

# The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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The main news this month is the forthcoming village fête on Saturday 10 June. Please do make every effort to come along and support the event which benefits the Parish. Please send me any articles that you'd like to share which would be of interest to the residents of The Leigh and Coombe Hill for August's edition by Friday 21 July (to above email). [Karen M](#)

## Village Fête - 10 June (12 to 3pm)

The Parish Church Council (PCC) would like to remind everyone that the village fête for Coombe Hill and The Leigh is being held in the grounds of St. Catherine's Church on the second Saturday in June. Entry is free and there's lots going on that will interest all ages from face painting for children through to raffles and tombolas. There'll be plenty of local produce to buy too with refreshments (drinks and cakes in the Church).

We're also delighted to welcome the Cheltenham Community Choir and back by popular demand is the dog show where there's plenty of categories for you to enter your four legged friend(s) and prizes to be won.

If you have anything (of saleable condition) you no longer want that's taking up space in your home then donations would be most welcome. Please leave anything inside the church (or outside if it's locked) and we'll do the rest.

All proceeds will be split 50:50 between St. Catherine's Church and our local air ambulance.

There's parking in the field next to the Church and very limited parking directly outside the Church for anyone with mobility issues.

Please do come along and support your local community. [PCC](#)

**The Leigh Village Fete**  
Featuring Cheltenham Community Choir  
& Companion Dog Show

**Saturday 10 June**  
**12pm-3pm**  
**St Catherine's Church**

**Bric-A-Brac, Books, Tombola, Games, Lucky Dip,  
Plants, Produce, Raffle, Refreshments etc**

**Free Entry to Fete**

**All proceeds to St Catherine's Church, The Leigh  
and Great Western Air Ambulance Charity**



## Parish Council Update

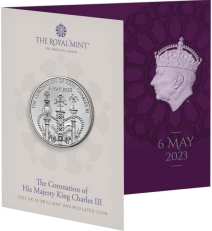


There's no parish council meeting this month (June) as not enough applicants stood for election in May. As this would have meant the dissolution of the Parish Council for Coombe Hill and The Leigh, four of the five former Councillors (John Arkell, Leigh Glazebrook, Karen Morton and Richard Theyer) agreed to stand for a further term. Following submission of application papers to Tewkesbury Borough Council, they have been formally appointed as Councillors for a further term.

The Parish Council would like to place on record their thanks to Pippa Howse (representing Coombe Hill) for her support over the last year.

The next meeting should be on the evening of the second Wednesday in July but please check the website (or the noticeboard in The Leigh) for details. [www.theleighpc.org.uk](http://www.theleighpc.org.uk)

### Coronation Coins



To commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III, the Parish Council has agreed to purchase a number of commemorative £5 coins from the Royal Mint as a keepsake of the event.

The coins are by application only and are limited to those who were 16 or under on the date of the King's coronation (6 May 2023) and who reside full time (or spend time living with a parent) in Coombe Hill or The Leigh.

If your child/children is/are eligible then all you have to do is send the child's name, DOB and address (so we know where to deliver the presentation pack) to Karen Morton either via email ([karen.d.morton@outlook.com](mailto:karen.d.morton@outlook.com)) or as an SMS text message (07711 632256).

**Karen M**

### Coronation Commemoration

On behalf of all parishioners, and further to the commemorative coins (see left), the Parish Council also purchased a flag pole (and flag!) and a silver birch tree which has been planted in the grounds of



St. Catherine's Church. An engraved plaque will shortly be placed near the tree and the flag has been proudly flying since early May.

Thanks to Richard T and Chris W for installing the flag pole (a none too easy task which involved ropes and pulleys due to the limited access in the tower) and to Steve T who dug a sizeable (1m x 1m x 1m) hole for the tree and to Richard T, Laurence M and Chris W for planting it. **Parish Council.**

### Coronation Celebrations



While there was no official street party to celebrate the King's coronation there were a number of impromptu gatherings that took place over the long bank holiday in Coombe Hill and The Leigh.

If you have any photos from an event you attended then please do forward them to the editor (details on page 1).

In the meantime, here's a few villagers enjoying themselves at one of the events in the sunshine on Sunday 7 May.



### Congratulations Sally & Dave

Congratulations to Sally Chandler of Leigh End farm who got engaged to Dave last month. **Karen M**



Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Friday & Saturday 9:00am - 2:00pm  
Sunday 10:00am - 1:00pm

### Gentle Paws

Dog walking and holiday pet sitting for your pooches.

Please call **Sally C** on 01242 680249 or 07974 303426

