

Newbold Astbury cum Moreton

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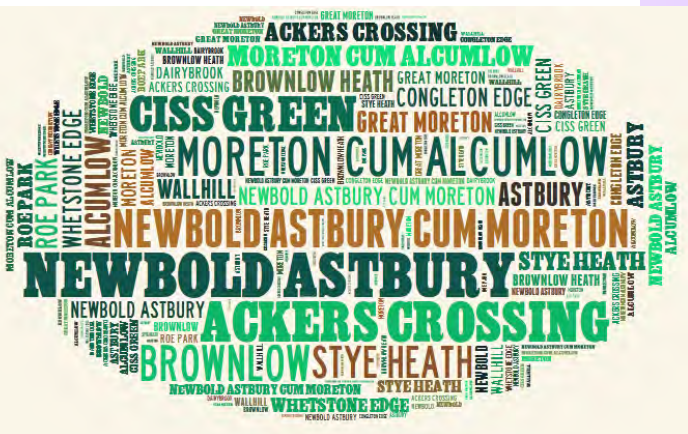
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Parish News /Cheese and Wine Annual Parishes Meeting/May Day

Remembering the Fallen from WWI contd.



ANNUAL PARISHES MEETING

Newbold Astbury cum Moreton Parish Council would like to invite you to the Annual Parishes Meeting on Wednesday 9th May 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Cheese and Wine will be served on arrival

AGENDA

- WELCOME AND APOLOGIES
- TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY 2017
- CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
- FINANCIAL REPORT
- PRESENTATION FROM MR JOHN CARRUTHERS - VTC CONSULTANT'S HIGHWAYS - TO PRESENT THE RECENT TRAFFIC SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL THROUGH THE VILLAGE
- QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION
- THE PARISH COUNCIL TO ENGAGE WITH THE AUDIENCE ON THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS - TO DISCUSS WINS/LOSSES AND THE NEW CHALLENGES FOR THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS. PLEASE HAVE YOUR SAY !!!
- VILLAGE HALL PRESENTATION - COUNCILLOR N BARTON

TRAFFIC SURVEY IN ASTBURY

The Parish Council have instructed VTC Traffic Consultants to take traffic counts around the village to try and establish the vehicle numbers, the vehicle types and the speeds that travel around the Green. These results are now available on our website <https://astbury-parish.org.uk/the-council/projects/astbury-village-traffic-calming/>

Mr John Carruthers from VTC Consultants will present the results and possible solutions available to the Parish Council.

Traffic , is one of Astbury's major concerns and we are endeavouring to try find some solutions.

Please come and give your thoughts

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: MAY 2018

The last 12 months has been a relatively eventful year. Cheshire East's Local Plan for the Congleton Area and the Town Link Road now appear to be largely finalised and the prospect of the Village and Parish being overrun by development has receded. The Astbury & Moreton Neighbourhood Plan, formulated under the Localism Act, prepared by your Parish Council in consultation with Residents and Stakeholders was finally adopted as Planning Policy after the Referendum on August 17th with a 38% turn out - 203 votes in favour and 18 against. The Plan is already being used in assessing Planning Applications in the Parish by Cheshire East Officers.

The Neighbourhood Plan aims to maintain a satisfactory balance between a positive rural economy and housing yet preserving the countryside and heritage so much enjoyed by residents, visitors and walkers alike.

The Parish Council are grateful to all those Residents who took an active interest in the Plan's preparation and development and voted in support.

Pressure on the rural landscape for recreational and commercial activities continues to increase and this along with substantially expanding traffic flows on rural lanes, condition of roads and fly tipping have been the principal concerns raised by Parishioners through the past year.

The Parish Council Newsletter and website continue to develop in providing essential information and links for Parishioners along with updates on community activities. The Village School of St. Mary's now makes a regular contribution to the Newsletter as part of the process of building co-operation and shared values in the Parish.

Sale of the Rectory, a central feature of the Village and community over the centuries has been completed along with a detailed Planning and Listed Building Consent for a major restoration granted; the early stages of operations now appear to be in hand.

Eleven Meetings of the Parish Council were held during the year and Minutes published on the website. Cheshire East Councillors, Rhoda Bailey or Liz Wardlaw, attend Parish Council Meetings and provide a helpful direct link with the executive roles of the unitary authority.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at the Village Hall on the 9th May - see further information in this Newsletter - all Residents and Stakeholders are encouraged to attend to enhance the Parish community and express their views and concerns.

John Carter

Chairman



ACCOUNTS 2017-2018

BALANCE CARRIED OVER	8,902
Income	
PRECEPT	10,000
Lottery Funding	2,020
HMRC VAT	683
Sibelco Newsletter donation	20
'Groundworks UK' – Neighbourhood Plan	200
Total	21,825
Outgoings	
Salary /HMRC	5,748
Expenses	236
Memberships	250
Professional Fees	615
Newsletters/Website	1,638
Fixed Assets	2,810
Training	502
Community Projects	90
Room Hire	385
Donations	300
Neighbourhood Plan	438
Total	13,012
Balance	8,813

ASTBURY MAY DAY SATURDAY 19th MAY 2018 from 11.30 to 6.00

- PROCESSION FROM VILLAGE SCHOOL
- CROWNING OF THE MAY QUEEN
- MAYPOLE DANCING AT GLEBE FARM
- GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT
- STALLS AVAILABLE:

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*WITH YOUR SUPPORT,
WE'LL MAKE IT A GREAT MAY DAY!*



Update on John Potts who was killed in action 27th. August 1918 from the last Newsletter.

I'm very grateful to a couple of Parishioners who contacted me/The Parish Clerk regarding this soldier. As I stated in the last Newsletter, it was proving very difficult to find any information about John Potts. Thanks to Mrs. Tweats, (a distant relative of the said John Potts) and Alison Barber who is related to another Joseph



Potts, I can now give a more accurate report. Using information gleaned from these two sources, and more research, I have discovered the following extra and updated information.

It seems the brothers Joseph and John Potts emigrated to Canada in 1911, which would explain why they are not found on the 1911 UK census. Whilst in Canada they both got married. Our John Potts married on the 1st. August 1914 in St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, Ontario . He was 23 years old, of Cheshire, England (father Peter Potts, mother Louisa Cundy) he was an "attendant." He married Alice Mary Wilkin, 18, born London, England. He signed up for the Canadian Expeditionary Force 22nd. February 1916 at the Toronto Recruiting Office. He was aged 24 years 11 months. 5 feet 4¾ inches tall, hair: black, eyes: brown, an ammunition worker, born March 19th. 1891. As already stated he was killed in action 27/8/1918, he was buried in Wancourt British Cemetery, 5 miles south of Arras in Plot 3, Row B, Grave No. 6.

Sadly, dying from wounds on the 29th. September 1918, **HENRY ARTHUR HALL** is the next soldier on the War Memorial. I thought that I was going to find this soldier just as difficult to research as John Potts in the previous Newsletter. This was owing to some erroneous information on his attestation papers (and that he was only referred to only as Arthur Hall in soldier's records!) On his signing up at Congleton, dated 7th. March 1917, he was described as follows: Arthur Hall, aged 18 years 4 months, farmhand, height 5 feet 7½ inches, weight 9stone 2 pounds. Birthplace Garston, Lancashire. (Garston is part of Liverpool) Having failed to find his birth etc. in Lancashire, I widened the search and the only Henry Arthur Hall that I could find with the correct birthdate of c1899 was in the Cheadle registration district of Staffordshire. Having looked at Censuses (see below) I found that he was living in the Alton area. Garston is a hamlet near Whiston, close to Froghall and Cotton! From then on, the task proved easier!

Henru Arthur Hall was the illegitimate son of Emily Hall, daughter of John and Harriet Hall (nee Warrington, married Alton St. Peter 31st. December 1868.) They had 7 children baptised in Alton and Kingsley. Emily was baptised on the 8th. December 1878 also at Alton, where they were described as of Whiston and John was a coppersmith. He is living with grandparents on the 1901 and 1911 censuses .(see below) It would seem that he was living with mother and stepfather at Whetstones Edge, Wall Hill when he signed up as Private No: 67586 of the 15th. Battalion, Cheshire Regiment. This is where his medals and any monies owed etc. were sent to in 1920.

Emily married Edwin J Hodgkinson in 1912 at Foxt with Whiston St. Mark, Staffs. On the 1939 register, compiled in early September 1939, they are living in the Sandbach area at Marsh Lane (close to Sandbach railway station at Elworth.). Edwin's date of birth was 25/11/1884 and Emily's was 7/10/1884. Edwin was a bricksetter and Emily unpaid domestic duties. They both appear to have died in the June quarter of 1949.

<u>1901 Census:</u> Garstone Cottages, Cotton, Alton					
Name	Relationship	Condition	age	Where born	Occupation
John HALL	head	married	64	STAFFS. Alton	Copper Mill labourer
Harriet HALL	wife	married	53	STAFFS. Alton	
James HALL	son		10	STAFFS. Alton	
Henry Arthur HALL	grandson		2	STAFFS. Alton	
<u>1911 Census:</u> Garstone Cottages, Cotton, Alton					
Harriet HALL	Head	Widow	65	STAFFS. Cotton	At home
James HALL	Son	single	20	STAFFS. Cotton	Copper worker
Arthur HALL	grandson		12	STAFFS. Cotton	school
<u>1911 Census:</u> Padgbury House, Congleton, Cheshire.					
Mary T Washington	head	single	71	CHESH. Congleton	Private means
Emma H Washington	sister	single	62	CHESH. Congleton	Private means
Emily Hall	servant	single	29	STAFFS. Whiston	Domestic cook

BUS ROUTE CHANGES:

For details go to:

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/council_information/consultations/consultation-results/supported-bus-service-review.aspx

KEEP UP TO DATE!

Check the Website regularly!

<http://astbury-parish.org.uk>

Local Updates.

The Parish Council have arranged for the Cheshire railings at Brownlow Crossroads to be repaired and painted this year.

The Footpath along the A34 from the Moreton sign near Little Moreton Hall to Astbury sign at Astbury Marsh to be sided out this financial year by Cheshire East.

Parish Council Meetings 2018:

April 11th./May 9th./May 16th./June 13th./July 11th./August 8th.

Who are we? Please feel free to get in touch!

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We meet in Astbury Village Hall on the 2nd. Wednesday of every month at 7.30 pm. Please feel free to come along.

If you have an item for the next newsletter, any comments, or you would like to sponsor the mailing costs in return for including a leaflet, contact Phill Critchlow. (pcritchlow@talk21.com)