



**TARVIN TIMES** - The Newsletter of Tarvin Parish Council  
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**PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS IN TARVIN**

Celebrations begin on **Thursday 2nd June** with a “Not on the Street Celebration Tea Party” at the Methodist Church from 3pm. This will be a ticketed event and will include old time singing, games, and 1952 style party food.

On **Friday 3rd June** there will be afternoon tea at St Andrew’s Church. This will be a timed ticketed event and everyone is welcome.

On **Saturday 4th June** the focus will be the Community Centre with a range of entertainment either free or at an affordable cost. (Tickets for each event are available at the Post Office and spare tickets, if any, will be held at the door). At **4.30pm** there will be a **free family disco** in the Hall. Hot snacks will be available in the Edna Rose room. The bar will be operating in the Wilkinson Lounge serving alcohol, including an award-winning real ale, non-alcoholic drinks and snacks. At **6.45pm** the Hall will host **Rock n Roll Bingo**. Tickets will cost £1 and cards will cost £1 each. There will be prizes. Followed at **8.45pm** by a **live entertainer** who has not only performed at the Cambridge Folk Festival but also with a range of bands covering most genres from Cajun to blues. This is another free event but attendees will be asked for a donation. The entertainment finishes at 10.00pm and the bar will close at 10.30pm or sooner if it has been drunk dry!

It has only been possible to keep the costs low because of the generous support of Tarvin Parish Council, our two Cheshire West and Chester Borough Councillors, Tarvin Community Centre, and volunteers from the Christmas Festival Committee, The Methodist Church, and the Community Centre Committee. Any profit made will be used to support future local events or groups.



## TARVIN VILLAGE FETE

We are happy to say that after two years of cancellation due to the pandemic, the **Village Fete** is back and will be held on **Saturday July 2nd** this year.

All the usual entertainments you love will be there and this year we've also added a Juggler as well as the opportunity for both children and adults to learn some circus skills.

The procession is going to be bigger and better than ever before and this year it will start from St Andrews Church. The two churches in our village give us a huge amount of support to make the fete happen and we are always very grateful to Tarvin Parish Council who give us a very generous grant toward the expenses as do our two borough councillors, John Leather and Harry Tonge. A number of the local shops and businesses also give us donations of money and raffle prizes. If you would like to book a stall at the fete, it is not too late for you to apply at [stalls-tarvinfete@outlook.com](mailto:stalls-tarvinfete@outlook.com) and if you can help with planning contact Jo Richards at [jfmrichards@outlook.com](mailto:jfmrichards@outlook.com)



## COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The Parish Council has a vacancy for a councillor. If you are interested in how your parish is looked after and how it develops then why not consider applying? The positions are voluntary and take up as much time as you are prepared to give. The commitment is at least to attend the monthly Parish Council meeting held on a Monday evening.

Councillors represent the views and concerns of the residents of the parish to the Parish Council and, through it, to the Borough Council. You must be over 18 and either be on the Electoral Register for the parish or during the whole of the 12 months preceding appointment have owned or rented land in the parish, have worked in the parish, or have lived in the parish or within 3 miles thereof.

If you think that you would enjoy being a councillor, please contact the Parish Clerk or any councillor for further details.

## COMPLETION OF 'THE RIDGEWAY RAMP'

The works to construct the pedestrian footway ramp at the Ridgeway gap are close to completion. Work started in late February with the removal of a section of Hawthorn hedge, prior to the bird nesting season. Subsequently between 14th and 18th March the construction works to the pedestrian ramp were completed.

Knee rail fencing and Hawthorn hedge plants and re-seeding is being set in place during May in order to reinstate the open space on either side of the pedestrian footway. Over time the hedging plants should grow to close up the verges on either side of the footway ramp.



## **PARISH FOOTPATHS**

Every year, the Parish Council identifies a 'special project' which is designed to improve or maintain the public realm. In 2021 we regularised the 'cut through' between The Ridgeway and the A54 featured above, which now provides a more pedestrian-friendly access. In 2022 we will be working to improve the standard of parish footpaths which over time can become difficult to use due to encroaching vegetation or uneven surfaces.

In addition, a small working party of councillors and residents is working with Cheshire West and Chester council to designate as a new Restricted Byway the footpath from the junction of Platts Lane and Hockenhull bridleway to the meeting of Platts Lane and Cotton Edmunds restricted byway (this is that part of path that goes down to and just beyond the Roman bridges at Hockenhull Platts). This part of the footpath has no official status, a serious oversight which needs to be rectified in order to preserve access for the future.

## **DOG FOULING**

The majority of dog owners appear to act responsibly with their dogs but an increasing minority are giving dog owners a bad name. All dog owners should act responsibly and pick up any mess that their pet makes.

The following reminder has been taken from the Borough Council website:

The Cheshire West and Chester Council (Fouling of Land by Dogs) (General) Order 2017 makes it an offence not to remove any faeces deposited by your dog, which must be done without delay. The Order applies to all open-air areas in the borough and where the public have access, even if warning signs are not displayed. The Order does not apply to people who are blind and those with other trained assistance dogs for specific disabilities.

The offence carries a maximum penalty of £1,000.

## **SPEEDING IN THE PARISH**

Following the article in the last edition of Tarvin Times regarding the provision of speed warning signs in the parish, councillors have now met with the highways department of Cheshire West and Chester Council to progress the proposal. Speed counters have been positioned as close as practical to the identified locations (as detailed in the last edition of Tarvin Times) to confirm the existing speeds of vehicles and if the data indicates a non-compliance issue, then the next stage would be design and costings for the warning signs.

Meanwhile, Our PCSO, Wendy Leason has been monitoring the speed of vehicles at various times of the day in the 20mph zones on Heath Drive outside Tarvin Primary School, Hockenhull Lane, Hockenhull Avenue, and Crossfields following concerns raised about vehicles speeding in the area. We are pleased to report that there have been no instances of speeding identified by Wendy.

## **LITTER PICKING**

After a very successful community litter pick in April the process will be repeated on a Saturday morning in October at 09:30. More details will be in the next edition of Tarvin Times.

A number of residents have volunteered to pick "their" street on a more regular basis. If you would like to join them, please contact Ted Lush by email at lushfamily2@tiscali.co.uk and he will loan you a picker and provide a supply of bags.

## TARVIN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Tarvin Educational Foundation is the charity set up to manage the endowment of the old Tarvin Grammar School. The purpose of the charity is to assist the educational needs of students of secondary school age, or older, who live in the Ancient Parish of Tarvin. The assistance may take the form of financial assistance for books, instruments, tools for a trade and other projects. Usually today this takes the form of help with the costs of University or College courses, apprenticeships and also for overseas projects of an educational nature.

These awards are made by the Governors of the Trust who include representatives of the Parish Councils of Tarvin, Kelsall, Ashton Hayes and Clotton Hoofield. The Governors are pleased to consider any application made by students residing in the appropriate area.

Initial Interest in an application should be made to the clerk by the 1st July 2022 with full name and local address including post code and an e-mail & contact telephone number. A standard application form will then be sent, which must be returned by Monday 5th September.

The present Clerk to the Governors is Mr D.H.Cotgreave, email: [clerk@tedf.org.uk](mailto:clerk@tedf.org.uk)

## FEEDBACK

The Parish Council welcomes feedback on topics included in this edition of Tarvin Times or indeed on any other matter. Please contact the Parish Clerk using the details below who will acknowledge receipt and ensure that the content is passed to councillors for consideration.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Our next full council meetings will be held on Mondays 23rd May, 27th June, and 25th July. All will commence at 7.15pm and will be held in the Edna Rose room at the Community Centre.

Everyone is welcome to attend council meetings – there is an open forum at the beginning of every meeting, for you to have your say on any subject relevant to the parish.

You don't have to stay for the whole meeting. Feel free to come/go as is convenient to you.

## YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

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