



Christmas in Seneley Green!



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TALK ABOUT SENELEY GREEN

LIGHTING OF CHRISTMAS TREES:

Friday 30th November will see the lighting of the tree at The Bluebell, Rectory Road beginning at 4pm, complete with Christmas Markets!

The Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held at The Stag, Garswood Road on Thursday 6th December at 6pm will be hosted by Parish Council along with The Stag. This event is always popular and once again, Garswood Primary and Rectory CE Primary School Choirs along with our local award-winning Trinity Girls Brass Band will entertain, bringing their very own Christmassy sound to the evening and a special visitor may also call in to see us all! There will be a free burger/hot dog (courtesy of Parish Council) for each child under 12 (tickets given out on the night). Come along and join us for an evening of family fun!

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Whether you are in need of a dinner to enjoy at home or to enjoy eating festive food in the company of others – there is something for you this year!

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT HOME

We know some people do not get to enjoy Turkey with all the trimmings on Christmas Day and if you are one of these people then we need to hear from you.

Amanda Ryder of Amanda's Sandwich Shop has very kindly offered to cook and deliver up to 50 Christmas Meals on Christmas Day to the homes of residents of Seneley Green completely free of charge!

All you need to do is contact the Clerk to the Parish Council (see back page for details) by Friday 14th December.

There will be a simple form to complete and return to give your contact details and any information relating to food allergies/intolerances. For any other queries please call Amanda on 07510801996 (forms will be also be available to pick up from Amanda's Sandwich Shop)



BILLINGE AND SENELEY GREEN COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A free traditional Christmas Lunch at St Aidan's CE Primary School, with entertainment, music, games and raffle is being organised for those in our community who may find themselves alone and prefer company on Christmas Day. Space is limited to 50 guests so if you, or someone you know would like to go along (transport can be arranged) please phone Mike on 07590475284 as soon as possible or email billingexmas@virginmedia.com

THE 2017/2018 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT shown below is in the same form as the summary of accounts provided under the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 for external audit.

2016/17	INCOME	2017/18
45637	Precept	46381
	Charges:	
2923	*letting fees Parish Hall	3534
6848	*letting fees Comm. Hall	4567
29	Interest	27
1706	Other Receipts (inc VAT)	1523
57143	TOTAL RECEIPTS	56032
	EXPENDITURE	
22177	Admin -Staff Costs	25946
	Total Other Expenditure	
6696	(inc.VAT)	7905
17512	Recreation Facilities	24057
1112	Publicity	1122
737	S137 payments	3085
0.00	Loan Capital/Interest	0.00
48234.00	TOTAL PAYMENTS	62115
CUMULATIVE FUND BALANCE:		
<i>Balance b/f at 1/04/17</i>		44698
<i>plus Total Income</i>		56032
<i>Less Total Expenditure</i>		62115
<i>Balance c/f at 31/03/18</i>		38615

PARISH 'CHAMPIONS' TO BE HONOURED

We are lucky to have those amongst us who champion our Parish: from the volunteers who give freely of their time to run groups and activities, to those who spend time helping others, to those who choose to offer their skills and run their businesses here. Parish Council are hosting an event in their honour on **Friday 25th January 2019**. Obviously, we know who some of these fantastic people but there must be others we are yet to meet and that's where you come in: if you know anyone you feel should be included on our list of Champions **then please get in touch with the Clerk (details on back page)** we really appreciate their work, efforts and enthusiasm, and want to publicly applaud them.

DEFIBRILLATOR NOW IN PLACE

The Parish Council-funded **community defibrillator** is now in place at **Hamilton Road shops** and available to anyone via a 999 call to obtain the access code to the equipment. Parish Council will be hosting a seminar in the near future where **residents can see a demonstration of how the equipment works**. No skills are required to attend, just your willingness to assist in the event of medical emergency. We will publicise the date on our website, via social media and posters, once the date it is confirmed.

IN MEMORY OF ZAC



Garswood Primary School have raised an amazing £2,755 so far in memory of one of their pupils, Zac Barston who passed away in 2015 following a brave battle with an aggressive brain tumour. Zac's parents and sister (Jeff, Donna and Hannah) collected the cheque at a special presentation ceremony – all of the money raised goes towards treatment and improving the quality of life of youngsters with brain tumours. Jeff thanked them for their ongoing support and their efforts to raise funds. Headteacher Pam Potter said 'Zac was an important part of Garswood school and is remembered for his kind and thoughtful manner and great sense of humour. His courage and bravery will forever be admired.' She went on to say she is enormously proud of the children and delighted with the community and their commitment to raise funds for this worthy cause. For more details on fundraising: Zac.barston.muchloved.com (charity donation page); Facebook page: The Zac Barston Tribute Fund, or follow on Twitter @ZacsTributeFund

Dog Fouling: problems continue . . . As always, this issue includes a plea on behalf of residents to request **ALL** dog owners to clear up after their pets and deposit in dog bins supplied. For more detail: <https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/business/animal-health-welfare/dog-welfare-enforcement-service/>

COFFEE & CHAT GET TOGETHER!

A FREE weekly session to bring together the local community - enjoy a cuppa – enjoy a chat - the company of others – and an opportunity to see what else you can get involved in **Seneley Green Parish Hall Every Thursday (starting 6th December) 1pm to 3pm.**

For more information, call the Healthy Living Team on 0300 300 0103 Or visit : www.healthysthelens.co.uk follow on Twitter @HealthySTH

SENELEY GREEN YOUTH CLUB

It is planned to launch the club for 7-17 years olds in January at Seneley Green Community Hall each Friday evening (date to be confirmed) where snacks and refreshments will be available (chargeable). Activities will be led by volunteers and experienced youth workers from this area. It is proposed to run a junior group 6-7pm (7-11 year olds) and a senior group 7.30-9pm (11-17 years olds). We welcome additional volunteers but please be prepared for a DBS check and some training – please get in touch (see back page for Parish Council contact details).

PLANS FOR A YOUTH COUNCIL

We are also hoping to set up a Youth Council so younger members of the community get to air their views and have them taken into consideration when decision-making is carried out at Parish Council – please contact us (details on back page) if you would like to be involved.

DECEMBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 1st A Christmas Market at St. Andrew's from 11.00am. **Sunday 2nd** Christingle Service in Holy Trinity at 10.30am **Sunday 9th** café style church with Christingle in St. Andrew's at 9.30am **Friday 14th** 6:30pm (6pm - doors open) - Family Film Night. *This is in aid of Lucas, a young lad from Rectory School who has Down Syndrome to compete in the gymnaestrada in Austria representing Great Britain. Pay to get in (£2.50 per person) With tuck shop and hot dogs (75p) available on sale.* **Sunday 16th** all age Crib Service in Holy Trinity **Wednesday 19th** PEACE OF MIND AT 1.30PM in St. Andrew's – a celebration with Ashton Community Choir (all welcome to enjoy Christmas Carols /Music) **Sunday 23rd** 9 Lessons and Carol Service in Holy Trinity church at 3pm – Candlelit Service **Sunday 30th** a Festive café Church at 10.00am in St. Andrew's- a joint service so NO SERVICE AT HOLY TRINITY. Please wear your Festive jumpersChristmas dates?

The 'Remembrance Tree' was planted on the open space at Spindle Hillock/Downall Green Road in 2014 to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the start of the 1st World War and its dedication ceremony



was attended by Pupils from Rectory CE and Garswood Primary Schools. Now four years later we have installed a 'There But Not There' figure and remembrance poppy under the branches of the tree to further commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the end of the 1st World War.

Garswood Primary Y5 pupils took part in the St Helens Pals project which culminated in a Remembrance Service on 9th November in Lowe House Church: the school commented that they 'came away from the final service with a sense of pride'. Rectory School took part in the Remembrance Service on Sunday 11th November at Holy Trinity where there is a Roll of Honour Plaque containing the names of all who died from the Parish in the 1st World War. Chairman Ken Cleary represented Parish Council at this service.

Parish Council would like to develop a **Remembrance Garden** and welcome residents' views on where this should be and its design – please get in touch (details on back page)

TRINITY GIRLS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday 9th December at 2pm in St Teresa's Catholic Club, Upholland WN8 0PY. Tickets available from 07864 917961 or email:

tgbb@live.co.uk

2019 SENELEY GREEN CARNIVAL

We're already looking forward to the summer! Planning for next year's carnival will be underway soon, if you would like to be involved, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council (details on page 4)

You can now contact St Helens Council no matter where you are! For the easiest way to report issues in our area, just type St Helens into your App Store search box and you can download the app for free

St Helens Council – 'Tell us Once' Service: St Helens Council offer a simple yet valuable service called 'Tell us Once' for the newly bereaved to help you to inform all those who need to know. Telephone 01744 676789 or call in at the Contact Centre at Wesley House to make an appointment which can be carried out either at the same time as registering the death or at some other time convenient to you

Your Parish Councillors:

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Sandra Cleary 01942 717698
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Meetings take place the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7.15 pm in the Parish Hall, Montrey Crescent – residents are most welcome to come along.

If there is anything you wish to comment, compliment or complain about in relation to the Parish of Seneley Green then please contact the Parish Clerk

What's On at the Halls and Playing Fields

PARISH HALL

Trinity Girls Brass Band: (Mon and Wed 7-9PM: Diane Haselden 01942 718229
Garswood School of Dance: Tues: Elizabeth Whittaker 01942 714721 or 07850 228893
Emmanuel Church: Thursday Evenings: Eric 01942 516124
Garswood Ladies Club: meets 1st Wednesday in each month, 1-3pm. Everyone is welcome.

COMMUNITY HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS

Football : Seneley Green & Garswood Juniors, Age groups 6-16 years: Tom 01942 723434
Rugby League: Garswood Stags: Jonni 07512 272032 or marketing.garswood@outlook.com
Rainbows: (5-7 years) Wed - 5.30-6.30pm or Thurs - 5-6pm: Paula Cunliffe 01942 730435
Brownies: (7-11 years) Tues or Thurs - 6-7.30pm : Paula Cunliffe [01942 730435](tel:01942730435)
Guides: (11-14 years), Tues - 7.30-9pm : Paula Cunliffe 01942 730435

To register your daughter for the above, please complete the online form www.girlguiding.org.uk

Garswood School of Dance: Monday evenings and Saturday mornings (contact as above)
Our Time Sensory Baby (babies aged 0=12 months): Wednesdays from 9am - contact via Facebook/Instagram or Louise Anderson ourtime.sensory@yahoo.com

Seneley Green Youth Club: Friday evening 6-7 (7-11 year olds) and 7.30-9 (11-17 year olds) (starts Jan 19)

The halls are a great facility and are available to hire – contact the Clerk for details

Police Neighbourhood Team

The St Helens Community Police Team cover our area – further information can be found on www.merseyside.police.uk/local-policing/st-helens/st-helens-community-police-team on Twitter [@MerPolStHelensN](https://twitter.com/MerPolStHelensN) or their Facebook Page.

Contact details can be found at <https://www.merseyside.police.uk/contact-us> or in writing to: **Newton Le Willows Police Station, Market Street, Earlestown WA12 9BW**
FOR EMERGENCIES ALWAYS CALL 999 *for everything else dial 101 or report online*

Contact details for our MP Conor McGinn Constituency Office:

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