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WELCOME...

to this special Diamond Jubilee issue of Rural Review. Planning is well under way for an action-packed weekend for the Wem and Wem Rural Community (see the insert for a list of planned events). Why not get involved and make this an occasion to remember? Another important date to note is the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 15th May at 7.30pm at Edinburgh House in Wem. We encourage you to come along to hear how the Parish Council has been working on your behalf and give us your views on anything that concerns you in the Parish. Come at 7pm and enjoy a cup of tea with us! Important work is also continuing behind the scenes on the Parish Plan and the Steering Group will be giving you a comprehensive update at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Richard Powell
Chair, Wem Rural Parish Council

The Queen's DIAMOND JUBILEE



Celebrate with the
Wem Community
Saturday and Sunday
2nd and 3rd June



Can you help?

**Sponsoring an event, offering supplies, stewarding
or helping out on either day?**

Donation envelopes and contact forms are available at the Town Hall front desk
or phone Julie on 01939 235622 for help or further information

Grand Tug of War...teams of 8 needed

**Start thinking of ideas for the Make-a-Crown,
Fancy Dress (Kings & Queens) and Cake Competitions**

See insert for a list of events, venues and approximate times

**MORE COMPETITION AND EVENT DETAILS WILL BE
AVAILABLE SOON IN FLYERS AND POSTERS AROUND WEM**

You can also "like us" on www.facebook.com/wemjubilee

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem

Tuesday 15th May at 7.30pm

All Parish and Town Councils throughout England are required by law to hold an Annual Parish Meeting at this time of year. Anyone is welcome to attend but only registered electors of the parish may vote, if required. The purpose of the meeting is to let parishioners know what their Parish Council has been doing over the past year and also to give electors the opportunity to raise any community issues and concerns.

At this year's Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 15th May at 7.30pm the Chairman of Wem Rural Parish Council will give a short annual report. Other presentations will include

an update on the progress of the Parish Plan by the Steering Group, the 2013 Parish Council elections, Severn Trent's water main repairs along the B5476 and through Creamore, Ryebank and Edstaston and also the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. There will be opportunities for questions throughout the meeting.

Feedback and direction from our parishioners are essential elements in effective representation by the Parish Council so we urge you to come and give your views on anything that you feel is important to the people of Wem Rural Parish.

BUS PASS RENEWALS

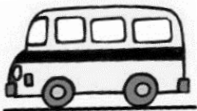
If your National Bus Pass is due to expire this year you will need to apply for a new one in good time. You don't need a new photograph and renewals are free.

A table showing exactly when you need to apply in order to get your new bus pass back in time can be found by following the links to "Renew your Bus Pass" at www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf.

Paper copies of the renewal form are available from your local library, council offices or Customer Service Point at Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem.



OMW!!!!!! lol
WRPC is on fb
facebook.com/wemruralcommunity



NORTH SALOP WHEELERS



North Salop Wheelers is a not-for-profit organisation providing accessible, affordable transport to all their members in the Wem to Whitchurch corridor (see map on their website). The service is particularly aimed at those who may have difficulty accessing other means of public transport because of disability, age, isolation or lack of money. North Salop Wheelers currently run two minibuses and a black cab which is able to transport a wheelchair.

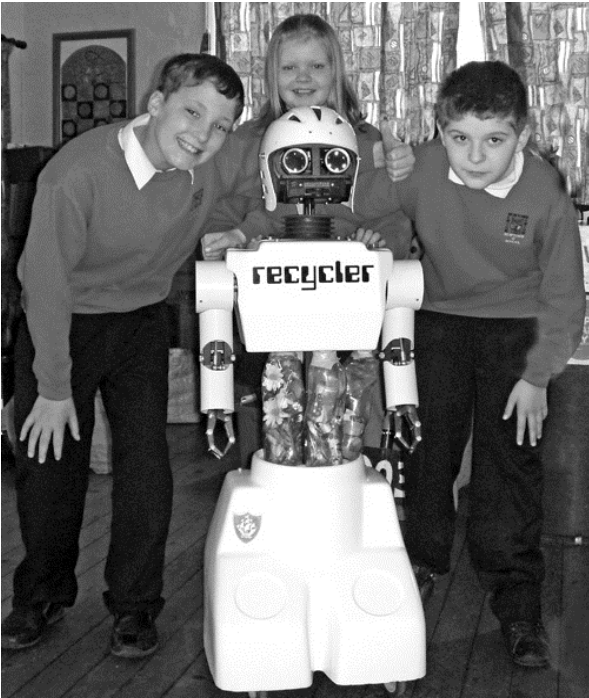
Wem Rural Parish Council is now an annual member organisation of NS Wheelers and this entitles all of our parishioners to use the service on an occasional basis

when required. For more information phone the booking line on 01948 880037 or email js.harrison@btinternet.com. Full details of daily timetables and scheduled routes are available on the North Salop Wheelers website www.northsalopwheelers.co.uk and also on the parish council website.

A service is also offered to people along the scheduled routes e.g. Northwood, Tilley, Grinshill, Weston, Calverhall and Ightfield. If your area doesn't appear on the schedule, don't assume they are unable to provide a service....PLEASE PHONE 01948880037 AND ASK..

Reduce Reuse Recycle

Recycler the Rapping Robot
visits Newtown School



Recycler the Rapping Robot was welcomed enthusiastically by pupils at Newtown School. In a lively action-packed interactive session the children were reminded of the importance of recycling and encouraged to pass on the message of REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE to their families. Every household in Shropshire throws away over one tonne of waste each year and although more than half is now recycled, it would be better to produce less waste in the first place.

Newtown already has an Eco Club which takes responsibility for recycling green waste for their garden area, making sure lights are not left on unnecessarily and taps are turned off properly after use. Recycler has made sure they also know how to cut down on landfill waste, reuse leftovers and identify exactly what can and can't be put in our green bins and other recycling containers.

Recycler the Rapping Robot has been brought to Shropshire schools by Shropshire Council's Waste Management team in partnership with the national recycling charity Waste Watch (now in partnership with Keep Britain Tidy).

SEVERN TRENT WATER MAIN RENEWAL UPDATE

Severn Trent Water have begun their programme of works to replace the water main within parts of our Parish. In March a road show was held at Edstaston Village Hall which allowed parishioners to see the proposed route and schedule for the works with the likely impact on traffic from road closures and traffic lights.

Currently, the works are centred on the B5476 and are now approaching the Edstaston village junction heading towards Coton, with the section of main road from Wem having already been completed!

Severn Trent/Enterprise have issued the following road closure/One Way and Traffic Light notices:

- **Road Closure: Firs junction to junction East of Yew Tree Farm - 30th May to 13th June**
- **Road Closure: Firs junction to Poolhead junction - 14th June to 5th July**
- **Road Closure: Gilberts Lane to B5476 - 6th to 17th July**
- **Road Closure: B5476 to Silver Birch - 18th to 19th July**
- **One way system: Oaklands Farm to B5476 - 20th July to 13th August**
- **Traffic Lights: On the B5476 from junction with Post Office Lane to junction of Home Farm Edstaston - 14th August to 20th September**
- **Traffic Lights: Junction of Bazeley Way to Creamore Farm - 21st September to 2nd October**
- **Road Closure: Creamore Farm to Jessamine Cottage - 3rd to 9th October**

Maps showing these closures will be available for viewing at the Annual Parish Meeting on 15th May and on our website www.wemrural.org.uk.

Severn Trent may need to gain access to private land to carry out some of the replacement. Access orders giving notice should be issued to all relevant landowners.

Once the works in the north of the Parish have been completed the scheme will move to the south east of Wem along the Soultan Road (late Autumn). Severn Trent propose to hold another road show nearer the time to give parishioners further information.

If you wish to know more you can contact Severn Trent Water on 0800 783 4444.



Wem Rural Parish Council

www.wemrural.org.uk

PARISH COUNCILLORS

There are 12 Councillors representing the 3 wards.

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WEM

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Councillors invite members of their ward to contact them to discuss any issues or matters of concern.

You can also contact the Parish Clerk, Carole Warner, Orchard Cottage, Rowe Lane, Welshampton, SY12 0QB 01948 710672 or email wemruralpc@hotmail.co.uk

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday
1 May 2012

Tuesday
12 June 2012

Tuesday
3 July 2012

Tuesday
7 August 2012

Annual Parish Meeting
Tuesday
15 May 2012

M E E T I N G S

Wem Rural Parish Council meetings are held at 7.30pm on the first Tuesday of the month in the Council Chamber, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem. Occasionally there may be a guest speaker in which case the meeting will start at the earlier time of 7.15pm to allow time before public statements at 7.30pm.

The Parish Council also holds Planning Meetings to consider planning applications when the time stipulated for response to Shropshire Council (21 days) does not allow them to be held over to the monthly Council meeting.

Agendas for all meetings are available on the website and are placed on notice boards around the Parish at least 3 days before the meeting. A copy can also be found in reception at Edinburgh House, Wem.

Members of the community are welcome to attend all meetings and there is time set by at the start to allow you to address the Council.

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