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MUSIC AT DUFFIELD CONCERTS RETURN

Good news! The government is planning to allow live concerts to begin again from August 15th and Music at Duffield is hoping to begin its 2020-2021 season in September with a solo cello recital given by Richard Jenkinson.

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DAVE'S UPDATE – YOUR GREEN COUNCILLOR

One of the privileges of being a local councillor is the ability to address the specific concerns of residents while also continuing to press on wider issues that affect us nationally and globally. This month I have heard from local residents on matters including planning applications, replacement of felled trees and reducing mowing of verges to promote biodiversity.

Thank you to everyone who has been in touch with me – and please do keep your enquiries coming. I'm here to help.

Council meetings are taking place on Zoom – technology has certainly been a useful tool in these strange times. As the sole Green on the Council, I am determined to make sure that climate change and the environment are given appropriate attention.

Among the topics has been

the new waste and recycling contract – I have asked the Council to make sure residents receive clear information on what can and can't be recycled. I've also asked them to stress the importance of reducing waste and reusing items where possible, before recycling.

Talking of waste, Plastic Free Duffield and I personally would like to thank John Leyland for his efforts gathering a shocking amount of litter from the river. What a fascinating article it was in last month's Scene. All of our rivers collect whatever litter is blown, thrown or washed into them. And a surprising amount of what is flushed down our toilets ends up in rivers too. So it's important we only flush pee, poo and paper – and remember, wet wipes aren't paper!

As we come out of lockdown we are facing two major

crises – the continuing risk of coronavirus and the devastating impacts of climate change. Both of these have profound economic and social consequences. As we begin our economic recovery, it's important that we use the opportunity to tackle climate change at the same time.

As a member of the Planning Board at the Council, I have recently made some progress in one area regarding planning applications. After a year of pressure, I have persuaded the planning officers to include climate change as a specific consideration in their reports. This is good news and feels like a significant step forward. I have also urged council officers to take action on accessing government funding for retrofitting insulation and other energy efficiency measures. We need much more government investment in retrofitting –



Dave likes to address specific concerns of local residents while pressing on wider issues that affect us all

a great way to create new jobs and to cut energy bills for us all. Alongside this, I have asked our MP to ensure there is legislation to make new homes energy efficient, which makes both financial and environmental sense. There is now a broad consensus that we can't go back to how things were. Now is the time to Build Back Better.

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(Family of resident, February 2012)

A photograph showing the exterior of Milford House, a large, two-story building with a light-colored facade and many windows. It is surrounded by a well-maintained garden with various trees and shrubs.

A photograph of several residents in a common room, some sitting at a table doing puzzles, others talking and laughing.

A photograph of a bedroom with a double bed, patterned curtains, and a chair in the corner.

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NEWS FROM CHRIS SHORT LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Police

I was informed by local residents about an incident which had occurred on Eyes Meadow. The incident included theft and fighting involving a group of people. I consequently contacted both the Police and the Amber Valley Community Safety team to raise the issue and received the following statement:

"Arrests were made on the night of the incident. Extra patrols had been arranged and a Section 34 dispersal notice was in place to prevent people gathering. We must maintain a safe and secure village for the benefit of all residents".

Ecclesbourne School

We are all looking forward to September when all our children will return to school. I have recently had discussions with James McNamara, Headmaster at Ecclesbourne School about the school's preparations for the return of the pupils. This will include the provision of temporary classrooms which will maximise the school's ability to maintain social distancing. I have been assured that this will not enable the school to increase the pupil numbers and also no extra teaching staff will be employed

so it will not affect highways issues at the school.

This process, even though it is for temporary buildings has to be approved by the Planning department.

I would emphasise that taking current circumstances into account Mr McNamara has my full support regarding this application.

Speed Camera

I constantly receive statements from residents about speeding throughout our village. It was agreed previously at a Parish Council meeting that the Council would purchase a community speedwatch camera which would provide me with evidential information to approach Police and Highways with. I will contact Parish Council again to see how this purchase is progressing.

Rolls-Royce

I know many of our residents are employed by Rolls-Royce and I would like to let them know what Derbyshire County Council (D.C.C.) is doing regarding this situation.

The leader of D.C.C. has written to the Prime Minister expressing his concern about the plight of Rolls-Royce, requesting that more is done to help sustain jobs in this industry.

In addition to this lobbying, which continues through the numerous meetings we have with individuals from a number of different government departments, we have put together a package of support that is available to individuals who have been impacted by the Rolls-Royce announcement.

The first is our new Green Entrepreneurs Fund which comprises a number of different pillars which supports businesses and individuals to develop alternative local energy sources for communities and businesses, supporting the manufacturing of equipment required to provide alternative energy and reskilling opportunities.

In addition to the above, we have worked with partners (including Unite) to put together a package of support for staff who are facing redundancy, with further details being available through the Rolls-Royce Talent Retention System or from Tony Tinkley at Unite.

Who supports what?

As you know, I have recently stated how unhappy I am about the new Waste and Recycling contract at Amber Valley Borough Council. I stated that the cost was excessive



and I was concerned that any improvement to recycling was lacking.

In response to a statement made on a Belper Facebook site about the inadequacies of Labour controlled Amber Valley Borough Council, Councillor Wells one of Duffield's Borough councillors replied:

"Yep, let's pay another company/council £2 million more than what we were paying Veolia, who did the bins".

The reason I'm so surprised is that Councillor Wells voted to accept this contract which he now appears to be against. Please take care.

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HOUSING SITES CONSIDERED FOR LOCAL PLAN

Amber Valley County Councillors have been requested to comment on the housing sites being considered for inclusion in its' new Local Plan. However, Labour-run Amber Valley Borough Council has instructed that no information can be disclosed to the public until they have had the chance to assess these sites. Many of the sites are well known, but a few are controversial surprises. The call for sites concluded four months ago and a previous request by councillors for disclosure of the location of the sites was refused by the Labour Leadership and continues to be subject of restriction. The question is 'why?' Labour has regularly stated their Local Plan will have 'the right houses in the right places', and now is the chance to show that. We all know many of the 137 sites in

this list will not be chosen, that is nothing new. However, this is an opportunity to show the process and defend challenges.

County Councillors play a valuable role in planning issues, on behalf of our community. They ensure the concerns and views of residents are taken into consideration from the outset in respect of highway safety, provision of school places, improved infrastructure and mitigation implemented as appropriate. It provides planners with local knowledge which can assist them in reaching conclusions and decisions.

Our role is to represent the community, we can only do this effectively by highlighting residents views and concerns following engagement and consultation with them. Our

role is not to pass secret comments 'on their behalf,' but which they only find out about months later when it becomes public. This is what Labour is asking us to do.

The list has 72 sites on Greenbelt, the remainder being sites on Greenfield Land, currently being used for agriculture in rural areas, and I am trying ascertain what Brownfield Sites there are. I do not see how building on hundreds of acres of beautiful green fields is protecting the environment.

If these sites are as good as Labour has said they are, this is a perfect opportunity to highlight them to seek feedback from the very start of the process. In these challenging times, we need to embrace new ways of working and look at things differently.

Amber Valley Council, under Labour, has become a Council regularly making decisions behind locked doors, never mind, closed doors.

My community has a right to know, because some of these sites can, and will, impact upon current planning applications. I would just like to state that I am in total agreement with my colleague, and as a consequence of this address becoming available you can now view the sites yourselves on the address below.

<https://info.amervalley.gov.uk/GeoFeeds/GeoDatasets.aspx>

When you go on the site look for 'Call For Sites 2020' and a map will appear, I am sure you will see why I am so concerned.

by Chris Short

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DUFFIELD'S TREES – WALNUT



Summer, Cockpit Lane

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A visit to Appletree Medical practice, the Ecclesbourne Valley Railway via Chapel Street or the Scout Hut via Chestnut Close will reveal the location of three of Duffield's walnut trees. Originally grown for its nuts, and later for wood, the tree was introduced into Britain by the Romans.

The walnut is known by several common names including, Common walnut, English walnut, Persian walnut, Carpathian walnut and Madeira nut. The natural range of the plant is from the Carpathian Mountains through the Middle East and into the Himalayas. The botanical name is *Juglans regia* which originates in Roman mythology where Jupiter, (aka Jove), lived on walnuts when on earth. Romans, therefore, called walnuts *Jovis glans*, meaning 'the glans of Jupiter'. Its botanical name therefore means the 'royal nut of Jupiter'.

Walnut is a deciduous broadleaf tree with short trunk and broad canopy reaching 18m (60ft) in width and 30m (100ft) high, though it can be narrower if grown in a woodland situation. It's a light-demanding species, requiring full sun to grow well and can live for 200 years.

Leaves are pinnate (feather-like), with 5–9 paired oval leaflets either side of the stem with one somewhat larger terminal leaflet. Interestingly, when crushed or bruised the leaves are aromatic and smell somewhat like polish!



Leaves, Chapel Street



Winter, Cockpit Lane

Twigs are stout, green and curving which together with the loose open crown give the tree a distinctive winter profile.



Male catkins



Female flowers

Flowers open before or around the same time as the leaves, which in Duffield is around the beginning of May, with both male and female found on the same plant (*monoecious*). Male flowers are slender drooping yellow-green catkins, 5–10 cm long, while the smaller yellowish female flowers appear in clusters of 1–5 with flask-shaped ovaries and feathery orange-yellow stigmas, often found on the tips of branches. The **bark** is smooth and olive-brown when young but develops fissures and fades to silver-grey with age.



Young bark, Chestnut Avenue



Old bark, Chapel St

Pollination is by wind and studies have shown that in certain orchards wind-blown pollen had travelled from trees over a mile away! Female flowers then develop into **fruit** comprising a 5cm globular green **drupe** (fleshy fruit with thin skin and a central stone) containing the familiar wrinkled shell. This fruit splits when ripe in autumn to expose the shell containing the brain-like nuts.

Readers will be aware of the qualities of the walnut as a **food** for garnishing, in salads or a snack, as well as its many uses in



Fruit, Cockpit Lane



Chestnut Close



baking; especially the perennial favourite of coffee and walnut cake. I wonder, however, how many are familiar with one of our family favourites; namely pickled walnuts. This black, vinegary and unctuous whole fruit, picked and pickled when green, is especially tasty with cold meats. In the Dordogne the largest orchard groves in France even produce culinary walnut oil.



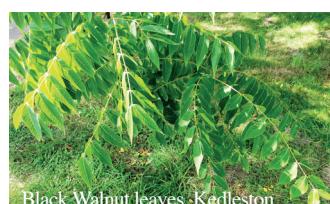
Medicinally, the nut is used to help lower cholesterol, while the hull of English walnut is used to treat digestive tract swelling (inflammation) and blood poisoning. The walnut hull can be applied directly to the skin for skin diseases or infections, and eyelid swelling. It's also used in hair dye and sunless tanning products. The leaf is applied to relieve surface swelling of the skin, excessive sweating of the hands and/or feet, and for skin conditions such as acne, eczema, ulcers, and infections. The leaf is also used for treating diarrhoea and intestinal worms.

In combination with other herbs, the English walnut hull is used to treat diabetes, stomach inflammation (gastritis), and "tired blood" (anaemia). Medicine for the people indeed! The **timber** of the walnut is particularly fine with a decorative, wavy grain used for furniture making, gunstocks and veneers. The best wood is at the base of the tree, so they are often dug up for timber, rather than felled. Furniture scratches can be sealed by rubbing a walnut over the area several times, then buffed with a soft cloth.

Walnuts are largely **pest** and **disease** free but may suffer from **leaf gall mite**, seen here on part of the Chestnut Close walnut, but apparently insignificant so causes no long-term damage. Squirrels too can cause damage but a more serious disease affecting both leaves and fruit is **walnut leaf blotch** and **anthracnose**. There is no chemical control available but collection and disposal of diseased leaves and fruit can break the life-cycle of the infection.

Walnuts secrete chemicals into the soil which inhibit other plants; especially tomatoes and apples. This is known as **allelopathy**. However, the effect is more discernible in the **Black Walnut** (*Juglans nigra*), introduced originally from North Carolina and Tennessee by John Tradescant before 1656. A pair of mature Black Walnut trees can be seen within the car park at Kedleston Hall; distinguishable from common walnut by having more pointed leaflets, and a smaller end leaflet. Primarily a forest tree, it produces very high quality deep chocolate-brown wood. Its aromatic fruit is noticeably larger and quite heavy. Check them out - but remember not to park underneath!

by Robert Reid



Black Walnut leaves, Kedleston



Black walnut fruit, Kedleston

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DuCS - We're Still Here!

Duffield Coronavirus Support (DuCS) is a community project established by the Weston Centre. It provides a shopping service to those who cannot safely shop themselves and have no other means of support. There is continued highly positive feedback about the support that is being provided. A big thank you to all of our volunteers.

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A Second DuCS service, the chat line, has seen very low levels of calls in recent weeks. We have therefore redesigned this service, and will focus on making contact by other means.

The chat line will therefore no longer be answered by

our volunteers. Callers to the line will now hear a message telling them alternative numbers which they can call. Again we owe a big thank you to the team of volunteers who have maintained this service every morning, without fail, during the past few months.

Weston Centre - Plans for the future

The trustees and management of the RJ Weston Duffield Charity are working hard to improve the service for when a new normal is established, and to ensure that the Weston Centre can open safely as soon as practically possible.

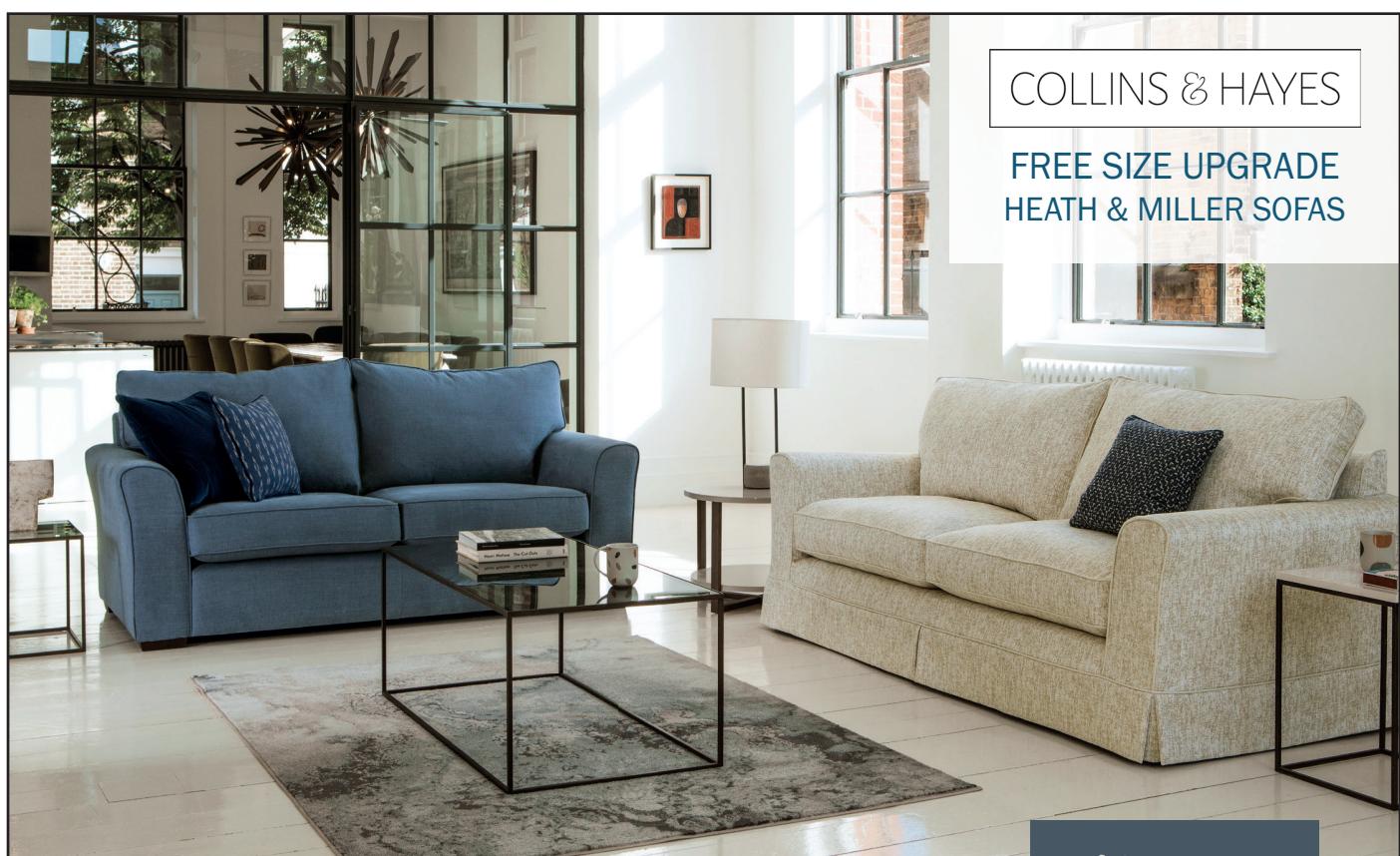
The central aim of the Centre is to provide a social hub and a wide range of activities for retired residents of the village. The maintenance of the Centre is funded by hiring it at other times. A refurbishment is currently being planned to modernise the Centre.



It is hoped that the Weston Centre will be available to our regular hirers from Monday 7th September. A number of measures are being put in place to allow this to happen. We will be updating the hire terms and conditions to reflect the need for these additional measures.

The restart of Coffee Mornings and Monday

lunches will be dependent both on government guidance and on risk assessments for our users and volunteers. We are watching developments and government advice and will restart these activities as soon as we can safely do so. We cannot give a firm date for this yet, but it is unlikely to be before the autumn.
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Amid the recent exciting news of a visit by a vulture from the Alps, our native birds have nothing to fear from this enormous creature as it feeds on bones. They should be more worried by some of the other fifteen species of birds of prey to be found in the UK of which six have been sighted in this area.

The one that is most likely to terrorise the garden birds is the **Sparrowhawk**, which is one of the smaller hawks with piercing eyes, orangey brown barred chest and a diet composed of up to 120 small bird species! At least one person in the village has sent me pictures of one perched on her garden wall!

The one that is most in decline is the **Kestrel**. Once a common sight everywhere and especially alongside our busy roads, these small agile birds are known for their ability to hover and dive on their prey from above. We have had resident ones on the Millennium meadow for years and it is fascinating to watch them suspended in the air, head motionless, their square ended tail twisting and turning to keep the position whilst they spot their prey – usually a small mammal. Alas, they have disappeared from large areas of the country.

A mewing sound indicates a **Buzzard**. These bigger birds with a four foot wingspan, wheel and soar above the Meadow – often in groups of up to six birds at a time. Their

broad wings, brown plumage and short tail make them easy to identify and they eat small prey from worms to small rabbits. When we have the hay mown on the meadow they usually come down to retrieve the bloody bodies of the voles and mice that did not manage to escape – or catch the ones that are trying to.

One of the most exciting birds of prey that we see around here is the **Peregrine** falcon.

Nesting on Derby Cathedral, these magnificent aerial artists with their slate grey backs, lighter undersides with black bars and a moustache against white throat and cheeks are the fastest birds in the world. They have a

three foot wingspan so are not the biggest – but they have been measured diving at 200 m.p.h. from a height and with their talons outstretched, will take other birds in flight as well as prey on the ground. Much favoured by falconers, especially in the Middle East, there are falcon markets in most big cities in places like Doha (Qatar) and Saudi Arabia where Peregrines fetch a lot of money.

A bird that looks similar in colouring to the Peregrine except for reddish “trousers” is the **Hobby**. One of the smaller birds of prey, it is becoming more common and is worth looking out for.

A recent addition to our skies has been the **Red Kite**. A breeding pair were introduced to Kedleston a few years ago and we now have regular sightings of these beautiful birds overflying Duffield, Milford and Holbrook. They have a curious high-pitched, shrill call and are distinguished by their large reddish brown plumage, white barred wings and forked tail. With the largest wingspan of the birds seen around here – five and a half feet – they feed on carrion and small birds and mammals.

There are other birds that have similar feeding habits of course – owls for instance. The most common is the Tawny owl – of the eponymous “**kewick whohoo**” fame. With their mottled brown plumage, round head, large dark eyes and darkening around its face, they blend into the half-light and the trees in which they roost during the day; the familiar call is in fact made by two birds - being a call and response from female to male. They eat small mammals up to rabbit size that they grasp and kill with their talons.

The health and wellbeing of all of these magnificent birds is down to maintaining a rich habitat on which they can feed and protecting them against those misguided people who shoot them for ‘sport’ or because of a misguided belief they are preying on their pets or livestock.

So if it goes quiet around you look up. See if you are lucky enough to see one of our birds of prey and marvel at their aerial prowess.

Keep safe and stay well everyone.

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I thought I would keep going with the library news during the coronavirus pandemic even though I have been unable to open the building. As I write, there are plans to reopen however at this point I have no prospective date to offer. If I am told anything I will let everyone know. In our local area Hleanor and Alfreton libraries are open on a reduced opening timetable with a Book and Borrow service. Please contact the libraries if you would like to book a slot. The Home Library Service will be restarting this month. Anyone who has library books at home, please keep them, they are not due back until the end of September and no fines will be created.

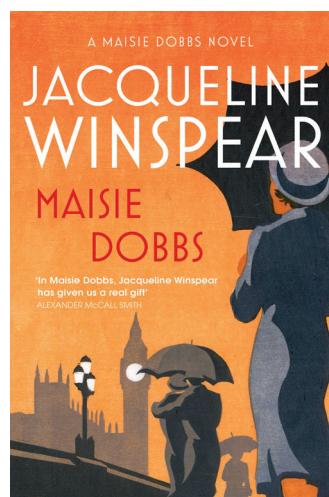
Even though we have not been able to open all our libraries staff have been busy working in different ways. Story times and craft activities are now

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available online, on Mondays and singing and rhymes on Wednesday mornings both at 10am. We also have an online reader group every Friday morning at 10am and an online poetry corner challenge on Thursdays at 4pm. The Lego group get together on Sundays at 1pm. Check out our Facebook page or find us on Twitter for all the up to date information.

The Community Response Unit organised by Derbyshire County Council is still running with support available for the public who need a bit of extra help while self-isolating or have no family or friends. More information can be found on the council website www.derbyshire.gov.uk or by phoning 01629 535091. I have been reading the Maisie Dobbs series by Jacqueline Winspear. Young, feisty Maisie Dobbs has recently

NEWS FOR AUGUST



set herself up as a private detective. Such a move may not seem especially startling. But this is 1929, and Maisie is exceptional in many ways. Having started as a maid to the London aristocracy, studied her way to Cambridge and served as a nurse in the Great War, Maisie has wisdom, experience and understanding beyond her years. Little does

she realise the extent to which this strength of character is soon to be tested. For her first case forces her to uncover secrets long buried, and to confront ghosts from her own past! In Maisie, Jacqueline Winspear has created a character that readers will immediately take to their hearts. Her first case combines a gripping investigation with a moving portrait of love and loss. It marks the beginning of a wonderful new detective series. I have even read some as e-books which I have to admit is not as bad as I feared. The series is very enjoyable and Maisie is fast becoming my favourite literary detective.

I hope everyone is staying safe and that I can see you all as soon as I can.

Best wishes
Carole-Ann and the Team

BE PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY

The Duffield Community Association have updated the Duffield Defibrillators map to show the location of ALL existing Publicly Accessible AED's (Automated External Defibrillators); and existing Private/Restricted Access Defibrillators.

There are now 6 Publicly Accessible AED's in the village (double from a year ago), the most recent being at Chevin Golf Club. Therefore they are easy to recognise.

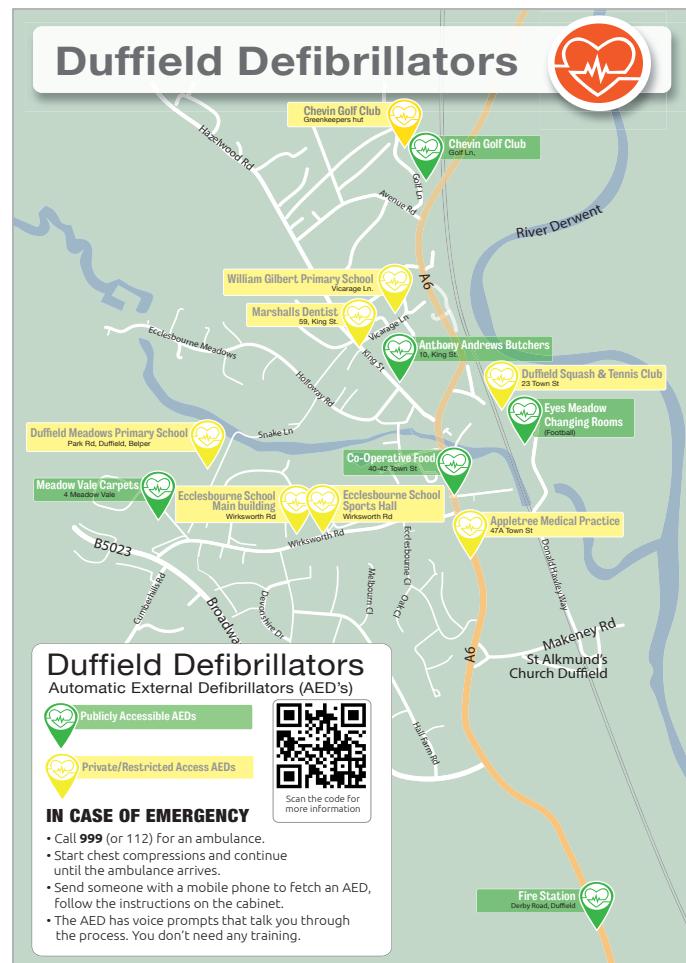
This is now fully accessible to the public, and means that we have coverage in the north part of the village. Thanks go to Chevin Golf Club for supporting Duffield with this initiative.

Apart from at Eyes Meadow, all AEDs are in green and yellow cabinets like the one pictured at Chevin Golf Club. Therefore they are easy to recognise.

Our map is printed here and will be published in shops and on noticeboards in the village.

Please Take A Look!

And we are not finished yet... We have 3 more publicly accessible AED's in the pipeline to complete coverage throughout Duffield.



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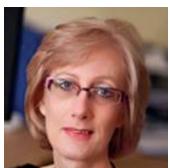
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Covid-19 Information

Staff working arrangements: The office at Cemetery Lodge remains closed for face-to-face public enquiries to protect visitors and staff. Our office staff are currently working from home; the situation is being reviewed for September. To contact the Parish Council call 01332 842740 and leave a message or email clerk@duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Council Meetings: The Council is in recess in August. The next Full Council meeting will be held on 9th September and will be held remotely via Cisco Webex as before. Please see our website to find out how to join the meetings.



New Clerk: Jane Terry

The new Clerk to the Parish Council, Jane Terry, was appointed in July. Jane has a wealth of experience having worked for more than 20 years in local government in both professional planning and corporate management roles at senior level, and latterly as partner and director in private consultancy.

Jane is married with 2 grown-up sons and lives in Matlock.



New Councillor: Jan Thompson

Jan Thompson has been co-opted as the new Parish Councillor at the previous Full Council meeting. Jan's late husband, Colin Thompson, was the previous Council Chairman. Jan has lived in Duffield for 30 years and was also a Parish Councillor in 1994-98.

Jan will join the Strategic Development Committee and be part of the Village Action Plan Working Groups: Supporting Vulnerable Residents and Community & Culture.



Skip provided to help with large increase of litter at Eyes Meadow

The Parish Council is very grateful to local resident Justin Fellows of Little Eaton company Spirit Medical, who has provided a skip, in partnership with Wards Skip and Recycling Company, free of charge, so that visitors to the Meadow have somewhere to leave their picnic waste when the bins are full.



Wildflower event at Eyes Meadow

Following up on a suggestion in the Village Action Plan, Councillor Grieveson will run a wildflower stall at Eyes Meadow on Saturday 5th September 2020 between 9.30am – 1.30pm to provide advice and will issue a packet of seeds per household.

The Council is also seeking volunteers for village walkabouts which will involve conducting a "bee friendly survey" of the village, identifying locations and types of village flowers, plants and shrubs and to consider potential new allotment sites. Please contact assistantclerk@duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk if you can help.

Parish Council meetings are open to the public to attend to listen or address the Council on any Parish issues. Correspondence from Parishioners is also reported to the meetings.

Forthcoming meetings: **Full Council Meeting on Wednesday 9th September** (Council is at recess in August), **Outdoor Management & Development Committee on 23rd September**. Meetings begin at 7pm. Please check our website for latest information on venue or remote access details. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting Agendas and Minutes can be viewed online at www.duffieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

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A day in the life of a financial adviser

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Advisers Gary Hans and Phil Basterfield take pride in the fact that their day will be spent enhancing the lives of those they meet, seeing it as a privilege to be their trusted adviser and counsel. As Director, Gary Hans leads a highly successful Senior Partner Practice of St. James's Place Wealth Management, but when does your work stop becoming a job? When you see your work as your vocation.

Making a difference to the lives of their clients, and their children alike, managing relationships is a particular skill of Gary and Phil's. The Practice has a highly experienced financial planning team and a wealth of technical expertise, but also something extra. In times of crisis and uncertainty Gary and Phil know well that they need to be there, guiding their clients through the highs and lows of life, with an acquired wisdom to deal with complex and sensitive family matters. Clients are treated as family at this Practice with a 'difference'.

Specialising in bespoke, personal plans that are tailored to suit the needs of the individuals that sit across from them, and their families, no two meetings for these advisers are the same, nor any two clients' journey. This is an insight into just a few appointments of their day...

RETIREMENT APPOINTMENT - PLANNING YOUR '30-YEAR HOLIDAY'
Phil's first appointment is talking with a client about how to navigate retirement and financial independence.

Most people will dedicate more time to trawling through brochures and booking their annual 2-week holiday than they do

planning for their retirement. With life expectancy increasing, Phil asks 'which brochure are you reaching for to help you plan for your retirement holiday?'

FAMILY LEGACY PLANNING APPOINTMENT – LOOKING AFTER THE NEXT GENERATION

Gary Hans is on a telephone call with married clients looking at legacy planning. He is joined on the call by a local STEP qualified solicitor. These clients are seeking to not only plan for their own retirement but have come to the realisation that their children will need to save 3 to 4 times more than they will, in order to secure a comfortable retirement.

ANNUAL FAMILY WEALTH CHECK APPOINTMENT – LOOKING AFTER MUM AND DAD

This is an annual Client Review, whereby Phil is discussing with a family details of how their investments have performed. Phil also discusses with the family the impending relocation of his client's elderly father into care, as they are concerned about funding and require advice.

DEALING WITH BEREAVEMENT APPOINTMENT – GUIDING YOU THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES

Sadly, an inevitable part of the service, Gary's final appointment of the day advises a client after the death of his mother. When a relative passes away Gary helps their family to understand the probate process and tax implications. He advises what can be done to ease financial stresses during what is already a very difficult time. Clients find the advice and support invaluable. ♦



Above: AMG are carrying out video appointments, Gary is in the AMG video conferencing studio and Phil uses visuals on a whiteboard during a video call.



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MUSIC AT DUFFIELD

From the cover...

School of Music & Drama and graduated in 1994 with Distinction also winning the Guildhall's coveted Gold Medal. Last year he gained a Ph.D at the University of Birmingham for research on the solo cello sonata of Zoltan Kodaly. He has played many complete cycles of the Bach solo cello suites including at St James' Piccadilly and St. John's Smith Square in London and also in venues in Bridgend, Cardiff, Fishguard, Shropshire and Worcester. Conducting is featuring ever more in Richard's career. He is Musical Director of the British Police Symphony Orchestra and the Orchestra of St John, Bromsgrove.



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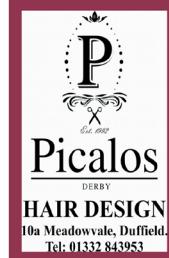
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For further details about Music at Duffield and future concerts please visit our website www.musicatduffield.com.

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HOB HILL CHARITY MARATHON RUN

Nine brave men and one courageous woman ran up and down Nether Lane and Hob Hill an incredible 13 times – some of them even wore weighted vests!!

The run included an ascent of around 1,400 metres on a blisteringly hot Sunday when temperatures reached well into the 70s.

All the runners praised the help they have already had from the people of Duffield.

Organiser Louis Danvers (27), a Rolls-Royce engineer from Spondon, said: “We can't tell you how much it means to us that locals have got behind us on this.

“We put a mention on the Duffield Facebook page, and people who we don't even know have sent us money – we are beyond grateful.”

Helping the cause on the day were William Gilbert year six pupils Mollie-Brooke Young, Stanley Jackson



and Charlie Manship. They managed to run 16 miles between them, with Stan the stand-out, managing a gruelling four times up and down the road.

The three charities are Annabel's Angels, a Derby-based trust raising funds to support local cancer patients and their families; The Bobby Dorka Foundation Trust, a charity set up in memory of a Derby man who died aged

just 21; and the Derby Autistic Fundraising Group.

Louis, and his partner Ellie Hill, have been helped by Annabel's Angels recently.

He said: “The volunteers there have really helped my partner and me directly through some tough times so I'm just happy to help them out and raise awareness for such a great charity.”

Another of the organisers, martial arts instructor George

Carter (28) from Littleover, was best friends with Bobby Dorka, who died following a pulmonary embolism.

George said: “I dedicate everything I did to Bobby. He was the sweetest, and best of men. He would've loved what we did here today.”

The third organiser, Sam Thompson (27) Spondon, who works as a chartered accountant at Smith Cooper, has a deep connection to the third charity benefitting from the run.

He said: “After my father died earlier in June, I decided to do the run to raise money for the Derby Autistic Fundraising Group, which he founded and ran for over ten years with my mum, after my sister was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome.”

If you would like to know more about the event, the charities, and how to contribute, here is the JustGiving link: <https://bit.ly/3esmqUZ>.

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