

Hadley & Leegomery NEWSLETTER

HADLEY & LEEGOMERY PARISH COUNCIL



***Hello, and welcome to the
Hadley & Leegomery Parish
Council Newsletter...***

We are pleased to bring you some of the latest news from across the parish, with lots of information and news on up-coming events. I was honoured to have been elected Chair of Hadley & Leegomery Parish Council, at the AGM which was held in May. I have worked really hard over the last 5 years, and will continue to work to serve residents from across the whole parish. I am also delighted that Cllr Amrik Jhawar was elected as Vice-Chair of Hadley & Leegomery Parish Council. We have lots of ideas for the Parish over the next 12 months.

Best Wishes... *Eileen*



Chair of the Council
Cllr Eileen Callear

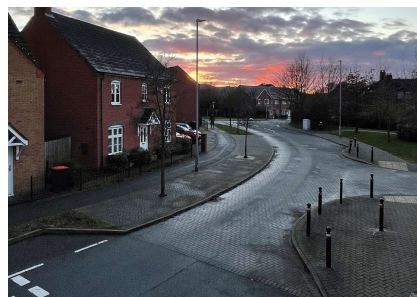


Vice-Chair
Cllr Amrik Jhawar



Hadley Centre Improvements...

There are some **major works** at Hadley Centre planned by Telford & Wrekin Council for this year, which may cause some disruption. The improvements, which we are sure will be very welcomed include plans for resurfacing the junction of Manse Road and along the High Street, adjustments to the junction near the bus stop, improved drop-kerbs for accessibility and a pedestrian crossing across the main road to help people cross safely. Dates to be confirmed.



Marlborough Road Trench Lock Ward

Cllr Eileen Callear and Cllr Jasmine Bennett have been working with Borough member Cllr Stephen Reynolds to alleviate the traffic issues on Etruria Village.

A resident consultation is to be carried out, which will give some suggestions and asking residents for their views on how best to reduce the issues. The consultation will be hosted by T&W Highways, with Cllr Callear leading on this, with support from Cllr Bennett.

Introducing Your

Parish Councillors...

Your Parish Councillors for the wards of Hadley Manor, Hadley Castle, Trench Lock, Apley Castle and Horton are:



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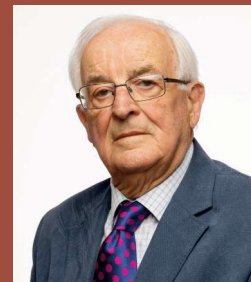
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Spotlight on...

The Great Outdoors - Outdoor Gym...

Did you know we have an Outdoor Gym? At the bottom of Hadley Park Road (nr to Okehampton Road) we have a free to use outdoor gym, which was installed by Telford & Wrekin Council and maintained by the Parish Council. We would love to see this used by more residents to help improve health and wellbeing, so T&W borough members - along with Safer-Stronger, and the Parish Council are looking at providing some free sessions with a Personal Trainer to show people how to make the most of this facility - if enough people are interested.



Let's
Get Physical!

Would you be interested in taking part in some sessions with a Personal Trainer to learn how to use the outdoor gym equipment safely? Get in touch... Call 01952 245501 or email clerk@hadleyandleegomery-pc.org.uk



Full Council Meetings

Full Council Meetings of the Hadley & Leegomery Parish Council are held on the first Tuesday of the month (except August) in Hadley Community Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend. **Details for all meetings can be found on the website**

Public Session - 7pm - 7.15pm

www.hadleyandleegomery-pc.org.uk

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The Clerk to the Council
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**or Rebecca Cowie
The Deputy Clerk
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Don't Fly Tip - Arrange a Bulky Item Collection!

Fly-tipping affects our community in a really negative way. It is very frustrating when unwanted items are dumped and then you - the residents pick up the bill from your Council Tax. It can be difficult to find a way to dispose of unwanted items, particularly big, bulky items like sofas or mattresses, but there is an easy way to arrange for them to be disposed of responsibly by **booking a BULKY ITEM collection from Telford & Wrekin Council. Charges are from as little as £15 (free or discounted collections are available in some circumstances)** - which is way cheaper than getting a fine for fly-tipping. To book call: Telephone: 01952 384384 or online at www.telford.gov.uk.

What's been delivered over the last 12 months?

It is just over a year since the Local Elections in May 2023. So what has been delivered in Hadley & Leegomery by Telford & Wrekin and the Parish Council during this 12 month period? Here is a list of just some of the projects that have been completed:

Footpath Surfacing or Dressing -

Leegomery Pools, Leegomery Community Centre, Mercia Drive, Grovefields, Chockleys Drive, Hurleybrook Way, Anson Drive, Brookdale, Leicester Way, Catterick Close, Whimbrel Close, Curlew Drive, Dunlin Close.

Road Resurfacing/Dressing:

Road next to Hadley Community Centre, Castle Lane, Replacement of the Crossing at Millbrook Primary, Haybridge Avenue, Crescent Road, Leicester Way, Catterick Close, Acacia Drive, Trench Lock to Hortonwood Roundabout, Sommerfeld Road, Carmarthen Green, Rutland Green.

Parking Restrictions & Double Yellow Lines:

Saxon Court, Heatherdale, Acacia Drive, Chockleys Meadow, Hurleybrook Way, Carmarthen Green.

Knee-Rails to prevent parking on grass areas:

Hurleybrook Way, Crescent Road and Chockleys Drive.

Planting And Benches:

Planting of Bush Roundabout and Okehampton Drive Roundabout. Replacement bench seats next to St Mary's Church. Planters on Marlborough Road and boxes on the railings at the Nettlefolds.

CCTV:

Hadley Village Green, Hadley Cemetery, Hadley Park East and Mobile camera moved to hotspots.

Events:

Summer Fete's, Remembrance Parade, Over 65's Christmas Dinners, Children's Christmas Party and an Easter Egg Trail.

Artwork:

Mural at the Hurleybrook Bridge and railway bridge near HLC Drop-off.

What's Coming Next:

Raised Pedestrian Crossings on Hadley Park Road, Traffic Consultation for Marlborough Road, Major improvements at Hadley Centre. Community Garden at the back of Summerhouse Drive and Hadley Community Centre - & Much More!



Cllr Malcolm Smith Retires...

Cllr Malcolm Smith has taken the difficult decision to retire, after nearly 50 years as a Labour Councillor. Malcolm dedicated most of his life to Hadley and Leegomery, serving his community on both the parish and borough councils, bringing real change and benefits to the people he cares about - the residents. Malcolm was elected in June 1973 and served until May 2023. He will be missed, but we thank him for all he did.



New Community Centre Manager

We are excited to welcome our new Community Centre Manager, Sarah Durnall. Sarah has many years of experience, having run a number of centres across the Telford & Wrekin area, previously working for Telford & Wrekin Council. There are already a number of exciting plans for the centre, as Sarah looks to maximise the use of the Community Centre and has been busy looking for grant opportunities to improve the building, including improvements to energy efficiency.

Update from your Hadley & Leegomery Borough Councillors...

We have been out and about across the ward, carrying out weekly ward walks, reporting any issues that we find and talking to residents. We hold monthly ward surgeries on the 1st Saturday of each month (except August) and have been working with Safer & Stronger from Telford & Wrekin and our Local SNT Police team. The main issues currently are Hadley Park Road, which we have been informed there is a plan to complete work to install raised pedestrian crossings during this summer. Speeding is an issue across the ward, but we have to feed these issues through to the police, as we have no powers at the council to deal with speeding. We are currently putting together some projects for our Cllr Pride Funding, in particular around youth activities.



Spotlight on...

Hadley Park Road...

Hadley Park Road has been highlighted for some time as a concern around parking and speeding issues. Cllr Amrik Jhawar and Cllr Eileen Callear have been working really hard to find a way to help reduce these issues, and secured funding last year to bring forward some traffic calming in the form of RAISED CROSSING POINTS. These are NOT speed humps, which has been incorrectly reported on Facebook. The plans include a main pedestrian crossing, which is likely to be located in the area near to the Gurdwara, and there are one or two other possible locations where we are looking at possible raised tables - similar to the one near Millbrook Primary, on Grainger Drive. The idea is to provide safe crossing points, and reduce traffic speeds. This is a priority project, which the councillors are determined to deliver, but the schedule is reliant on T&W Highways and contractors.

These were due to be delivered in quarter 4 of last year (JAN-MAR 24), however some of the capital programme was delayed due to a number of other factors. We have been informed by Telford & Wrekin Council's Highways Department that the designs are being finalised, with a planned delivery date of this summer/autumn.



Planters for Residents of Marlborough Road...

Following concerns raised by residents around illegal parking on the junctions off Marlborough Road, Borough Member Cllr Steve Reynolds, and Parish Member Cllr Eileen Callear managed to secure some large planters - at no cost, which have been placed to prevent parking, improve vision for drivers on the junctions and also bring some pretty focal points to the area. Cllr Callear, with the assistance of some helpful residents, cleaned them up and planted them with funding from Borough Cllr Pride Funding. They chose plants that would not need constantly replacing, with some lavender for the bees in summer, and the Parish Community Action Team will be looking after them.



30th OCT 2024 The **SPOOKY** Kids Halloween Disco at Hadley Community Centre

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES

Best Fancy Dress Competition

Refreshments Provided

CONTACT US TO BOOK YOUR FREE TICKETS - LIMITED NUMBERS - FIRST COME FIRST SERVED

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Be Kind...

It was only a short time ago, following the death of TV Presenter Caroline Flack and the Covid Pandemic, that we were all focused on being kinder to one another. Our Parish has so many positives, and is on the whole a nice place to live, work and raise a family. Councillors and Parish Staff have found themselves being targeted on social media, with some very nasty personal comments, that are upsetting and unnecessary, when just trying to carry out their work and duties - to keep making our community a better place. We know politics can be a difficult subject, but we wanted to take an opportunity to remind people to try to still be kind. Councillors and Staff are people too, with families and feelings. We will always try to treat you with respect and kindness - let's build a better, kinder community for all.

What Activities and Services does Hadley & Leegomery Parish Council provide?

Hadley and Leegomery Parish Council is one of the largest of the 26 parish and town councils in the Borough of Telford and Wrekin, and its activities and services provided include:

Hadley Community Centre

Hadley Community Centre, formally known as Castle Farm Community Centre, is used for a number of different things. We hold regular weekly and monthly group meetings and activities, as well as a variety of one off courses. Hadley and Leegomery Parish council have their offices situated on site and also hold their meetings here. We are also available for private function hire at weekends.

Cemetery

Hadley Cemetery is situated in Hadley Park Road, Hadley and is owned and managed by Hadley and Leegomery Parish Council. A full table of fees is available on this website (see below), from local Funeral Directors and Memorial Masons, or direct from Hadley and Leegomery Parish Council.

War Memorial

The Parish Council owns and maintains Hadley War Memorial which is situated in Manse Road, Hadley adjacent to the village green. The Council also arranges the annual Remembrance Parade and service each year on Remembrance Sunday. The Parade has always been strongly supported and continues to grow each year. Members of the regular and volunteer armed forces, ex-services organisations, cadet groups, scouts, boys brigade and many others join councillors for the parade which includes a service of remembrance at the war memorial.

**Bus Shelters (5 Brick Bus Shelters)
Parish Community Action Team
Christmas Light Displays
Footway Lighting (Some are T&W)
Floral Displays
Christmas Parties for Senior Citizens
Parish Events
Remembrance Parade and Service
Grants
Planning Applications**

Parish Events Committee...

Cllr Jasmine Bennett is the Chair of Hadley & Leegomery Parish Events Committee again for 2024/25, after being re-elected at the AGM in May. Last year the Parish organised its first Children's Christmas Party - with the help of funding from Cllr Amrik Jhawar, Cllr Eileen Callear and Cllr Gemma Offland, from their Borough Councillor Pride Fund, as well as an Easter Egg Trail this year too.

The Parish Events Committee are looking to build on the list of popular events it provides, which include the Summer Fete (which was hugely popular this year), Remembrance Service and Parade and Over 65's Christmas Lunches - and have added a Halloween Kid's Party and Children's Christmas Party (with a visit from Santa himself!) for this year.

There are a number of options being explored for more events to be added - from film showings to comedy nights, youth activities to bingo!

What would YOU like to see on at Hadley Community Centre? What would you definitely attend, if we were to arrange it for you? It's your Community Centre, and your community. **If you would like us to look at putting on any of these activities, please let us know! Pop us an email to: cllrjasminebennett@hadleyandleegomery-pc.org.uk or call 01952 245501**

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SCAREFEST!

DO YOU WANNA BUILD A SCARECROW?!
FROM 29TH OCT TO 5TH NOV 2024

Prizes for the 'Best Scarecrow' & 'Most Original' Design

Your Scarecrow can be Scary or Cute, you could make your favorite superhero or maybe an historical figure? We would love schools, businesses, community groups and households to get involved.

Email: cllrjasminebennett@hadleyandleegomery-pc.org.uk for an application form!

Hadley & Leegomery SCAREFEST...

This year the Parish Events Committee is launching SCAREFEST! The idea is that we get as many residents, organisations, community groups, businesses and schools as possible to make a scarecrow, and display it for our competition! We are going to have 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes for the best scarecrows and a special prize for most original idea.

We are asking for a £5 VOLUNTARY donation to enter (but this is not mandatory - as we understand things can be tough at the moment, and don't want anyone to miss out!). ALL proceeds will be donated to the local food bank. We are also offering to help with some materials for building your scarecrow, like straw etc, so if you need any help, please do let us know. We want EVERYONE to be able to take part - and will also be putting some of our own Parish Scarecrows out to see who can find them!

If you would like to take part in SCAREFEST, please let us know.

Email: cllrjasminebennett@hadleyandleegomery-pc.org.uk for an application form or call 01952 245501.



Community Liaison Walkabout With Councillors...

The Parish Councils Environmental Community Liaison Officer, recently carried out a walkabout with Parish councillors, to show us the work that is done in the area. They explained the role and that they are out and about in Hadley and Leegomery Parish Monday to Friday, each morning walking the wards to pick up any issues and report them to the relevant people, such as the Community Action Team, the Police SNT, T&W Council and Severn Trent. They have some key areas, which are highlighted to them by the ward councillors, and they also organise Community Payback (Community Service) to help undertake various tasks such as litter picks and cleansing.



New Councillor Elected in Hadley Manor...

We are pleased to welcome our newest Parish Councillor - Cllr Julie Kaur (Labour), who was elected in a by-election on 25th July. Julie secured 297 votes, beating the Conservative candidate Stuart Parr, who secured 160 votes. Julie is very well known from 'Jules Convenience Stores' on Haybridge Road and for her community and charity work. She will join the council for her first meeting in September. We are very much looking forward to working with Julie over the coming years.

Remembrance Sunday...

War Memorial...

This year we marked the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings, which we commemorated with a special display and presentation by Marc Coyne in the Community Centre hall during the Summer Fete. We wanted to remember the brave soldiers who fought, and those that made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

We always take great care of our War Memorial. This year we will be undertaking some work to repaint the railings of the war memorial, and cut back the vegetation around it, with the help of Borough Councillors - Cllr Amrik Jhawa and Cllr Eileen Callear, who have given funding from their Cllr Pride Fund for this work to be carried out before our annual Remembrance Parade.



10th
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Hadley & Leegomery
REMEMBRANCE DAY
Parade

Join us, and our Armed Forces in the Remembrance Parade from Hadley Community Centre to Hadley War Memorial for Remembrance Sunday...

At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
We Will Remember Them...

Sunday 10th November 2024

Meeting 10am at Hadley Community Centre
Service Followed by Tea/Coffee at Hadley United Services Club

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