know it, Christmas will be just around the corner! I'm looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible across Telford as we prepare for the festive season, celebrate our communities and enjoy everything our town has to offer.*

*When I say I am standing up for Telford while serving our country, I mean it. It is the honour of my life to stand up for our town, and I'm making sure to do it right! I will keep working every day to deliver for our community. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.*

**As I always say, lots done, more to do, more to come!**



## PRIDE IN PLACE

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Woodside – Brookside – Sutton Hill  
Telford

### Residents Invited to Help Shape the Future of Woodside, Brookside and Sutton Hill

The Pride in Place programme is continuing to gather momentum, with local residents now being invited to join three new Area Groups and play a direct role in shaping the future of their community.



Earlier this year, residents and community representatives were invited to express an interest in getting involved in the programme, either through the Pride in Place Programme Board or local Area Groups. Following a positive response from the community, the Programme Board has now been established and is already meeting regularly to help guide the initiative.

As part of the programme's commitment to listening to local people, representatives have also been attending community events across the area, speaking with residents about what they value most about their neighbourhoods and what improvements they would like to see in the years ahead.

In September we launched three Area Groups, one each covering Woodside, Brookside and Sutton Hill. Each group is a dedicated forum where local people can share their ideas, priorities and aspirations for the area. Whether residents have suggestions for improvements that could be made in the short term or a longer-term vision for their neighbourhood over the next decade, the group will provide an important opportunity to influence future plans and decision-making.

We had some great discussions in the first round of groups, with residents telling us what they like about living in their neighbourhood, their priorities for change and what they hope their community will look like in 10 years' time.

The next round of groups will take place in November, where we will share how the PIPP Board has developed residents' priorities and ideas into a plan.

Everyone with an interest in the future of Woodside, Brookside or Sutton Hill is welcome to attend, whether they have ideas to share or simply want to learn more about the programme and what's happening locally. Residents are also encouraged to invite friends, neighbours and other members of the community who may wish to get involved.

By working together, local people can help make their neighbourhoods a better place to live, both now and for future generations.

**For more information contact Sarah at  
PrideinPlace@telford.gov.uk**



## IRONBRIDGE ROTARY NEWS Autumn 2026

Christmas is fast approaching, if we are to believe the shops and the television adverts. Ironbridge Rotary Club is preparing for all our usual Christmas activities.

To start the season, the club will be helping the British Legion Poppy appeal in Lidl at Madeley on 23rd October.

Planning has been under way for most of the year for this year's Telford Tree of Light, again to be erected at Telford Centre and lighted on November 12th. From that date until Christmas there will be a Rotarian daily at the tree to provide information and help for anyone wishing to donate to the charities nominated by the four Telford Rotary Clubs this year, as well as the Severn Hospice.

Once again we shall be providing our popular Christmas Present Wrapping service during the week before Christmas. For a minimum donation to charity we will wrap your Christmas presents and add bows and a label.

We are always happy to welcome new members and volunteers. If having fun while helping the local community appeals to you, look at our facebook page –

**rotary club of ironbridge, or drop us an email at  
ironbridgerotary@gmail.com for more information**



The Royal British Legion

## Madeley Branch

*A monthly evening for the Madeley community –  
remembrance, good company, and support for the  
Armed Forces family.*

**When** Last Friday of every month

7pm for a 7.15pm start

**Where** Madeley Cricket Club

**Who** Everyone

You don't need to have served to belong here

**You don't need to be a veteran to join us. We're a  
friendly bunch, and there's always a warm  
welcome waiting.**

**Come along — no need to book, just turn up**

Royal British Legion



Madeley Branch





## Community art inspired by Telford Royal event planner goes on display

**Artwork created in honour of the UK's Royal event planner has been proudly displayed in his hometown of Telford.**

Garrison Sergeant Major Andrew (Vern) Stokes OBE MVO DL was the guest of honour at the event held in Telford Shopping Centre – returning from London where he had been busy organising this year's Trooping the Colour to view the art inspired by him.

Vern grew up in Madeley before joining the British Army at 16, travelling around the world on tours, becoming the highest-ranking officer at Sandhurst and then moving into his current role a decade ago.

He is the patron of 4 All Foundation, the charity which organised the Art 4 All project, calling on members of their various activities and programmes to help them create the exhibition.

Following the event, Vern said: "It was a real privilege to be at Telford Shopping Centre to see first-hand the wonderful artwork that has been created through this project.

*"When people think about art, they often think about paintings, drawings, colours and creativity. Art is much more than that. Art is a way of expressing ourselves: it allows us to share our thoughts, feelings, memories and imagination in ways that words sometimes cannot.*

*"One of the things I particularly like about this project is that it has brought together people of all ages. It is not just children who benefit from art. For older people, art can bring back memories, encourage conversation, reduce loneliness and provide a sense of purpose and achievement. For young people, it builds confidence, develops creativity and encourages them to see the world from different perspectives.*

*"When I saw the work on display, what struck me most was that every piece told a story. Each drawing, painting or creation is unique because it reflects the person who made it. Some of the artwork was inspired by my own journey of growing up in Telford and serving in the army and later becoming the Garrison Sergeant Major. If that has encouraged anyone to pick up a paintbrush, pencil, or simply to dream a little bigger, then I am truly honoured, but what is more important is not my story, but the stories the artists have chosen to tell through their artwork."*

**For more information about 4 All Foundation, visit [www.4all.foundation](http://www.4all.foundation).**



## Having a great summer

*Wish you were here...*



**In a world where girls and women are made to feel small. We make girls feel big and bold. Come and join the fun...**

### **Madeley:**

**Meet at Madeley Guide and Scout Hut, behind Upper House. Post Code TF7 5BW**

Monday Rainbows aged 4 to 7 years - 4.45pm to 5.45pm

Monday Brownies aged 7 to 10 years - 6pm to 7.30pm

Wednesday Guides aged 10 to 14 years 6.30pm to 8pm

### **Woodside:**

**Meet at Woodside Park Lane Centre, TF7 5QZ**

Monday Rainbows aged 4-7 years 6pm to 7.30pm

Monday Brownies aged 7-10 years 6pm to 7.30pm

Monday Guides aged 10 to 14 years 7.30pm to 9pm

### **Sutton Hill:**

**Meet at Sutton Hill Church, TF7 4HG**

Thursday Rainbows aged 4 to 7 years 5.15pm TO 6.45pm

Thursday Brownies aged 7 to 10 years 5.15pm TO 6.45pm

Thursday Guides aged 10 to 14 years 5.15pm TO 6.45pm

### **Randlay:**

**Meet at Randlay Community Centre TF3 2LH**

Tuesday Rainbows aged 4 to 7 years 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Tuesday Brownies aged 7 to 10 years 6.30pm to 8pm

Tuesday Guides aged 10 to 14 years 6.30pm to 8pm

Either register for Rainbows, Brownies, or Guides by going to [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) turn up at the centre to speak to the leader in charge.

**If you would like to volunteer with us, we would love to see you.**



# Our Community...

## In your Community



**Citizens Advice Telford & the Wrekin will be attending the following Live Well Hubs across your community:**

|                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 7th October 10AM - 12PM   | Woodside Park Lane Centre   |
| 14th October 10AM - 12PM  | Sutton Hill Hub on the Hill |
| 28th October 10AM - 12PM  | Madeley Community Library   |
| 4th November 10AM - 12PM  | Woodside Park Lane Centre   |
| 11th November 10AM - 12PM | Sutton Hill Hub on the Hill |
| 25th November 10AM - 12PM | Madeley Community Library   |

At the sessions we are able to offer appointments and provide sign-posting to relevant organisations. Whilst we're not able to advise you there and then, this is an opportunity to talk to us, explain your issues and be booked in for an appointment in the near future. Whether you want to find out if you're eligible for a certain benefit, issues with your housing or want to see if there's a tariff to save you money, come in and talk to us!

**If you can't make it to one of these sessions, call us on 0808 278 7988**

**You can also submit an out-of-hours contact us form: <https://citizensadvice.telfordandthewrekin.org.uk/contact-us>**

## FREE YOGA CLASSES FOR ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY & EX-EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL



Have you Served in the Armed Forces or the Emergency Services or are you an immediate family member of someone who has Served?

Now it's time to focus on you with our FREE yoga classes in a safe space, for you to explore and move your body, creating a new relationship with yourself and easing the stress of everyday life.

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- Connect with others who understand your journey.
- Each Wednesday 3.30PM to 4.30PM.
- Chris Turley Armed Forces Hub, 22 Burton Street, Dawley, TF4 2ES.
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**Sign up today and take the first step towards feeling better.**

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**FAMILY HUBS**

## South Telford Family Hubs – Autumn 2026

### Drop-ins

Meet your local Family Hubs Practitioners, access advice and support, and connect with local services and community organisations.

- **Woodside** – Mondays 11am–1pm @ Park Lane Centre
- **Sutton Hill** – Tuesdays 10am–12pm @ Silver Birch Family Hub
- **Madeley** – 4th Wednesday 10am–12pm @ Anstice Library
- **Brookside** – Thursdays 9.30–11.30am @ Brookside Central
- **Coalbrookdale/Ironbridge** – Fridays 9.30–11.30am @ Bricks and Beyond Café

### Playing Together

A FREE session for parents/carers of 0–5's aimed at supporting positive development through creative physical play. **\*Term time only.**

- **Sutton Hill** – Tuesdays 1–2.30pm @ Silver Birch Family Hub
- **Woodside** – Fridays 1–2.30pm @ Park Lane Centre

### Music and Movement

A FREE session for parents/carers of 0–5's, supporting coordination, listening skills, and creativity in a fun environment. **\*Term time only.**

- **Brookside** – 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 1.30–2.30pm @ Brookside Central
- **Sutton Hill** – 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 1.30–2.30pm @ Silver Birch Family hub

### Live Well Community Hub

Access Family Hubs support alongside a variety of other local support services at this monthly Community Hub. All sessions 10am–12pm.

- **Woodside** – 1st Wednesday of the month @ Park Lane Centre
- **Sutton Hill** – 2nd Wednesday of the month @ Hub on the Hill
- **Madeley** – 4th Wednesday of the month @ The Anstice Library

### And much more, including

- School Readiness
- Infant Feeding
- Healthy Eating,
- Home Learning Environment
- Hair Care Skills,
- Community Events
- Family Activities.



**SCAN ME**

**Scan the QR code to explore the full Family Hubs offer**



Telford and Wrekin  
**FAMILY HUBS**

# Iconic walking event coming to UNESCO World Heritage Site

A breast cancer themed walking event hosted by the region's primary cancer charity is set to return to Shropshire this October.

The 'eyebrow raising' Titty Trail is an innovative fundraising event from Lingen Davies Cancer Support to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of breast cancer, promote the importance of early diagnosis, and boost funds to support local people with cancer.

This annual event is timed for October to coincide with Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Over 400 people took part last year, raising more than £55,000 to support local people affected by the disease.

Walkers have a choice of two routes – Shropshire and Mid Wales – or can take on both 10.5-mile walks in the same weekend. The event will start in Aberystwyth on Saturday, 10th October before coming to Ironbridge on Sunday, 11th October with a circular route showcasing the UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Emilie Kerr, Lingen Davies' Events and Marketing Coordinator, said: "As the fourth Titty Trail in as many years, this October event is set to be our best yet. We're especially excited for the arrival of our Titty Trail in the beautiful and historic Ironbridge Gorge.

"The name may have raised a few eyebrows since the event was launched in 2023, but the Titty Trail has grown into an iconic date for the diary for those living across the region who want to have some fun while raising breast cancer awareness and boosting life-changing funds to support local people.

"The routes will be kept secret until the day, but I can reveal that our Shropshire Titty Tribe will cross over the celebrated Iron Bridge as well as passing through the natural beauty of the gorge, giving everyone some iconic photos to commemorate the occasion."

The Ironbridge event has been sponsored by Shropshire Homes – an award-winning independent house builder developing quality homes in Shropshire and the surrounding area for almost 40 years.

There are three ways to complete the Titty Trail – a trail run, guided walk, or self-guided walk. Tickets are £35 per person, or £60 for those taking on both routes, and include a branded t-shirt, medal keepsake, and lots of snacks along the way.

**Tickets are available at**  
**[lingendavies.co.uk/news-events/events](http://lingendavies.co.uk/news-events/events)**



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[www.telford.gov.uk/independentliving](http://www.telford.gov.uk/independentliving)

**The Independent Living Centre (ILC) is here to help you stay independent at home and in your community. You can explore advice, equipment and simple ideas that can make everyday life easier.**

The ILC has lots of equipment and technology that can support independent living. You can see items for:

- **Technology enabled care (TEC)**
- **Sensory and visual impairment support**
- **Occupational therapy equipment**

This helps you learn what's available and what could help you stay independent at home.

Our team can talk to you about everyday living needs and provide advice, information and signposting. This helps you, your family or your carers make choices that improve your day-to-day life.

## Contact information:

The Independent Living Centre, 3A Hazeldine House, Telford, TF3 4JL.

01952 457 181

[ILCtelford@telford.gov.uk](mailto:ILCtelford@telford.gov.uk)

Open Monday to Friday

9am – 5pm as a drop-in service for information, advice and guidance.

There will also be an ILC representative at all the local Live Well Community Hubs, details as below:

## Park Lane Centre

10am – 12pm

1st Wednesday of the Month

## Sutton Hub on The Hill

10am – 12pm

Second Wednesday of the Month

## The Anstice

10am – 12pm

Fourth Wednesday of the Month

# Our Community...

## ALL SOULS SERVICE

Your local churches joining together  
at St Michael's Church Madeley

To Remember Those We Love

1st November 2026 at 6.30pm

Find comfort in this quiet reflective service  
for those we have lost this year  
or in years gone by



The Parishes of Madeley,  
Sutton Hill & Woodside,  
Coalbrookdale, Ironbridge, &  
Little Wenlock



## 'ALL SOULS'

*Remembering our 'Loved ones'*

It is 12 months since my amazing Mum passed away. It was expected and I was fortunate to say 'Goodbye' well. She came to live with us for the final three months of her life, something I never expected I would want to do, and I had the privilege of holding her hand as she died. Remembering her is an important thing for me to do.

The death of a loved one can leave us with a range of emotions – grief, emptiness, anger, disappointment, denial and more. BUT for some it leaves confusion because the relationship with the person who has passed away, was not the one we wanted, the relationship had broken down, it was one tinged with regret, it was one that ended prematurely or badly.

Death and grief can be wild and sometimes messy. Remembering my mum is a good and beautiful thing and I am grateful. For some of us we have lost loved ones who caused us pain and disappointment. If you are grieving, whether it is well or feels a bit messy, we have something for you.

As a group of churches in Madeley, Sutton Hill, Woodside and beyond we offer an annual service called 'All Souls'. It is a place to remember loved ones who are missed (or not). It is a safe space to reflect, grieve, remember and be honest about your feelings around the death of a person close to you.

**Sunday 1st November 6.30pm at  
ST. Michael's Church Madeley TF7 5BN.**

**ALL WELCOME.**

## Meet Your New Curates

In Hereford Cathedral on the 4th July 2026 Rev Andy & I were there at a very exciting ordination service to see the new curates of Sutton Hill & Woodside, Sue Hodgetts and new curate of Madeley, Pauline Mack ordained.

This means they got the title of Rev and are now helping in the parishes as they learn what it is to share Jesus in their new roles. Please say hello and have a chat if you happen to meet them.



Pauline Mack

**Rev Dawn**

*Vicar of Sutton Hill & Woodside*

Rev Pauline Mack - I love worship, healing prayer, and the festival New Wine. My work as a chartered accountant and then senior performance specialist in the Audit Commission had prepared me for new adventures following Jesus.

From 24-7 prayer across the churches in Telford to God opening work with prison leavers, Yellow Ribbon was founded. 10 years on, God showed the power of Holy Communion to set people free. I am so pleased to be the curate in Madeley.

Rev Sue Hodgetts - As the new Curate at Sutton Hill and Woodside Churches, I'm excited to be part of these welcoming communities and look forward to getting to know people of all ages. Originally from the Black Country, I bring a background as both a teacher and a musician, and I'm passionate about building relationships, sharing faith, and helping our churches thrive at the heart of local life.



Sue Hodgetts

## Praise and Play

Preschool group  
**FREE**



Refreshments

Craft

Play

**Every Friday 9.00am**

**@ John Fletcher school**

Storytime

Friendship

Fun Worship



**Hosted by St. Michael's  
Church Madeley**

Contact Andy Ackroyd 07549868893 for more info

# JOY

## Let's join together this Christmas!

Throughout December 2026 and into the New Year your churches invite you to remember Christmas together from traditional carol services to Messy Church Christingles. Our normal Sunday services continue too. We hope to see you there.

| Date         | Time    | Church                                      | Service                                 |
|--------------|---------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sun 29 Nov   | 11.00am | St Luke's Ironbridge                        | Christingle Service                     |
| Wed 9 Dec    | 3.15pm  | Woodside Church - Park Lane Centre          | Messy Christingle                       |
| Sat 12 Dec   | 3.30pm  | Sutton Hill Church                          | Messy Christingle                       |
| Sun 13 Dec   | 10.30am | St Michael's Madeley                        | Café Church Christingle (with puppets)  |
|              | 11.00am | St Luke's Ironbridge                        | Carol Service                           |
| Sun 20 Dec   | 10.30am | Sutton Hill Church                          | Christmas Café Church                   |
|              | 11.00am | St. Lawrence's Little Wenlock               | Carol Service                           |
|              | 2.00pm  | Holy Trinity, Coalbrookdale                 | Carol Service                           |
|              | 6.30pm  | St Michael's Madeley                        | Carols by Candlelight (with puppets)    |
| Tues 22 Dec  | 3.45pm  | Woodside Church - Park Lane Centre          | Messy Carol Service with Nativity       |
| Wed 23 Dec   | 2.00pm  | Sutton Hill Church with the Hub on the Hill | Messy Pop-Up Nativity and Carol Service |
| Thurs 24 Dec | 10.30am | St Michael's, Madeley                       | Blue Christmas Service                  |
|              | 3.00pm  | St Michael's, Madeley                       | Crib Service (with puppets)             |
|              | 5.00pm  | St Luke's Ironbridge                        | Crib Service                            |
|              | 6.00pm  | Sutton Hill Church                          | Carols by Candlelight                   |
|              | 11.00pm | Holy Trinity, Coalbrookdale                 | Midnight Communion                      |
|              | 11.30pm | St Michael's Madeley                        | Midnight Communion                      |
| Fri 25 Dec   | 9.30am  | St Lawrence's, Little Wenlock               | Christmas Day Communion                 |
|              | 10.00am | St Michael's, Madeley                       | Christmas Day Family Communion          |
|              | 10.30am | Holy Trinity, Coalbrookdale                 | Christmas Celebration                   |
|              | 10.30am | Sutton Hill Church                          | Christmas Day Family Communion          |
|              | 11.15am | St Luke's Ironbridge                        | Christmas Day Communion                 |

# Our Community...

## Madeley Baptist Church Welcomes New Minister

**Members and friends of Madeley Baptist Church (MBC) recently celebrated the commissioning of its new part-time minister, Pastor Jennie Terry, who is eager to serve both the congregation and the wider community.**

Originally brought up in the Black Country, in the Methodist tradition, Jennie has lived in the local area for over thirty years, joining MBC in 2006, where in recent years she has served the church as a deacon and Church Secretary.

MBC is a lively, thriving church - comprising people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds, with a long-standing commitment to supporting local residents through community activities, pastoral care and practical outreach, alongside worship.

Speaking about her new appointment, Jennie said: *"I am humbled to be stepping into the minister role, and I am looking forward to playing a more active part in community life. I believe the Church is called to be a place of hope and compassion, supporting those in need and creating spaces where everyone feels valued and welcome. I look forward to meeting people from all walks of life, listening to their stories, and working with local organisations and other churches to make a positive difference in our local area."*

The church extends a warm invitation to meet Pastor Jennie at upcoming church services and mid-week community activities. Everyone is welcome, whether they are exploring faith, looking for friendship, or just seeking somewhere to pass time.

MBC opens its doors every Tuesday and Thursday, 10 am 'til 12 pm, offering friendship, hot and cold beverages, warm food, cake and biscuits – all free; as well as providing confidential conversation and signposting to local services.

On the first and third Tuesday evenings in the month, 6:30 pm 'til 8:00 pm MBC run 'Causeway', a group for adults with additional learning needs which offers participation in a variety of activities including craft, games, dance and quizzes.

For younger members of the community, MBC runs 'Frantic Friday', a youth club for 8 – 16-year-olds. Providing friendship, faith, and fun. The group meet every fourth Friday of the month, 7 pm 'til 9 pm.

On Saturday mornings MBC hosts the 'Food Share, Waste Prevention Project', which, from 11 am 'til noon, provides for people to just drop in. Earlier, booked slots for those most in need are available by prior arrangement.

Then there are of course our church services. Sunday Worship starts at 10:30 am, usually lasting until around noon, and including groups for young people. A 'sensory friendly' church service is held on the fourth Tuesday in the month, 2 pm 'til 2:45pm, with prayer meetings and bible study house groups throughout the week.

**If you would like to find out more about MBC please visit our website: [madeleybaptist.org.uk](http://madeleybaptist.org.uk), find us on Facebook, or just pop into one of the sessions.**



*Pastor Jennie Terry, the new Minister of MBC is welcomed at her Commissioning Service*



**FUN  
MUSIC  
GAMES  
FRIENDSHIP**

**CAUSEWAY**  
A relaxed and informal group meeting at  
**Madeley Baptist Church**  
TF7 5AH

**EVERY  
1st & 3rd  
TUESDAY  
OF THE MONTH**  
**6:30 – 8:00 PM**

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**Every Tuesday & Thursday  
10 am 'til 12 noon  
at Madeley Baptist Church**

**Providing friendship and  
a place to relax**

**Free!**

**Breakfast and refreshments**

**Drop-in Sessions with  
CAP, Maninplace, MIND**



## Madeley Baptist Church Harvest and Christmas Services:

- 11th October @ 10:30 am - 'All-Age' Harvest Service with Communion
- 20th December @ 10:30 am - 'All-Age' Nativity Service
- 20th December @ 6:30 pm - Carols by Candlelight
- 25th December @ 10 am - Christmas Day Service



Friendship  
Faith  
Fun



**Youth Club**  
@ Madeley Baptist Church  
**Ages 8-16**  
7 - 9pm, 4th Friday of the month  
**£2 subs**

**FRANTIC FRIDAY**

Contact: Meena: 07805 251 749  
Adrian: 07725 181 314  
madeleybaptist.org.uk




# CHRISTMAS SERVICES

at St. Mary's, High Street,  
Madeley TF75AH

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
5.00pm Children's mass

7.30pm Carol Service  
8.00pm Vigil Mass

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
9.00am Morning Mass  
11.00am Morning Mass



Join us for  
**"Sensory Friendly"**  
*Cafe Style Worship*

**All Are Welcome**

Discover faith, grow spiritually, and connect with a welcoming community

Feel free to walk around  
Fidgets available  
Free refreshments

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month**

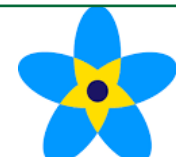
**2pm - 2:45pm**



Got a question?  
Scan the QR Code



Madeley Baptist Church  
TF7 5AH

**Dementia Friends**  
An Alzheimer's Society initiative

## MEMORY CAFÉ

At Parkwood Extra Care, Park Lane,  
Woodside, Telford TF7 5GA

On the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month  
between 10am and 12 noon

Meet other people in the community with memory problems and their carers

Call in for a  
friendly welcome  
and a chat



Contact: Anne De Vere  
Email: Annedever@hotmail.com

**Rotary**  
Club of The Wrekin





# Our Community...

## Local Policing team surgery dates:

**Tesco Madeley Surgery**  
(with Engagement Van)  
Wednesdays | 1300 - 1400

14 October 2026  
21 October 2026  
28 October 2026

**Park Lane Centre Surgery**  
Fridays | 1100 - 1200

16 October 2026  
23 October 2026  
30 October 2026



**Supper and Stories**  
With Sal Tonge  
Fundraiser for  
Severn Hospice  
Sun Nov. 1st  
5:30pm

Raffle £15 14yrs +

Soup and roll

Tickets from Madeley  
Severn Hospice

Coalbrookdale Community  
Centre  
Tf8 7dx

Severn Hospice  
Tickets non refundable

**Muddy Church**

# Light Party

Let Your Light Shine

Admission **FREE**  
Let us know your coming!

Halloween free space

**Our Activities**  
walk, talk, scavenger hunt,  
solve the clues, light  
activities, games, story and  
songs.  
SNACKS & DRINKS PROVIDED

**TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2026**

**MADELEY COMMUNITY ORCHARD**

**2PM-3.30PM**

email: [suttonhillwoodsidechurch@gmail.com](mailto:suttonhillwoodsidechurch@gmail.com)  
FaceBook: church at suttonhill and woodside  
[www.suttonhillwoodsidechurches.co](http://www.suttonhillwoodsidechurches.co)

# Madeley Nursery School

- Bridle Road, TF7 5ET



Funded places for 2, 3 and 4 year old children

Madeley nursery school offers outstanding early education and care for children from 2 years old.

Their unique creative approach is based on learning through nature. Contact the school to make an appointment to visit or to find out more information.

We look forward to hearing from you.

[www.madeleynurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.madeleynurseryschool.co.uk)

01952 388210

[madeley.nursery@taw.org.uk](mailto:madeley.nursery@taw.org.uk)



## Looking for help with employment and/or learning?

I'm David from Learn Telford and my role is to support residents aged 19 or over of Madeley, Sutton Hill and Woodside with employment and learning opportunities.

Learn Telford run a wide range of accredited and wellbeing courses, to help people gain employment and confidence, in the local community at venues including Jubilee House, Park Lane Centre and the Hub on the Hill. Our courses include English and Maths, craft, child development, ICT, wellbeing, Access to Higher Education courses and much more.

Visit our website at <https://learntelford.ac.uk> to see what courses we're running.

You can now register for our English; Maths and ESOL courses in the local area starting in February 2027. We also have Introduction to Child Behaviour and Supporting Children's Learning courses starting at Park Lane Centre in the Autumn.

I also run the following drop-in sessions each month where I give advice on local courses and employment, including CV support - pop in and have a chat and see if I can help.

### Hub on the Hill

1st Tuesday of each month between 10.00-12.00

### Park Lane Centre

1st Thursday of each month between 10.00-12.00

### Madeley Library

1st Friday of each month between 10.00-12.00

You can also contact me on 07528 979376 or at [david.craig@telford.gov.uk](mailto:david.craig@telford.gov.uk) and I can arrange to meet you at a suitable time and venue Monday to Friday.

|  <b>Learning &amp; Skills Drop-in Sessions</b>                                                    |                                                                                              |           |                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Our drop-in sessions offer information, advice and guidance on local courses, training and employment support. They are available on the following days at the following locations |                                                                                              |           |                             |
| DAY                                                                                                                                                                                | VENUE                                                                                        | TIME      | OUTREACH OFFICER            |
| MONDAY                                                                                                                                                                             | Dawley Library,<br>Dawley House,<br>Burton St, TF4 2ES<br>(Second Monday of the month only)  | 10am-12pm | Dave Craig<br>07528 979376  |
| TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                                            | Hub on The Hill,<br>104 Southgate, TF7 4HG<br>(First Tuesday of the month only)              | 10am-12pm | Dave Craig<br>07528 979376  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    | Hadley Community Centre<br>High Street, TF1 5NL<br>(First Tuesday of the month only)         | 1pm - 3pm | Anita Ahir<br>07866 619328  |
| WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                          | Donnington Community Hub<br>St Matthews Rd, TF2 & PR<br>(Second Wednesday of the month only) | 10am-12pm | Anita Ahir<br>07866 619328  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    | Brookside Central, Bembridge,<br>Telford TF3 1LP<br>(First Wednesday of the month only)      | 2pm - 4pm | Rob Hedison<br>07976 710840 |
| THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                                           | Park Lane Centre<br>Woodside TF7 5QZ<br>(First Thursday of the month only)                   | 10am-12pm | Dave Craig<br>07528 979376  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    | Wellington Library<br>Larkin Way, TF1 1LX<br>(First Thursday of the month only)              | 1pm - 3pm | Anita Ahir<br>07866 619328  |
| FRIDAY                                                                                                                                                                             | Madeley Library<br>The Anstice TF7 5BB<br>(First Friday of the month only)                   | 10am-12pm | Dave Craig<br>07528 979376  |
| <a href="http://www.learntelford.ac.uk">www.learntelford.ac.uk</a>                                                                                                                 |                                                                                              |           |                             |



learn telford

[www.learntelford.ac.uk](http://www.learntelford.ac.uk)

# Our Community...



## Community, Craft and Woodland Skills at the Green Wood Centre

Nestled in the beautiful woodlands of Coalbrookdale, the Green Wood Centre is home to Small Woods Association, a national charity dedicated to supporting the sustainable management of UK woodlands and helping people connect with nature, traditional crafts, and each other.

Our work is based on a simple belief: well-managed woodlands are vital for wildlife, local economies, community wellbeing, and tackling climate change. From our woodland setting in the heart of the Ironbridge Gorge World Heritage Site, we provide opportunities for people of all ages to learn new skills, improve their wellbeing, and enjoy the natural environment.

This autumn and winter we have a range of activities taking place. Families can also look forward to our popular Christmas Fair on 5 December, featuring local crafts, seasonal gifts, demonstrations, and festive refreshments.

Throughout the year, the Green Wood Centre hosts an extensive programme of courses covering woodland management, traditional crafts, and sustainable living skills. Upcoming opportunities include spoon carving, autumn foraging, leatherwork, pole lathing, coracle making, chair making with sweet chestnut, and sustainable woodland management. Courses are taught by experienced woodland practitioners and are suitable for a range of abilities, with small group sizes ensuring a high-quality learning experience.

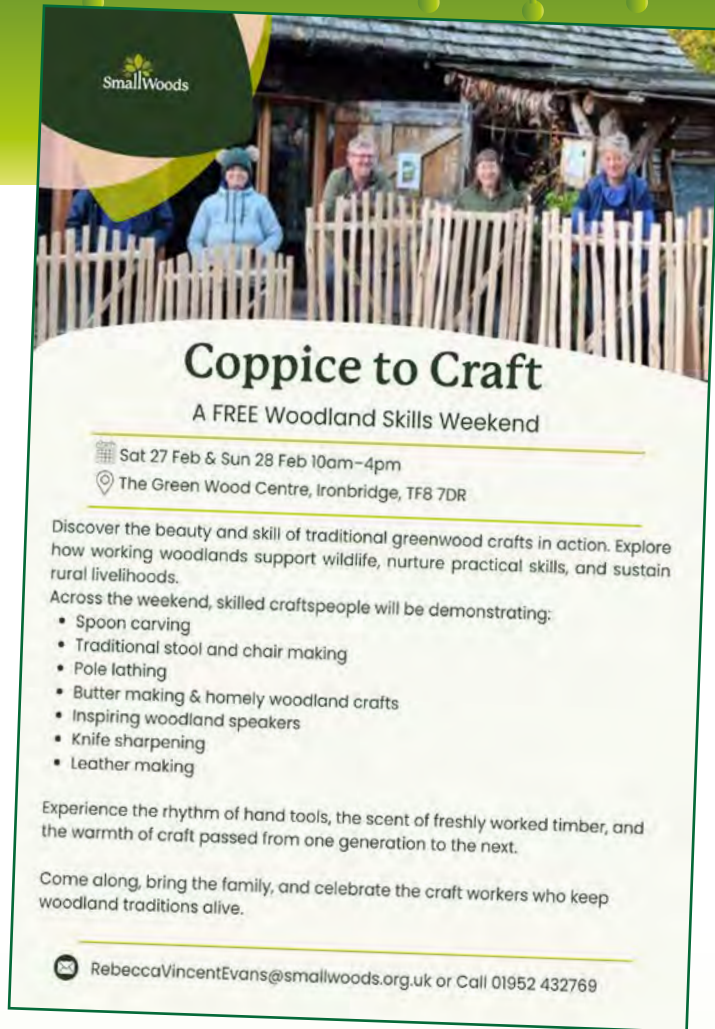
We also work with local businesses and organisations, offering corporate team-building days that support practical conservation projects and woodland biodiversity improvements. These activities help companies meet their social responsibility objectives while making a positive contribution to local green spaces and communities.

The Green Wood Centre is also available for venue hire. Our Woodland Hall provides a unique and characterful space surrounded by woodland and can accommodate up to 60 people for meetings, presentations, networking events, training sessions, exhibitions, and community gatherings. Facilities include parking, Wi-Fi, presentation equipment, accessible washrooms, and a welcoming log burner.

For visitors looking to spend longer in the area, we offer simple and affordable woodland accommodation, including an eco-pod and rustic wooden sleeping huts. Set amongst the trees, they provide a memorable opportunity to experience the tranquillity of the woods while exploring the rich heritage and attractions of Ironbridge Gorge.

As a charity, we are proud to support local people, strengthen community connections, and promote the sustainable management of woodlands for future generations. We welcome anyone interested in learning new skills, volunteering, attending events, or simply enjoying time in nature.

**To find out more about our events, courses, accommodation, venue hire, and volunteering opportunities, please visit our website [www.smallwoods.org.uk](http://www.smallwoods.org.uk) or get in touch with the team at the Green Wood Centre on 01952 432 769**



**Coppice to Craft**  
A FREE Woodland Skills Weekend

Sat 27 Feb & Sun 28 Feb 10am-4pm  
The Green Wood Centre, Ironbridge, TF8 7DR

Discover the beauty and skill of traditional greenwood crafts in action. Explore how working woodlands support wildlife, nurture practical skills, and sustain rural livelihoods.

Across the weekend, skilled craftspeople will be demonstrating:

- Spoon carving
- Traditional stool and chair making
- Pole lathing
- Butter making & homely woodland crafts
- Inspiring woodland speakers
- Knife sharpening
- Leather making

Experience the rhythm of hand tools, the scent of freshly worked timber, and the warmth of craft passed from one generation to the next.

Come along, bring the family, and celebrate the craft workers who keep woodland traditions alive.

RebeccaVincentEvans@smallwoods.org.uk or Call 01952 432769





## BUSHCRAFT : UNDERSTANDING FIRE

Monday 26 October 11am to 1pm  
The Green Wood Centre, Ironbridge, TF8 7DR

- Learn about fire safety, responsibility and careful use in a woodland environment
  - Explore traditional fire-lighting techniques using ferro rods, flint & steel and bow drill
  - Discover how Bushcraft practitioners work safely & respectfully with fire & natural materials
  - Finish the session around the fire with toasted marshmallows
- Ages 10 -14 years old

Limited spaces – booking essential  
2 hour session £33.22



👉 Book early on Eventbrite to avoid disappointment!

✉ RebeccaVincentEvans@smallwoods.org.uk or Call 01952 432769



## CHILDREN'S WHITTLING CLASS

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> November 11am to 1pm  
The Green Wood Centre, Ironbridge, TF8 7DR

A fun, hands-on outdoor session for ages 10 – 14

- ✓ Learn about knife safety & law
- ✓ Start with a tent peg
- ✓ Cook & eat hotdogs over an open fire
- ✓ Make a butter knife or wand
- ✓ Learn safe knife use

Limited spaces – booking essential  
2 hour session £33.22

👉 Book early on Eventbrite to avoid disappointment!



✉ RebeccaVincentEvans@smallwoods.org.uk or Call 01952 432769



## Make Your Own Traditional Self Bow

Friday 20 November 10:00am – 4:30pm  
The Green Wood Centre, Ironbridge, TF8 7DR

Step back in time and craft your own traditional hazel self bow using ancient techniques and traditional hand tools. Guided by master bowyer Stephen Munn with over 25 years' experience.

Special introductory price: £80

Suitable for beginners, history enthusiasts, bushcrafters and traditional craft lovers.



Book your space on Eventbrite :

✉ RebeccaVincentEvans@smallwoods.org.uk  
📞 01952 432769



## Crafty Christmas Fayre

Sat 12 December 10am–4pm  
The Green Wood Centre, Ironbridge, TF8 7DR

Come and celebrate the festive season with us!

Craft stalls

Tombola

Father Christmas

Hot Food – Mulled wine & mince pies

Children's activities

Live music

Win a bench

Elf trail adventure

**FREE ENTRY**

✉ RebeccaVincentEvans@smallwoods.org.uk or Call 01952 432769

## TELFORD ALL AGE AUTISM HUB: CHILDREN'S SERVICES AT A GLANCE

### Telford All Age Autism Hub – Children (0–18 years)

For families in Telford and Wrekin, supporting a child who is autistic or awaiting assessment can feel overwhelming. Our All Age Autism Hub Children's Service is here to offer understanding, guidance, and a welcoming community where families can connect and feel supported.

#### A Safe, Supportive Space

Whether your child has a diagnosis or is still on the assessment pathway, our Hub provides help for children and young people aged 0–18, along with their parents and carers. Our aim is to empower autistic people and their families through a non-judgemental environment that builds confidence, knowledge, and awareness of neurodiversity.

#### Support Tailored to Your Family

We offer a range of services designed to bring clarity, reassurance, and practical help at every stage of your journey.

#### ■ 1:1 Advice Appointments

Meet with our Autism Specialist Advisor for personalised guidance and problem-solving. We can support with behaviour, communication, education, and navigating services.

#### ■ Training Workshops

Our workshops cover key topics including sensory needs, anxiety, communication strategies, wellbeing, and transitions. These sessions give parents and carers useful tools to support everyday life.

#### ■ Inclusive Group Activities

We believe in the power of connection. Families can join social groups that build confidence, friendships, and community, including:

- DUGOUT Youth Group
- Girls Social Group
- Holiday Activities
- Early Years Stay & Play
- Primary Family Fun Sessions
- All Age Quiet Chess Group
- RISE Parents' Social & Peer Support Group

#### ■ New: Early Years Stay & Play

Our new Early Years Stay & Play sessions provide an autism-friendly and welcoming environment for families with children aged 0–4 years, where one person in the family has an autism diagnosis or is on the autism assessment pathway.

The sessions are designed to give young children opportunities to explore and develop through age-appropriate play, sensory experiences and messy play activities, alongside opportunities to develop early social skills in a relaxed and supportive environment.

For parents and carers, the sessions provide a welcoming space to meet other families, connect, share experiences and ideas, and talk to our team about any questions or support they may need.

We are also working alongside a range of local professionals, including School Nurses and Healthy Lifestyles Practitioners, to provide families with access to advice, guidance and support. This will begin at our launch coffee morning and continue throughout future Stay & Play sessions, helping families to access a range of useful information and support in one welcoming setting.

#### ■ Planning for the Months Ahead

Our team are currently busy planning our October half-term and Christmas activities for families across our Children's Service. We want to offer a range of welcoming, inclusive and autism-friendly opportunities for children, young people and their families to enjoy together.

We are working hard to make sure our activities are accessible and enjoyable for families with different needs, while creating opportunities to connect, have fun, build confidence and make memories together. Keep an eye out for further information about our upcoming October to December 2026 programme, including dates, activities and how to book.

**For details of all upcoming activities, please visit the What's On page on our website: [Whats On | Telford Autism Hub](https://www.telfordautismhub.org.uk/whats-on)**

### CONTACT DETAILS

**Telford All Age Autism Hub - Children's Team - 01952 262062**

**[childrensautism@tandwcvs.org.uk](mailto:childrensautism@tandwcvs.org.uk)**

**Facebook: Telford Children's Autism Hub**



**DUGOUT YOUTH GROUP**  
11-18 YEARS  
A PLACE TO BE YOURSELF, HAVE FUN & CONNECT

- A SAFE & WELCOMING SPACE
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- PLAY, RELAX & UNWIND
- NO PRESSURE - JUST BE YOU
- FUN, GAMES & GOOD VIBES!

**WHAT'S ON?**

- POOL TABLE
- TABLE TENNIS
- TABLE FOOTBALL
- BOARD GAMES
- UNO & CARD GAMES
- RELAX & HANG OUT

**GET CREATIVE!**  
We have different creative activities each month.

**FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**  
TERM TIME ONLY  
5:00PM - 6:30PM

**IN OUR FAMILY ZONE**  
SUITE 12 & 15  
HAZLEDINE HOUSE  
CENTRAL SQUARE  
TELFORD CENTRE  
TF3 4JL

**FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS**  
Parents & caregivers must stay for the duration of the session. Siblings are welcome to attend.

**SAFE SPACE**  
You are important here

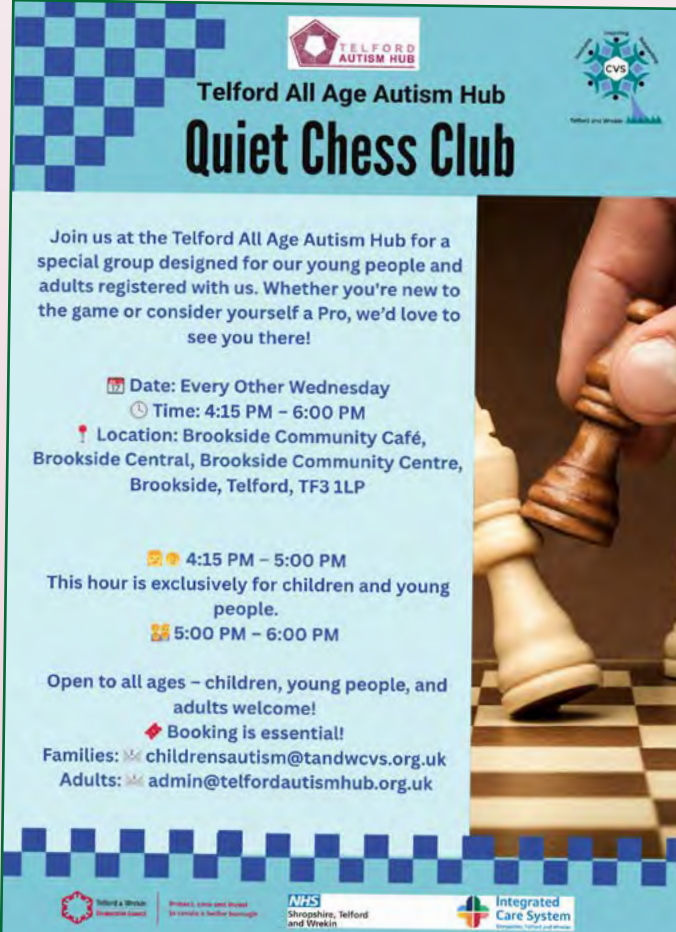
**RESPECT**  
We treat everyone with respect

**SUPPORT**  
We are here to support you

**BELONGING**  
You belong here

**BE YOURSELF. YOU MATTER HERE.**

**Partners:** NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin; Integrated Care System



**Telford All Age Autism Hub**  
**Quiet Chess Club**

Join us at the Telford All Age Autism Hub for a special group designed for our young people and adults registered with us. Whether you're new to the game or consider yourself a Pro, we'd love to see you there!

**Date:** Every Other Wednesday  
**Time:** 4:15 PM - 6:00 PM  
**Location:** Brookside Community Café, Brookside Central, Brookside Community Centre, Brookside, Telford, TF3 1LP

**4:15 PM - 5:00 PM**  
This hour is exclusively for children and young people.

**5:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

Open to all ages – children, young people, and adults welcome!

**Booking is essential!**

**Families:** [childrensautism@tandwcvs.org.uk](mailto:childrensautism@tandwcvs.org.uk)  
**Adults:** [admin@telfordautismhub.org.uk](mailto:admin@telfordautismhub.org.uk)

**Partners:** Telford & Wrekin (Inclusive Spaces); NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin; Integrated Care System

**TELFORD AUTISM HUB** **YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR** **AUTISM COFFEE MORNING** **for families with children aged 0-4 years**

Everyone is welcome – no registration needed!

Come along for a friendly chat with our staff and find out all about our **Early Years Stay & Play session** – launching soon!

We want to hear from you and see what you'd like from the sessions.

**WHEN IT LAUNCHES**  
Our Stay & Play session will be an autism friendly space for families with children aged 0-4 years. A welcoming space to play, learn and connect – with or without a diagnosis.

**COFFEE MORNING**  
Tuesday 22nd September 2026  
9am – 1pm  
Enjoy a cuppa and a slice of cake on us! Tea, coffee and a selection of cake will be provided.

**STARTING OUR STAY & PLAY EARLY YEARS SESSION**  
Saturday 17th October 2026  
9:30am – 11:30am and then every third Saturday of the month  
Tuesday 20th October 2026  
10am – 12pm and then every third Tuesday of the month

**YOUR VOICE MATTERS!**  
This coffee morning is to help us understand how many families would be interested in our Stay & Play session before we launch the first proper session. We'd love to hear your ideas, thoughts and what would work best for you.

**SEND US AN EMAIL TO BOOK YOUR PLACE**  
childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk  
Booking is recommended as places are limited.

**TOGETHER**  
A welcoming space to connect with other families.

**BELONG**  
Meet our friendly team and share your ideas.

**GROW**  
Help shape fun and inclusive sessions for you and your little ones.

Little ones can enjoy a taste of the fun too!  
A small selection of activities will be available for children to try, giving a taste of what our Stay & Play session will be like and how it will run.

**THE THIRD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH**  
9:30AM – 11:30AM

**THE THIRD TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH**  
10AM – 12PM

**FAMILY ZONE**  
Hazledine House, Central Square, Town Centre, TF3 4JL

Part of our Early Years **STAY & PLAY** EARLY YEARS SESSION

**IF YOU NEED HELP TO FIND US**, send us an email and we can send over our leaflet on how to find us.

**TELFORD AUTISM HUB** **GIRL'S GROUP** **YEAR 6 - YEAR 13**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Dear Girls,

We want you to know that this is a space created especially for you – a safe, welcoming, and supportive place where you can truly be yourself. Every girl deserves to feel heard, valued, and included. Here, you will have opportunities to meet new people, build friendships, and connect with others who may share similar experiences and feelings. You are never alone.

This space is all about encouraging confidence, helping you believe in yourself, and reminding you that your voice matters. Whether you are shy, outgoing, nervous, or excited, you belong here just as you are. Together, we hope to create a community where girls support one another, celebrate each other's strengths, and grow stronger through kindness and connection. Through conversations, activities, and shared experiences, we hope you will feel more confident in social situations, improve communication skills, and develop meaningful friendships.

Most importantly, we want this to be a place where you feel accepted, supported, and empowered to shine. You are important. You are valued. And you deserve a place where you can feel confident, connected, and proud of who you are.

To find out more, please email the team on [childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk](mailto:childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk)

**TELFORD AUTISM HUB** **SHROPSHIRE, TELFORD AND WREKIN** **INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM**

**Ages 4-11** **TRUSTED, SPECIALIST SUPPORT BACKED BY NHS & TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL** **SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME**

**Primary Group**

Join us if you are in primary:  
**Reception - Year 6**

**SAFE SPACE**  
A place where you feel safe, respected and valued.

**BE YOURSELF**  
You can be yourself and feel accepted for who you are.

**MAKE FRIENDS**  
Make new friends and build positive connections.

**SUPPORTIVE TEAM**  
A team that listens, supports and encourages you.

**What's On?**  
Table tennis, Table Football, Board Games, Card Games, Different Craft of the Month, Toys, Relax, Explore, and Chill Out

**Third Thursday of the month.**  
Term Time Only  
4:00pm - 5:00pm

**Suit 12 & 15**  
Hazledine House  
Central Square, Telford Centre  
TF3 4JL

If you would like to attend, please email our team on:  
[childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk](mailto:childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk)

**Being yourself is the best thing you can be.**

**TELFORD AUTISM HUB** **SHROPSHIRE, TELFORD AND WREKIN** **INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM**

**TELFORD AUTISM HUB** **RESILIENCE - INSPIRATION - SUPPORT - EMPOWERMENT** **RISE**

**For our Parents/Carers**

Join us for peer support and information sessions designed for parents and carers of autistic children and young people. Connect with others, share experiences, access helpful advice and local support, and build confidence in a welcoming and supportive environment.

**Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month**  
**5:30-6:30pm**  
**Suite 12 & 15 Hazledine House, Central Square, Telford Centre, Telford, TF3 4JL**

If you would like to find out more contact our team on  
**01952 262062** or drop us an email at [childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk](mailto:childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk)

**SHROPSHIRE, TELFORD AND WREKIN** **INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM**

# Our Community...



## Telford and Wrekin

(Formerly Walking for Health - Telford & Wrekin)

For more information contact us at:  
[info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk](mailto:info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk)  
 or phone: 07512 123995

To check the latest details on available walks, please visit our website at:

[www.walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk](http://www.walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk)



or

[www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/wellbeing-walks-groups/ramblers-wellbeing-walks-telford-wrekin](http://www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/wellbeing-walks-groups/ramblers-wellbeing-walks-telford-wrekin)

## Walks programme 2026/27

[www.walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk](http://www.walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org.uk)

Getting active can be difficult, but we're here to help. With Ramblers WELLBEING WALKS, you can take part in a free short walk nearby to help you get active and stay active at a pace that works for you. It's a great way to stretch your legs, explore what's on your doorstep, and make new friends. We've helped thousands of people like you discover the many benefits of regular group walks. From reducing stress, to losing weight, to sharing laughs.

**Ramblers WELLBEING WALKS have something for everyone!**

### Why Walk?

Walking is truly accessible – almost everyone can do it anywhere and at any time. It won't cost you anything, and you don't need any fancy equipment to hit the pavement.

If you still need convincing, here are a few positive things that walking can do for your health...

- Help your heart and lungs work better
- Lower your blood pressure
- Keep your weight down
- Lighten your mood
- Keep your joints, muscles and bones strong
- Increase 'good' cholesterol

### How you can get involved

**Ramblers WELLBEING WALKS – Telford & Wrekin** is your local scheme. Our walks are free, fun and friendly – perfect to help you get active and meet new people. If you'd like to take part, just come along to the start point of one of our walks. If you want to know more before you start, just get in touch.

Please arrive 10-15 mins before start times

: Wheelchair and pushchair friendly

: Café after the walk

### MONDAY

#### Leegomery – 2 Walks

Every Monday starting 10:00am  
 LEEGOMERY, TF1 6NA  
 Grade: 1 (45mins- 1hr) & 2  
 Meet at the Postbox by the Community Centre, Leegomery

#### Apley Castle Park Walk

Every Monday starting 2:00pm  
 APLEY CASTLE PARK, TF1 6NA  
 Grade: 2  
 Meet at the Postbox by the Community Centre, Leegomery

### TUESDAY

#### Donnington Wood – 2 Walks

Every Tuesday starting 10:15am  
 ASDA DONNINGTON WOOD, TF2 7RX  
 Grade: 2 (90 mins) & 3  
 Meet in the overflow car park beyond the petrol station at ASDA Donnington Wood

#### Donnington Wood Walk

Every Tuesday starting 10:30am  
 ASDA DONNINGTON WOOD, TF2 7RX  
 Routes to Renewal Grade: 1   
 Meet in the overflow car park beyond the petrol station at ASDA Donnington Wood

#### Horsehay & Lawley Walk

Every Tuesday starting 2:00pm  
 HORSEHAY, TF4 3BT  
 Grade: 3  
 Meet at Horsehay Golf Club

### TUESDAY cont.

#### Madeley 'LADIES ONLY' Walk

Every Tuesday starting 6:30pm  
 MADELEY, TF7 5HX  
 Grade: 3  
 Meet in the Abraham Darby Leisure Centre car park

#### Inspired Striders Walk (Cancer Peer Support Group)

Last Tuesday starting 6:30pm  
 HORSEHAY, TF4 3BT  
 Grade: 3  
 \*LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH ONLY\*  
 Meet at Horsehay Golf Club

### WEDNESDAY

#### Admaston – 2 Walks

Every Wednesday starting 10:00am  
 ADMASTON, TF5 0BN  
 Grade: 1 (45 mins) & 2/3 (up to 90 mins)  
 Meet at Admaston House car park, Wellington Road, Admaston

#### Coalbrookdale Walk

Every Wednesday starting 10:15am  
 COALBROOKDALE, TF8 7DX  
 Grade: 3  
 Meet at the Community Centre, Darby Rd, Coalbrookdale

#### Wellington – 3 Walks

Every Wednesday starting 2:00pm  
 WELLINGTON, TF1 1LX  
 Grade: 1, 2 & 3  
 Meet outside Wellington Leisure Centre, finish at The Orbit café.

### THURSDAY

#### St Georges & Priorslee Walk

Every Thursday starting 10:30am  
 ST GEORGES, TF2 9LU  
 Grade: 3  
 Meet at the car park behind the cricket club. (Go down to the end of the lane by the church.)

#### Madeley Walk

Every Thursday starting 11:00am  
 The Anstice, TF7 5BD  
 Grade: 2  
 Start at the Anstice, finish at a nearby café

#### Sutton Hill Walk

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 Grade: 2  
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 Grade: 2  
 Meet at Unicorn Inn, Holly Road, Little Dawley

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Every Thursday starting 6:00pm  
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 Grade: 2  
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**Grade 1:** Very few or no gradients. Easy terrain. 15 – 30 mins.

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**Grade 3:** Definite or likely gradients, steps & uneven ground. Brisk walk. 60 - 90 mins.



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# A Lasting Tribute to a Remarkable Madeley Doctor

## **Doctor Jim McGavin Close honours a man whose life was devoted to helping others**

Residents travelling along Hem Lane may soon notice a new name on the Telford map: **Doctor Jim McGavin Close**.

For those who did not know him, it may simply be the name of a new road. But for many people in Madeley, the name will bring back memories of a remarkable doctor whose life was dedicated to caring for others, both locally and around the world.

Dr 'Jim' McGavin was born James McGavin in Shanghai, China, one of four children. His father, originally from Greenock in Clydeside, was an engineer working for the Butterfield and Swire Shipping Company. The family lived in the French settlement in Shanghai, where Jim and his siblings attended school and learned French as part of their education. Although christened James, he was always known as Jim.

In 1922, Jim, his elder sister and younger brother were sent to Britain to continue their education. Their father's employer paid for their schooling until they reached the age of sixteen. Jim and his brother attended schools at Penmaenmawr in North Wales and later Mill Hill in London, while holidays were spent visiting relatives in Greenock and the Lake District.

A keen sportsman, Jim enjoyed rugby, football and boxing. After leaving school he began an apprenticeship with a family building business in Bolton, Lancashire. But he had other ambitions. He wanted to become a doctor.

Lacking the examination qualifications he needed, Jim attended night school to obtain them. His determination paid off and, in 1936, he gained a place at St Mary's Hospital in Paddington, London.

His interview apparently contained an unexpected advantage. The Dean asked him, "Are you Jim McGavin?" When Jim replied yes, the next question was, "Do you play rugby for Bury?"

Again, Jim replied yes.

"I think that we have a place for you here in the college," came the response. Life as a medical student was far from luxurious. Jim shared accommodation near the hospital in a house without running water. His laundry was sent home by train and returned clean, sometimes accompanied by a piece of cold meat and a cake.

### **From medical student to prisoner of war**

When the Second World War began, Jim had hoped to join the RAF. Instead, he was persuaded that his medical training would make him more valuable as a doctor.

After qualifying in 1941, he joined the British Army and was accepted into the newly formed Parachute Regiment. Following training at Ringway, now Manchester Airport, and on Salisbury Plain, his battalion was sent to Tunisia.

During the fighting at Oudna, the field hospital in which Jim was working was overrun. He was captured along with the wounded men in his care.

Taken to Italy, Jim was being transported by train towards a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany when he attempted to escape from the moving train. He was knocked unconscious and was not found until three days later, suffering concussion and fractures to his arm and collar bone.

There were two further escape attempts during his captivity. The second was from Spangenberg Castle, Oflag IX.

Eventually Jim gave his word that he would not attempt another escape provided that he was allowed to continue treating sick prisoners of war of all nationalities - a service for which there was a desperate need.

He continued his medical work, principally in the Leipzig area, until liberation by the American Army in 1945.

The experience had taken an enormous physical toll. Jim had weighed more than 15 stone when he left for Tunisia. When he returned home, he weighed just 8½ stone.

### **A new life in Madeley**

After recovering at his parents' home in Rivington, Bolton, Jim returned to St Mary's Hospital following his discharge from the Army.



It was there that he met Rosemary, a qualified nurse who would become his wife. After marrying in Bristol, the couple joined the Grenfell Trust in Newfoundland, Eastern Canada, working among remote island communities.

Their work presented extraordinary challenges. The climate ranged from temperate to arctic, with journeys made on foot or by boat in summer and by skis or dog sled in winter. After two years the family returned to England.

Following temporary medical appointments in Bristol and Bedworth, Jim accepted a position as a locum for Dr Mitchell in Madeley.

When the opportunity for a partnership did not arise, Jim, with the support of the Reverend McNicol, established his own practice in a small garage in the grounds of the Old Vicarage.

Initially, Jim and Rosemary lived at 9 South Drive with their three young children. If Jim was out on a night call, the telephone would be passed to the next-door neighbour so that an incoming emergency call would never be missed.

Eventually, Jim purchased a plot of glebe land belonging to St Michael's Church. A house called The Furlongs stood on the site and is now the location of the New Vicarage.

A local building company, Broome and Poole - now A K Williams - was commissioned to build the family's new home, Glentyan, which also became Jim's surgery.

### **A doctor who was always there**

As the practice grew, Jim became a much-loved figure in Madeley.

He worked extraordinarily long hours, often beginning his day at 4.30am. He would sit in his surgery with a cup of tea and the window open to the fresh air, using the quiet early hours to keep himself up to date with developments in medicine.

There were no appointments in those days. Patients simply waited their turn on the long black wooden benches in the waiting room.

Jim was particularly conscious of the financial pressures facing working people. He would see patients at whatever time suited them, including those working early shifts, so that they would not have to lose valuable working time - and, importantly, their pay.

Although he owned a car, Jim preferred to walk or cycle whenever possible. For night calls he sometimes simply put his clothes on over his pyjamas. That habit was particularly useful when responding to emergencies underground at Kemberton Colliery.

Jim was also the works doctor for several local factories and foundries and took a keen interest in occupational health and safety. After diagnosing a number of cases of lead poisoning, he helped bring about changes to filtration systems in local foundries, helping to prevent further cases.

His concern for others extended well beyond his medical duties.

The late Jack Smart, Health and Safety Officer at Kemberton Colliery, remembered him as:

*"A wonderful saintly man, who lived his Christian beliefs in everyday life."*

Continued overleaf

# Our Community...

## A Lasting Tribute to a Remarkable Madeley Doctor..continued

### A life of service continued overseas

Jim suffered the devastating loss of his eldest daughter, Jane, in 1976.

He retired as a GP in August 1977, and Rosemary died shortly afterwards. Yet retirement did not mean an end to Jim's vocation.

He returned to work as a locum GP but felt that he still had more to give. In 1981, at the age of 71, he volunteered for a two-year post as a missionary doctor in Uganda.

The country was emerging from the devastating years of the Idi Amin regime and was suffering from extreme poverty. Jim worked at Ngora Hospital, around 250 kilometres north-east of Kampala, where electricity and running water were available only intermittently.

When people in Madeley heard that their former doctor was working in Africa, the local community rallied around him, collecting medicines and other essential supplies to send to Uganda.

It was a gesture Jim never forgot.

### Remembering Jim

After returning to Madeley, Jim continued to live a remarkably frugal life. He needed few material possessions and enjoyed listening to the radio, reading and keeping up with developments in medical science.

His Christian faith was central to his life. A Scottish Presbyterian, he attended St Michael's Church and later Fletcher Methodist Church in Court Street.

Those who knew him often remembered his quiet and shy nature, but also his extraordinary kindness and selflessness.

He had spent much of his life putting other people first - whether caring for wounded soldiers as a prisoner of war, treating isolated communities in Newfoundland, looking after generations of Madeley families, improving working conditions in local industry, or travelling to Uganda in his seventies to serve people in need.

Jim died aged 95 at the Lady Forrester Nursing Home in Much Wenlock on 26 April 2005.

More than two decades later, his name is to become part of the landscape of the town he served.

**Doctor Jim McGavin Close on Hem Lane is more than a new street name. It is a lasting reminder of a remarkable man whose life was characterised by courage, humility, faith and service.**

For those who remember Dr Jim McGavin, it will be a fitting tribute.

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### Case Study: Protecting a Listed Building Consent in Madeley

Mid West Planning was recently instructed by a local resident of Madeley who wished to add a single storey extension to her Grade II listed home, creating a warm, modern room in which to sit and relax. Listed buildings bring particular sensitivities, and this project required both full planning permission and listed building consent, which we prepared and submitted on the client's behalf. Both applications were successful.

Securing consent, however, was only part of the story. Both approvals carried a pre-commencement condition requiring materials samples to be agreed with the council before work could start, and the three year deadline for commencing the development was fast approaching. Recognising the risk in good time, we worked with the council to discharge this condition just two weeks before the consent would otherwise have lapsed, ensuring the client's development remained lawful and could proceed.

This case illustrates the value of specialist planning advice that goes beyond winning consent, monitoring conditions and deadlines to protect what has been achieved. It is this attention to detail that gives our clients confidence and peace of mind throughout their project.

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- **Start-Up Grants** support new businesses moving into vacant units
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*Please note that applications are subject to eligibility requirements and a robust assessment process.*

### Coming Soon – Pride in Our High Street Phase 5

We're also pleased to announce that Phase 5 of the Pride in Our High Street programme will be launching this autumn, continuing our commitment to revitalising borough high streets and supporting local businesses to thrive.



## Visit your local hearing loss support hub



### Hearing loss support hubs

Support from audiology trained volunteers in your local community at **Madeley Library**.



### Hearing loss support hubs

#### What support is available?

Our audiology trained volunteers can help you with:

- NHS hearing aid tube changing
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- advice on hearing aid care

#### Where is my local hub?

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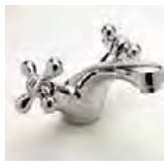
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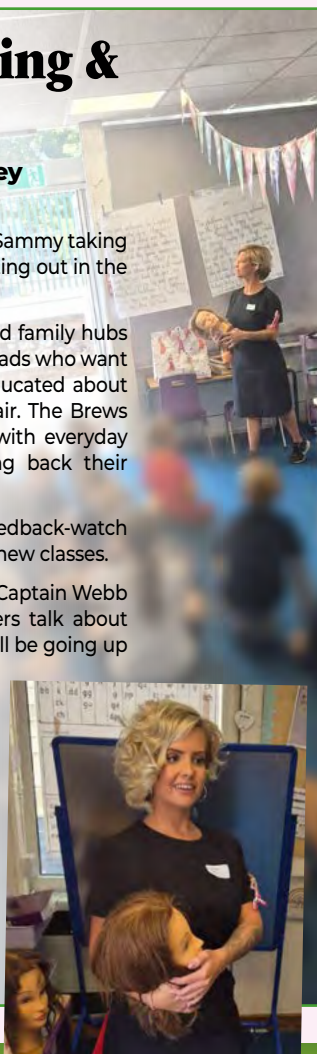
Neomi has been working along side Telford family hubs at The Anstice offering free hair advice to dads who want to master the art of plaiting and to be educated about the general upkeep of their daughter's hair. The Brews and Braids sessions aim to help fathers with everyday tasks like brushing, detangling and tying back their children's hair.

The sessions have had lots of positive feedback-watch this space for more information regarding new classes.

Sammy was then asked to go along to The Captain Webb Primary school in Dawley to give a careers talk about Hairdressing to the YR 6th children who will be going up to secondary school in September.

Sam chatted with the children about her career in hairdressing and how rewarding it is to be able to give something back especially when making such a positive difference towards someone's mental health and wellbeing.

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Pictured: Arthog staff

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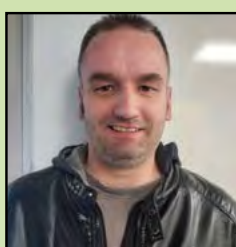
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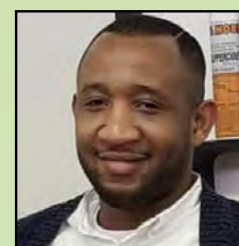
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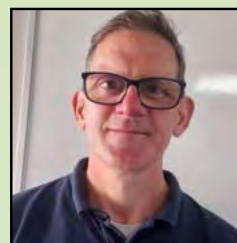
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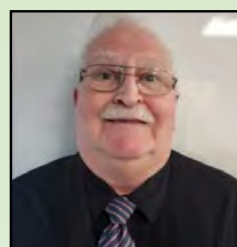
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