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**REMEMBRANCE SPECIAL** with poems, stories and tributes. Any Gunpowder Plotters in Tysoe? Find out how to help our hedgehogs!



#### QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK

Thanks to all who completed our Questionnaire, it was great to receive such positive feedback from a long serving readership, over half have been subscribing for more than 15 years. The overall message is "keep doing what you're doing", most find the content useful, which confirms we are on the right track. The advertisers will be delighted that around 90% of you have contacted them from their adverts. There is still high demand for the paper format and the new layout and move to colour is proving popular. You still want to pay your subscription in cash, which allows our great team of distributors to keep in touch with you. It was great to receive some offers of help, we will be in touch. We are always looking for new contributors, so please make contact with one of the team at any time. We also had some great suggestions for additional content – so watch out for new features in the coming months.

#### MEET THE RECORD TEAM

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- Contact one of the team and we will write it down for you.

#### The deadline for the December Issue is 17 NOVEMBER 2020.

#### **RETAINING THE JOY OF LIVING**

What goes around comes around". "Ignorance is bliss". What now connects these statements? Predictably Corona! As we all try to struggle from our collective pits of self-pity, whilst trying to master the new three tier regulations, spare a thought for our grandfathers.

A little over a hundred years ago they had just fought the war to end all wars! Although victorious, they were then faced with an even greater threat - Spanish flu. With the country financially and physically on its knees, it was a fertile breeding ground for the virus. Ultimately it would kill more people globally than died in the mincing machines of the Somme, Verdun and the many other battlefields of 1914-1918.

Quite rightly the heroic actions and sacrifices of our forefathers are remembered every year on Remembrance Sunday. Yet Spanish flu still lingers in the shadows, along with bubonic plague and several biblical pestilences or life-threatening shortages just waiting for its moment of reincarnation. Eventually Covid-19 will go the same way, but in the interim it serves to remind us how powerless Homo sapiens, as a species, is against the forces of nature..

You may think life is tough now, but we shouldn't forget we can still enjoy all the comforts of our modern world amid this new pandemic. "But we complain because we need to wear masks. We complain because we must stay confined to our homes where we have food, electricity, running water, WIFI and even Netflix," as Merin Joseph points out in a recent Youtube video.

"None of that existed back in our parents' and grand-parents' days. But humanity survived those circumstances and never lost their joy of living. A small change in our perspective can generate miracles. We should do everything we need to do to protect and help each other."



Our plans for Remembrance this year have had to change in line with government and church guidance on the pandemic, together with the views of the Royal British Legion. Sadly we will not be gathering at the Village Memorial as we usually do, but we will include the **Act of Remembrance in our service at St Mary's Church.** 

#### The Service

- Assemble in church ready to begin the service at 10:50
- Wreathes will be laid at the altar steps
- Names of the fallen will be read out
- At 11:00, The Last Post, 2 minute silence and Reveille
- Church service with music and readings (but sadly no singing)
- Service ends with the National Anthem
- Wreathes are collected to be taken to the memorial.

Extra COVID-19 safety measures: Numbers in church limited to 60, places allocated by ticket. Please contact me (see below) to apply. Masks, hand sanitiser and social distancing rules in operation. Dress warmly as the doors will be kept open for ventilation.

If you are not coming to church, you may chose to mark this occasion in other ways, by displaying a poppy in your window or standing outside at 11:00 Individuals can pay their own respect and/or leave a poppy, cross or wreath at the memorial in the lead up to Remembrance Sunday, or on 11th November (Armistice Day).

Revd George Heighton Email revgeorgeh@outlook.com, Tel: 01295 680201

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW MINISTER

Dear Friends and Neighbours,



What a year it's been! Coming back to Warwickshire after fifteen years in Oxfordshire and Berkshire feels like coming home.

Like most folks we have missed seeing loved ones and not being able to travel. But this year has been about keeping loved ones safe and being good neighbours. Some of you may be fearful about the future, and prayer has become a lifeline for many. Meeting for worship by Zoom and now socially distanced in church can bring some comfort. The parish churches across the country continue to connect folks with each other and, more importantly, with God through prayer and worship. I am looking forward to working with Rev George and the church communities in these very unusual times.

It's going to take longer than usual to get to know new parishioners and communities. My church duties are part-time, so I won't be available on Mondays and Thursdays. You may see me on my way to meet grandchildren from school or gardening at The Vicarage, Friar's Lane, Lower Brailes. Please introduce yourself but forgive me if I don't recognise you the next time, with or without your mask. Even in a good year, with five villages to get to know, it will take time. I am praying that we will all have better times very soon! Please join me in this prayer.

> With love, Reverend Heather Parbury Email: <u>reverendparbury@gmail.com</u> or 01608 685575 Heather is the new Associate Minister in Brailes, Sutton Under Brailes, Tysoe, Oxhill and Whatcote

#### The Wounded Healer by Michelle Cahill

The Victoria Cross pinned to his chest, His tale of woe that took the rest. This wounded man did venture in To sights and sounds unknown to him.

He stands up straight, he lifts his chin. His shoulders back, his stomach in, He breathes in deep, he looks aside, He sees the wife of one who died.

She sobs aloud, she wipes her tears, For grief engulfs her through these years. She clings on tighter to the wreath, She hopes it helps her through this grief.

The wounded man does swallow deep, To keep his tears from those who weep. For seeing them won't heal her pain, Or take away her sense of blame.

He looks aside, he sees the wreath That's bringing her through all her grief. He drops his chin, he holds her hand, They listen to the marching band.

The journey that this soul's come through, Is one she knows that she must do. She sees him on the other side, For she is not the one that died.

She grips this wounded soldier's hand, He leads her to the marching band, They lay that wreath down on the ground, And stand there to the trumpet sound.

She stands up straight, she lifts her chin, Her shoulders back, her stomach in, She breathes in deep, she looks aside, She sees the friend of those who died.

She sobs no more, she has no tears, Her grief will dwindle though the years. She looks upon the garnished wreath, She says goodbye to all her grief.



Michelle Cahill entered her poem into our Poetry Challenge back in April. Married to a serviceman, she has a special interest in PTSD and is studying for an MSc in Counselling. We kept her entry back for this special Remembrance issue.

#### WHO DARES WINS - MY SAS HEROES REMEMBERED

I terminated eight years in the Armed Forces by enlisting with the Special Air Service (SAS) and finally placed on R.A.R.O. (Regular Army of Regular Officers). The Second World War 'produced' many heroes. My list includes Irishman, **Lieutenant Colonel Robert 'Paddy' Mayne**, a founder of the SAS, who, in 1941, joined former Scots Guards officer **David Stirling's** new revolutionary force:



Special Air Service Brigade. The unit's aim: 'Operate, by night, behind enemy lines. Cause maximum havoc'. Mayne's first success: personally



destroying 14 enemy aircraft, damaging 10 more, on Tamet airfield, Lybia - awarded the first of four his DSO medals. Three weeks later. his unit returned, destroying 27 more aircraft. During the next 14 months. the unit destroyed more than 400 enemy aircraft. Mayne again personally destroyed 100 -

more than any fighter-aircraft ace during the entire war. (Field Marshal Montgomery recommended he receive the VC, but it was denied).

Lieutenant Colonel Stirling, pioneered the concept of a highly trained, mechanized unit with modified Jeeps, which was authorized by C-in-C, General Auchinleck. He was captured on his first mission, but escaped. Later he succeeded in destroying 37 bombers. He was again captured in 1943, escaped and re-captured, followed by four more escape attempts before finally being sent to Before his final capture, his unit de-Colditz. 250 stroved aircraft. numerous supply dumps, railways, and 100s of vehicles.



Brian Temple-Brown, Temporary Major, retired.



### THE CORRECT BEHAVIOUR AT FUNERALS

"There is a matter in connection with Funerals in this parish which I have at times noticed, and which was also mentioned to me the other day, by one of the members of the British Legion.

Sometimes when a funeral procession is passing along our roads I occasionally observe that some man or boy whom we pass does not remove his cap from his head, so that now and again I have had to stop and request them to do so. Such a request from me at such a time ought never to be necessary. To take off one's hat, as the coffin passes by, ought never to be forgotten; it is a token of respect for the dead and a little sign of sympathy for the mourners. In the Army, when the humblest private is carried to his burial every officer and man, from the General downwards, stands to attention and salutes the dead.

So when a coffin is carried through our village, with the sorrowful procession behind it, let our men and lads stand silently with uncovered heads, and surely it is hardly necessary for me to say, that pipes and cigarettes should be put out of sight. Children should also learn at such times to stand still."

Canon B– McNulty, Editor Extract from the Tysoe Parish Magazine, June 1960 Researched by Bridget Norton



TYSOE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND The 180 Club Prize Winners are:



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#### THOUGHTS FROM OUR LOCAL FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Different times and circumstances require different approaches to how we say our last goodbyes. Over the past six months we have been privileged to help arrange some of the most moving, sincere and memorable funerals – funerals which simply would not have happened in 'normal' times - which have created the opportunity to celebrate the good memories.

We have led and been part of many cortèges where the streets and routes have been lined with people, sometimes just a few but some numbering hundreds. I have been involved with funerals for over 55 years and have not witnessed such expressive emotions of mourners. Many of course in tears but still able to clap, cheer, doff their hats and wave them in the air, chatting on the side-lines and sharing 'the good times' of a life well-lived, all proud to be part of the farewell.

The hard part has been the restrictions on those numbers allowed to attend the actual Committal and the closure of Churches for services. But we have had some wonderful graveside celebrations in church-yards, cemeteries and at the natural burial ground: birds singing, favourite music playing, soloists, musicians playing, prayers as appropriate, shared memories often with funny stories. Mostly private, yes, but this intimacy has often been appreciated by the close family.

Just to reassure people, you can come and see your loved ones at our COVID-protected Chapels of Rest and they will *not* be placed in a sealed coffin. We strive to give the best 'Send Off' possible. Death in many ways is like life; it is what we make of it. We all depart this world in different circumstances and occasions. But when we think of those who leave this life before us (many of them far too soon), let's remember them for their lives... hopefully with a smile in our thoughts.

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#### GENES AND SEEDS

You may have heard the expression that we die not once but twice – the first time, with our physical body, the second when we are forgotten. With families increasingly spread far and wide, it can seem easier now to forget our forebears. Yet those who die don't disappear – and for a moment, in this context, I don't mean in soul or spirit.

In a little black and white Kodak snap from the mid twentieth century, the smile of a parent, light and youthful, before marriage and child rearing, makes us pause, for it's just the same smile as our own growing grandchild. In an old sepia photograph of a great grand-parent, posed for a late nineteenth century camera, it is not unusual to see reminders of a young niece or nephew.

I have an old picture of my father's grandfather, a warm good-looking fellow with an intense look of sadness that is identical to a look I've seen in my own father's eyes. I wonder if my great-great-grandfather had the same soulful expression, or at times if I do. Genes whisper reminders, and in doing so they provoke us to think, reflecting on who we are.

As autumn moves into winter, the seeds of last year's growth lie fallen to the ground. Through the stillness of winter, there is a quiet in those seeds that always fills me with calm. It's a calm that will become an anticipation, even hope, as we begin to dream of spring and a new cycle of life ahead. Each seed is a tiny packet of memories: it contains the experience of its parent plant, its stories, its strengths and weaknesses, ready to pass those on to the next generation – just as we do.

Perhaps remembering where our 'seeds' come from helps us to know who we are and value what we have. Perhaps remembering our genes helps us live a life to be proud of.

> Emma Restall Orr, Sun Rising Natural Burial Ground, Tel: 01295 688488 www.sunrising.co.uk

#### AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

Overhead electricity wires and poles in Tysoe have gradually been removed in recent years but an intensive section remained around Baldwins Lane and Old Tree Lane. Following work last autumn to bury the wires underground, the redundant wires and poles were finally removed in September in a remarkably swift operation by Western Power lasting just one morning using a cherry-picker and chainsaw.

According to Kevin Wyles well-known book on the fire service in Tysoe 'From Thatch to Fire', the original poles were erected during 1937-38. I looked at the one in my garden just prior to it being felled and noticed it still had a clear '1937' stamp carved into it, amongst various other old electricity labels and codes. I was amazed – I assumed the pole had been replaced every few decades yet here it was looking perfectly serviceable after 80-odd years, despite having a lilac bush growing into it and a piece of old fence nailed to it until recently. But now it's gone, with the clean stump bearing witness to its longevity. Apart from cleaning up the streetscape, the other odd thing my neighbour said was how much bigger his garden seemed without the looming wires overhead! Job done.

Nick Hull, Baldwins Lane

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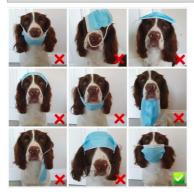
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#### **TYSOE W.I. - MASK UP-DATES**



We are pleased to say that we sent out cheques recently for our two charities that we are supporting this year,



thanks to donations for face covering masks: £534.07 to Rosy, a local children's cancer charity - see www.rosy.org.uk and £544.07 to Compton Verney Dementia Cafe.

Thanks everyone

Image from Rhoose Pharmacy

Unfortunately we are still unable to hold meetings but continue to deliver cards and gifts to our members as well as keeping in touch by email <u>tysoew.i.1917@icloud.com</u> and phone. Our craft group meet on Zoom weekly and keep busy with their creations, keep an eye out later this year! Meanwhile follow us on Facebook @Tysoe Women's Institute and <u>www.tysoewi.com</u>



#### **NO GUNPOWDER PLOTTERS IN TYSOE**



The only gunpowder in Tysoe was the Civil War. Kevin Wyles reminds us that Tysoe was far from being a sleepy old village in 1642.\*

A Tysoe youth called Richard was walking down into the village and came across a troop of cavaliers. The captain asked Richard 'Which side be you for?'. He gave the wrong side and a pistol shot was put over his head. In fear for his life he fell down as if dead, waited until the

troop was well away and out of sight, then ran into the hills, returning two days later.

For most of the year soldiers from both sides were stationed in the village. The hospitality of Mr Giles Eliot, an ale house keeper, was abused - all of his ale was drunk by soldiers. A Parliamentary contingent of 500 cavalry and teams of oxen descended on Widow Meakin's house and took all the food from her worth over £12. At Hester Wootton's house they took 12 cheeses and half a pig, and all the newly baked bread from an oven in Upper Tysoe. Even the barbers shop was broken into. All his instruments were taken along with cloth coats, boots and spurs. Looting went on in the village for the next two years.

The battle of Edgehill started on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October during the afternoon church service. When the parish clerk heard the sound of the first cannon shot he turned to the minister and exclaimed 'Ad dam 'em they're at it' and rushed out of the church followed by the congregation and the pastor to watch the fight take place around Radway from the top of the hills.

\* Sourced from P.E. Tennant 'South Warwickshire in the Civil War', *Warwickshire History*, 11:6 1990. Image from Spartacus Educational.

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#### PETE PAXTON—A LIFE ON THE FARM



For Peter Paxton, September 29th marked the end of a remarkable 53-year tenancy of Feoffee Farm - a smallholding next to the old butcher's shop and owned by the Utility Trust. Peter, with the help of his wife, Muriel, has

farmed it since 1967. The family has been heavily involved in much of Tysoe life for over 100 years.

#### Where did your family live and what did they do?

My grandfather married a Smith, a big Tysoe family. When they were first married they lived in Scrag End (the cottage next to Feoffee Farm). He was a shoe-mender and had his workshop just behind the cottage. My father (Kim) was born in Smarts Lane in 1900. He was a carpenter and retired as a maintenance man for the Compton Estate.

#### What brought you into farming and tenant for this farm?

As a young lad, I was encouraged by old Fred Jeffs to keep a pig in what is now Jeffs Close. I then worked at Herbert's Farm and went to Moreton Morrell Agricultural College. After a stint on a farm in Aylesbury, I worked for Fred Grevett at Lower Chelmscote and successfully applied for Feoffee Farm.

#### Could you earn a living from farming only 31 acres?

You could make more out of it in those days and I combined it with my work at Lower Chelmscote. Two of the fields were arable and I used to keep cattle as well as sheep on it, together with turkeys and chickens for Christmas. When Fred Grevett retired, I got a job with the Fatstock Marketing Corporation (FMC) – then Hillsdown and ended up covering the entire Midlands area.

#### What was your best memory?

The first year when I had a flock of sheep which had lambs.

Tysoe Utility Trust has now granted a new tenancy to William Parker.

Interview by Percy Sewell

#### CHURCH BULLETINS TO BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY

These wonderful sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services:

- The 'Fasting and Prayer Conference' includes meals.
- Ladies don't forget the Rummage Sale! It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands!
- The sermon this morning "Jesus Walks on Water". The sermon tonight "Searching for Jesus".
- Don't let worry kill you off! Let the church help.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang: "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Alan Birkbeck

#### JILL LONGBOTTOM RETIRES AS CHURCHWARDEN

It was the end of an era at St Mary's and a sad occasion when Jill Longbottom retired as churchwarden after 15 years of service. Jill took over from Mim Kitchen, who many Tysoe residents will remember. Prior to becoming churchwarden Jill was secretary of the

Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 15 years. The Rev'd George Heighton presented her with a David Austin rose as a thank you from the whole church for her dedication, devotion and unfailing commitment. Thank you Jill. You are an example to us all.





#### **TYSOE METHODIST CHURCH**



Each year we pause to remember those that fought in the wars. This year will be different, not being able to sell poppies door to door, reduced numbers at services, but that needn't stop us. Each and every family will have had relatives who served and who may be serving now. WE MUST REMEMBER THEM.

A 1940s Wartime Farm book for Warwickshire issued by the NATIONAL AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS ANIMAL COMMITTEE dealt with animals injured by air raids. Any animals killed by enemy action but which were still suitable for human consumption were dealt with by the local butcher or the farmer. In 1940 the total head of cattle in Warwickshire was 143,000. There were 49 prosecutions to July 1940 in Warwickshire for failing to carry out Cultivation Orders, with fines totalling £1,477.

It has been very pleasing to see how generous people have been with their donations to the food bank collection box in the Chapel Porch. Thank You. Keep it up! We continue to remember those who are unwell.

Keep safe. Blessings, Chris.



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The wildflower areas in the churchyard have been mown and will now be sown with additional wildflower seeds collected from local verges. There are also plans to plant a wildlife hedge of native species along part of the churchyard boundary opposite the school. We will start feeding the birds in the churchyard once their other sources of food start to decrease.

The wildflower area in School Lane is being cleared and additional seeds will be sown in the next month or so. The Parish Council have agreed that some further (small) wildflower areas can be established in the village and this will be done in consultation with those living near to proposed sites. If anyone would like to suggest further sites to establish wildflowers, please contact the Record to let us know (details on p2).

**Rosemary Collier** 

"For most of history, man has had to fight nature to survive. In this century he is beginning to realise that in order to survive, he must protect it." - Jacques Cousteau, Oceanographer,

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#### WOT2Grow COMMUNITY ORCHARD



What a good month with the later apples and pears all coming along and providing some delicious fruits for the members!



The main activity is the ongoing pruning and with the masses of growth this year large quantities of prunings are being piled up ready to be burnt, that should produce a delicious aroma from the apple

wood. Luckily Joe Harper from Oxhill is doing his volunteering for his Duke of Edinburgh award with us. He is learning how to prune and is doing a great job especially with a pruning saw so is really a very welcome volunteer. Our usual volunteers are busy weeding and dealing with our hedges and windbreaks, there is always plenty to do!!

Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) or see the website www.wot2grow.co.uk

#### OATY APPLE CRUMBLE

Give your crumble a dose of oats • this autumn! Serves 6 •

#### INGREDIENTS

3 Bramley and 3 eating apples

- 40g caster sugar, 50g sultanas
- 50g soft brown sugar, 25g honey
- 125g butter, 150g oats,
- 150g plain flour,
- 50g flaked almonds
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon

#### METHOD

Cook the apples with the caster sugar, stir in the sultanas and tip into a baking dish. Melt the brown sugar, honey and butter in a pan. Stir in the oats, flour, almonds and cinnamon until sticky and crumbly. Spread over apples. Bake for 40-50mins 180C/ 160C fan/gas 4 until topping is golden and crisp. ENJOY!

Recipe by Sarah Cook



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#### **HELPING OUR HEDGEHOGS**



The Big Garden Birdwatch last January revealed only 3 out of 41 participating Tysoe households had seen a hedgehog. In the last ten years numbers have fallen by 30%, making them 'vulnerable to extinction'.

#### So how can we help preserve these captivating creatures?

Bonfire piles are an ideal habitat for hedgehogs so before lighting, please check for sleepy residents. When temperatures regularly drop below 10 degrees hedgehogs start to hibernate, generally from November to April. Why not make a leaf pile which they can use to hibernate? In mild winters they remain more active so continue feeding. It is vital hedgehogs have sufficient fat reserves to survive hibernation. They eat worms, beetles, caterpillars and earwigs, so having logs, compost and growing nectar rich flowers will encourage insects into gardens. Leave a shallow dish of fresh water out all year round and don't forget to ensure ponds have a way for hedgehogs and small mammals to climb out. Making a 13 cm hole in a gate or fence creates a hedgehog highway, allowing them to travel easily through gardens.

Baby hedgehogs (hoglets) born late will struggle to survive the winter, so if you see a small hedgehog contact a local rescue centre for advice. For more information and / or educational packs contact: warwickshire-wildlifetrust.org.uk/hedgehogs

Rosemary and Sue



During November and early December we will be hosting our 'Saturday Specials' showcasing our Hereford beef in all its wonderful forms alongside our Burger menu

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#### PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The Parish Council met on 12 October with a packed agenda, the meeting minutes will be posted on www.tysoe.org.uk, but here are some interesting high-lights:

**Drains** - Parish Councillors have been looking down the village drains! Many are OK, but we will be asking Warwickshire County Council to clear out the worst. To reduce the risk of flooding you can help by keeping the



drain nearest to your home clear of leaves, so the drains are able to clear water.

**In case of flooding -** The Parish Council keeps a limited number of gel 'sand' bags at Michael Gibbs' farm on Back Lane. If you are concerned about water building up near your property please call Alison Cross on 680426 to request bags.

**The Annual Playground Audit** - RoSPA Playsafe has identified some minor works to be carried out which Councillors Jane Millward and Alison Cross are busy organising. We are also seeking quotes to have the damaged basketball hoop removed.

**Neighbourhood Plan** - The Plan has been accepted by SDC and will go to final consultation (see Cllr David Roache's update on page 27) Councillors Roache, Tongue and Littlewood have turned their attention to Affordable Housing. In the last month there have been some very encouraging initial meetings with Warwickshire Rural Housing Association, Cameron Homes and Henry Jervis on this subject. More to follow as this workstream develops.

**Parish Council Website -** we have completed the reorganisation of our website. Please let us know if you have a Tysoe-based business or community group that you would like to promote. We will be happy to add links to your website and a short introductory paragraph.

See you at the next meeting on 9 November 2020 at 19.15. Please keep safe everybody.

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#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

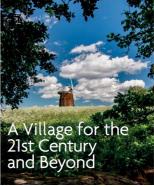
The revised Neighbourhood Plan has been agreed with the District Council and can be viewed on the Parish website: tysoe.org.uk. The main changes from March 2019 Plan are:

- The Strategic Gap between Middle and Lower Tysoe has been redefined to offer enhanced protection from development.
- Roses Farm has been dropped as a reserve site, leaving Herbert's Farm as the remaining reserve site.
- The housing mix policy has been diluted from a maximum of 5% of 4 or more bedrooms houses in a new development, to 20% in keeping with the District Council's policy CS19.
- The proposed Built-up Area Boundary around Lower Tysoe has been deleted due to insufficient evidence. This means that Lower Tysoe will continue to be defined as an "other settlement" with a planning presumption against most forms of development, whereas the presumption for the rest of the village supports development.

The Plan provides the Parish Council with a tool to ensure any new development in the village maintains the rural features that residents value most. It provides protection for the views, scenery and valued listed

structures that the village regards so highly.

A further 6 week consultation is due to start on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, seeking comments on the new Reserve Site and Strategic Gap policies. Comments on other aspects of the Plan won't be considered. The Plan referendum is likely to be held in May 2021 as all elections and referenda have been postponed until that date by Government.



The Neighbourhood Plan Group thanks all residents for their patience and for their participation over the years. We are convinced that it will prove to have been a most valuable exercise. Tysoe NP Group



Tysoe Artists Open their Studios this Christmas



Melanie Charles and Penny Varley are opening studios in the lead up to Christmas with lots of gift ideas for the season. Both artists are offering pre-booked 1 hour and 1/2 hour visits to their studios. A maximum of 2 persons per household can attend. To arrange your Covid-19 safe visit please contact:

Melanie Charles on Facebook or Instagram or call 07803598444 www.melaniecharlesartist.co.uk Penny Varley on Facebook or Instagram or call 01295 680700 www.pennyvarleyceramics.co.uk

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The Shurrocks were house and dog sitting a pair of beautiful spaniels in Tysoe, and saying how much they loved the village, when a property 'pinged-up' on their Right Move alerts. Serendipity in action. They've just moved in! Mum, Elaine, has made friends with some sheep (she's a farmer's-daughter from Wales), daughter, Holly, is delighted to see



ponies trotting by, while dad, Richard, has bought new walking boots to explore the footpaths.

A BIG WELCOME to all the other new arrivals to Tysoe. We hope you'll be very happy living here. Do tell the Record about yourselves, we'd love to hear from you. Email: **tysoerecord@gmail.com** 

#### TYSOE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Willow Class went on a walk round Tysoe to investigate the local bedrock as part of their science learning and discovered it was Hornton Stone. They also looked at how different rocks were used around the village and saw effects of erosion by looking at gravestones.

#### KS2 ROCK STARS

The children in KS2 have been working hard on learning their times tables using Times Tables Rock Stars. The first children to be placed on the leader board were awarded their certificates last week and I am looking forward to giving out more certificates as the children improve their rock status.

#### **OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS**

We are hosting an Open Morning on Saturday 14th November for prospective parents of children due to start Reception in September 2021. If you have any family or friends in the local area with a child due to begin Reception next September please pass on the details, we would be happy to book an appointment for them.

The closing date to make your child's primary or infant school application is **15 January 2021**. If you have an email address, the easiest way to apply for school places is online.

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Paige Neale, Head of School

#### WHAT'S ON IN TYSOE VILLAGE HALL – NOVEMBER

MONDAYS		Yoga with Jeanne 9.30 –10.30 am	
TUESDAYS		Indoor bowls am, pm and evening	
WEDNESDAY		AMH Pilates/Fitness 9.15-11.30 am (15 minute break between classes)	
THURSDAY	<b>R</b>	Tysoe Ladies Keep Fit 10.30-11.30 am	
FRIDAY		Indoor bowls 7.159.15 pm	

The Village Hall remains closed to ALL public events until further notice. For more information call Steve Randall on 07801 582663.

3, 17	TUESDAY	6	Black bin refuse collection	
5	THURSDAY		Guy Fawkes—sadly no bonfire this year	
8	SUNDAY	•	Remembrance Sunday #LestWeForget 📍	
9	MONDAY	**	Ordinary meeting Tysoe Parish Council	
10, 24	TUESDAY	JD	Blue & Green bin collection	
11	WEDNESDAY	•	<b>Armistice Day -</b> a wreath will be laid at 11.00 at the cairn, Natural Burial Ground	

#### OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Poppies and fundraising for the British Legion

Sadly no house to house collections this year, but poppies will be on sale around Tysoe. There will also be a Poppy stand outside the Post Office from 1000 hrs on 24 and 31 Oct 20. **Please give generously**; like all the charitable sector, the Legion's fundraising has been ruined by Corona.



Carers4Carers is a self-help local support group for carers. Join our virtual coffee morning on Friday 27th November 10:00am.

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#### **TENNIS CLUB UPDATE**

Well done to the Ladies A Team who have just completed their last two matches of the season with wins. This means they have gained promotion in the Stratford and District Winter League, so congratulations to all who played. A shortened season of matches is proposed and hopefully will start in November subject to Covid-19 regulations. Two mixed teams have been entered in the Banbury and District Winter League as well as a Ladies B Team in the Stratford and District League. Any budding players who would like some competitive play or just want to play to keep fit are more than welcome to join the Club. Please come along to the Sunday club mornings at 10.30 and give it a go.

#### JUNIOR TENNIS

Tots' Tennis – You are never too young to start playing and, along with Tennisolutions, younger players can have a fun 30-minute session on Sunday mornings from 9.00 to 9.30 am. Important skills such as balance, coordination and agility are taught alongside basic racket skills.

Coaching – The older children continue to enjoy their Sunday mornings from 9.30 to 10.30 am with tennis coaches Tom and Luke. After October half term coaching will be available on Friday afternoons from 4.30 pm onwards, depending on age group.



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