



MAWDESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

AUTUMN 2021 NEWSLETTER

Chairman's Chatter



First and foremost, I'd like to thank the outgoing Chairman, Mike Henty for another year at the helm of Mawdesley Parish Council. Mike has done a wonderful job in leading the Council from the front by being engaged in a number of projects; from the routine and reoccurring e.g. dog fouling and speeding to the uplifting and progressive e.g. Moss Fields projects and community initiatives. If it's supporting the community Mike has been there. Mike has also helped the Parish Council continue to operate through the pandemic by chairing our parish council meeting via Zoom which had an unexpected benefit of attracting many more members of the public to our monthly meetings. Thanks Mike and I know I can count on you for advice and support in the year to come.

Hopefully we're seeing the return to normality and with a bit of luck we can continue to grow the community spirit that is the legacy of the pandemic. As clubs and societies start to open their doors again the village is filled with a sense of renewed positivity. This was evidenced in July when the Millennium Green Committee hosted a fantastically well organised and executed open day. I must admit I was surprised to see such a big turnout of stalls, concessions and families all joining in to make the event a success.

The Village Hall also opened up with some razzamatazz. They celebrated the completion of their refurbishment work with an open day - fun and games for all.

Other annual events re-emerging such as the Scarecrow Festival, The Mawdesley Open Gardens and the Village clean up day are great examples of how the community come together to help each other and have fun too. I know that many of the community groups and charities have suffered from lost revenues, so I hope that we can all benefit from a resurgence in community engagement.

We continue to help support the maintenance and improvement of the footpaths and bridleways around the village. Many of these are across private land and we are working with the landowners to ensure they are as accessible as they can be for the village and the many visitors we now get to Mawdesley. The footpath along side Jigsaw and the footpath from Bradshaw Lane to Tarnbeck (aka The Alpaca Path) have received some investment in time and materials this year. Thanks to Peter Boardman and Steve Ashton for helping us keep these paths open. If there are any volunteers willing to lend a hand either physically or

financially, the Parish Council can help co-ordinate that support and make further improvements for all to enjoy.

The footpaths in Moss Fields are a great addition to the village amenity. As the fields settle into their new role as a nature haven and restful place, we're encouraging wildlife with bird boxes, bug hotels, sympathetic grass and tree management. As councillors and volunteers, we are not experts and we always seek professional advice before undertaking any land management tasks. We are happy to hear the views of the public and would thank anyone for constructive comments. This is a village asset and we want to make it as relevant as we can for everyone.

The Parish Council have successfully applied for 120 saplings for the Moss Fields and other corners of public space. We were recently notified by The Woodland Trust that our application had been accepted and the saplings will be delivered to us in November. We'll be looking for volunteers young and old to help us plant these for future generations to enjoy. Please get in touch if you are able to help with the planting.

Traffic and speed are once again on the agenda. Although the Parish Council is not responsible for the roads and safety management, we are often engaged in helping the village channel their observations, suggestions and complaints to the relevant authorities which are; Lancashire Constabulary and Lancashire County Council. Our fellow Councillor, Lisa Rutter has volunteered to be our speed awareness liaison champion and has done a sterling job in engaging with Lancashire Constabulary and highlighting the problems Mawdesley faces.

I can't close this article without giving a huge public thanks to Angela (Parish Clerk) and John Nicholls (Assistant Parish Lengthsman) who have announced their retirement this year. They have recently moved to their retirement home in Garstang. We of course wish them a long and happy retirement and expect to see them visiting us in the village for many years to come.

We now welcome Trish Grimshaw as the new Parish Clerk (contact details on the back page of this newsletter). Trish is an experienced clerk and is keen to get to know the village and support us in our future endeavours.

Colin Freeman

Chairman, Mawdesley Parish Council

Remembrance Day Parade

SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2021

Mawdesley's Act of Remembrance

Meet at the crossroads of Gorsey Lane and Smithy Lane at 14:40 for parade through the village to War Memorial for 15:00 service.

THE MAWDESLEY 10K

will take place on Sunday 26th September 2021

Entries are now open on Bookitzone using the following link

https://bookitzone.com/jane_woodburn/TEjFFX

There will also be a children's race organised by St Peter's PTA - further details to follow.

In addition, following on from the success of last year's event, we will be holding a Virtual 10K for those who do not want to do the real event, are not local or are helping out on the day (we ask that those who are doing the virtual event on the actual course please avoid completing it whilst the real race is on, to avoid confusion). To enter the Virtual event, please follow this link: https://bookitzone.com/jane_woodburn/3EjFFX

There will be medals for finishers in all events, and prizes for winners in the race.

We need plenty of marshals in order for this event to go ahead; If you would like to help out please contact Jane Woodburn on Jane.woodburn@icloud.com

All proceeds will go towards upkeep of the Millennium Green.



'Hello' from **Small school, BIG opportunities** SS Peter & Paul's School



Greetings from SS Peter & Paul's! It seems like time has flown by since we last updated you on what has been taking place in school but rest assured we have been as busy as ever!



The weather for the final part of the summer term was extremely kind to us and the whole school had an action-packed end of term enjoying learning in class and coming together to have fun on the Inflatables, which were gifted to school, working together on the Scarecrow Entries for the Village Festival and having a whole school birthday party.

Before we said farewell to our Y6 pupils, who are moving on to High School, we had a very competitive Y6 v Staff Dodgeball Match which was watched by the whole school. On the penultimate day of the term we were lucky that the Year 6 parents and grandparents, together with the whole school, could take part in our annual Leavers gathering outside. We even managed to fit in a visit from the Ice Cream van, another generous gift, so children and staff could enjoy a tasty and refreshing treat on one of the hottest days of the year.

At the start of the Summer holiday we received the good news that we have won a competition run by the Learning Through Landscapes Trust. The school has been lucky enough to win a vast amount of outdoor learning equipment and training for staff on how to make the most of the outdoor environment for learning.

The beginning of the Autumn term sees us welcoming Mrs Gemma Walker to our school family, she will be teaching Year 5 and Year 6 in Class 3. We are also looking forward to welcoming our new EYFS children who begin school in September. Let's hope that we can have an uninterrupted school year and all remain healthy, safe and happy.

Remember to look out for the posters in the village giving details about Stay and Play sessions throughout the year.

Take care and be kind to each other.



**MAWDESLEY
VILLAGE
HALL**

Your Village, Your Village Hall



Mawdesley Village Hall held an “Open Day” on Saturday, 17th July. Although Covid restrictions were still in place, well over 100 people visited during the day to enjoy the fantastic weather and to use our refurbished bar and extended patio area. Free ice cream and an entertainer for the kids added to what felt something like how things used to be, despite the need for social distancing, face coverings and other necessary precautions. Thank you to Aindough & Co for serving pizzas in the car park!



Restrictions, of course, have now been lifted and, although people are still understandably cautious, it is great to see local groups returning to the hall and events such as weddings and birthday parties are happening again.

We plan to offer events over the coming months for local people to join and to take the opportunity to meet with family and friends. Quiz nights will be held on Thursday evenings in September and we plan to hold cinema nights and other social events later in the year. Any proceeds from these events will be used to support the running of the hall.



If you want to know more about what is happening at the hall or have any ideas and suggestions you would like to make, please visit www.mawdesleyvillagehall.co.uk or Facebook Mawdesley Village Hall. If you wish to contact us directly, please email mvh.finances@gmail.com or call 07850 606168 or 07557 818803.

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Jigsaw Stables, Off Hall Lane,
Mawdesley, Lancashire, L40 2QY

Tel 01704 822821
Mobile 07831 114458

Off Hall Lane - our small red and white sign is opposite Backhouse Track which is where we are situated about 400 yards down the track on the right.

What a great Summer we are having at Jigsaw!

We have really enjoyed being part of the Village Events, the Millennium Green Event was great fun, the Open Gardens brought lots of lovely people to enjoy Rainbows End and the Jigsaw team loved the opportunity to take part in the Scarecrow Festival.

It has been a great pleasure to have people of all ages able to visit and enjoy our beautiful place, horses and cats.

Rainbows End provides a perfect place for small groups of friends or families to spend time together, connect with nature and the outdoors. Our crafting ideas and packs have gone down very well as have the superb picnics supplied by Hannah's Butties and Bakes.

For anyone interested in horses, our new horsemanship sessions are very popular and these combine well with riding lessons on Bob our famous mechanical horse.



We are working on a new website and have a great new booking system in place which you can find on our Jigsaw MEPT Facebook and looking forward to having a Halloween week at Rainbows End and working on lots of crafting ideas for Christmas.

Please contact us on **07831 114458** or email **sue@equinextra.com** if you would like to have a tour of Jigsaw.



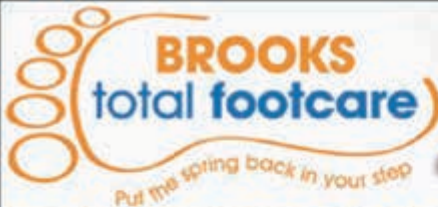
JOIN MAWDESLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

For over 100 years the WI has given women a voice and prides itself on being an organisation which is a trusted place for women of all generations to share experiences and learn from each other.

We enjoy, speakers, trips and socialising and meet at 7.00pm on every 4th Thursday in the month at Mawdesley Village Hall, Hurst Green.

Why not come along to our next meeting and help us to continue our mission to support local women both now and in the future.

For more information contact Wendy on **01704 822509**, **07966 567383** or email **wendyholbeche@yahoo.com**



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THE Kingsford Singers

*The Kingsford Singers are a
Mawdesley based community choir
with strong ties to the Methodist church.*

The choir was originally formed over 20 years ago, from a group of enthusiastic members of the church who got together to sing at special services and has now grown to around 25 regular members.

We enjoy the friendship and fellowship that singing brings, under the leadership and guidance of our conductor, Stephen, and our accompanist, David.

Our repertoire is wide and varied. We sing mostly in 3-part harmony but where some pieces require it, we also sing in 4 parts. Although some members can read music, the only requirement to joining our choir is a desire to sing and enjoy making music together!

We hold an annual singing day early in the year, which has regularly been a popular event, and we usually host an autumn concert, when we get the chance to perform for our families and friends. Christmas has become a tradition with the choir in the village when we sing at the candlelight carol service to a full church.

We meet on Tuesdays at 7.30pm starting from the 28th September in the Methodist church room, Gorse Lane, L40 3TF.

Our next event will be a **'Welcome back to singing'** day at 9.30am Saturday 16th October 2021.

Booking is highly recommended to ensure your place. £10 buys your music and light refreshments throughout the day. All you need is a packed lunch.

For further information please contact;

Stephen Kingsford

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Telephone - **01257 469030** or email **dmfletcher13@gmail.com**

Mawdesley Methodists Church

*We want to welcome
you to our community*

See our website

<http://www.lancashirewest.org.uk>

Follow us on Facebook

Mawdesley Methodist Church

Contact us at

Mawdesley Methodist Church,
Gorse Lane, Mawdesley, L40 3TF

Our minister is Stephen Foster

*He would be delighted to speak
with you in person*

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What we already offer...

- Weekly welcoming church service at 10.30am followed by refreshments, friendship and time to chat
- Monthly Kids Klub (1st Sunday)
- Baptisms, weddings, funerals by arrangement
- Popular carol service
- There are various community activities already held in the church room
- Church room and facilities available to hire

What can we do for you?

- Services on a different day/time
- More involvement for children of all ages
- A chance to make new friends
- Church being open for quiet prayer and reflection at other times
- Social activities

Get in touch and let us know



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Tuesday to Saturday 10am - 5pm
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Mr & Mrs X

Please call Amanda or Lillian on 01257 696 050 from more information

Mawdesley Village Clean Up Day



KEEP CALM AND TIDY UP THE VILLAGE

Saturday 18th September 2021 9:00am - 12:30pm

Skip located on Village Hall Car Park, Hurst Green

Skip available for members of the local community to get rid of any unwanted items & rubbish. If you need the large bulky items picked up by the flatbed truck you must book a slot in advance with the Parish Clerk

mawdesleyparishclerk@gmail.com

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