

CLERK'S INFORMATION SHEET FOR APRIL 2023

- 4.1 Get in touch: Tel: 101 to talk to your local SNT or report a crime. Email: kw.snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk
 Website: www.westmercia.police.uk Facebook /Twitter @NHfdShireCops
Useful information: Please find the links to the Fly Tipping prevention guides, currently viewable on the NFPG website. Always worth a read if you ever have the misfortune to encounter such waste.
 Householder - <http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-Files/NFTPGAdviceforHouseholders.pdf>
 • Businesses - <http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-Files/NFTPGAdviceforBusinesses.pdf>
 • Landowners - <http://www.tacklingflytipping.com/Documents/NFTPG-Files/NFTPGAdviceforLandowners.pdf>
 Dean Wall PC 07773 053846
 Emma Dune PCSO 07971 051474
 Felix Rawlison PCSO 07971 051480
 Report a crime Police 101 Ext 7723802
Crime statistics from West Mercia police website
January - Eardisland parish 1 x burglary: Pembridge 2 x burglary, 1 x other theft, 1 x other crime: Shobdon 1 x burglary, 1 x violence and sexual offence.
Reporting an incident of bad/dangerous driving, you can report it **at the time or soon after** online and upload a photo or video that includes the number plate details to <https://www.westmercia.police.uk/police-forces/west-mercia-police/areas/west-mercia/campaigns/campaigns/2019/operation-snap/>
 If a road is blocked by such an incident, **you need to report it at the time to 101.**
New service launched by police – We are delighted to launch Neighbourhood Matters, our brand new community messaging service. Through Neighbourhood Matters you can sign up for local police alerts; receive information about crime in your area, find out about drop-in sessions, answer surveys, and more. You can choose exactly what type of alert you want to receive and how you receive them, whether it be via text, email or phone call. Sign up now <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>
Useful numbers
- Victim Advice Line - 0800 952 3000
 - West Mercia Women's Aid Helpline (available to help all victims) - 0800 980 3331
 - Men's Advice Line - 0808 801 0327
 - The Mix (for under 25s) - 0808 808 4994
 - National LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Helpline - 0800 999 5428
 - Samaritans - 116 123
- How fire safe are you?**
 Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFR) offer a FREE online Home Fire Safety Check. There are around 35,000 house fires and over 300 fire related deaths in Great Britain each year so this could play a vital part in helping our communities and HWFR are asking people to use it. You can access the Home Fire Safety Check on the [Safelincs website](http://www.safelincs.gov.uk). Individuals can request further information and self-refer for a free Home Fire Safety Visit by calling HWFR on 0800 032 1155.
- 4.2 No report received from Ward Councillor Roger Phillips at time of preparing CIS for summons.
- Potholes** - go onto Herefordshire Council website and download the pothole App to help report potholes or ring 01432261800. <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/maintenance/potholes>
<https://link.edgepilot.com/s/e3b2b34e/ttjzBlvlfEewR-39NN73dA?u=https://myaccount.herefordshire.gov.uk/report-a-pothole>
Footpaths
<https://link.edgepilot.com/s/bfc12403/ZkrYKa-OpU6QLbww4S9Nyw?u=https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/footpaths-byways-and-bridleways/cg-report-prov-problem>.
PROW@herefordshire.gov.uk PROW No – 01432 383 550
Report fly tipping it will be dealt with in a much quicker time frame. by either calling the Contact Centre on 01432 261800 or by logging the fly tipping via the council website on the links below as your
https://link.edgepilot.com/s/f452e836/Hy5YWk_SgEGkleekL2ROFQ?u=https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200226/report-a-problem/98/fly-tipping
 If you wish to make a claim as a result of damage to your vehicle <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads/206/highway-claims>
Local Emergency Numbers
 Environment Agency: 0800 80 70 60 (24-hours) or visit www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident
 Flood alerts: Floodline 0345 988 1188. Sign up online at www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings to get Flood Warnings from the Environment Agency by phone, email or text message. If you live by a river or stream, keep a watch on current and expected water levels.
 Power cut: Call 105 or visit www.powercut105.com
 BT phone line issues: www.downdetector.co.uk/status/bt-british-telecom
 Gas leak: 0800 111 999 or visit www.wvutilities.co.uk/services/smell-gas

Welsh Water: [0800 052 0130](tel:08000520130) (Water emergencies) or [0800 085 3968](tel:08000853968) (Sewer emergencies) or visit www.contact.dwrcymru.com/

Report a flooded road or highway obstruction – Balfour Beatty Living Places : **01432 26180**

PARISH CONTACTS

Pembridge clerk@pembbridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk Shobdon shobdonparishclerk@gmail.com

Lyonshall lyonshallparishclerk@gmail.com Eardisland parish.clerk@eardisland-pc.gov.uk

Titley Group rachaeljones.titleygc@gmail.com

If you want to discuss a planning matter please contact Adam.Lewis@herefordshire.gov.uk

If you have a planning enforcement concern mttansley@herefordshire.gov.uk

- 7.1. Works due in April - Mechanical weed control. Check Drain Tops and Grips through parish – Clear as required. Works due in May - Strim and remove debris - footpath to church. Strim and remove debris - both sides on one way road School Lane. Strim and remove debris - recreation ground ditch. Strim, hedge trim & remove debris - footpath to mound. Trim around and clean Road signs throughout parish & clean up (Check for nesting birds). Strim visibility splays. Strim either side of village gates.

- 7.20 Norway maple - below is an extract from the Notes of E&S Group meeting of 28 March (Item 8). *The Norway Maple next to the millstream (which is featured on the back page of the March issue of the Parish Magazine) has variegated leaves. Some of the branches are reverting back to plain green and there is a mix of plain and variegated within the canopy. The tree will need pruning, later in the year when leaves clearly visible, to remove branches that are reverting back. It is understood that this tree is on Parish Council owned land and the PC would need to apply for "Permission to Undertake Work to Trees in a Conservation Area". To be placed on EPC agenda.*

8. Policies and Documents

Notes on EPC Environment & Sustainability Declarations and Policy from Ben Woodcock
Declarations (Climate and Biodiversity Emergencies)

The existing declarations were written several years ago and should be reviewed and updated annually. They were based on a template supplied by The Great Collaboration, but also supplemented with points that are now considered to be more suitable in a policy.

Both contain a commitment to producing an annual plan and report, which have unfortunately not been carried out.

They have been revised to contain:

Statements of current concerns, the necessity for action, and the consequences of not taking action.

An agreement that the PC will work with and support the E&S Group.

A commitment to produce an annual plan and report.

A commitment to promote the annual plan.

A commitment to include an E&S agenda item on a regular basis at PC meetings.

Environment and Sustainability Policy

The existing policy needed revising as it contained reference to out of date legislation. It also was confusing as it consisted of a collection of points, some of which were unachievable within the powers of the PC.

It has been revised to better reflect the activities and powers of the PC.

Annual Plans

As stated in the declarations the E&S group will produce annual plans *suggesting* actions the PC could take to improve biodiversity and reduce climate change.

Annual Report

As stated in the declarations the E&S group will produce annual reports monitoring progress on the actions in the annual plans.

A report is planned for the past year (acknowledging plans weren't in place) as the PC has supported several projects over the past year which have increased biodiversity and worked towards reducing carbon use in the Parish.

9. Correspondence – as follows:

From and to parishioners

- Emails re Coronation
- Email re precept

From other sources

- From HC – Talk Parish/Community
- From HC - Planning
- From HC - Elections
- West Mercia PCC
- Gigaclear

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