

# Hollinswood & Randlay Parish Council

## H.A. R. P.

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#### Chairman's Message

Welcome to the October edition of HARP - your Parish Council's newsletter. As we work together to reduce our carbon footprint, newsletters are now available on our website and can be sent to you by email, with copies sent to families via the schools and to our database members. A limited number of printed copies are also available. Please visit our website and in particular the Zero30 page – we would love to hear your ideas and how you are taking part in this important initiative to become carbon neutral. Please remember, if we all do something small, together we can make a big difference. You can calculate your own carbon footprint by visiting [www.footprint.wwf.org.uk](http://www.footprint.wwf.org.uk), this also offers some useful tips.

Have you seen your local Parish Councillors out and about in the Parish recently, please refer to your calendars for the dates of our Meet Your Councillor events? We look forward to speaking with you about local matters and hearing about your ideas for projects and events in Hollinswood & Randlay.

Hopefully, you will be aware of our SNAC Project and Activities. Our Special Needs Activity Centre is looking forward to providing a range of groups, activities and sessions for all ages and abilities. SNAC is part of the Parishes Youth Provision Partnership and is co-ordinated by the Clerk, Katrina. Please do get in touch with your ideas so that we can prepare a calendar and timetable for all to be able to take part and enjoy locally.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you of the working continuing in Randlay Valley? Friends of Hollinswood & Randlay Valley (FoHRV) meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, at 10am at Hollinswood Pavilion and we welcome anyone who has a couple of hours to help with the work to keep the paths clear and to offer suggestions as to how we can enhance this beautiful area which we are fortunate to have in our Parish. If you would like to know more, please email [enquiries@harpc.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@harpc.org.uk).

On the 22nd October starting at 8pm, I along with Parish Councillors and Staff, will be completing a 24 hour bike ride, raising funds for the Youth Provision Partnership - please visit our Facebook page for more information and how to donate.

It has been such a difficult 20 months for everyone, but your Parish Council is looking forward positively and we hope to welcome you to more events in the coming months.

*Councillor Sheenagh Unwin*



#### Christmas in Hollinswood & Randlay

The Parish Council made the difficult decision, due to ongoing Covid concerns, that Christmas Fayres would not be possible again this year.

However, Members are keen that our young people have an opportunity to see Santa, and to receive a present from the Parish Council. On 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December, from 5pm, Santa's Sleigh will make its way around both Hollinswood & Randlay estates. A plan of the route will be available and an 'app' that will enable you to follow its route. We hope as many children, with their parents, will come along to say hello to Santa and the Councillors and to receive a small gift from the Parish Council.

Further details will be available soon – please keep an eye out on social media and our website.



**Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch - 8th and 9th December**

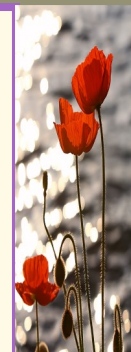
**(tickets sales 25th and 26th October)**

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| Remembrance Sunday       | - 14th November @ Town Park Memorial        |
| Fish & Chips Bingo night | - 20th November - tickets now available     |
| Santa's Sleigh Trail     | - 14th and 15th December (see details)      |
| Disco Night              | - 30th January 2022 - tickets now available |

## Remembrance Sunday

On 14th November, the Parish Council will be holding a service at The Memorial, Telford Town Park, starting at 10.30am. There will be a Parade from Southwater Square, which will make its way to the Memorial for this time.

This year, not only will we recall the sacrifice of so many in all conflicts, there will be a moment of reflection to remember all those families that have been affected by the pandemic. We hope as many people as possible will attend this outdoor event and all are welcome.



## Queen's Platinum Jubilee - June 2022

In June of next year the Parish Council will be supporting our residents as they celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Next year's garden and allotment competitions will have a red, white and blue theme – we hope you will take part. We encourage everyone to use red, white and blue as a colour scheme for next year's planting.

## Staying Safe in our Neighbourhood

Your Parish Council has employed the services of a Community Action Team (fondly known as our CAT). You will see the officers around and about daily. We are working closely with them and the local Safer Neighbourhood Team and together tackling a wide range of issues, especially anti-social behaviour. We need your help, please! Can you be our eyes and ears? This is not about being a nosey neighbour, this is about watching out for each other and wanting to make where we live and work a safer, cleaner and tidier place for us all to enjoy.

Have you registered for the new TWC MyTelford App – you can download this on your phone and use it to report a wide range of issues, from shopping trolleys, to street lights, to litter or fly-tipping, also – parking issues, stray dogs, dog fouling – the list is endless. Alternatively, you can report these to us on our website or by emailing [enquiries@harpc.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@harpc.org.uk). If what you see is a matter of serious concern for someone's safety, please call 999 as soon as possible. If you have information that may help the police in an enquiry, you can ring this through to 101 or email [nedge.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:nedge.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk).

We have recently set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in an Estate in Hollinswood. If you would like more information about setting up a scheme in your street or estate, please contact us for more information. We would also encourage you to join neighbourhood matters, by visiting the website [www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk).

Finally, we have started a series of Estate Meetings. We hope to see you at one near you in the coming months.

## A short list of some completed projects by the Parish Council since March 2020:

- . 12 new benches at various locations with the Parish
- . New outdoor gym equipment at The Pavilion Field
- . New sensory garden on the Muddy
- . Supply and use of Randlay Valley Car Park by NHS
- . Community Planters
- . New Parish signage
- . New small garden areas
- . Community Fridge at Randlay CC

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