

Yarkhill News



A photograph, kindly submitted by Chrissie Dobson, showing the very dry canal following the lack of rain.

During the COVID pandemic the Newsletter has been emailed to all those people who have given permission for their email address to be used. If you know someone who does not receive the email copy, please ask them to let me know. Also, if you know someone who specifically wants a paper copy please let me know. There will be several copies in the Village Hall and Church entrances.

A reminder for walkers and riders. The apple crops are currently being harvested and it would be much appreciated if walkers and riders could avoid straying from the designated Rights of Way to avoid contaminating the crop.

Following the resignation of Matthew Kirby the vacancy for a Parish Councillor has been filled by Steve Kirby

Scaffold tower for hire

The organisers of the Field to Fork Festival have purchased a scaffold tower from part of the income raised at last year's event which can be hired by anyone living in the village for £15 a week. Terms & Conditions apply. The details of the tower are as follows: Platform size: 1.45Mx 0.5M, Max platform height: 2.73M, Max working height: 5M (approx.) Max. load: 150kg Material: Aluminium. It weights approximately 37kg and is fitted with a pair of wheels to allow the tower to be moved around.

If you would like to hire this equipment please contact Martin Ennis on T: 01432 890486 M: 07831 424667 E: martinennis325@gmail.com

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***PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE—THIS
AFFECTS US ALL AND YOUR SUPPORT AT
THE MEETING IS PARAMOUNT***

PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Anaerobic Digester Plant at Whitwick Manor

Herefordshire Council Planning Application 222728



7.30pm Thursday 13th October

At Yarkhill Village Hall

A public meeting has been organised by the Parish Council to discuss the application and listen to your views.

This development will impact local residents given the type and scale of the plant, the change to the local landscape and the increase in lorry traffic delivering feedstock (chicken manure) and grain to the site along the A417 and A4103. The site entrance will sit between Newtown Crossroads and Burley Gate / Ocle Pychard on the A417.

The Applicant and his Agent will be at the meeting so do please come along.

Chairman's Update

The Parish Council held a minute's silence prior to the beginning of the PC meeting on 13th September in remembrance of Her Majesty the Queen. Following consultation with the Herefordshire Association of Local Council's (HALC), it was agreed that the meeting should take place as planned and advertised.

Planning & Enforcement

The appeal against planning refusal for the commercial building erected at Ivy Cottage on the A4103 at Lower Eggleton was refused and therefore Herefordshire Council's order to remove it remains in force.

An application for a Day Room on the Travellers Site at the Paddocks in Newtown has been approved following the applicant's decision to withdraw his application for 3 additional pitches.

A second application for the renovation and extension of a Grade 2 listed derelict Black & White cottage at Grove Farm on Crew's Pitch has been refused on the basis of Herefordshire Council's unhappiness with the proposed extension and its impact on the existing building.

Two separate applications from the owners of Monksbury Court have been approved. The first relates to the conversion of redundant office space into accommodation and the second for a double garage and workshop immediately to the east of the main house.

Woodbury House, the specialist school immediately opposite the turning to Monkhide on the A4103 has applied for a change of use from a residential care home to daytime educational establishment. The intention is to provide schooling and care for up to 16 children between the hours of 9am and 3.30pm thereby reducing pressure on the applicant's sister establishment at Queenswood House in Ledbury. The primary concern here is the traffic impact at the junction of the A4103 and road to Monkhide.

Since the PC meeting, we have been advised of a planning application for a large commercial development at Whitwick Manor on the A417 north of the Newtown crossroads. This involves aerobic digester and grain storage facilities with the digester being fed by chicken manure producing gas which will be fed into the National Grid. The development will have a significant impact on many of us, especially in terms of increased traffic, so we will therefore be holding a public meeting to discuss the plans. Further details are provided in this newsletter.

Herefordshire Local Plan

Herefordshire Council has recently held a number of road shows to update residents on the options being considered in relation to future housing and infrastructure across the County. As it stands, the current preference is to direct new housing development towards sustainable locations where there are already services and facilities, few environmental constraints, the presence of mains sewage capacity, fast broadband and good transport connections. So far, seven Housing Market areas have been identified involving fifty settlements. All remaining settlements in the County would be designated as not sustainable and therefore open countryside. Yarkhill would fall under this category which represents a change from the existing Local Plan. What it means in practical terms is that our Parish would be afforded protection from mainstream development, but that small scale development could be allowed subject to planning permission.

A draft Plan is expected to be issued in early 2023 subsequent to a period of further consultation and I would encourage you to have a look at the proposals before final adoption in 2024.

Footpaths / Bridleways

Following a number of complaints about the state of the path that runs from the road to Monkhide up to Newtown which had become increasingly overgrown at the top end, we have now had this cut back so it is fully accessible once again.

Trees

We have been investigating ownership of trees along the A4103 between Newtown and the Monkhide junction following concerns that some of these are becoming overgrown. It would seem that they do fall under the responsibility of Highways so we are once again asking them to assess the danger and take action. We are similarly investigating ownership of the trees alongside the canal basin in Monkhide.

Litter Pick

We are planning to hold a Parish litter pick on Saturday 29th October meeting at 10.30am at the Village Hall. Please help us if you can by giving up an hour or so of your time so that we can cover as much ground as possible. This will really make a difference in keeping our verges tidy until the next litter pick in April next year.

Jeff Hughes

Chairman

Comments from the Parish Clerk .

SPEEDING—Although some drivers are still speeding along our lanes, there has been a marked improvement over the past few weeks—thank you for making our lanes safer for walkers, cyclists and horse riders. The law now states that car drivers must prioritise pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders. At least 2 metres must be allowed between the person/bike/ horse, and it is also a **legal requirement to pass horses at under 10 mph. Several horse riders are now wearing heads cams and as a result one local driver is facing prosecution.** Can I also add that walkers, cyclists and horse riders should always thank passing traffic as a matter of common courtesy. When out riding my pony I always thank cars, even if they are being inconsiderate as they may think twice next time.

DOG MESS— There has been no change to the amount of dog mess being left on our foot paths and bridle ways. As a result dog owners still ignoring my plea and who are caught on the wildlife cameras will be reported to the relevant authority.

Sallyanne



The Parish Council purchased a mug for all children under the age of 16 living within the Parish, as a gift to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

We have 9 mugs left for children who did not receive one.

Any enquiries please to the Parish Clerk on 07801 108789 or at yarkhill@live.co.uk

Happy to arrange collection



St. John the Baptist Church Yarkhill



You are invited to join the congregation
and

The Bishop of Hereford
The Right Reverend Richard Jackson

at
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to Celebrate**

the 10th Anniversary of the New Yarkhill Bells

on
Sunday 30th October
At 3.00 pm

And afterwards for **TEA** at Yarkhill Village Hall



YARKHILL CHURCH

100 CLUB

MONTHLY PRIZE DRAW

To all those supporting your local Church through the 100 Club. Thank you for your contributions last year. Your support has helped maintain this historic building and churchyard.

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(If you have already set up a Standing Order please ignore this reminder)

NEW MEMBERS ARE VERY WELCOME

PLEASE HELP US TO MAINTAIN YOUR CHURCH

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Village Hall AGM will be held on **WEDNESDAY 12th October at 7.00pm.** Everyone is welcome to attend, and we would welcome new members to a committee meeting that follows at 7.30pm.

Thank you to all of you that entered home baking, garden produce, photos and handicrafts in the Produce Show held on the 30th July and to the children who came up with some wonderful ideas for their entries.

After a three-year gap due to Covid we were unsure how things would go but entries were up on previous years and a good crowd attended the fete later in the day. A total of £274 was raised for the Village Hall and £100 was raised for the Church by the ladies providing the refreshments.

Trophy winners were as follows.

Barbara Barnes cup – Bob Aspey

WI Challenge cup – Alice Clay

Doreen Bennet photography shield – Simon Day/Lesley Hack

BM Aspey trophy – Shona Warnes

Grove trophy (under 16) -Bumble Harbottle/Grace Marston-Lynes

Crews Pitch trophy (under 11) – Flossy Hack

Junior Cup (under 5) – Martha Maston-Lynes

Newtown Garage trophy – Isabel Bott

Coffee Morning – Our next one will be held in the Village Hall on Thursday 6th October 10.30 – noon. Please come along for a coffee/tea, slice of cake and a good old natter, all for only £1.



Coffee Morning

*The Haywain, Lyde Arundel,
Nr. Hereford HR4 7SL
by kind invitation of Lydia and Tomáš Alexovi*

*Thursday 13th October 2022
From 10am 'til 12 noon*

*Cakes, Preserves and Produce Stall. Raffle.
No entry fee - donations welcomed
Ample parking - please use entrance off A4110*

*If you're unable to attend but would like to make a donation, please send cheques payable to HHCT
c/o Mrs Sue Burleigh, Stansbatch House, Stansbatch, Leominster, Herefordshire
HR6 9LG - tel.01544 267368*



Stolen Statue in Monkhide

Good morning,
There was a wooden statue stolen from a property's land in Monkhide sometime between Monday 26th September - Thursday 29th September. The statue is described as being approximately 5 foot tall and is of sentimental value.
Have you seen anything suspicious in the area during this time frame?



Do you know any information about who may have stolen it?
If yes, please contact your Safer Neighbourhood Team on
herefordrn.snt@westmercia.police.uk and quote reference number 0031-I-29092022.
Kind regards,
Christina
PCSO Christina Howard
Hereford Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team



Witness appeal following fatal A417 collision

Officers in Herefordshire are appealing for witnesses following a fatal collision on Friday 23 September.

At around **4.25pm** on Friday afternoon, a motorcycle and two other vehicles, a white Fiat box van and a white Mini Cooper, were involved in a collision on the A417 between Burley Gate and Maund Bryan in Herefordshire.

The rider of the grey Triumph Street Triple motorcycle, a 59-year-old man, suffered significant injuries and while every effort was made by paramedics to save him, he very sadly died at the scene. The man's family and next of kin have been informed and our thoughts are with them all at this terribly sad time. No one else involved in the collision was hurt.

***UPDATE 25 September:**

Sergeant Bob Conway from the Herefordshire Operational Patrol Unit (OPU) said: "We are asking for anyone travelling in either direction along the A417 between Hope Under Dinmore and Newtown Cross (the junction with the A4103 Hereford to Worcester Road) between 4pm and 5pm on Friday 23 September, who may have dash cam footage of their journey to please get in touch with us as soon as possible.

"We are also keen to speak to anyone who may live along this route who may have CCTV or a doorbell camera (or similar), which may capture images on the main road.

"Please can anyone who may be able to help with our investigation contact Herefordshire OPU on 101 or visit our website quoting incident number 414i of 23 September 2022."



ALERT: Energy Bill Scam texts

Dear Subscriber,

Action Fraud has received 139 crime reports relating to fake text messages purporting to be from the UK government. The texts state that the recipient is "owed" or "eligible" for an energy bill discount as part of the Energy Bill Support Scheme. The links in the emails lead to genuine-looking websites that are designed to steal your personal and financial information.

You can see screenshots of the text messages on our Twitter post [here](#).

How to protect yourself

- Energy Bill Discount : £400 off energy bills for households in Great Britain from October 2022. You **do not need to apply for the scheme** and you will not be asked for your bank details.
- Spotted a suspicious text message? Forward it to 7726 (it's free of charge). If you forward a text to **7726**, your provider can investigate the origin of the text and arrange to block or ban the sender, if it's found to be malicious.

For more information on how to stay secure online, please visit www.cyberaware.gov.uk

Rise in Heating Oil Thefts in the Area

Heating Oil Tanks have the potential to store thousands of pounds worth of heating oil, and are often located in remote areas — this can make them an attractive target for thieves. The chance of being targeted by thieves is relatively low, but becoming a victim of heating oil theft is a costly, inconvenient and upsetting experience.

In order to steal heating oil, thieves will usually decant, syphon or pump oil from your tank into other containers. Thieves might use this oil themselves, or sell it on. There have even been reports of criminals selling stolen oil back to the victim.

Opportunistic thieves might target tanks that they spot while out and about, whereas more organised criminals use tools such as Google Maps to identify homes with oil tanks in their gardens. Another tactic used by would-be thieves is following oil delivery vehicles in order to identify homes with full tanks.

Data from police forces across England suggests heating oil theft is most prevalent in the first three months of the year when tanks are likely to be full and the days are short. Also, the price of heating oil fluctuates, and when the cost of oil is high, heating oil becomes a more attractive asset for thieves to try and steal. However, thefts occur year-round, so it pays to be vigilant at all times.

Ways to Avoid Heating Oil Theft

Firstly, place your tank as far away from the road as possible. You don't want opportunistic thieves to spot your tank while driving by, nor do you want to facilitate a quick getaway.

Secondly, if your tank is exposed, it's a good idea to conceal it with a fence, wall, plants or trellis. Just make sure to leave enough room for servicing, maintenance, and oil deliveries.

Thirdly, if possible, install a roof over your tank. This will prevent thieves from spotting it on satellite images and targeting your home.

Fourthly, consider placing a gravel path up to and around your tank. This is a relatively easy and cost-effective tip. The gravel will create a noisy route that could spook trespassers — or even alert you to their presence.

And lastly, locate your tank in a position that is visible from inside your home. The potential of being spotted and caught is a huge deterrent for thieves. If your tank is visible from inside your home, you could also consider additional security measures so thieves think you're at home even when you're not. For example, you could use lightbulbs on a timer or leave the radio on when you go out.

If your tank is already installed, think about tank cages, good lighting and CCTV cameras. Installing a simple good quality lock would deter most thieves as it would make a lot of noise and time to remove it. A really good and inexpensive option is using camouflage, foliage and netting could be used for this, and would hide the tank from the road and from Google Earth.

Multi Million Pound Investment to make West Mercia Safer

£3.76 million of additional funding has been secured to tackle neighbourhood crime, anti-social behaviour and violence against women and girls across West Mercia. As part of the fourth round of the Government's Safer Streets initiative, Police and Crime Commissioner John Campion, in partnership with West Mercia Police, submitted four bids based on local needs.

Grants of £1.7 million have been awarded and are match funded, providing a total of £3.76 million for projects across the region. This includes an investment of nearly £400,000 in a West Mercia wide project to improve safety for women and girls. The money will be also increase the number of StreetWatch schemes, provide a digital platform for volunteers to support victims, run education programmes for partners working in the night time economy and schools and colleges focused on healthy relationships and raise awareness in communities.

The other bids will cover targeted projects in Shropshire, Herefordshire and Telford & Wrekin. Commissioner John Campion said: "This substantial announcement will make a massive difference in our communities, helping people to be safe and feel safe. I am proud to support it with my own investments, as part of my ongoing work to make communities safer. "The money will be targeted to tackle a range of anti-social behaviours which have a significant and long lasting impact on our communities. It is especially pleasing to see a particular focus on violence against women and girls. This will allow a multi-faceted approach which tackles the issue at the root, changing behaviours whilst also putting structured support in for victims."

Chief Constable Pippa Mills said: "We are really pleased that this additional funding has been secured. The crime prevention measures that we're able to implement as a result of this investment will help us to make real tangible changes to the communities we serve. "They will help protect people from harm by preventing crime and help make our villages, towns and cities be and feel safer. "This is fully supported by our new prevention strategy. Most importantly our strategy isn't just words on a page. Through schemes supported by this funding will enable us to make Herefordshire, Shropshire and Worcestershire safer."



Thanks to Nick Nenadich for this stunning photograph



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DAILY EVENTS

Everyone is welcome to join any of the acts of worship that take place at the cathedral. Services are normally held at the following times:

Monday – Saturday

8 am – Morning Prayer

10.30 am – Eucharist (*8.30 am on a Saturday*)

5.30 pm – Evening Prayer or Evensong

Sunday

8 am – Holy Communion

10 am – Cathedral Eucharist (*this service is also live streamed*)

11.30 am – Morning Prayer

3.30 pm – Evening Prayer or Evensong

EXHIBITIONS

Waste Not, Want Not

Monday 12 September to Saturday 31 December | Mondays to Saturdays, 10am – 5pm

The exhibition this autumn in the [Mappa Mundi](#) and Chained Library will showcase items from the collections that have reused or repurposed older materials and given them a new lease of life. From old books and archives to the careful use of parchment, to reframing stained glass fragments and the reuse of silver and gems – there are many ways that the cathedral of the past ‘wasted not’.

Normal admission charges apply

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/waste-not-want-not-exhibition

Phil Whiting: ‘Places of Mourning in the Western World’

Thursday 20 October – Wednesday 16 November

Hereford Cathedral hosts the powerful work of Phil Whiting, a landscape painter. The artworks are informed by issues around conflict, memory and human rights. In April 1995 at the height of the Bosnian war, in an attempt to understand why [genocidal](#) behaviour was once again happening in the heart of Europe, Phil embarked upon a project which became known as ‘Places of Mourning in the Western World’. The project had two overriding objectives: to answer the question why in Bosnia at the heart of Europe is genocide taking place when we were promised “Never Again”, and to make artwork inspired by the belief that painting can best awaken and speak truth directly to a wider audience than can the spoken word.

The exhibition explores the concept that history itself is but the narrative of human behaviour. It is about what we do to one another and to our world, about what we want to believe and about what we avoid believing even if the truth that can save us in the end is the casualty.

The exhibition will be in the North Transept from Thursday 20 October – Wednesday 16 November. No admission charges, available during cathedral opening hours.

You are welcome to attend a Private Viewing of the exhibition on Wednesday 19 October, in the North Transept at 6.30pm, following Evening Prayer. Please join us for refreshments and talks from Dean Sarah Brown and Phil Whiting.

EVENTS

Toddler Group

Mondays in term time, 9.30am

Calling all toddlers and their grown ups! Join us each Monday morning in term time to play and pray in Hereford Cathedral. Listen to a Bible story, take part in a craft activity and have fun in our weekly drop-in. Come along to meet other families, make new friends and discover the cathedral. Suitable for toddlers between the ages of 1-3 years.

Toddler Group is free to attend but donations are welcome. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times. Please visit

www.herefordcathedral.org/news/toddler-group for more information.

Hereford Applefest

Saturday 1 October – Saturday 15 October

Hereford Cathedral will be taking part in the city's first festival celebrating all things apples! Local businesses, councils, cider producers and community groups are banding together to provide an array of entertainment. Activities across the city include: live music, children's activities, giveaways, themed trails, guest speakers, visits with local artisan cider and apple juice producers, virtual reality experiences, plus feasts and tastings. At Hereford Cathedral we will be offering a new self-led family apple trail around our building, as well as selling tasty treats and cider from the café.

For more information on Hereford Applefest, visit:

www.herefordcitycouncil.gov.uk/hereford-applefest/

Annual St Thomas Cantilupe Lecture - Blood and Bones: Thomas Becket and the British Museum

Tuesday 4 October, Tea in the retrochoir 3.30pm, Lecture in South Transept 4pm – 5pm

On 29 December 1170 Thomas Becket was brutally murdered in Canterbury Cathedral by four knights from King Henry II's entourage. It was a shocking act few could have predicted, that left medieval Europe reeling. Just over 850 years later the British Museum staged a blockbuster exhibition of his life, death, and legacy. This lecture will explore Becket's

remarkable story from his birth in London around 1120, through the twists and turns of his life story, to his legacy as one of Europe's most popular saints and reflect on its resonance and relevance for modern audiences.

This talk will be given by Lloyd de Beer, a curator at the British Museum. Join Lloyd in the South Transept on Tuesday 4 October, 4pm, for this talk.

This a Life & Learning talk, tickets are free and can be booked via the website, or by contacting library@herefordcathedral.org or call 01432 374 225/6

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/annual-st-thomas-cantilupe-lecture

The Poems and Songs of Henry Hall of Hereford: a Jacobite Poet of the 1690s Wednesday 12 October, 7pm in College Hall

Henry Hall (c. 1656-1707), Organist of Hereford Cathedral and composer of church music, was also a compulsive writer of lively and irreverent verse, a notably convivial local personality, and a fiercely Jacobite opponent of William III and Mary II. This presentation will profile Hall through his prolific poetic output, which was wide-ranging in form and subject: from political songs and satires to lampoons, love poems, drinking songs, and riddles!

Dr Oliver Pickering, formerly Deputy Head of Special Collections in Leeds University Library, is Honorary Fellow in the School of English at Leeds and a Fellow of the English Association. Join Oliver in College Hall on Wednesday 12 October, 7pm, for this talk.

This a Life & Learning talk, tickets cost £10 and can be booked via the website, or by contacting library@herefordcathedral.org or call 01432 374 225/6

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/the-poems-and-songs-of-henry-hall

SSAFA & Samaritans Concert: Can you hear me?

Friday 14 October | 7.30pm

On Friday 14 October Hereford Cathedral welcomes back the popular fundraising concert hosted by SSAFA Herefordshire and Herefordshire Samaritans. This year's concert will explore mental health & wellbeing and is called Can You Hear Me?

Can You Hear Me, is one of local choir Cantabile's signature songs, which refers to the silent call for help by those struggling with mental health issues.

The performances will include two choirs from Hereford Cathedral School - Cantabile (award winning girls choir) & Colla Voce (Yr 7/8 choir). Performers also include the Marches Military Wives Choir, The Fire Choir, Tarrington Brass and the Orchestra of the Swan – The Swan Trio, who provide musical support for those living with dementia. The concert will feature an opening speech from Kate Bliss.

The evening will culminate in a grand finale of similar style to the 'last night of the proms' - hand held union flags will be provided and the usual Jerusalem and Land of Hope and Glory will be enjoyed by all! Bring along your singing voices and join us for a musical evening for all the family!

Tickets start at £5 and can be purchased on the cathedral website or in the cathedral shop. The cathedral shop is open from 10am - 5pm Monday - Saturday and available

via phone 01432 374 210. www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/ssafa-samaritans-concert-2022

Escape Room

Saturday 15 October, bookable sessions between 12pm - 4pm.

It is 1890... You have been accused of embezzling money from the Vicars Choral funds and have been shut in the Old Chapel until the police arrive. You have one hour, can you prove that you are innocent?

Come along and crack the code of our Escape Room!

Sessions cost £45 and are suitable for groups of up to six people. More details can be found here: www.herefordcathedral.org/news/hereford-cathedrals-escape-room

Baby Loss Awareness Week: Candlelit Vigil

Saturday 15 October, Lady Arbour Garden, 7pm

Taking place between 9-15 October every year, Baby Loss Awareness Week raises awareness about pregnancy and baby loss. Led by multiple charities, including Sands (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death charity) and Hereford Sands, this week unites bereaved families and parents to commemorate the lives of babies who died during pregnancy, during birth and in infancy. Hereford Cathedral in partnership with Sands and Wye Valley Trust, will be lighting the cathedral in pink and blue light. We welcome all bereaved parents, families and friends to visit and tie a ribbon onto the west door to commemorate a life lost too soon. On Saturday 15 October we welcome all families and friends to gather in the Lady Arbour Garden at 6.45pm where a candlelit act of remembrance will take place. We will light candles at 7pm to join in with the global wave of light.

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/babyloss-awareness-week-2022

Lego Club

Wednesday 19 October, 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Test your skills at creating crazy constructions and super structures with Lego in the inspiring surroundings of Hereford Cathedral. Enjoy this freestyle Lego session in the South Transept with thousands of bricks and hundreds of mini figures, learn building techniques and make new friends.

This after-school session lasts 1 hour and is free to attend, spaces are limited so book your free ticket via our website to ensure your space.

Cathedral Lego Club is appropriate for anyone aged between 8 and 14. Parents and Carers are welcome to stay, but accompaniment is not required during the session. Please make your own arrangements for collecting your child.

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/lego-club-oct2022

The Dean of Hereford's Piano Recital, performed by Janusz Piotrowicz de Jagiellon Fundraiser for the British Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal

Thursday 20 October 2022, 7.30 pm

The Very Revd Sarah Brown, Dean of Hereford, invites you to attend a special piano recital in College Hall, performed by renowned pianist, Janusz Piotrowicz de Jagiellon.

Janusz will perform a moving programme featuring the music of Scarlatti, Mozart, Chopin, Liszt and Rachmaninov. This intimate recital will be an exclusive opportunity to experience a

celebrated musician in the beautiful surroundings of College Hall, fundraising for a powerful cause. Net proceeds from this event and donations given on the night will go to the Ukraine Crisis Appeal, please give generously. If you would like to donate in advance to our Just Giving page: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/hereford-cathedralukrainecrisisappeal

Tickets cost £25 and can be purchased via the cathedral website or contact events@herefordcathedral.org, or call 01432 374 251.

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/deans-piano-recital

Autumn Messy Church

Tuesday 25 October, 11.30am - 3pm

Join the Hereford Cathedral team this October half-term for a day of crafting activities suitable for the whole family. Make a selection of seasonal crafts to take home!

Messy Church is church for families and all. It is Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration. We will have craft activities, food and fun - all centred around the teaching of the Bible. All welcome!

Autumn Messy Church will take place on Tuesday 25 October in the South Transept located inside the cathedral building, drop-in any time between 11.30am and 3pm. This event is free with no pre-booking required. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/autumn-messy-church2022

Escape Room

Friday 28 October, bookable sessions between 12pm & 4pm.

It is 1890... You have been accused of embezzling money from the Vicars Choral funds and have been shut in the Old Chapel until the police arrive. You have one hour, can you prove that you are innocent?

Come along and crack the code of our Escape Room!

Sessions cost £45 and are suitable for groups of up to six people. More details can be found here: www.herefordcathedral.org/news/hereford-cathedrals-escape-room

Escape Room

Saturday 29 October, bookable sessions between 2pm & 6pm.

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EXHIBITIONS

Waste Not, Want Not

Monday 12 September to Saturday 31 December | Mondays to Saturdays, 10am – 5pm

The exhibition this autumn in the [Mappa Mundi](#) and Chained Library will showcase items from the collections that have reused or repurposed older materials and given them a new lease of life. From old books and archives to the careful use of parchment, to reframing stained glass fragments and the reuse of silver and gems – there are many ways that the cathedral of the past ‘wasted not’.

Normal admission charges apply

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/waste-not-want-not-exhibition

Phil Whiting: ‘Places of Mourning in the Western World’

Thursday 20 October – Wednesday 16 November

Hereford Cathedral hosts the powerful work of Phil Whiting, a landscape painter. The artworks are informed by issues around conflict, memory and human rights. The exhibition explores the concept that history itself is but the narrative of human behaviour. It is about what we do to one another and to our world, about what we want to believe and about what we avoid believing even if the truth that can save us in the end is the casualty.

The exhibition will be in the North Transept from Thursday 20 October – Wednesday 16 November. No admission charges, available during cathedral opening hours.

EVENTS

Toddler Group

Mondays in term time, 9.30am

Join us each Monday morning in term time to play and pray in Hereford Cathedral. Listen to a Bible story, take part in a craft activity and have fun in our weekly drop-in. Suitable for toddlers between the ages of 1-3 years.

Free to attend but donations are [welcome](#), children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

Understanding the Holocaust: problems and perspectives in the 21st century - A talk by Dr Michael Gray

Thursday 3 November, 7pm

In this talk, Dr Michael Gray explores some of the foundational themes such as the framing of the Holocaust within western consciousness and its representation in contemporary society and within a wider context of genocide. Dr Michael Gray is Headmaster of Hereford Cathedral School. Michael holds a first-class degree in History from King’s College London and in 2014 he completed his PhD in Holocaust Education at the UCL Institute of Education.

Tickets cost £10 and can be purchased via the website or contact events@herefordcathedral.org / 01432 374 251.

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/understanding-the-holocaust

Waste Not Want Not Creative Workshop: notebook making

Wednesday 16 November, 10am – 1pm

This workshop will bring together a selection of found papers to make bespoke hand-stitched notebooks, perfect for jotting down lists, doodling or sketching. All materials will be provided.

Tickets cost £30 and can be purchased via the website:

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/waste-not-want-not-creative-workshop-notebook.

If you are unable to purchase your ticket via the website, please email

library@herefordcathedral.org or call 01432 374 225/6

Waste Not Want Not Creative Workshop: bookstar making

Saturday 19 November, 10am – 1pm

This workshop provides an opportunity to make bookstars - a three-dimensional folding star that you can hang on your Christmas tree, made from old books that would otherwise be thrown away. All materials will be provided.

Tickets cost £30 and can be purchased via the website:

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/waste-not-creative-workshop-bookstar **If you are**

unable to purchase your ticket via the website, please email

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Choral Society Concert: Walton *Belshazzar's Feast*

Saturday 19 November, 7.30pm

First performed in 1931 *Belshazzar's Feast* is undoubtedly one of the most exhilarating works in the choral repertoire, loved by both audience and those involved in its performance.

Conductor: Geraint Bowen

Tickets from only £10 (unreserved). Up to 2 children under 16 will be admitted free of charge when accompanied by an adult. Parties of 10 or more receive a group discount of 10%. Tickets can be booked here:

<https://herefordchoralsociety.org/NovemberConcert.php>

Lego Club

Wednesday 23 November, 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Enjoy this freestyle Lego session in the South Transept with thousands of bricks and hundreds of mini figures, learn building techniques and make new friends. This after-school session lasts 1 hour and is free to attend, spaces are limited so book your free ticket via our website to ensure your space.

Suitable for children aged between 8 and 14

<https://www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/lego-club-nov2022>

Escape Room

Thursday 24 November, bookable sessions available

Come along and crack the code of our Escape Room! It is 1890... You have been accused of embezzling money from the Vicars Choral funds and have been shut in the Old Chapel until the police arrive. You have one hour, can you prove that you are innocent?

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Meet The Minor Prophets: a lecture series by Dr Maureen Palmer

Monday 21 & 28 November, 5 & 12 December 10.30am -12pm

Each of the Twelve Minor Prophets leave a short book of prophesy which throws light on the attitude of the Jews to Social Injustice; Invasion; what it means to be Jewish

Tickets cost £10 per session. If you would like to book onto this lecture series, please contact the library team: email library@herefordcathedral.org or call 01432 374 225/6

www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/meet-the-minor-prophets-a-lecture-series

Life & Learning in Hereford in the Middle Ages

Wednesday 30 November, 7pm

This illustrated talk will paint some pictures of education before, during and and beyond formal schooling in medieval Hereford. David Thomson joined the Diocese of Hereford as an Honorary Assistant Bishop after retiring from his post as Bishop of Huntingdon.

This event is part of the Life & Learning programme. Tickets cost £10 and can be

purchased online: [www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/lifeandlearning-](http://www.herefordcathedral.org/Event/lifeandlearning-herefordmiddleages)

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Two more beautiful Yarkhill Views
sent in by Sharon Durnan



Guidance for Complaints Procedure

It is vital that the public has confidence in the high standards of local government, and that there is transparency about the conduct of councillors and the mechanisms for dealing with alleged breaches of the Codes of Conduct. Equally, it is vital that councillors themselves have confidence in these mechanisms, and that investigations into such complaints abide by the principles of natural justice. Under the Model Code of Conduct, councillors are required to cooperate with any Code of Conduct investigation and respect the impartiality of officers. This is in recognition of the key role monitoring officers have in ensuring what might be contentious and difficult issues are handled fairly. This guidance is to support them in carrying out their duties.

More than 100,000 people give their time as councillors. The majority do so with the very best motives, and they conduct themselves in a way that is beyond reproach. However, public perception tends to focus on a minority who in some way abuse their positions or behave badly. Even where behaviour does fall short most issues are resolved easily through a simple apology or through swift action from an officer, a political group or meeting chair. Reference to the Code of Conduct and a formal complaint are very much the last resort where issues remain unresolved.

Anyone who considers that a councillor may have breached the Code of Conduct may make a complaint to that councillor's local authority, usually via the principal authority's monitoring officer. Each complaint must be assessed to see if it falls within the authority's legal jurisdiction, for example whether the subject member was acting as a councillor or representative of the authority at the time. A decision must then be made on whether or not some action should be taken, either as an investigation or some other form of action.

When a matter is referred for investigation or other action, it does not mean that a decision has been made about the validity of the allegation. It simply means that the authority believes the alleged conduct, if proven, may amount to a failure to comply with the Code of Conduct and that some action should be taken in response to the complaint.

The process for dealing with Code of Conduct complaints must be fair and be seen to be fair. The law does not specify how complaints are to be handled. However, in most authorities, initial assessment of complaints that a councillor may have breached the Code of Conduct is usually carried out by the authority's monitoring officer (in our case the Parish Clerk and one other Councillor who is not party to the complaint). Even where the matter is normally delegated to the monitoring officer, they may reserve the right to refer the matter to a committee of councillors, for example where the monitoring officer has a conflict of interest or the matter is particularly high-profile.

Local authorities, including parish and town councils, should publish information on their websites about what can and cannot be considered as a complaint, how to complain (including a standard complaints form if appropriate) and where Code of Conduct complaints should be sent to. They should also provide clear details of the procedures they will follow in relation to any written allegation received about a councillor.

Yarkhill Parish has produced a complaint form which sets out all the information they expect to receive from a complainant. This can be helpful to both the authority and the complainant. The form can be found at the end of this information. Complaints do not have to be made using the form but should include the information requested in the form.

The authority should also make it clear that only in exceptional circumstances would a complainant be granted confidentiality and that as a matter of fairness the complainant's identity would normally be disclosed to the subject member

Under the Localism Act, however, formal complaints must be submitted in writing. This includes electronic submissions, though the requirement for complaints to be submitted in writing must be read in conjunction with the Equality Act 2010 and the duty to make adjustments. For example, a complainant may have a disability that prevents them from making their complaint in writing. In such cases, authorities may need to transcribe a verbal complaint and then produce a written copy for approval by the complainant or the complainant's representative.

When a complaint is received by the local authority the relevant officer should acknowledge its receipt and set out the process to be taken to assess the complaint with an agreed timescale.

The full Guidance information can be accessed at [Guidance on Member Model Code of Conduct Complaints Handling | Local Government Association](#)

