

Comberbach Village News

Community updates and events - July 2022



Parish Council

An informal update from your parish council chairman

Notes from the Chair

May saw the Annual Parish Meeting where the Chair and Responsible Financial Officer provide a written statement on the past year's activities. Details can be seen on the Parish Council website. I agreed to accept another year as Chair, and after 6 years I am proposing that this will be my final year as Chair before next year's Parish Council elections.

Also, many thanks to Sandy Cameron who has agreed to become a Parish Councillor following the resignation of Steven Hornby due to work commitments.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Many thanks to the Committee who organised the events for the 4-day extravaganza. Whilst I was away on a family delayed holiday from the year before I did see the wonderful pictures and community spirit and numbers attending the events.

Special thanks to Peter Plail who has made a Jubilee bench for the village which will be sited on the corner of Budworth Lane and The Avenue next to the planter.

Comberbach Achievement Award

This year's award was presented to Ron Stephens at the village fete. Ron has provided outstanding service to the village for over many years, and is one of the reasons why we have such a great village newsletter.

Village Fete

As always, the Fete is the highlight of our village events in June. Many congratulations to Lucy as this year's Rose Queen. It was fantastic to see such a turnout of children, parents and grandparents attending. It also brought memories back of the time when we had the "tug of war" game between "The Spinner" and "The Drum".

Recreation Area

I am sure many will agree that the replacement swings are a great addition to the facilities and I have noticed how much use they are getting already. Indeed, Rosebank specialist primary school commented on the facilities saying that this was their favourite park for the children to play in and that

they visited once each week. The new basket swing and cradle are a great addition.

Marbury Country Park

Mention needs to be made of the wonderful new play area that has recently been installed next to the Rangers Office and Toilets. When volunteering, I have noticed the number of children with parents using the facility.

Volunteers

As mentioned above Volunteers and new committee members are needed for many societies and activities throughout the village. Whilst I can appreciate a reluctance to volunteer, due to family and work commitments for families with children, there is a dire need to introduce new blood into the village community from its younger members. Unfortunately if volunteers are not forthcoming then at some point Societies may have to withdraw support from the village.

John Ryder, Chair

Warning from Cheshire Constabulary

Please be aware of scam text messages, reportedly from NHS, stating that you have been in contact with a person who has tested positive for Covid and asking you to order a PCR test via the message.

This is a SCAM text wanting to obtain your card details. Please ignore.



Platinum Jubilee - Off Street Party



The Off Street Party

"a super Off Street Party to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. We had a great fun day with family and friends..."

The words of one family after the Jubilee Party on Thursday 2 June. It was great to see local people sitting with their families and neighbours and mingling during the afternoon. It helped that the weather was just fantastic.

Congratulations to Team Cogshall who won the Best Decorated Table and shared a prize of 6 bottles of Prosecco which is probably why they were not so steady on their feet when it came to the Tug O' War!

Congratulations also to Jackie Rainey on being voted Best Decorated House winning a bumper hamper.



Street Champions

Team Broadacre came out on top as Street Champions after a solid performance in all six games with Team Cogshall just edged into second place after defeat by Team Senna in the Tug O' War. Everyone taking part had great fun and all received souvenir Jubilee Medals.

In the evening the Spinner was packed with local residents enjoying a meal and drinks as they waited patiently for the National Anthem and the lighting of the Platinum Jubilee Beacon purchased by the Parish Council. Just as the Beacon was about to be lit a flock of geese flew overhead in V formation as if to join in the celebration. Drone pictures taken on the day of the School and the Spinner were quite spectacular.

As a permanent reminder of the village celebrations Peter Plail has designed and made two benches to be located around the planter at the junction of Warrington Road and Budworth Lane. They have been financed by a Jubilee Grant from the Parish Council.

Steve Howard



*The aerial photos were taken by drone:
Daz Drone. email-Darren@linuxmedia.com
Any aerial photography or videography for inspection or promotional needs, please get in touch with Daz.*



Comberbach Methodist Chapel

A bit More Normality

It has been wonderful to have a bit more normality over the last few months and just to underline this, in May, we held our first Sunday School Anniversary for three years. Although there were only three young people, Nicola, Martha and Alfie, they took part in Sketches, Readings and Songs all based on The Parable of the Sower, much to the delight of the Congregation.

Another Celebration was held to mark our Queen's Platinum Jubilee when, on 5 June, thirty eight members and friends met together for a Shared Lunch. It had been hoped that it would be held on the front lawn, but the weather had other ideas, so it took place in our Sunday School Room. Everyone brought just a little food and placed it on the long food table - in the end there was far too much, so many people were able to take a "doggy bag" home with them. At 3 o'clock we sang the National Anthem and a toast was made. This was followed by Rev Frances offering prayers for the Queen. One of our Members (Ida) had just celebrated her Birthday, so after being told that although she was not a Royal, she was just as Regal, a wonderful rendition of Happy Birthday was sung to her.

Mid-Cheshire Foodbank

A reminder that we continue to collect for the Mid-Cheshire Foodbank. The need seems to be greater than ever now and any Donations



are very welcome and can be left at the Chapel Door (front or back) before or after the Sunday Morning Services.

Although we are still in the middle of summer, our next special Sunday Service at the Chapel will be the Harvest Festival, which will take place on Sunday 25 September.



Comberbach WI

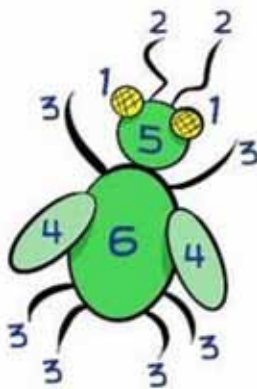
We can't believe how quickly the months are flying by – June already! We are more than happy to be able to enjoy the longer and warmer days. We have had two meetings since our last report.

Resolutions

Our May meeting was about Resolutions. Not the ones we make at the start of the year, but these are somewhat different, and linked to the National Federation of WIs where various topics had been voted on for further action and to bring greater awareness to, nationally. The chosen topic was to discuss whether women are under-diagnosed or misdiagnosed or even not diagnosed at all for ADHD - Attention Deficiency Hyperactivity Disorder, or for having other issues, such as being on the Autism spectrum.

Lively debate

Those present were given a presentation and explanation of the various issues, then there followed a lively debate, with some WI members speaking from experience of dealing with issues they had encountered from their time in the teaching profession. A vote had to be taken as to whether it was agreed that women are underdiagnosed or not, but an open vote was registered to be passed on to the National Federation of WIs. It was felt that there was insufficient information and no statistics offered to enable the ladies to reach a decision.



Beetle drive

After a break for refreshments, a Beetle Drive was held, which proved to be very entertaining and enjoyable, with the high scorers and low scorers from each table moving in opposite directions to a new table. There was some confusion over the scoring, but a winner was eventually declared.

Handcuffs, truncheons and thongs

The June meeting started with everyone singing the National Anthem, in recognition of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, as well as "Jerusalem" and then Rosie Rowe welcomed Gina Kirkham, whose talk was called "The handcuffs, truncheons and polyester thongs tour". Gina is a retired police officer, and she gave us a highly entertaining and enlightening talk on her early life, the great influence of her mother, her long career with the Police, how that changed over her years of service, and her journey into writing her books. Her talk was appreciated and enjoyed by all, and Anne Saville gave a complimentary and engaging Vote of Thanks.

Home-made cakes

Members then lingered over refreshments, and appreciated the home-made cakes on offer, as we had previously had to serve wrapped biscuits or cakes at our meetings, to keep Covid safe.

Cheshire Show

Our WI is now working towards the Cheshire Show, since we usually make a good showing, and those who have entered are hoping for great results! Look out for us at the Comberbach Fete, too – we will be selling cakes and produce as usual, as well as crafts.

Janine Hampton - President

Comberbach Brownies

Hobby horses

Recently we have spent lots of time and energy working on our contributions to the Fete. The girls worked hard on making their hobby horses so that they could 'Troop the Colour' behind the Guides with their Union Flag and banner. They also painted, sewed and glued squares of fabric which all depicted their ideas of the Platinum Jubilee.

The Owls then sewed them into entrance banners for our

stall and made 'Tea with the Queen' bunting. We managed to keep our teacups away from the Scouts, who were smashing crockery, and our game was to get a ping-pong ball into a teacup, teapot etc! Lots of children had fun trying this and prizes every time. The girls took turns to retrieve the balls. Good fun all round.

Team building

We intend, weather permitting, to spend the next few meetings

before the holidays in Marbury -team building games, a bonfire and a special Promise evening when 2 Brownies will make their promise, watched by their families. Our unit is growing in numbers now so group dynamics make it easier for some team activities. Returning on 14 Sept so hoping for sunny relaxing days before then!!

The Owls Guiding team



Just a few words from your local PCSO Dianna Wiggins

Recently there was a report regarding theft from a garage where golf clubs were taken in the village. Although the garage was secure, can I ask that residents check sheds/garages/vehicles, making sure that they are locked and secure.

Never leave your front and back door unlocked when you are in the house. It only takes a minute for someone to come in whilst you are in another room and possibly take personal belongings. If you see anything suspicious please contact the Police.

Police Surgeries are held every month; dates for the surgeries are advertised on the communal

notice boards and also on the Cheshire Police social media site. If you have any issues or concerns please come along to discuss.

I can also be contacted via email: Diana.Wiggins@cheshire.police.uk or mobile 07989671047 – I will return your email/call when on duty.

Please remember to contact Police for NON EMERGENCY on 101 - EMERGENCY 999

Enjoy the rest of the summer and look after each other.

Friends of Comberbach School

Circus Event

Roll up, roll up, the circus is coming to-town! Friends of Comberbach School (FoCS) have some exciting news. They have organised for the Circus to come to Comberbach Nursery and Primary School, on Saturday 10 September. FoCS have organised this one-off event with the support of Comberbach Nursery and Primary School to raise some much-needed money to support our fundraising efforts which are key in providing additional resources and equipment for our school.

We would like to welcome all residents and families to the Circus. It is set to be a wonderful event with food and drinks, face painting, circus toys and stalls. Tickets can be purchased for £9.50 (plus booking fee) from <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BQQB>. Children under 3 are FREE.

Whilst we expect the village to be busier than normal on this day, we will remind visitors who are travelling by car to park considerately and respect our neighbours, and we will be actively encouraging those attending to walk where possible.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us via email at friendsofcomberbachschool@gmail.com.

We are sure it will be a fun-filled afternoon for all the family, and we are looking forward to welcoming residents and their families to the Circus.

FoCS Lottery

Friends of Comberbach School (FoCS) is a fundraising group attached to the school that run activities throughout the year with the aim of raising money to provide additional resources and equipment to the school.

So far this year, FoCS have provided each Year 6 child with their own leavers hoodie; bought playground equipment bags for each age phase of the school; provided reception children with water bottles and school bags as well as purchasing a large number of additional reading materials for the school library.

FoCS 50 Club

They have recently started a FoCS 50 Club (lottery) which is open to parents with children, but the licence also permits other members of the community to join the scheme if they wish, thus contributing to the group's ability to provide resources for pupils.

How does the FoCS 50 Club work and how much does it cost to join?

Each member of the scheme pays £4 per month and when you join the 50 Club, you'll be allocated a number at random which enters you into the weekly draw (usually on a Friday). As the lottery is not drawn in school holidays, bumper draws will be made in the first week back when the prize fund will be bigger than normal.

If your number is drawn we will make contact using the details provided on your membership form and an arrangement for payment will be made.

The prize money will be 50% of the membership fee taken that week (or a cumulative of the sum since the last draw). The remaining 50% goes to the school to help fund equipment, resources and opportunities for all pupils.

If you are interested in joining the FoCS 50 Club, please visit their website at: <https://friendsofcomberbach.weebly.com> or email: focslottoclub@gmail.com



Gardening Month by Month - Jobs for July and August

July

Water, water, water - but use it wisely! Containers, vegetables etc.

Prune early flowering shrubs
Summer prune wisteria

Flowering plants:

Deadhead flowers
Divide bearded irises
Plant autumn flowering bulbs

Kitchen garden:

Lift new potatoes
Pinch out runner beans and tomatoes
Pick raspberries and currants
Harvest herbs for drying

August

Continue to water!
Mow less frequently in hot, dry weather
Prune rambling roses

Flowering plants

Trim lavender
Take cuttings of fuchsias and pelargoniums

Kitchen garden

Lift and dry onions
Water and feed tomatoes
Plant new strawberry plants
Harvest apples and pears

Happy gardening - SW



Creative Corner

DIY

Why not DIY?

You can try and try

To do it yourself, don't hesitate

On your own or with a mate

You'll do your best at any rate

MDF, chipboard, plywood, pine

Cupboards, tables, shelves with melamine

A plethora of tools at your fingertips

Lots of items around the house to fix

Plaster and paste to stir and mix

Screwing screws and hammering nails

Let's hope dexterity prevails

Paint and paper to decorate walls

In time the old colour scheme palls

So a new surrounding befalls

Doors and skirtings what colours to choose?

Colour charts and tins for you to peruse

Schemes and designs you can muse

Aim to coordinate, aim to match

So try that paint out, paint a patch

The interior design bug you might catch

Making a home just right for you

Whether yellow, white, green or blue

Putting up pictures, mirrors too

Large DIY stores like Aladdin's caves

For requirements from drills to architraves

Hinges and hooks, everything's there

Get the right size, amount, beware

Choose everything you need with care

Choice is endless but don't despair

You can spend ages looking down aisles

At DIY items, room design styles

Fancy kitchen units with rounded corners?

Or what about hot tubs, luxury saunas?

When your project is done, you'll have won

Respect, job satisfaction, well done!

EMP

Comberbach Fete

A jubilant fete

Organising the Village Fete is always a massive undertaking, but this year it seemed more daunting than ever after two years of 'Front Garden Fetes'.

Some of the newer committee members had never been involved in holding a fete on the school field. Added to this, after many years of leading the Fete Committee, Steve Howard took a step back in 2021, and although we were extremely grateful for his continued 'consultancy', his experience and knowledge were greatly missed. Nevertheless, with our capable new captain, Rebecca Matzen, steering the ship, and an enthusiastic supporting crew, we managed to navigate the waters of fete planning.

Gazebos gone

We had a slight setback when, on Friday night, after we had spent many hours putting up all the tents on the field, high winds destroyed some of our gazebos. One of the gazebos even made its way into a neighbouring field. Fortunately, ever practical Jim Powlson had a replacement tent pitched in no time. What's more, it seemed that Friday night storm had cleared the air, because by Saturday morning, the skies were blue, the wind had dropped to a breeze and the sun was shining.

Procession returns

One of the elements that has been missing for the past two years has been a full procession, so this year we tried to encourage as many groups as possible to get involved in the Jubilee themed parade. As well as the retinue, this year's participants included a bagpiper, Cubs with colours, Guides and Brownies on horses, corgis, school children on scooters, dancers, classic cars and even Stormtroopers. There was a wonderful carnival atmosphere as the parade wound its way past houses festooned with bunting and cheering onlookers. Special mentions must go to Jacqueline Rainey (1 Brookfield Road) and Janet Woodward (7 Burgamot Lane) who won prizes for 'Best decorated house' and 'Best scarecrow'.

On arrival at the school, the procession moved onto the field, for the judging of the fancy dress and homemade crown competitions, which were

won by the Fallons and Helena O'Byrne. This was followed by the Rose Queen crowning ceremony, where retiring Rose Queen Alice Hopwood passed the mantle and crown to Lucy MacLeod - a year six pupil at Comberbach Primary who will be fundraising for Cheshire Search and Rescue during her term.

Guest of honour

After the official opening of the fete by Guest of Honour Steve Howard, a fun-filled programme of games and entertainment was unleashed on the field. In the arena, Impulse Dancers, Cheshire K9 Training Dog Display Team and Mereside Brass Band had the audience mesmerised. There was also some 'home-made' entertainment and much hilarity when the arena was opened up to the tug-of-war (won by the Wrights) and plank walking races.

There was plenty going on outside the arena too, from the Scouts' crockery smashing stall, to Nick Riding's beat the goalie, Jon Ashford's remote control car circuit, the School Gardening Team's arts & crafts tent, the FOCS' flower pot pong, the Brownies' 'Afternoon Tea with the Queen', the Cubs' sweet stall, the WI's bakes & lucky dip and the perennially popular tombolas.

As the crowds started to disperse, the programme drew to a close with an acoustic set from singer-guitarist Martin Rodgeron - a mellow end to a marvellous day.

A big thankyou

The Fete Committee would like to thank all those who helped to make this year's event such a success. So many individuals and organisations gave us their time and their talents, for which we are hugely grateful.

We'd also like to encourage anyone who thinks they might like to get involved with organising next year's Fete to get in touch. We're a small but welcoming group with great team spirit!

Lynda Bigmore





Great Budworth Garden Club

This is the best time in your gardens, everything grows really fast, and we spend a lot of time deadheading and staking tall plants. There are so many wonderful summer events including our own in the Garden Club.

Trips to Special Gardens

There are trips out to gardens:

Friday 22 July

Afternoon trip, special members Garden in Plumley.

Thursday 28 July

Evening trip to Plantagogo near Crewe, in own cars, £10 including talk, tour and tea and cakes.

Tuesday 9 August to RHS Bridgewater in Salford on own cars, members only.

Friday 16 September

A coach trip to the **Harrogate Flower Show**, held at Newby Hall, and includes entry to Newby's fine gardens. All the usual show Exhibits and entertainment.

This trip only, you can bring friends who are not members. It will be about £40+ including entrance to the show which is about £28, as all these shows are now expensive.

It will be a great day out with no worries of traffic and parking. We leave at 8am and return from Harrogate at 4pm.

This will be a wonderful last trip of the season. All trips are booked with *Julie Treharne 01606 892275 or myself.*

The club meets on 12 July in the parish hall, members only, for our Strawberry Evening, and demonstration of flower arranging by Maggie Earl.

No meeting in August but on 13 September we have our Produce Show and talk about Hostas. More details later.

Jean Davies
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BRIAN SUDLOW 1937 - 2022

I would like to thank friends and neighbours for their sympathy towards me following the loss of my husband - Pat.

The aerial photo was taken by drone: Daz Drone. email-Darren@linuxmedia.com



Great Budworth Cricket Club



Prior to the recent match against Norton St. Philip Cricket Club, from Somerset, the above photograph was taken of the Great Budworth team and the new Peter McAndrew bench. The bench has the following inscription.

In Memory of Peter McAndrew 25 March 1952 – 19 June 2020

Presented by the trustees of the Arley Estate to Great Budworth Cricket Club in appreciation of the enormous contribution he made as Chairman from 2006 until his death.

Recent results:

Lymm (A) 20 overs, match won. Lymm 113 for 7, J. Dutton 2 for 5, R. Ford 2 for 22. GBCC 114 for 4, D. Courier 24, A. Phillips 23, Mark Hankey 26.

Norton St. Philip CC (H) 35 overs, match won. Norton 136 for 8, P. Taylor 3 for 26, J. Dutton 2 for 19. GBCC 137 for 6, Mark Hankey 39 not out, Matt. Hankey 26 not out.

Antrobus (H) 20 overs, match lost. Antrobus 123 for 7, S. Hankey 27, T. Whalley 27, A. Horn 25. GBCC 113 all out, P. Taylor 33.

Kingsley (A) 30 overs, match won. Kingsley 147 for 7, GBCC 148 for 6 S. Hankey 48 not out. D. Toy 22 not out.

Reynolds (H) 20 overs, match won. GBCC 127 for 7, A. Phillips 27 not out, J. Dutton 19, R. Ford 16 not out. Reynolds 102 for 6, J. Dutton 3 for 11.

Home matches for your diary.

Barnton Wednesday 6 July 6:00pm.

Antrobus Saturday 9 July 1:00pm.

Fir Trees CC Sunday 17 July 1 pm.

Lymm Wednesday 20 July 6pm.

ECAD Sunday 24 July 1pm is the match for the Peter McAndrew Shield.

Kingsley Sunday 14 August 1pm.

Warrington 21 August 1pm.

Comberbach Art Group

It is a fairly quiet time for the art group at the moment with holidays etc, although we do keep going all the way through the summer months so people can join in when they can. We will soon

be starting preparations for organising our annual exhibition in October so need to be doing lots of painting before then! One or two of us have made a start.



A Bird's Eye View

Starling Storm

Late spring/ early summer is my favourite time of the year. The garden fills with greenery and flowers, and an abundance of wildlife. It is very gratifying to see nature thrive and know you have helped a little towards it. The garden is alive with the calls and songs of many different species of birds, it is a hive of activity as adult birds arrive to take food back to their nests. Later, when the chicks are fully grown, the adult birds bring their young to see where the easy meals are to be found.

We have had house sparrows and blackbirds nesting and, so far, have seen young dunnoek, collared dove, blue and great tits, goldfinches, robins, jackdaws and song thrush as well, a very good year all in all. The noisiest visitors are undoubtedly young starlings, which descend on the garden in large family groups and create absolute havoc. They are a raucous cacophony of sound, constant movement, mess and to this observer at least....much amusement, like having The Marx Brothers visit!

The fish pond holds a magnet like attraction to the youngsters, and much time is spent exploring round it. They only seem to stop to open their beaks, and call like a rasping file until their parents deposit various goodies in them. They are very clumsy, and endearing because of it. It is strange to think that soon these loveable little buffoons will take part in almost unbelievably precise murmurations.

Copper Calling

I had the pleasure of seeing a copper butterfly along the field margin recently. Small and fast flying, this marmalade-coloured butterfly has its wings flecked with beautiful black dots. It is not a butterfly I see regularly here, every couple of years or so if I am lucky. The caterpillars feed on docks, but the butterflies are not common despite the ample supply of plants to lay their eggs on. There is still no frog-spawn in the wildlife pond this year, but very peculiarly some toad-spawn instead. Odd because toads only usually lay in their birth ponds, so how it ended up in our new-ish pond is a mystery. I think they must have felt sorry for me about the lack of frog-spawn. There

is certainly not a lack of frogs though, over 12 are regularly to be found in the ponds.

Gnats for Bats

I have seen quite a bit of bat activity lately, including 2 pipistrelles which often fly together, one of them even flying inches from my face.

I also spotted a high flying noctule bat, a large bat, they fly high and in a straight line. It is also one of the few bats you can hear without an echo location detector. well when you are young anyway! My ability to find them in this way hit and miss affair.

These bats would have enjoyed a May trip to Pod's hide at Neumann's Flash because, walking down to the hide, the air was thick with gnats. So thick in fact, it was hard to see through them, and not a good idea to breathe in or blink either! The sky was full of swifts and martins feasting on this natural bounty.

The oddest thing I have seen was an early evening hedgehog, strolling across the lane. It was perfectly fine, in good health. I can only think the Queen's Jubilee celebrations has disturbed it. Halfway across the lane it was mobbed by a swooping jackdaw, and curled tightly into a ball until the jackdaw realised that it was nothing to worry about. The hedgehog then sprang back into shape and continued its journey into our flower borders, to rid them of slugs and the like. There is always something new and interesting to see, you just need to sit and look for a while!
JB



Report from the Meeting of Comberbach Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 May 2022 at Comberbach Memorial Hall

Chairman and Vice Chairman

Cllr John Ryder was re-appointed as Chairman and Cllr Jill Johnston was appointed as Vice Chairman.

Highways Issues

There has been ongoing concern about the impact of the Soot Hill closure on the roads in the village. There is increased traffic particularly during the school run. The 20mph limit on Cogshall Lane is not always adhered to. The council has arranged to hold a site visit with CWAC Highways. The SID will also be sited on Cogshall Lane.

Recreation Area

The new swing set is a great addition to the Recreation Area and already well used. Council-

lors will be repainting some of the equipment to keep the area maintained and looking nice. Rospa conducted their annual inspection in April and no significant issues were raised.

Parish Council finances

The council continues to operate good financial management. The current account holds £23,458.28 with £21,377.64 in reserves. Each year the council finances are subject to internal audit and there were no issues or recommendations raised from this year's audit. The accounts, as always, are available for public inspection and this year's public inspection period ends on 22 July 2022; please contact the RFO, Stephen Penwill - rfo@comberbach-pc.gov.uk.

Council minutes

Parish Council Minutes are available on the noticeboards at Gibb Hill, Post Office and Bus shelter at the recreation area and on the Parish Council website:

www.comberbach-pc.gov.uk

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on:
Tuesday 5 July 2022 at 7.15pm
in Comberbach Memorial Hall.
Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Parish Council.

Any queries please contact the Clerk,
Denise French:
clerk@comberbach-pc.gov.uk



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PCSO Diana Wiggins (20322).
diana.wiggins@cheshire.police.uk

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

NHS

NHS 111

Utilities

Scottish Power/ electricity. 0800 0015400.
United Utilities/ water. 0345 6723723

Village services

Comberbach Nursery and Primary School. 01606 891336

Spinner and Bergamot 01606 891307
Comberbach Post Office 01606 891316
Comberbach Memorial Hall bookings
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You can report Highways and StreetCare issues online at:
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contact-us/report-it or 0300 1237036

MP for Tatton

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FOAM

The Friends of Anderton and Marbury:
www.foam.merseyforest.org.uk

Comberbach websites

Comberbach websites providing information about the village, contact details, groups and organisations, events, past copies of newsletters, council meetings and links to Facebook pages.

comberbach.com
comberbach-pc.gov.uk



Facebook groups

If you are on Facebook there are 3 relevant village groups:

Comberbach Community Support
(admins - Helen Joan / Ann Barr)

Comberbach Memories
(admins - Wayne Garnett / Kevin Goulding)

Comberbach Village Buy/ Sell/ FTGH
(admins - Ali Brennan / Lynda Bignmore / Louise White)

They are 'private' groups, easy to join but are strictly for people with present or past connections to the village. The relevant groups have an 'about' section giving an outline of conditions.

The Support group just requires a couple of questions to be answered and the Buy/Sell group requires an 'invite' from another member. They are interesting and can be useful in providing current information.

There are also Facebook pages to visit:
Friends of Comberbach School
Comberbach Fete.

The contact details of parish councillors, village groups and meetings at the Memorial Hall and Chapel can be found on the back pages.

Parish Councillor information and meeting dates

All Parish Council meetings are held on a Tuesday starting at 7.15pm.
Members of the public are welcome to attend and can speak during the Open Forum at the start of the meeting

Meeting dates:

2022: 8 March; 10 May; 5 July; 6 September; 1 November; 13 December

2023: 10 January; 7 March

The Annual Parish Meeting is on Tuesday 10 May 2022 at 6.30pm

Meetings are held at Comberbach Memorial Hall
Agendas and minutes are published on the noticeboards at Gibb Hill, Post Office and Bus shelter at the recreation area and on the Parish Council website.

Contact the Parish Council as below:

Name	Address	Tel numbers	Contact point for
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Jill Johnston	6 Barrymore Crescent Comberbach CW9 6PA	01606 892 121	Goosebrook Close, Brookfield Road, Spinner Crescent, Chapel Close, Reedsmere Walk
Jim Bradley	Currently on compassionate leave		
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Richard Chandler	Crows Nest House Crows Nest Lane Comberbach CW9 6HY	01606 892 157 07933 087560	The Avenue (to the Spinner), Warrington Road (from the Spinner, Budworth Lane Crownest Lane
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What's going on...when, and how to contact the right people

Memorial Hall

WI	1st Mon each month	7.30pm	Rosie Rowe	784858
Ladies Club	3rd Mon each month	Different Venues	Helena O'Byrne	01606 891755/07702693206
Love to Dance	Mon, Wed	4 - 8.45pm 4 - 7.30pm	Zoe Buckley smb.designs@hotmail.co.uk	
Well heeled puppies	Monday (small hall)	6.30-7.30pm	Mike Flannery	
well heeled dogs	Thursday	6.45 - 8.15pm	mike@thedogclub.co.uk	
Karate	Monday	6 - 7pm	Andrew Wilson	07388 869985
	Sunday	4 - 6pm	cheshire.shitoryu@gmail.com	
Wild Yoga	Tuesday	9.30am	Kelly	07922534076
Calligraphy	Thursday	1.30 - 3.30pm	Brian Sudlow	01606891722
Cheerleading	Friday	5 - 7pm	Megan Berry	meganberry_@hotmail.co.uk
	Saturday	10am - 7pm		
Sweaty Mamas	Thursday	10.30 - 11am	Rachel Dickson	+44 7792 536112
(Mum aand baby exccercise class)				racheldickson@sweatymama.com

Chapel

Brownies (2nd)	Wednesday	6 - 7.20pm	Lynda Flynn	891571
Guides	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.00pm	Anne O'May	891156
Marbury Senior Section	Wednesday	8 - 9.30pm	Anne O'May	891156
Sunday School	Sunday	11am - 12 noon	Ian Woodcock	01606 891218
Art Group	Mondays	10 - 1pm	Midge Broadhurst	01925 266 798
French Language Lessons	Thursday	7 - 9pm	Nathalie Poutineau	892741

Comberbach Primary School Hall

Toddler Group	Wednesdays	9 - 11am	Comberbach School	01606 891336
Rainbows	Monday	6 - 7.15pm	Sue Greenwood	76408
Scouts	Friday	7.30 - 9pm	Paul Underwood	07725 150 928
			Rob Doel	891789 / 07526 723516
Cubs	Tuesday	6.30 - 8pm	Rachel Cameron	01606 891023
Beavers	Wednesday	6.15 - 7.15pm	Janet Warburton	854014

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