



# Plumley Village Newsletter

Including Toft and Bexton

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Newsletter.

Between editions of the Newsletter all the latest information and news can be found on our website,

## Plumley Village Hall

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Christmas concert. We raised £235 for the Christie Macclesfield Appeal which was the total of the takings on the raffle & all the donations. The raffle prizes were donated, the refreshments paid for by the Village Hall Committee & the Mereside Brass waved their fee.

**Next Event:** For those of you who missed Gonzo Moose you will have another chance to catch a production from Cheshire Rural Touring Arts when Plumley Village Hall welcomes George Egg and his extraordinary show on Sunday 19th April 2020 at 7:30 pm. Part stand-up comedy, part entertaining and absurd illustrated lecture, part cookery demonstration. On a stage set up like the interior of a garage, George makes three plates of delicious food using unconventional items and absurd methods. Watch him demonstrate how to cook with an engine, get the most from the car battery and even utilise the air-conditioning. Three plates of gourmet food cooked live in the most unconventional ways and with the opportunity to taste the results at the end, provided you can stop laughing. "Egg flawlessly blends jokes, cooking tips, obscure facts, and some tongue in cheek poems"  
Edinburgh Festivals Magazine -This is not supper for all - just a few brave souls!

Tickets available from Harry Allen 01565 722259, Plumley Village Stores, and Ticketsource.co.uk  
£12 Adults, £8 children aged 14 or less.  
Pam Arnfield Chair, Plumley Village Hall Management Committee

### Highways Updates

### NOTE temporary road closures

We have received notification of the following temporary road closures. Pedestrian access to any premises situated within the temporary closure will be maintained at all times. Vehicular access will be maintained for emergency vehicles and residents where possible. The closure is necessary to enable BT to carry out cabling works. It is anticipated that the works will take place on the following date(s): Wednesday 19th February 2020 to Tuesday 25th February 2020 (excluding weekends).

- Ullard Hall Lane,** for approximately 20m from the junction with Pinfold Lane.
- Sudlow Lane,** from the junction with Pinfold Lane to the railway bridge.
- Pinfold Lane,** from the junction with Sudlow Lane to outside Wash Farm.

**SPEEDING ON PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD** a preliminary meeting has taken place with the Police and Crime Commissioner to discuss the principle of using average speed cameras to deter speeding in rural areas. The principle was warmly received by the Police and Crime Commissioner and additional meetings are being planned to explore this further.

**SPEEDWATCH.** At the last meeting of the Parish Council local resident Norman Smith advised that he could no longer continue in this voluntary role in leading the Speedwatch Initiative, we would formally like to express our thanks to Norman for his support. Any residents interested in joining the team please contact the clerk via the e-mail address below

Copy date for the next edition will be 20th March 2020  
All items to be sent to :David McGifford 12 Bagmere Close ,Brereton, Sandbach, Cheshire CW11 1SG  
Phone - 07968 603811 or E-mail clerk@plumley-toft-bexton-pc.co.uk

### Parish Councillors areas of responsibility responsibilities

Tony Gabbott	Chairman.
Ged Coates	Vice Chair & Highways
David Nichols	Village Hall
John Wright	Planning.
A Shaw / V L Roxby	Footpaths
TBA	Comm Resilience
S Crossman / V L Roxby	Police Liaison

### Newsletter

We currently e-mail the newsletter to over 120 households and would like to widen this further. Please let friends and family know about this option and ask them to forward their details to clerk@plumley-toft-bexton-pc.co.uk

**V.E. DAY 75 CELEBRATIONS 8th – 10th May 2020**

Only a small number of us will remember VE day on the 8th May 1945, this year the May Bank holiday has been changed to Friday 8th May so that all towns, villages and communities, can celebrate this very special occasion at the same time.

The Queens Pageant Master has suggested several events that we may like to do and Plumley and Lower Peover are following his advice, as a result we are holding a number of events over the weekend and we hope as many of you as possible can attend.

In Plumley we had no village hall in 1945, the focal point was the Methodist Church. As Plumley was an important agricultural community the decorating of the Church will reflect that. In the Church school-room we would like to borrow your memorabilia, pictures, gas masks, ration cards, medals etc. Please search your cupboard and drawers and let us display them.

The events taking place are:

**Friday 8th May 2.00pm** Picnic in the village hall grounds with bouncy castle. At 3.00pm there will be a "Toast to the Nation" so bring your favourite drink.

**Friday 8th May 6.55pm** "Cry for Peace" This will be on the steps of the Methodist Church and will be followed by a concert featuring the Plumley Community Singers and entertainment by "Vera Gin" and friends, refreshments will include Tea and cake. As Plumley has no church bells to ring if you have a bell please bring it.

**Saturday 9th May 10.30am** Coffee morning in the Chapel.

**Saturday 9th May 6.45pm** Plumley Village Hall. Supper Dance with Hotpot and apple pie, 16 piece Swing Band and entertainment.

**Sunday 10th May 10.45am** Remembrance Service in the Church with the reading "Tribute to the Millions".

**The Church will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday** so please come and look at the displays.

Lower Peover are having a picnic on the Friday afternoon and a concert in the Church on the Friday night.

On Saturday they are organising a walk around the Parish Boundary time to be confirmed. Sunday Remembrance service.

**PCSO CONTACTS AND SURGERIES**

We currently have one PCSO who is operating in our Parish her details are as follows

**PCSO PCSO 9841 Julia Short**

**E-mail; [julia.short@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:julia.short@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)**

**The next date and location for the nearest Police Surgery is Sunday 16th February 14.00 – 14:45hrs in the Church Car Park, Toft**

**PLUMLEY VILLAGE SINGERS**

We are a relaxed friendly group who just sing fun and popular songs for pleasure. (no skill or experience necessary) we continue to meet once a fortnight at 7pm to 8:30ish in Plumley Church Hall, 30 plus people attend regularly and new members are always welcome (there is a nominal fee of £2 per session which covers hire of the hall, printing of song sheets, tea or coffee and biscuits) Anyone who is interested in joining please Tel.Kath on 01565 722381

**PLUMLEY METHODIST CHURCH**

VE celebration weekend in the parish will commence with a 'Cry for Peace' at 7pm on Friday 8th May but please be in the car park by 6.45pm at the latest. This will be followed by a short concert by the Plumley Singers in the church. No charge and refreshments afterwards. The evening concert also includes singing by Vera gin and friend who I understand will be singing songs from the war years.

The celebrations will continue with the monthly coffee morning on Saturday 9th 10.30 - 12 noon. On Sunday 10th the church morning service at 11am will be led by Rev Rob Cotton. Please support the village by coming along to any or all of these events to celebrate the VE weekend.

The usual coffee mornings are held on the first Saturday of each month except May.

Cheshire West and Chester Council operate the "Rural Rider" bus from Plumley to Northwich on a Wednesday and Friday. if you would like to use this service please call 01606 784100.

**Flexi Link**

FlexiLink operates across the borough and will ensure support for residents who are disabled, elderly, or who live beyond the reach of any other public transport.

The core hours of the flexible transport service are between 9:30am and 2:30pm on weekdays, a strong preference expressed during recent public consultations. This change will allow the service to be combined with the current school transport operations of TSS, allowing both services to be delivered more cost effectively and safeguarding the future of the flexible transport service. Currently FlexiLink runs a weekly service from Plumley to Knutsford on Mondays leaving Plumley at around 11am returning by about 200pm, please note prior Booking essential. To book flexi link call 0300 1235110 The service is free for residents who currently hold a concessionary bus pass, otherwise it is £3 per journey. If you travel in a wheelchair a member of TSS can advise you and undertake an assessment if required to ensure it is safe for you to travel on FlexiLink. Please visit Cheshire East Council website for more information [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/public\\_transport/flexible\\_transport\\_services/cheshire-east-flexible-transport-service.aspx](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/public_transport/flexible_transport_services/cheshire-east-flexible-transport-service.aspx)

**HS2 update**

Welcome to 2020, seven years since HS2 Phase 2 darkened our doorstep and we are no nearer knowing whether it will or will not proceed. The review, carried out by ex-HS2 Ltd chair Doug Oakervee, has now been completed and a draft copy has been leaked to the Financial Times.

What do we know about the review? Well, it says “the review team have not seen convincing evidence that HS2 Ltd, especially the phase one construction team, have a level of control and management of the construction normally associated with major projects.”

Also, there is a “considerable risk” that “the cost could rise to £106 billion” (Note: in 2013 it was £32bn, in 2015 - £56bn, in 2019 - £88bn at 2015 prices, and now in 2020 - £106bn at 2015 prices).

There are suggestions that phase 2b of HS2 could be watered down, the report calls for work on the second phase of the link, from the West Midlands to Manchester and Leeds, “to be paused for six months to explore whether it could be made up of a mix of standard and high-speed rail”, and if it went ahead “it would not be operational until 2040.”

It also says that “further work is needed to assess the scheme’s impacts on regional growth, and it is hard to say what economic benefits will result from building it”, further investment will be required in regional transport and “transport investment alone will not rebalance the UK economy.”

It is important to note that this review paints the ‘best’ picture of HS2, Whilst the government has recently stated that they will be pressing forward with the scheme its local impact is of great concern

**Knutsford Floral Design Club**

The club meetings are held at Plumley Village Hall on the third Wednesday of the month, 1-30 for 2pm. A highly regarded demonstrator designs and makes all the arrangements, during which we are given valuable advice on flower choice, care, and tips of the trade. Towards the end of the afternoon the exhibits are raffled followed by tea and biscuits. Throughout the year workshops are provided for members and visitors from absolute beginners to accomplished arrangers with experienced friendly teachers who give guidance to help you to learn or hone your skills.  
Look at our website [knutsfordfloraldesign.co.uk](http://knutsfordfloraldesign.co.uk)  
Monthly visitor fees £8, for further information  
Tel Linda Clowes 01477 532266  
Mary Marshall. Publicity Secretary

**Community Pride—Litter Pick**

We hope to spend a couple of hours around the village picking up litter starting at the village hall at **10am on Saturday 4th April.**


All offers of help would be really welcome!  
Tea and coffee afterwards at the village hall.

If you send me an email at [pennyallen66@hotmail.com](mailto:pennyallen66@hotmail.com) or text me to let me know you intend coming, I will email /text you that morning if we cancel due to foul weather.  
Those who came last year will appreciate that!

Thanks Penny Allen. 07977 367483

LOCAL CONTACTS	LOCAL GROUPS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>Parish Council Chairman</b> - Cllr Tony Gabbott 722767</li> <li>◆ <b>Village Hall Committee Chairman</b> - Pam Arnfield 722262</li> <li>◆ <b>Village Hall Bookings</b> on 0770 9864568 or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk">bookings@plumleyvillagehall.co.uk</a></li> <li>◆ <b>Chapel Bookings</b> Elizabeth Hall 722271</li> <li>◆ <b>Tennis Courts &amp; Play area</b> Penny Allen 01565 722259</li> <li>◆ <b>Plumley Stores/Post Office</b> Jonathan Royle 722277</li> <li>◆ <b>Toft Church Hall</b>—Valerie Brooker 650374 Mobile: 07973 290756</li> <li>◆ <b>Cheshire East Council</b> 0300 123 5500</li> <li>◆ <b>Cheshire West &amp; Chester Rural Rider</b> 01606 784100</li> <li>◆ <b>TSS FLEXILINK</b> transport services <b>0300 1235110</b> operates Monday—Friday 9.30 –2.30pm</li> </ul>	<p>Guild Chapel Hall Halle Group Holly Tree Riding Stables Iyengar Yoga</p> <p>Lower Peover Kids Club 4-14 years. Mereside Brass Band</p> <p>Mums and Tots Plumley WI</p>	<p>Last Tues in month 2.30pm Isobel Nicholson 01606 888890 Gloria Robinson. Tel 722188 Wednesday 6.30pm—8pm PVH. Contact Sue Rennie. Tel 01606 888324 Contact Kathy McIntyre. Tel 722358 Bookings Tel 07747 302064 Practice Fri 8-10pm Tel 07747302064 Learners 6.45-7.45pm Tel 07879697768 VH Tues morning (termtime) PVH 1st Monday in month Sandra Youngson 723 220.</p>

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EVENTS AT TOFT HALL	CHESHIRE EAST WARD COUNCILLOR
<p><b>Monday</b> U3A Drawing and 10am-12noon Mrs B Northen 873053 Paining</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> Art Group 10am-12 noon Wendy Ramsay. 632362 2nd Toft Brownies 6.pm-7.30pm Ann E-mail : <a href="mailto:lignett@avaya.com">lignett@avaya.com</a> Toft Quilters 1pm-3pm 1st Wed of month Veronica Walton 651507</p> <p><b>Thursday</b> The Callanetics Gp 9am-10am Carol Gunter. 651038 Toft Mothers Union 2pm-4pm 1st Thursday month. Veronica Walton 01565 651507 or Pam Willocks 01565 722501</p>	<p><a href="mailto:marc.asquith@cheshireeast.gov.uk">marc.asquith@cheshireeast.gov.uk</a> <b>01625 860446.</b></p> 

Margaret Wilcox School of Speech	Police Contact	Next Council Meetings
<p>Sessions are being held every week at Plumley Village Hall (during term time) on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4 -5.pm and 5 - 6pm for 5 -11 year olds and from 6.00-7.00pm for 11-18 year olds. <b>Pre-School Drama Class</b>, rising 2's to 4 year olds contact Sam Marsden for details, phone - 07887 778 822 <a href="mailto:mwsd@hotmail.co.uk">mwsd@hotmail.co.uk</a></p>	<p>To contact the Police for important but non emergency issues dial 101.—The 999 number is still reserved for Police Emergencies and any other Emergency services.</p>	<p>All meetings start at 7.30 pm and are held at Plumley Village Hall unless otherwise stated <b>March 4th</b> Council Meeting</p>

**A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who contributed articles to this edition of the newsletter**