

## Village Diary

### Church Services at St.Andrews:

20th November - All Ages Service  
10.30am

4th December-Family Evensong-  
Refreshments at 5.30 for 6pm

18th December-9 Lessons and Carols  
Service 6pm - Mulled Wine & Mince pies

24th December Midnight Mass 11.30pm

### Village Games Night (fortnightly):

17th November 6.30-8.30pm

### Parish Council Meetings:

The next meetings, in Village Hall, are:

Tuesday 10th January 2023-  
Full Parish Council Meeting-7.30pm

Tuesday 7th March 2023-  
Full Parish Council Meeting-7.30pm

Parish Council Meetings are an opportunity to hear what the Council has been doing and also an opportunity for you, the electors, to raise matters of importance that you wish to be considered. At the beginning of every meeting there is always a "questions from the public" item on the agenda. At this point of the meeting anyone can raise issues and ask questions. Please pop in.

Parish Council elections take place in May 2023. All the current councillors stand down and anyone in the parish has the opportunity to apply to become a councillor. Please talk to any current councillor or contact our Clerk for information if you are interested.

Clerk: Alison Gibson – 07437 569934/  
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[www.turlangton-pc.org.uk](http://www.turlangton-pc.org.uk)

### Councillors:

Cllr Tessa Bladon (Chair) - 01858  
545303

Cllr Paul Officer - 01858 545717

Cllr Clare Staveley - 07891788059

Cllr Janine Haynes - 01858 545577

Cllr Debbie Molyneaux - 07854 734671

## Mrs Joyce Stimpson

11 Nov 1922 – 17 Oct 2022

Joyce was well known to almost all the residents of Tur Langton where she was born and where she lived all her life until she passed away. She was born in Rose Cottage and moved to Jays Cottage in 1968, a house which she built together with her late husband, Jack. She was the fifth generation of her family to live in Tur Langton. She was always active in village life and was largely responsible with the Village Hall Committee for the building of the new village hall in 1974. She was a Parish Councillor for many years, a member of St Andrews PCC, the Mothers' Union, The WI and a Trustee of the Hanbury Institute.

She was self-appointed custodian of the Churchyard and holds the map of where a lot of burials are situated including Harry Potter (!) her grandfather. She was the GO TO person for anyone who wanted to know about the village people and history. She was a loving family person through and through with a lively, bright nature, and a strong sense of fair play always prepared to stand up for her views and she will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

## Highway Funding Mobile Speed Cameras

The parish council have been liaising with Leicestershire highways for locations where we can place the posts required for the mobile speed camera. The camera needs to be located in more than one location in the village, so as well as a position already identified on the B6047, Shangton Road, a further location is required on Main Street. We are therefore asking the residents of Main Street, if you would be happy for the camera to be located outside your property. It would be there for 3 to 6 weeks on rotation with the B6047 location. The map below shows the points between which it is allowed to be located, i.e. between Yew Tree Cottage and the boundary of Fargate Farm / Fargate House (90m from the junction). Ideally we would prefer a location on the

south side of the street as the mains water and gas run along the highway's land on the northside. We are researching different signs that are dimmer at night and with the possibility to turn off in the small hours.



Please contact the clerk or a member of the council or attend the next parish meeting for more information or to propose a location.

## Village Trees

So that we can try to keep the beautiful character of our village, the Parish Council is compiling a list of the most significant trees that we feel should have some form of protection, beyond the Conservation Area planning requirements. It is really quite surprising that there are no protected trees in the village at all at the moment. We would like to invite anyone in the village who has a tree or trees they would like to be considered to be put forward for a Tree Protection Order (TPO), to contact us. If we are considering a tree that is on your property, we will contact individuals so that you can have a say in the application of your tree. Please note that a TPO does not mean that a tree cannot have maintenance or required alterations carried out on it. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Ash Dieback

There are no exact figures for the number of ash trees in Leicestershire, but it is estimated that there are more than half a million in the county, with around 120,000 of them at the side of roads. The highly destructive Ash Dieback disease is caused by a fungus and can lead to infected trees shedding branches or limbs, or potentially falling as the tree dies.

Many of the trees are on private land, and now Leicestershire County Council has launched a campaign to raise awareness of the issue among

residents, businesses and landowners to remind them of their responsibility to ensure their trees do not become a hazard.

As a landowner, you should try to:

- retain ash trees where possible, including existing (healthy) ash trees so that more tolerant individuals can be identified to provide stock for the future
- check for signs of ash dieback regularly
- have your trees regularly inspected by a professional
- minimise any pruning or tree surgery, as young regrowth is more susceptible to the disease
- keep an eye on the tree's safety as the disease progresses. If you are a landowner, you are responsible for managing the health and safety risks from dead and dying trees on your land
- pay particular attention to ash trees within areas where the failure of the whole tree or falling branches could place people or neighbouring property in danger
- monitor trees near highways and rights of way or areas with high levels of public access for signs of the disease, and if risk assessments show these as a hazard, plan careful pruning or felling
- consider planting other species appropriate to the location
- further information is available from the forestry Commission and the tree Council on the disease and what to look out for.

## Beer Festival

A big thankyou to all who came along to the Tur Langton Homebrew Beer Festival 2022! The beers, ranging from traditional cask-conditioned ales to hoppy IPAs, flowed well into the evening, at which point the villagers flowed home!

Probably.... the best beer festival yet, raising £271 for the Alice Ruggles Trust. Thanks to all who helped make it happen, particularly to the brewers Matt and Paul, to Matt and Pat for the delicious food, and to all who helped set up and clear up. Watch this space for next year!.

## Advent Windows!

The village is planning to create Advent Windows again this year. It has been well supported and a great success over the past couple of years. Each day of advent a new window in the village will be decorated and lit up, typically between 6 and 8pm. If you would like to take part and are not on the village WhatsApp group, please contact Clare Staveley for details.

## Village Hall

**Village Games Night:** This new event will be taking place fortnightly on a Thursday evening. It currently includes Indoor Bowling and Table Tennis. Come along! Families are very welcome. There is no charge and refreshments are available. Next meet is 17th November, 6.30 to 8.30 pm.

## Remembrance Wreath

The Council have made a donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal this year, and will keep the wreath we purchased last year.

## County News Citizens Advice Trading Standards

Trading Standards are urging consumers who have bought goods from a business which has not been delivered in the agreed time frame to report this to Leicestershire Trading Standards. If it is claimed that a business is closing down or has closed down and the delivery or refund cannot be made please report your complaint.

It is the seller's responsibility to make sure the item is delivered to you. If your goods are yet to be delivered, under the Consumer Rights Act, you can ask the seller to deliver the item by an agreed date, a reasonable time is around 30

days. If you don't receive your goods, you can cancel and ask for a refund.

To report your complaint call Citizens Advice Consumer Service who are available Monday – Friday 9am to 5pm, free on 0808 223 1133 or you can visit their website and discuss your complaint through webchat or by submitting an online form <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/get-more-help/if-you-need-more-help-about-a-consumer-issue/>

## Police Updates

Hare Coursing is a serious issue in rural areas. Around this time of year we anticipate increased reports of hare coursing, so please call us or report issues online so that we can map the true scale of the problem. The Courts now have more powers to issue larger fines, prison sentences and ban these people from owning animals. If you see Hare Coursing please ring 999. If you have information on people involved in Hare Coursing please ring 101, report it online

<https://www.leics.police.uk/reportcrime>, or contact Crime Stoppers <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

## Supporting Unpaid Carers in Leicestershire

The county council funds a wide range of advice and support services across the county for unpaid carers looking after an adult family member, friend or neighbour who can't manage on their own. Visit [www.supportforcarers.org](http://www.supportforcarers.org) or call 01858 468543 for more information. Carers can also sign up for a free Carers UK Digital Resource for Carers (DRC) account by visiting [www.carersdigital.org](http://www.carersdigital.org) and using our unique code DGTL7729 to access support, advice and e-learning courses. Visit

[www.leicestershire.gov.uk/adult-social-care-and-health/looking-after-someone](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/adult-social-care-and-health/looking-after-someone) for more information and to complete a carers assessment.