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The free monthly newsletter for Cuddington, Sandiway & Delamere Park. Provided by your Parish Council

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SAVE OUR SURGERY - RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP UPDATE

The Action Group met representatives of Danebridge Medical Practice (DMP) to discuss their responses to our Freedom Of Information (FOI) requests. Here is a summary of the meeting:

- The Partner's decision to close the surgery is made, they are already talking to the Clinical Comissioning Group about it.
- They have obtained a quote to build a new surgery (cost £1.16 million) BUT had not
 obtained quotes on refurbishing the existing site, we have asked them to do so.
- They had not written to other local GP Practices to see if any were interested in taking over Sandiway Surgery but promised to do so.
- We have asked to see relevant extracts from a report documenting Sandiway's need for refurbishment but there is no agreement from DMP to see it yet.
- They acknowledged that we are a growing village and also acknowledged the transport issues. Whilst they are looking into some solutions to topics raised in survey responses, they reaffirm that transport is factually NOT their problem.
- The Group suggested to the representatives that to carry out a proper consultation they should have smaller focus groups with sections of the community that would be most affected: e.g. the elderly, young families, those with transport issues, people with Meds monitoring requiring a high level of repeat paper prescriptions. These highly impacted groups are easily identifiable by Danebridge. We also gave suggestions on how best to carry out their Public meeting.

On 6th March the Group will meet with our MP, Edward Timpson to discuss the next steps. Up to date information is published on the village website, including Danebridge's full FOI responses. *You can contact us on; savesandiway@gmail.com*

PEPPER AND HONEY

Saturday March 28th, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Doors and Bar open 7pm

A play by 'Notnow Collective' about two women questioning the meaning of home. The play is timed to perfection in order to deliver a perfect Croatian pepper biscuit in front of, and with the help of the audience

Tickets £10 in advance from; enquiries@cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk www.ticketsource.co.uk/

WHITE BARN FRIENDLY THURSDAYS Held weekly from 1.30 to 3.30pm

This is an opportunity for anyone to come in and meet new people or bring friends to socialise for a few hours and give others someone to talk to.

Tea, coffee and cake will be provided

CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY GALA

Selection for the Royal Retinue, Saturday March 21

1.45pm registration for 2pm start
The Village Hall, Norley Road
Everyone entering gets a role on gala day (June 6)
Open to all age 12 or under, resident in the village
or attending one of our primary schools.
£1 for entrants, Smart daywear to be worn please
Further information from Jan on 01606 301579

VALE ROYAL STRING OCHESTRA CONCERT AT VALE ROYAL ABBEY

Sunday March 29th, 3pm
With music by Mozart, Ernest Bloch,
Dag Viren
Tickets £14, children £7
on the door or from
Andrew Ball on 07398 295239

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting of the parish council will take place at the village hall on Monday March 16th at 7.15pm. A Public Forum will take place during the meeting when residents can put questions to the council. This will be very soon into the meeting and residents should arrive for 7.15pm.

Contact the parish council via their e-mail: clerktocpc@hotmail.co.uk, call 852444 during office hours, or write to: Julie Chrimes, Clerk to the Parish Council, Sunnyside, Withens Lane, Weaverham, CW8 3HX

Agendas and Minutes of meetings can be found at; www.candsonline.org

- The results of the Telephone Kiosk survey have been assessed and it has been decided that a defibrillator will be placed in the one in Poplar Close and a mini library will be set up in the kiosk at the Norley Road shops.
- The council has paid for a skip for use by a Community Group set up by the Head of Sandiway school and parents, to keep Norley Road tidy.
- Complaints have been received about a large quantity of mud on Smithy Lane which was making it difficult, to impossible, to pass along the lane, which is used as a route to Sandiway school from Eden Grange. The council was pleased to note that it has now been cleared. It is hoped that a blocked drain which has been a problem on Smithy Lane for a long time may be cleared soon as CWAC now has a new machine for drain clearing.
- It is hoped that we can get some trees to plant around the village from CWAC's newly established Climate Change Emergency Task Force.
- Gorstage Cemetery Committee has completed the purchase of a new piece of land to
 extend the cemetery and are now proceeding with an application for a change of use for the
 land. The constitution on Headstones has been updated to try and ensure uniformity in the
 layout of the cemetery. There is also a mapping programme underway to improve the
 records of where the deceased are situated.
- The council has been informed that the police will no longer control traffic for Remembrance services. However by continuing the fence round the new Memorial Garden which currently stops at the corner of Norley Road, so that it goes all the way round that area, we would be permitted to use it for a Remembrance ceremony.

CUDDINGTON BOWLING CLUB

Ladies' Team In addition to the Club's mixed teams playing in the Norley, Chester and Mid-Cheshire leagues, we have a ladies' team in the Mid-Cheshire league.

The team was only formed at the start of last season and comprises a mixture of experienced and novice players. Ideally, we would like to add another 2-3 players. Experience is not an issue. We run practice sessions for beginners and more experienced players on a Thursday afternoon, but weekends are also an option.

If you are interested in joining a ladies' league, contact us by email: cuddingtonbowls@gmail.com ~ or through the contact information page on the Club's website: www. cuddingtonbowling.club All players are equally welcome and for 2020, we are offering an introductory £10 reduction in the membership fee for the first year for all new members.

The season starts in April and continues through to September. Contact us now!

RAILWAY LINES Please check before you travel, alterations can happen at short notice: www.northernrail.co.uk, or 0800 200 6060 ~ www.livedepartureboards.co.uk/north

On Sundays 1 and 8 March, buses will replace all trains between Stockport and Chester They will depart Norley Road shops to Manchester at 0954, 1155 and every 2 hours until 1955, then 2149, and to Chester at 1055, 1305 and every 2 hours until 2105, then 2310.

On 2-5 March, the 2201 from Chester (2223 from Cuddington) will call additionally at Heaton Chapel and Levenshulme. Buses replace the 2252 Chester to Manchester (calling at Cuddington at 2342), and 2341 Manchester to Chester (setting down only at Cuddington at 0136). An additional bus departs Knutsford at 0025 (Tuesday to Friday mornings) to Chester, calling at Cuddington at 0108.

SANDIWAY LIBRARY NOW OPEN

The library staff are happy to be back and await the opportunity to welcome customers with all their regular activities plus -

Reopening Celebration on Thursday March 12 with Refreshments and Live Music.

Lego and Duplo Club Mondays 3.30 - 4.30pm (term-time), Saturday 10-12pm

Rhymetime Tuesdays 11 - 11.30am (term-time) **Storytime** Tuesdays 3.30 - 4pm (term-time)

Duplo ClubThursdays 10 - 12 noonPoetry Out LoudThird Thursday 10.45amKnit and NatterThursdays 2 - 4pmFriday Book ClubSecond Friday 10am

Baby Bounce Fridays 11 - 11.30am (term-time)

Chatty Crafters Fridays 2.30 - 4pm

Children's Colouring Fridays 3.30 - 5.00 pm; drop in (term-time)

SCAM AWARENESS

Recently Cheshire Police have seen an increase in the number of scam and fraudulent incidents being reported. One scam which is causing concern is what we call 'Courier Fraud. This is when a scammer makes contact with the victim. This can be via email or phone. They claiming to be from reputable organisations like the Police or your Bank. There are many variations of this fraud, for example.....

BANK - Scammer rings you claiming to be from your bank saying a fraudulent payment has been spotted on your card and this needs resolving. They will ask for you to ring the number for your bank – This convinces you that the call is genuine, However the scammer keeps the phone line open at their end so when you make the call you are unknowingly connected straight back to them or their colleagues.

They will ask for your PIN number.

The scammer then sends a courier or taxi to pick up your card from your home. It is possible the driver does not know they are being used as part of the scam.

POLICE – Scammer makes contact and states that there is a corrupt member of staff within your bank, Post office or bureau de change and the police need your help to identify them.

You may be asked to withdraw a large sum of your money with the purposes of the money being marked by the police or bank to be placed back into the banking system. They say this will help them identify the corrupt person. On handing the cash over it is taken by the scammers.

Another variation is being asked to purchase an expensive watch, or other high value item, to try and identify counterfeit goods. You will then be told to hand this item to a taxi driver for transfer to the police. The item is then passed to the scammer.

To help protect yourself or family members please read the following advice.

REMEMBER - Your bank or the police will **NEVER** ask for your PIN, your bank card or for you to withdraw money.

CAUTION - **NEVER** share your PIN with anyone, The only times you should use your PIN is at a cash machine or chip n pin.

THINK - **NEVER** hand your bank card or any goods you have purchased as a result of a phone call to anyone who comes to your door.

INVESTIGATE - If you think you have been a victim of these scams, Call the police!

HOMEWATCH

Contact the police on 101. For emergencies only use 999

Non emergency contact with North Police: northwich.lpu@cheshire.pnn.police.uk

Alternatively ring 101 and ask to be put through to your local neighbourhood officer. This may be an answer phone service. Your call will be returned.

To report a crime anonymously ring Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

You can also call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

Dates for your diary



Police surgeries with our PCSO, Nichola Devey, will now return to the library. For dates please contact the library on 01606 271767

- Tues Mar 3 **Northwich and District Probus,** 10.15am, Blue Cap. Speaker: Roger Browne From New Orleans to New York. Further information from 01606 852673 or: www.northwichprobus.org.uk
- Tues Mar 3 **Cuddington & Sandiway Methodist Wives,** 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom. Speaker: D Briscoe The Real Adventures of PC49. Visitors welcome, first meeting free.
- Fri Mar 6 **Big Quiz Night**, 7.30pm, St John's Church Hall. Tickets, to include pie and peas supper, £6 from; *cuddingtonprimarypta@gmail.com* ~*or* ~07792 807847.
- Mon Mar 9 **Northwich Family History Society,** 7.30pm, Methodist Church Hall, Hartford. Speaker: Paul Hurley Time Traveller 2. Further information from Dave 07807 946830.
- Tues Mar 10 **English Speaking Union,** 11.45 am at the Portal Premier Golf Club, Forest Road, Tarporley, CW6 0JA. Speaker from the Liverpool Philharmonic In Harmony. Booking is essential. For further details please contact Jennifer MacPherson, 01606 215908.
- Tues Mar 10 **Eddisbury and Sandiway Flower Club -** 2pm, St John's Church Hall. Demonstrator: Beryl Cotton Unexpected Blessings. Visitors welcome, £5. Contact 01606 75405
- Thur Mar 12 **Cuddington and Sandiway WI**, 1.45pm, village hall. Speaker: Sheryll Rawstron I Love Handbags. Competition A Pretty Evening Bag. For enquiries please ring 888446
- Sat Mar 15,28 **JIMS,** St John's church hall, 3-5pm. An improvised music session, open to all players 8+, loads of fun. £3 per adult, £2 per child, £5 for a family.

 Contact Paul Stevenson 07885 265979
- Sat Mar 15 **Making Bird Feeders,** 11.15-12.15, Ark Cafe, St John's Church Hall. Family activity, no charge.
- Tues Mar 17 **Northwich and District Probus,** 10.15am, Blue Cap. Speaker: Hazel Griffiths Fridtfot Nansen. Further information, see Probus entry above
- Fridays **Ark Cafe** 8.45am-2pm (10am start in school holidays). Enjoy freshly ground coffee and locally made cakes, all at reasonable prices. With a special menu for St

Patrick's Day on March 20th Situated at the side of St John's church hall.

www.facebook.com/arkcafesandiway

Saturdays **St John's Church** is open from 10am-12noon. Coffee & cake available (no charge)

Come and enjoy some time in this beautiful setting.

VILLAGE HALL NOTICEBOARD

Afternoon Tea - Thursday March 5th, 2pm-4pm. Come along for tea, cake and chat. £1.50 per person. Everyone Welcome.

Film Night - Wednesday March 11th, 7.30pm

Yesterday - Yesterday everyone knew the Beatles. Today only Jack remembers their songs and he's about to become a very big deal. A rock and Roll comedy about music, dreams, friendship and the long and winding road that leads to the love of your life.

Cert 12A, Admission £3.50 including refreshments. Everyone welcome.

250 Club January Draw winners

1st prize £40 winner - member number 71 of Hadrian Way

2nd prize £20 winner - member number 122 of St Mary's Drive, Whitegate

Visit; www.cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk for enquiries, bookings, to join the 250 club; see the timetable of regular events on the noticeboard at the car park entrance; ring 01606 888931 (please contact organisers before attending classes)

More information including up-to-date travel, news, events, and much more, can be found on our village website: www.cuddingtonandsandiwayonline.org

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