



Donnington and Muxton Parish Council *Newsletter*

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CORDINGLEY HALL
IN ASSOCIATION WITH DONNINGTON & MUXTON PARISH COUNCIL, PRESENTS

Christmas Festival

— AND MARKET —

SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER, 12-4PM

- ★ **Nativity Farm Animals**
- ★ **Choirs, Dance Groups & Entertainment**
- ★ **Craft & Gift Stalls**
- ★ **Carols by candlelight**
- ★ **Free facepainting**
- ★ **Festive food & drink**
- ★ **Free entry**

MEET SANTA!
£6 INC. PHOTO & PRESENT -
TIME SLOT PRE-BOOKING
ESSENTIAL

LIGHTS SWITCHED ON AT 4PM

PRE-BOOK STALLS & SANTA ONLINE:
www.caseysvenues.co.uk/tickets

Cordingley Hall, Wellington Road, Donnington

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News in Brief

Pensioners Vouchers

This year the Parish Council has agreed to give elderly people living within this Council's boundary £5 Christmas Vouchers. However, there is a limited number and once these have been issued no more will be purchased. To qualify for your voucher you must live in the Parish and be 65 years old or over. To claim your voucher please call in to the Parish Council office situated at Turreff Hall, Donnington between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday commencing on **Monday 28th November up to Friday 16th December**. Please bring proof of age (unfortunately bus passes not acceptable) and proof of address (e.g. drivers licence or utility bill).

Grant Applications

The Parish Council has recently awarded grants to Kaos Kids and S.T.A.B.L.E. If you want to know if your group or organisation is eligible for a grant then please contact the Clerk on 01952 608001.

Donnington Library

The Parish Council has now formally agreed to take over the running and management of Donnington library. As a result, the process of obtaining quotes for the work required is now underway and it is hoped that the Parish Council will take over on 27th February 2017. A library committee has been set up to oversee the processes involved.

Donnington Public Toilets

The Parish Council apologises for the closure of the ladies public toilet on Hawthorn Road, Donnington. This is due to a fire which was started on the afternoon of Thursday 2nd June. Quotes have been agreed by the loss adjusters and work will commence to reinstate them the week beginning 7th November. The Council apologises in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

#PRH4 Me Campaign

Due to recent events and statements made regarding the future of Princess Royal Hospital, Telford and the proposed relocation of the Women's and Children's Unit as well as changes to how the Accident and Emergency Department operates, this Parish Council agreed to join the #PRH4Me Campaign as well as writing to the local MP's and Jeremy Hunt MP. The #PRH4Me campaign aims to raise awareness of hospital services and gather pledges of support for the Princess Royal Hospital. This Council has therefore issued the following statement:

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council believes that any downgrading of services at the PRH would be detrimental to the residents in this area.

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council fully supports the #PRH4Me campaign, the PRH and the services it provides, and wishes to show how valued the hospital is in this parish and encourage residents to also pledge their support for the PRH

Weight Restrictions St George's Road/Wrekin Drive, Donnington

After much campaigning by the Parish Council, Telford & Wrekin Council has imposed a 7.5t weight restriction on St George's Road/Wrekin Drive, Donnington. Heavy Goods Vehicles will only be able to use these roads if delivering to local businesses. All other HGV's will be directed down the ring road and onto the A518. This helps ensure the safety of local residents and children.

Pedestrian Crossing Wrekin Drive, Donnington

A request for a pedestrian crossing on Wrekin Drive adjacent to Lloyds Bank has been made to Telford & Wrekin Council who will investigate the possibility and cost and report back to the Parish Council.

Muxton Lane designation as a "Quiet Lane"

As a result of a request from this Parish Council a new investigation is to be carried out by the Borough Council to ascertain if Muxton Lane from the junction with Granville Drive to the Shropshire Hotel fits the criteria to be designated a "Quiet Lane". These results will then be reported back to the Parish Council.

Traffic Calming Wellington Road, Muxton

The Borough Council is currently investigating options for traffic calming along Wellington Road, Muxton. These will then be costed and this information will be shared with the Parish Council. Consideration will then be given to deliverability and budget implication.

Annual Return for the Financial Year Ended 31st March 2016

The Parish Council's Annual Return for the financial year ending 31st March 2016 has been signed off by the external auditors, Mazars LLP, and that in their opinion, the information provided is in accordance with the proper practices and no matters have come to their attention.

Working Lunch

Working lunches are held every two months at Turreff Hall, Donnington. The aim is to enable representatives from other partner organisations to meet each other, share information and help each other with local issues or events. To date, they have been extremely useful and well attended. The date of the next working lunch is **Thursday 22nd September 2016** commencing at 12

Muxton PACT and Donnington CEM

The next **Muxton** Police and Communities Together (PACT) Meeting will be on Wednesday **11th January 2017** commencing at 7pm and will take place at St John's Church, Saltwell's Drive, Muxton. The next **Donnington** Community Engagement Meeting will take place at Turreff Hall, Donnington on Thursday 8th December 2016 commencing at 11.30am.

Parish Council Information

Information about the Parish Council, dates of its meetings and agendas can be found on its website www.donningtonmuxtonpc.org