

# The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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## FUTURE OF THE NEWSLETTER

I attended the Zoom Parish Council AGM in early May and relayed the fact that no-one had come forward to take on the village Newsletter.

I aired my view that it should continue to be hand-delivered to those who want it as not everyone uses social media/technology. Also almost all of Pancake Lane and Coombe Hill were currently not registered on the Village Website or on my personal email distribution list.

Going forward from September 2021, it was agreed that the Newsletter would be bi-monthly, with Guest Editors co-ordinated by one or two people. Still needed are: a proof-reader, a Printer to produce 95 copies, someone to deliver to the deliverers and hopefully the current deliverers would continue.

Someone has come forward to help co-ordinate but all the other posts are available. I have volunteered to do one of six editions – anyone else?

Everyone seems to want the Newsletter to continue – so please help. Any offers would be appreciated by 19 June so that an update can appear in July edition. Many thanks. **Jo R**

## BOOK LAUNCH!

As many people in the village will know, before covid, I was nearly always travelling, either for my work in Cambodia, visiting family in New Zealand or dog sitting. During this time I have also been writing with the hope of one day turning out a novel worth publishing. Well, finally that day has come! My debut novel, *How Flora Finds Her Fabulous*, is available as an ebook on Amazon and all good ebook stores. It will be available on 20th June in paperback. I am planning to have a launch party at Cyder Press Farm in the Summer.

If you decide to download the book, I would be absolutely delighted if you would also write a review on Amazon. Unknown to me until now, I need to get a substantial number of reviews before Amazon will start promoting the book, so as a new writer, I would really appreciate your help. To find out more or to keep up to date with news visit [www.stellabookchat.com](http://www.stellabookchat.com)  
**Stella B**



## PLANT SALE

Many thanks to everyone who attended the sale at Daniels Orchard on 9 May.

Pictured right is Mary C selling plants by the wheelbarrow!!

We raised a fantastic £308 towards the Horticultural Show 2022.

We will be holding another sale at Coombe Hill Farm Shop on 4 June - hopefully see you there.

**Jo R**



Norton, Leigh & District  
Horticultural Show

# Plant SALE

Friday 4 June 2021 \* 9am – 12noon  
Coombe Hill Farm Shop  
GL19 4BH

Everyone Welcome, Free Admission  
*Face Masks MUST be worn  
Social Distancing MUST be observed, Cash only*



## FISH & CHIP SUPPER

Saturday 26 June  
7pm prompt  
£6.80 p/portion  
St Catherine's Church

Liquid refreshment will be available or bring your own  
Orders by Wednesday 23 June to  
Sue R (01242 680835)

# CHURCH NEWS



Open each Thursday from 10am – 3pm for private prayer



## GENTLE PAWS

Dog Walking and care for your Pooch.

For further details, ring Sally 01242680249 or 07974303426

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Wednesday 9 June @ 7.30pm  
(meeting format will be circulated nearer the time)



## COOMBE HILL FARM SHOP

Open:  
Wed & Sun 10am – 1pm  
Thurs 10am – 2pm  
Fri & Sat 9am – 2pm



Open for drinks and homemade cakes on Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays



## Cow Shed Garden & Antiques

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays



## POLLING STATION 2021

What a pleasant experience we all had voting this year!

Many thanks Hannah and family



## HERB LAWN

Karen M is planning to create a herb lawn – does anyone in the Parish have any experiences to share?

## TREE PACKS

For individuals intending to plant-up a mini wood in Autumn 2021, please look at: <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/> and see if you are eligible for free trees.

The Tree Packs are: hedge, copse, wild harvest, year-round colour, working wood, wild wood and wildlife.

There are obviously rules but it is worth looking into - you would need to apply asap. Jo R



WOODLAND TRUST

## TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL – EXTRACT FROM “BONFIRES” LEAFLET (AUG 2012)

### Introduction

Whilst bonfires can be a convenient way of getting rid of garden waste they can become a nuisance when the smoke and smells they emit spreads to another person's property. Emissions may have an adverse effect on a person's health if that person is asthmatic, has bronchitis, or has a heart condition. Bonfires can be dangerous if not properly maintained or if dangerous substances are burnt.

### When Can I Have A Bonfire?

There are no regulations or byelaws dictating the time when a bonfire may or may not be lit. In general you shouldn't light a bonfire if it is likely to cause a nuisance to anyone else. On occasions such as Guy Fawkes Night try to avoid small individual bonfires by joining in with a group or go to an official event.

### What Can't I Burn On A Bonfire?

- treated wood including sheds and fence panels
- green garden material (garden waste that hasn't been dried)
- household rubbish
- rubber tyres
- old engine oil
- methylated spirits
- petrol
- Anything containing plastic, foam or paint

## What Precautions Should I Take To Ensure My Bonfire Does Not Disturb Others?

- warn neighbours, especially if there is washing hanging out to dry
- avoid lighting fires in unsuitable weather conditions – smoke hangs in the air on damp, still days and in the evening. If it is windy, smoke may be blown into neighbours' gardens and across roads. Remember it is an offence to allow smoke to obstruct a public highway
- avoid burning at weekends and on public holidays when people want to enjoy the use of their gardens
- avoid burning when air pollution in your area is high or very high. This information is included in weather forecasts.
- never leave a fire unattended or leave it to smoulder especially at night – douse it with water if necessary.



This leaflet provides basic guidelines on how to have a bonfire safely and legally. (Full leaflet available: [ehenquiries@tewkesbury.gov.uk](mailto:ehenquiries@tewkesbury.gov.uk) or 01684 272189)