

PEMBRIDGE

Aug/Sept 2024

NEWSLETTER

Keeping you in touch with your community

WELCOME

Pembridge has a lively events calendar which can be found on village notice boards, the Portrait of Pembridge website and village Facebook pages.
Look up events in the Parish Hall on its Facebook page or website.

PLEASE report potholes and concerns
https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/reportingapp/
Report a serious pothole, flooded road, highway obstruction or Flytipping to Balfour Beatty : **01432 261800**

Footpaths issues –
Cllr Hancock or the Clerk
PROW - PROW@herefordshire.gov.uk
PROW No – 01432 383 550

Parish Council Meetings

Pembridge Hall at 7.30pm

No August meeting planned

18th Sept

16th Oct

All welcome

For Pride in Pembridge contact Karen Goodwin 07880 942219	**For Film Nights Please contact The New Inn** 01544388427	**For Parish Hall Bookings contact 0800 061 4313 or booking@pembridge parishhall.co.uk**

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Parish Councillor Vacancies

The Parish Council extends our thanks to Cllrs Pace and Bennetto for their service to our parish and their hard work has significantly contributed to our community. Cllr Pace's passing is a great loss, and he will be deeply missed by all. Cllr Bennetto leaves a void too, and we wish him all the best in his new home. The Parish Council now has two vacancies to fill. If you are interested please visit the website or contact the clerk.

Village Green/Beach Area

We are all so lucky to have wonderful green space on the Village Green for all parishioners to sit, have a picnic and enjoy the riverside. The area can get quite busy over the summer months so please be respectful of each other, take all litter home, do not park on the field/ grass and for safety **please NO BBQs.** Thank you.

Footpaths & Hedges

A reminder to land and homeowners that it is your responsibility to ensure hedge cutting along pavements and footpaths is done.

Parish Hall— For bookings visit the website or call 0800 061 4313

The Parish Hall has a range of events on their calendar. Keep an eye on social media and the website for more events including National theatre live showings.—www.pembridgeparishhall.co.uk.

Coffee Mornings

Pop along to the monthly Saturday Coffee mornings in the Parish Hall . There will be the usual lovely home-made cakes, coffee, tea chat and friendship. Saturday 17th August & Saturday 21st September from 10.30.

Patient Participatory Group Meeting - Mortimer Surgery Group

Since registering as a patient at the surgery last year, I have attended a couple of these meetings. I have been asked to let other Pembridge residents, registered with the surgery know, that as an attendee, I am able to channel queries from them about problems or suggestions, for inclusion on the agenda for discussion at these meetings. I have also arranged to distribute the surgery newsletter via the parish clerk, so that up-to-date information reaches a wider audience. If you have items you would like including for possible discussion at these meetings my contact details are:- ruthdavies2010@gmail.com Mobile no. 07791907912 or 01544387652

WARD COUNCILLOR NEWS

Herefordshire Council report—Cllr Roger Phillips Philips

email: rjphillips@herefordshire.gov.uk

I currently serve as the lead councillor for Herefordshire on the Fire service which covers the two counties. It has a core budget of 40 million with 41 engines operating out of 25 stations employing 700 people including 239 whole time firefighters, 367 on-call firefighters, 26 fire control staff and 142 support staff. The service covers a population of 800,000 in the two counties and over 40,000 businesses. In the year to March 23/24 the service has attended 8,006 incidents- 2% less than year before- including fires, road traffic accidents and flooding. The role is not just to react to fire and emergencies but also act on prevention and protection. The service is paid for by a precept on Council tax of £94.40 per year on Band D property raising 27 million plus 3 million business rates across the two counties and government funding of 10 million.

Herefordshire has 13 stations covering 184,00 population dealt with 1,868 incidents during the year including 384 fires, 640 special service incidents and 874 false alarms. False alarms are predominately faulty alarms in business units with very few malicious calls. Hereford with the only full time staff in the county attended 932 incidents – 50% of the annual total. The service is proposing to build a new station in Hereford on the current site and is going through the planning process for the temporary site in the city.

Herefordshire relies heavily on the on-call fighters – local people living and working within 5 minute catchment to the stations. However social and employment changes locally and nationally are putting the availability of people to service these stations at risk. There are not the local people around to offer themselves as part time firefighters and consequently several fire engines have very low availability. This formed the background to a recent review of resources which has recommended 900K of the budget is changed from maintaining seven second and third call fire engines, (the third engine in Hereford, and the second in Leominster and Bromyard which were hardly used), to replacing with 4 wheel drive vehicles which are more flexible to deploy on call fire fighters, additional crewing to whole time staff to strengthen resilience in Hereford and appoint full time firefighters in Leominster and Bromyard to support call out and do prevention work.

As a parish we are covered by Kington and Kingsland stations with backup from Eardisley and Leominster.

PARISH WEBSITE

For news and event alerts please sign up to the parish website

www.pembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk

USEFUL INFO

The New Inn 01544 388427
(11.00am-3.00pm & 6.00pm to 11.00pm closed Tues)

The Red Lion 01544 388007
(Monday – Sunday from 12.00pm – 12.00am)

The Kings House 01544 388029
(Wed to Sat 11- 4pm & Sunday lunch 12pm)

The Cider Barn 01544 388161
(www.the-cider-barn.co.uk)

Pembridge Pizza 07812 127156
Open Fridays & Saturdays 5-8pm

The Old Steppes 01544 388506
(Mon– Sat 9am – 5pm)

Old Chapel Gallery 01544 388842
(Wed-Sat 11am-4.30pm or by appointment)

Tricia Hair Salon 01544 388665
(Tues, wed, Fri 9am-5pm – Thurs 9am –6pm)

Bloom & Grind 07581 751473
(Wed to Sun 9am-4.30pm)

Teddy's Eatery 01544 388527
(Fri to Sun 8.30-8.00pm)

COUNCILLORS

Garfield Evans (Chair)	01544 388638
Kevin Duggan	01544 340092
Michael Hancock	01544 340799
Sam Mizrahi	01544 388506
Steve Jones	079897 15075
David Owens	01544 388422
Wendy Powell	01544 340341
Mark Clegg	07435 857241
Marguerite Fothergill	01544 388279
Sapphire Zagni	07360 205777
Vacancy	
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Roger Phillips	01544 340269

(Also our County Councillor)

Becky Bissell (Clerk) 01544 340747
Email:clerk@pembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk

MOBILE POST OFFICE IN THE CAR PARK -
Mondays 11.50am -12.50pm & Wednesday 1-2pm

If you would like to contribute news or an event to the next issue please email clerk@pembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk with details before 15th September 2024.