

A chance to blow your trumpet for the villagers of Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave

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## **Archbishop of Canterbury visits Alport**

The Archbishop of Canterbury visited Alport on Saturday 13th April during a day trip to Derbyshire. His visit was arranged by the Derbyshire Rural Chaplaincy, a Christian organisation which supports the agricultural and rural community in Derbyshire. He had asked to talk to farmers and those in the farming community and to pray with them.

The Archbishop was very friendly and keen to discuss current farming issues, such as Tb in cattle; the wet weather and how it was affecting farming; mental health and the end of direct government support for

farming. He talked about his recent visit to Ukraine and spoke of his admiration



Above: The Archbishop (3rd from left) with younger members of the local farming community. Photo below courtesy of Derbyshire Rural Chaplaincy.

for the farmers there, still planting crops in the face of adversity. He was keen to talk to the young farmers, their plans to work in agriculture and was amused that George appeared straight from his tractor and muck spreader – perhaps a little less dressed up than his usual supporters!

He enjoyed having a drink and revealed his favourite cake – coffee and walnut. He also liked seeing the calves, sheep and new born lambs.

Nicola Walker







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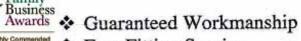
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Tuesday 8.30am-1pm Wednesday 8.30am-1pm

Thursday 8.30am-12 midday

2-6pm

Friday 8.30am-1pm

Weekend closed Tel 01629 636207

## Youlgrave Bowls Club: Day trip to Blackpool

Friday 7th June

Spaces available for 'Non-Bowlers'.

"Enjoy some sun and sand".

Leave from Alport Lane Playing Field: 7am

Leave Blackpool: 6pm

Coach ONLY cost: £20 per person

If interested contact:

Ken Clayton, 01629 630005

kenclayton@mail.com

#### Youlgrave Silver Band

We are still on the look out for new players. Rehearsals every Thursday night at Youlgrave Methodist Church from 7:30pm till 9:30pm.

If you are looking to learn then don't worry, you can come to our learner band every Thursday at 7pm before normal practice. Instruments available.

Everybody welcome!

Any enquiries please send us a message on Facebook

@ youlgravesilverband or contact our secretary Judith on 07734 714227.

The concert list so far

- ♦ Saturday 25th May, late morning to early afternoon, Chatsworth.
- Sunday 26th May, 3.30pm, Ashford in the Water Welldressing.
- Saturday 22nd June, 2.30pm, YSB welldressing,
- Sunday 23rd June, Wesleyan Chapel, Welldressing service.
- Wednesday 3rd July, 7.30pm, Bands in the Park. Bakewell.
- Sunday 1st September, 7pm, Barringtons.



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## Middleton Welldressing and Market

#### Welldressing

Petalling of the main welldressing board will start on Sunday 19th May and will continue through the week. The welldressing will displayed at the well by the postbox on Saturday morning 25th May and will remain on display all week. Children's boards will also be displayed.

Please note that Teas will be provided in the Hall Village between 10am-4pm for visitors to



Winster Morris Dancers will again be performing at Middleton.

the welldressing on Saturday and Sunday.

The Blessing of the Well will occur on Sunday 26th May at 6.30pm before Evensong in the Church.

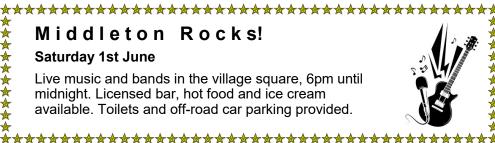
#### Middleton market, Saturday 25th May

Middleton Market will open at midday on Saturday 25th May. Traditional Market stalls: plants, vintage and pre-loved, cakes and bakes, books/CDs/LPs (classical and country & western), bric-a-brac, tombola and raffle. Enjoy watching the Winster Morris Dancers. "Explore Middleton" using the new map available from the Information Desk by the well dressing. St Michael & All Angels' Church will be open from midday with flower displays and music. See the information boards around the village featuring aspects of Middleton's history. Children's Hedgehogs Trail: find the hedgehog clues using the trail sheet available from the Information Desk. Skittles and play facilities in the playground and Barbecue in the Square. Enjoy the delicious teas and cakes in the Village Hall. We also hope to provide field parking for Market visitors.

#### Middleton Rocks!

#### Saturday 1st June

Live music and bands in the village square, 6pm until midnight. Licensed bar, hot food and ice cream available. Toilets and off-road car parking provided.



#### 'Youlgrave Questions and Answers'

#### By Bill Shimwell

Newly extended and edited booklet featuring a biography of the author by his sons, new colour photographs and additional questions and answers and editorial notes.

An interesting and entertaining read and an invaluable source of fascinating and quirky information about Youlgrave.

For sale £10.00 each.

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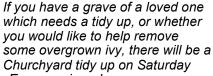
## 25 bags of rubbish collected on latest litter pick

Thank you to the team of 5 who carried out the litter pick on Wednesday 20th March. A total of 25 bags and other items were collected. We covered Cliff Lane, from the bridge to the Birchover turn-off, and the Robin Hood Stride layby. The remaining stretch is less easy, with little or no verges, but at least it is not as bad as the area we covered, which looks so much better now.

As always, thank you to all the people who continue to pick up litter in and around the village, quite apart from the litter picks. If you would like to help on future litter picks, please contact us on: 01629 636523; 07706 956067 or 07544 812459...

Jayne and Simon Northcott

## CHURCHYARD TIDY UP



11th May. Everyone is welcome.

If possible, please bring garden gloves, secateurs, shears, loppers or any other garden tools which may be useful to remove unwanted ivy and weeds. A wheelbarrow would also be handy. There will be a trailer on site for all the foliage removed. The group will meet around 9:30am, but feel free to drop in anytime in the morning.

#### MOBILE LIBRARY

#### Friday 7th June, Friday 5th July

3.15–3.35pm Holywell Lane 3.40–4pm Grove Place, Youlgrave

#### Youlgrave Welldressers announce two £1,000 donations

At its AGM on 27 March, the Youlgrave Welldressing Association (YWA) Committee voted to approve £1000 donations to two local good causes.

In expressing gratitude on behalf of the Youlgrave Scout and Community Youth Hall, Ian Bright, its Trustee Chair, highlighted the dramatic increases in the running costs of the Hall despite its nearly £21,000 expenditure over the last three years in energy efficiency and other works. Referring to the Duke of Edinburgh Award Group, three sections of Guides, the Preschool, 1st Aid courses and its availability for private hire, he added "We are proud that we are providing our users with excellent facilities." notina that improvements are planned.

On behalf of Pommie Pilgrimage, Petra and her team thanked the YWA, saying "Loos, warmth and a cuppa is what we are aiming for... so our ancient church is a more modern, usable space for the whole community. Your donation has made that dream come just a little bit closer."

Following the very successful winter welldressing installation at Sheffield Museums, our own thanks go to Helena and Mark at Matterlurgy (the artists) and Sheffield Museums for their donations towards this year's welldressing.

The dates for the 2024 welldressing are published below. In addition, we need people to help out with preparing the clay (without clay there is no welldressing!) so please contact Fred Baker on 07590 122969 to be added to the group.

Judith has also made a new plea for anyone who would like to join her team on the Coldwell End welldressing, displayed at the Methodist Chapel, to contact her; she needs pettlers, pickers and muscle to ensure the future of this well. Contact her on 07734 714227.

lan Knight Secretary YWA

#### Youlgrave Welldressings 2024 dates

Friday 7 June: 5pm Boards in River (meet at the Welldressings Shed)

Monday 17 June: 5pm Puddling (meet by the River)

Saturday 22 June: 6am Boards go up Saturday 22 June: 2-4pm Road Closure

Saturday 22 June: 2:30pm Procession and Blessing of the Wells

Friday 28 June: 2-5pm Boards stripped /dismantled

#### Allotment plot available

There is still a vacant plot available at the Coldwell End allotments, please contact the Parish Clerk on 636151 or email youlgraveclerk@youlgrave.org.uk if you are interested.

The next meeting of Youlgrave Parish Council is on Tuesday 21st May in the Village Hall Community Room at 7.15pm.

Dear Editor

Anne and Jannett would like to say a very big thank you to all who bought jams, marmalades and chutneys. Over £1,800 was made, which will be divided between Ashgate Hospice and the Air Ambulance. Thank you again.

Anne Prince

## ~ Youlgrave Show 2024 ~

After a gap of nine years, Youlgrave Show is back! The village's much-loved and long-standing horticultural show will take place at Youlgrave Village Hall on **Saturday 14th September** and everyone is welcome – whether to exhibit your prize fruit and veg, show off your kitchen skills or handiwork, or simply come along and be part of an enjoyable community event.



Planning for this year's event is well underway. Anyone will be able to submit entries to Show, irrespective of where they live, and as usual with local Shows there will be a small fee per entry and prizes awarded by independent judges. The provisional schedule with this year's classes is shown below, so you can start planning what to grow or make in the months ahead, but note that this might be subject to slight change. We will keep you posted with the latest news through regular updates in the Bugle.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help out in, either in the run-up to the big day or covering particular tasks over the Show weekend. We will be in touch with you all again in due course. If you want to contact the Show's organising group or help out in any way, please email youlgraveshow@outlook.com or call Edwina Cant on 07772 019385.

#### Youlgrave Show 2024 Schedule (provisional)

#### Section A: Vegetables and Fruit

- 1. Potatoes, 3 any colour
- 2. Leeks, 3 with roots (50mm)
- Cabbage any type, with roots (70mm)
- 4. Carrots, 3 with tops (70mm)
- 5. Cauliflower with root (70mm)
- 6. Broccoli head 1
- Peas, 6 pods
- 8. Beans any variety, 6 pods
- 9. Longest runner bean
- 10. Beetroot, 3 with tops (70mm)
- 11. Onions dressed, 3 from seed or set
- 12. Garlic, 3 bulbs with quarter top
- 13. Cucumber, 1 with flower if possible
- 14. Courgettes, 3 maximum length
- 15. Any other squash, 1
- 16. Cherry tomatoes, 6 with calix
- 17. Tomatoes, 5 with calix
- 18. 1 different type of vegetable not otherwise in this section
- Youlgrave Top Tray Collection of vegetables on a tray. 3 distinct

- kinds only (2 of each). Tray not exceeding 45cm x 60cm
- 20. Cooking apples, 3 with stalk
- 21. Eating apples, 3 with stalk
- 22. Stone fruit, 3
- 23. Soft fruits, 6
- 24. A bunch of mixed herbs in water
- 25. Any unusually shaped vegetable
- Bag of compost. 500g of homemade compost in sealed (zip lock) bag

#### **Section B: Flowers**

- 27. A specimen rose
- 28. Calendula, 5 blooms
- 29. Dahlia, 3 blooms any variety
- 30. Antirrhinums, 5 spikes
- 31. Asters, 5 blooms
- 32. Gladioli, 3 spikes
- 33. Phlox, 3 stems
- 34. Chrysanthemums, 3 blooms
- 35. Sweet peas, 6 blooms
- 36. Specimen pot plant in flower. Not necessarily grown this year.

- 37. Specimen pot plant, non-flowering. Not necessarily grown this year.
- 38. Specimen pot plant grown from pip, stone or nut. Please label. Not necessarily grown this year.

## Section C: Floral arrangements (locally grown)

- 39. A vase of dried seed heads, flowers & grasses
- 40. An unusual vessel of any cut flowers
- 41. Youlgrave Top Vase Vase of cut flowers

Please note - buds count as flowers.

#### **Section D Baking and Preserves**

(All entries in Classes 42 to 52 to be covered please)

- 42. Loaf of bread, hand made only
- 43. Loaf of bread made in a bread machine
- 44. Savoury scones, 3
- 45. Fruit scones, 3
- 46. Flapjack, 3 pieces
- 47. Fruit cake.
- 48. Victoria sandwich cake (2 egg size)
- 49. Decorated cake
- 50. Cup cakes, 3 decorated
- 51. Apple pie
- 52. Biscuits, 6 undecorated
- 53. 1 jar of jam
- 54. 1 jar of marmalade
- 55. 1 jar of fruit curd
- 56. A jar of chutney
- 57. A jar of pickles all varieties
- 58. A jar of honey
- 59. Free range eggs, 3, on a plate
- 60. Home brew wine, beer or fruit liquor (bottled)

#### **Section E: Handicrafts**

Every exhibit must have been made by the exhibitor and must have been completed in the last 12 months) Exhibits in Classes 69-71 – unframed

- max 7x5 format. Entries to be displayed Friday evening.
- 61. Hand knitted article of any kind
- 62. Crochet work of any kind
- 63. A mended garment
- 64. A handmade garment
- 65. Handmade jewellery
- 66. An embroidered article
- 67. Picture any medium less than 90cm x 75cm
- 68. Photograph of flower(s), vegetable (s) or garden
- 69. Photograph of local scene
- 70. Photograph of animal(s), bird(s), fish, insect(s) etc
- 71. Pottery of any kind less than 80cm
- 72. Woodwork any article

#### Section F: Children's Work

(For children aged 16 or under. No entry fees in this section.)

- 73. Vegetable or fruit monster less than 30cm
- 74. Floral arrangement less than 50cm.
- 75. Miniature garden in a shallow container.
- 76. Picture or Design, any medium, under 5 years old.
- 77. Picture or Design, any medium, 5 to 10 years old.
- 78. Picture or Design, any medium, 11 to 16 years old.
- 79. A photograph. Any subject.
- 80. Model in any craft medium, i.e. not a kit.
- 81. Baking biscuits, cakes, cup cakes etc. 3 pieces
- 82. Homemade birthday card.
- 83. Handwriting, poem or prose. For children 11 years or under.

More information on how to enter, the Show timetable and Rules of the Show will follow.

#### **BARRE FITNESS CLASSES**



BARRE FIT (general full body workout)

Weds 9.30am Ashover Parish Hall Thurs 9.15am Burton Institute, Winster

<u>BARRE BLITZ</u> (HIIT workout to tone, sculpt, burn fat and improve cardio)

Weds 5.45pm Burton Institute, Winster

<u>BARRE FLOW</u> (slower paced class focusing on balance, stability & stretch)

Thurs 10.30am Burton Institute, Winster

Text or call 07852299927 for further info & to book your spot

**Barre fitness classes** are now available in Winster. Barre combines some basic ballet movements with elements of Pilates. Classes help improve posture, stability, muscle definition and core strength and no prior dance experience is necessary.

Samantha, who trained as a professional ballet dancer, has been teaching Barre at one of New Zealand's premier resorts prior to returning to the Peak District.

"This is a fun, challenging workout designed to tone and lengthen muscles whilst also improving physical fitness. It's a great form of exercise and I am committed to the benefits it can offer"

Sam is offering one **free 'taster' class** at Youlgrave Village Hall on **Thursday 16th May at 5.30pm** and invites locals to come and give it a try.

Thereafter classes are priced at £9 for an hour or a course of 10 for £80.

## LIVE MUSIC AT THE GEORGE HOTEL

#### The Lumps

Featuring Jamie Wigley

Sunday 26th May (evening) outside the pub

#### Kleznorth '24 - a wonderful weekend of music and dance

Sunday afternoon and the now traditional Kleznorth concert packed the Village Hall with an audience of workshop attendees and local supporters. The opening toe-tapping fiddling could so easily have been the welcoming opening reels of a Shetland wedding, but with a change of chord and the plaintive notes of John MacNaughton's clarinet, we were transported to Mitteleuropa, the sliding cadences pulling us ever further east. Delicate folk songs



inspired by the rose were interspersed with ironic if tuneful comments on life and love while the music wove its way around Europe.

The acclaimed vocalist Sasha Lurje's powerful voice invited, demanded even, that we all join in, her drumming adding to the urgency - and often the fun - of the music. "This song is about killing Fascists," she announced. There was a sharp intake of breath from the audience, "by singing to them!" If only song could eliminate any Fascist threat! Sadly it was admitted that the world was still a cruel and dangerous place, but music and song had a role in returning it to the peaceful and pleasant green planet that it should be. And dance too! The players and singers led the audience around the Hall through the kitchen and back again in the joyful Khosidl.

Dee Frith



Joe and Sammy welcome you to



## The Farmyard Inn

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Saturday 11th May: Eurovision Night

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#### How to join

If you would like to join, please let us know!
You can contact the surgery by phone or email to express an interest.
Please send correspondence for the attention of Carrie Poole - Assistant Practice
Manager.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Telephone: 01629 733205 Email: admin.darleydale@nhs.net

Patients can also request further information via our website:

https://www.darleydalesurgery.co.uk/

## Did you know that Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport offer a community car scheme?



This volunteer led service provides door to door transport to medical appointments for anyone living in the Derbyshire Dales and Hope Valley and provides a valuable service for those who would otherwise struggle to attend essential healthcare appointments.

A little of your time can make a huge difference to someone's health and quality of life – there is no regular commitment required; it's completely flexible to suit your availability.

A friendly approach and access to a suitable car is all that is required and mileage expenses are reimbursed. Many of the journeys are to rural surgeries so please don't be deterred from offering your time even if you prefer not to drive into Chesterfield or Sheffield - there are plenty of opportunities for everyone.

If you would like information about using the car scheme or are interested in becoming part of this valuable rural volunteer service please contact us on 01629 641920 or <a href="mailto:info@bect.org.uk">info@bect.org.uk</a> or call into our office at Great Longstone Business Park for a chat.

#### ECO4 Free boiler scheme

The free boiler scheme has now fully opened up for residents who live in the Derbyshire Council region and across. If you know anyone who has a boiler or back boiler older than 15 years, I work for a firm utilising a government scheme to help reduce fuel poverty and CO2 emissions. The old boiler will be replaced with a Worcester Combi Boiler which comes with a 10 year warranty.

At this stage the criteria which needs to be met is as follows:

- 1. The adult family income is under £31,000 before tax.
- 2. There is someone in the property with a medical condition related to limited mobility, cardiovascular, respiratory, including asthma or immunosuppressed
- 3. There is a family member in receipt of benefits such as working tax credit, pension credit, income based ESA, Universal credit, child tax credit.

This will entitle you to a free boiler subject to survey and grant approval. Please contact Chris Simon on 07932 648207 for further information. *Information supplied and verified by Graham Elliott.* 

#### Chair's Annual Report, Youlgrave Parish Council

We have had a busy year once again, and as usual my report starts at the top end of the village. Our facilities at Coldwell End remain very well used and continue to generate a modest sum from our honesty box which, together with Holywell Lane and Alport Lane, is used to subsidise running costs and minor projects throughout the village.

The picnic area remains a hot spot and is regularly used by locals and visitors alike, even more so since we relocated the play equipment to a safer area at the top end of

the field and provided another picnic bench.

Three loads of bark chippings have been donated by our local tree surgeon Simon Skinner. These were spread around the flower borders to help keep the weeds down. The daffodils have managed to fight their way through it all and put on a good show again.

The allotments are all active and remain in constant demand. We have a one third plot available, but otherwise all are taken. Anyone wanting to add their names to the waiting list please contact our Parish Clerk.

Like our other toilets, Holywell Lane has now been fitted with electronic door locks and heavy duty self-closing devices to improve security and restrict access at night. The distribution board and wiring has also been upgraded to meet current standards and the faulty roof flashing has been refitted to ensure integrity.

#### Looking after the Playing fields

Moving onto Alport Lane, you will have noticed a new piece of play equipment. This has replaced a smaller climbing



Alport Lane playing fields (top of picture).

frame and slide that had come to the end of its life. Thanks to the effort and determination of our Clerk, this equipment has been funded by way of a grant just short of £10,000 from the Lottery Fund. A new wooden staircase has also been attached to the remaining slide. The bike track and the MUGA areas have been tidied and are ready for action.

The Diamond Jubilee Royal Oak which was given to us as a sapling almost 9 years ago is now more than 4 metres high and continues to be looked after and nurtured by Rob Scott.

Our gym equipment around the perimeter of the field remains as popular as ever and is used daily by all ages.

The toilet block roof suffered damage during the gales in January and we've had to replace half a dozen or so slates and damaged pointing. Whilst we were doing this we also carried out some general maintenance to the building.

The parish-owned grit bins were all topped up and their contents monitored throughout the winter months. The bin that was located inside the school gates has, with approval from the Church, been

moved to a more accessible position at the top of the church steps.

Subject to rubber stamping, the Charity Commission has agreed that the Parish Council will take over control of Queen Elizabeth II (Alport Lane) Playing Fields from the current owners Fields in Trust - we currently manage it under lease). The transfer is in perpetuity and will guarantee its continued use as a playing field for generations to come. With that guarantee now in the bag we are looking into ways in which we can fund and replace our ageing Pavilion. Should we manage to secure a financial package and approval this will be the biggest ever project for the Parish Council to undertake.

You may have noticed the 30mph signage has finally been repositioned by DCC on all routes into the village. It's taken some considerable time to achieve, but we managed it in the end. There are more road safety issues in the pipeline which we are progressing with DCC, including sorting out the resurfacing fiasco through the village.

Our four lifesaving defibrillators remain operational and are regularly checked to make sure they are ready for use. Just to remind you of their location: Alport Telephone Box, Youlgrave Garage, Mawstone Lane and the Farmyard Inn. Contact 999 Ambulance Service for access codes prior to arrival of medical help. You don't need to be a qualified medic to use them, you cannot harm the patient, our defibrillators are fully automatic and talk you through the procedure.

#### Keeping an eye on the village

Vandalism has previously been a problem for us on our three sites, however since our CCTV was commissioned 12 months ago I'm able to report that there have only been 2 minor incidents during that time. The

first I'm not sure was down to vandalism, it may have been mechanical failure. The second (a no-damage incident) took less than 2 minutes to put right with no cost to the council.

We did however see the return of the graffiti vandals in March on Moor Lane with their paint cans. Thanks to the rapid response by DCC the mess was cleaned up within a couple of days. One of the new 30mph signs at the top end of the village was also uprooted and thrown into the field. Anyone with information please contact the Police on 101 directly.

Just a reminder, the cameras on our three sites record continually 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and can see in the dark. The system can, and has been, accessed by the Police on one non-related vandal incident soon after installation, so it's thumbs up for the CCTV and thanks again to the Police and Crime Commissioner for approving our grant application.

We have a great team of dedicated councillors and a wizard of a parish clerk. I want to thank them all for all their hard work throughout the year. I also want to thank our volunteer litter pickers, as they do a cracking job helping to keep everywhere as litter-free as possible.

We are still looking for volunteers to form a speed watch team. If you have a little time on your hands and fancy doing something different, contact our Parish Clerk for more information.

We need to keep our village ahead of

the game, and with your continued support we will.

As always, I look forward to next year's challenges.



Graham Elliott Chair, Youlgrave Parish Council

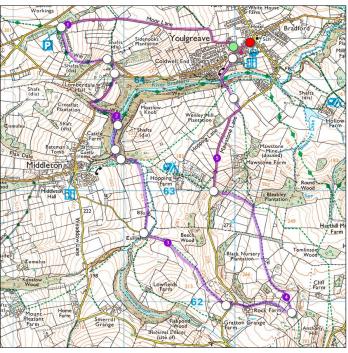
### Time to limber up for the second Pommie Panter

The Pommie Panter is now fast approaching (Sunday 19th May).

If you're not sure what the Panter is, It's Youlgrave's Fell Race. (Youlgrave Harriers, the village running club) started it in 2023, as we were already organising the Winster Hill Race and it felt a bit wrong that we shouldn't do the same for our own village. Everything went so well last year (nobody got lost, everybody had fun and nobody died) we're doing it again this year. Essentially it's excuse to have a bit of a party.

There's been 125+ entries as of the end of April. so it's looking good for a slight increase from last year. If you fancy running you can pre-enter for via www.youlgraveharriers.com or you can enter on the day. All the monies raised go to the Parish Council to on something villagey... apparently the Bankside funicular is a no-go. so we're campaigning for a subsidised swim-up cocktail bar in the river instead.

If you're thinking of or have already entered, feel free to join us on Tuesday or Thursday for a run if you think you need a bit of practice before committing — we can always point our Tuesday runs to take in sections of the route. Being as there'll be medals across the age/gender groups and Panter immortality up for grabs, it's worth practising the course for home



advantage. There's also the title of fastest local, with local being within Bugle delivery area, yes that's the absolute definition (a very good definition – Ed).

If you're not feeling the running part we do need as many marshals/helpers as possible, so do get in touch if you can help out in any way on the day (if you've already contacted me I'll be getting on top of the admin very soon and reaching out). Please get in touch with me via 07960637500, youlgraveharriers@gmail.com or shout at any of us that run past... if you just yell "oi Panter help!" at any runner you see it'll be good/confusing advertising to a random or letting a member of Youlgrave Harriers know you're available to help. Just popping out to support helps us control (slow

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down) any cars coming through the village whilst the finishers are coming in; and its good fun viewing.

#### On the day of the race

Our race day itinerary is: Registration opens from 9:30am on Alport Lane playing fields, which will also be our car park. We'll be gathering around the start line from about 10:40am. The start is on Moor Lane outside Peak Feast. Yes, the opening mile is straight up Moor Lane! The finish is on the pavement a few metres up from the George by the finishing tree. The race itself starts at 11am, with the winner coming in about 40 minutes later and the tail ender arriving back at about 12:30pm. We'll be aiming to do the prizes at the front of the George at around 12:40pm. The after-party will start before the race finishes and continue for a 'little' while, so do come out and sav hello and watch some of the suffering, then hang about for a chat and a drink.

We think the best viewing spots are at the top of Holywell Lane for the finishing straight — ideal to watch everybody's little red faces curse us after realising they have to come back up from the river. And if you fancy a walk.. the swampy marshland around 3.5m on the map is a classic spot for muddy face planting (we do have a photographer there!). If you have any questions either about the Panter or the club do get in touch.

The full route map is reproduced here and can also be found on the event page of the <a href="https://www.youlgraveharriers.com">www.youlgraveharriers.com</a>. There's also a full ' Village FAQs' page which should cover most things.

In other running club news;

- Our club runs have continued every Tuesday and Thursday at 7pm and now we don't need the head-torches, though we're still a few weeks away from short shorts and vests. We operate a very informal system... show up, say hello, run. We're quite strict on the saying hello part, otherwise it's a bit weird and awkward.
- The monthly open invite 'away day' runs will start appearing on the website on the 'events' page. The next run is post-Panter, Saturday 25th May from the Buxton Brewery Garden Tap. Always a 1 group social jog about. It'll be roughly 6 miles and like club nights just a case of showing up and saying hello. As ever the info appears on our webpage 1st.
- We also organise the Winster Hill Race and that's on Thursday 4th July. That's a mere 4 miles and a bit less rolling than our Panter. Pre-entry can be found on the event page on the Youlgrave website.

Thanks and see you in May. John W & Youlgrave Harriers



#### News from Youlgrave, All Saints' CE Primary School

#### **Class 2 River Walk**

Children from Class 2 enjoyed a river walk with Rangers from Peak District National Park on Wednesday of last week. The children walked along Lathkill and Bradford rivers and took part in activities looking at the stages of Lathkill river, the water cycle and animals that live along the river. We also spent some time river dipping and looking for life in Bradford river by the

bridge. It was an excellent day and we thank Julia, Sarah and Graham for leading us during the day.





## **Youlgrave School - Governor Vacancy**

Youlgrave All Saints' C of E Primary School is recruiting to its governing board.

#### The role:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction (through the school improvement plan)
- Hold the executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is spent well

#### The ideal candidate will have:

- Local community or business links
- An interest in education
- The ability to work well as part of a team

#### Email:

Chair of Governors – Mark Shearing: m.shearing@youlgrave-allsaints.derbyshire.sch.uk

Deputy Chair of Governors – Rachel Shooter: <a href="mailto:rshooter@youlgrave-allsaints.derbyshire.sch.uk">rshooter@youlgrave-allsaints.derbyshire.sch.uk</a>



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## Growing our own food: what are the options?

The rain of the last few months has made it clear to me that growing food is getting more difficult. Ask the farmer with the waterlogged fields. We can't expect to import veg as other countries may well be suffering as we are. Increasingly rain blocks the A6 and snow closes the A515. Globally, blockages of the Panama Canal, the Suez, etc, all make for disrupted supply chains and trade. Maybe we should be looking at trying to be a bit more self-sufficient? But how could this work?

I'm not talking allotments (though they could be an important part of the plan), probably a co-op of some kind, perhaps take on an employee who knows how a small market garden operation would work. How could this fit with the village shops?

If you have any thoughts, ideas, advice or would just like to talk about this issue contact me by email. If there's half a dozen or more, I'll set up a meeting and we'll see if this beast has legs!

Anne Croasdell annecroasdell@yahoo.co.uk

#### u3a Bakewell Open Day - learn, laugh, live



u3a Bakewell is holding an Open Day on Tuesday 21st May at the Medway Centre in Bakewell, to introduce a number of new

groups to its already varied programme of social, interest and energetic activities. In addition, members of existing u3a groups will be there to tell to you all about what they do and answer your questions about u3a Bakewell and the global u3a movement in general. u3a Bakewell has flourished in our area for more than 25 years, enabling those no longer in full time work or no longer raising a family to discover and develop new and existing interests while making new friends and, best of all, having fun doing it.

Like to find out more about what goes on under the bonnet of your car or that racey rally job down the road - what about joining Petrolheads? Fancy trying your hand at a bit of drawing and painting but worried you're no Leonardo - think about our new and noncompetitive sketching group (its organiser is colour blind so you're likely to have a head start on him!). Want to get some in-depth information about Chatsworth – there's a new group for that too. Or Local Industries? Or Mines and Quarries? Or Beer Appreciation?

These are just some of the new ideas that are in the pipeline, adding to the selection of already well-established groups such as bridge, outdoor summer bowling, philosophy, a range of walking groups to cater for everyone from 4-mile strollers to 15-mile hikers, modern and ancient languages, a book group, craft and embroidery, gardens and houses, theatre visits and discussion, creative writing, poetry and photography - the list goes on. All for an annual subscription of less than  $\mathfrak{L}2$  a month.

To find out more, join us at the Medway in Bakewell on Tuesday 21st May between 1.30 and 4pm, have a cuppa and perhaps a piece of homemade cake. We look forward to meeting you. *Helen Parker tel* 636938

## Youlgreave Church Community

Invites you to Our

Youlgreave Village History Tour & New Church Plans for Loos and Kitchen Facility Event.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, from 2-5pm Youlgreave Church

For more information email Lucy and the team: youlgreavechurch@gmail.com

Come and enjoy a self-guided tour of our beautiful village (£1) and afterwards view our Loos and Kitchen Facility plans for the Church over home-made refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Event Organised by Youlgreave Church's New Fundraising Committee: Working to support Special Projects through Fundraising & Friendraising to look after Youlgreave's Church Building, Now, and in the Future.

### Pommie Pilgrims begin the 10 million steps



Arriving at Derby Cathedral.

On Palm Sunday, the Pommie Pilgrimage was launched with a Blessing spoken next to Petra written for the occasion, the WI Choir singing a specially re-worded rendition of '500 miles', the Pommie Band playing and two donkeys braying!

Over three days, 27 pilgrims made their way from Youlgrave to Derby to be welcomed by Derby Cathedral leaders and staff with tea and cake. We had begun this marathon effort to walk to all 42 cathedrals in England.

One of the founders of this fundraising and walking project, Kate Heath, then continued the pilgrim push by walking from Youlgrave to Chester via Congleton and was met by Chaplain Lorraine at the special Pilgrim porch - shown with a shell through which only pilgrims can enter Chester Cathedral.

May will see another set of pilgrims commence their routes, including Revd Richard Tucker and friends doing Birmingham to Worcester, Gloucester and then Hereford, Sandra Akerman with her sister Nicola walking from Bury St Edmunds to their home town of Chelmsford, Adrian and Alison Murray doing the Lichfield to Birmingham stretch, Theresa Farndon and WI friends walking from Derby to Leicester and finally Max Hunt following canals and The Thames down from

> Gloucester to Oxford.... and then maybe even on to London (just for fun!).

Then, we launch our very own Labyrinth on World Labyrinth Day, Saturday, 4th May, in the Croft at the top of Holywell Lane (see photo next page), followed by an outdoor family service on Sunday May 5th at 11am, focusing on labyrinths and pilgrimage. Special thanks to James Toyne and Jeremy Hewitt.

Labyrinths are an ancient symbol representing a winding path or journey often associated with reflection. Unlike a maze, which is set to confuse, labyrinths are designed to be a single

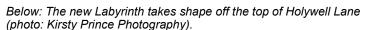


uninterrupted path leading to the centre and back out again. They are one way for younger, older or infirm family members being able to conduct their own pilgrimage close to home. This means everyone can be involved with the Pommie Pilgrimage project; we really hope that visitors to the village will also be able to engage with us in this way.

How can you help? There are three things you can do:

- ⇒ Connect: with us on Facebook and Instagram and promote this project to all your friends and family, or if you want more information about the project then please email us on <a href="mailto:pommiepilgrimage@gmail.com">pommiepilgrimage@gmail.com</a>
- ⇒ **Walk**: if you fancy having a go at a route, there are a number left from 20 miles to 70; email us to find out more or check on the routes available via the map in the church.
- ⇒ **Donate:** we have already raised just over £20,000, due to the generosity of so many people locally and far and wide. If you have not already and would like to, then use this QR code to make a donation!

Thank you, all!





Above: Pilgrim Kate.



Pommie Pilgrimage 2024





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## From the Churches

## Following in the footsteps of the Pommie Pilgrimage...

Firstly, we have waved a fond farewell to Adele and Jeremy Barker as they move on after what has been all too brief stay. They will, however, still be living in Derbyshire, with Adele continuing her life in ministry as Chaplain to the Bishop of Derby.

Stories from the inspirational Pommie Pilgrimage continue to unfold and funds continue to grow. We are thankful for everyone putting in so much effort, training and walking towards its success. This all enables us to look forward to being able to provide toilets and a kitchen facility in our church building. We also hope to be able to carry out improvements to the heating and sound systems, thus enabling it to keep its place as a key building in the village for the future and a central hub not only for significant life events, but also social activities.

A very important aspect of all this is our aim to underpin the plans according to the principles of the EcoChurch initiative. There are five key elements to our ambition of achieving an Ecochurch Award. These include:

- Aspects of Worship and Teaching which we are already working positively towards.
- Management of Buildings this would include adherence to BREEAM (Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methodology) standards for the forthcoming upgrades to our building; in addition,

we are committed to the 'Toilet Twinning' Scheme. It would also mean maintaining a focus on Net-Zero targets with regard to energy use and efficiency, rainwater collection, use of eco-friendly products and provision of recycling facilities etc.

- Land Management ensuring that our churchyard is managed sympathetically to encourage native wildlife including wildflowers and avoiding the use of harmful chemicals. Ian Weatherly has already agreed to help and advise us in these aims, which would also include management of church allotments.
- Community and Global Engagement

   aiming to engage with local people
   and leaders to organise events which promote environmental awareness
   and opportunities for community participation.
- Lifestyle our sense is that Youlgreave and its environs are already places with high standards of environmental awareness, but it would be helpful to focus on collecting and sharing lifestyle tips and advice on caring for God's earth.

On Sunday 2nd June we will hold an Open Day at All Saints when you will be able to consult the plans for the new toilets and kitchen facility and offer your comments. Please do come and join us if you can.

Charlotte Bright

#### **Services for May**

#### Sunday 5th

11 am Family Service 6.45 pm Evening Prayer at Middleton

#### Sunday 12th

10.30 am Christian Aid service at Methodist Church

#### Sunday 19th

11 am Holy Communion - final service of Rev Lisa Price, Group Assistant Curate

#### Sunday 26th

11 am Holy Communion for Youlgrave Benefice 6.45 pm Evening Prayer for welldressing at Middleton

A warm welcome

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#### Weddings:

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Revd Jane Clay 07802 630877 Ejaneclay@icloud.com

**Revd Richard Tucker** 01629 636074 rev.richardtucker@gmail.com

## For services at other churches, contact:

Methodist – Margaret, 636558 Wesleyan Reform – Isobel, 636251

## Church Children's Music Group

Calling all primary school children! The Children's Music Group meets in church on Mondays in term time, 3.30-4.30pm.

There are refreshments, singing, playing hand bells and craft. Do come and join us!

For information contact Sandra Akerman:

sandrajaneakerman@hotmail.com

## Felling of local woodland: Harthill Moor Wood

In 2022, Peak Park invited comment on proposed felling and replanting of most of the two woods lying to the south Youlgrave of owned by Stanton Estates - Harthill Moor Wood and Bleakley Plantation. Bleakley Plantation (otherwise known as Mitten Wood) has not yet been felled, but part of Harthill Moor Wood was felled last autumn, including some very beautiful mature beech trees that bordered Cliff Lane (the lane that runs from Alport to Elton). What has been left is an eyesore.



(What's left of) Harthill Moor Wood from Cliff Lane.

There has also been felling by Haddon Estate of woodland between Hawleys Bridge and the A6, and bordering the River Lathkill as far as Alport. What a contrast! Brushwood left in neat piles to assist wildlife and the woods promptly replanted.

In Harthill Moor Wood the debris left after the removal of the timber has not even been cleared and there has been no replanting. The area is littered with uprooted trees blown down in December, and fallen timber. The dead trees in the wood weren't even removed and have been left standing. What remains resembles a First World War battlefield.

Apparently the Forestry Commission have no power to intervene yet. The



landowner has 5 years to complete the felling and restocking operation for which permission was given. One wonders whether, and if so when, it is proposed to start on Bleakley Plantation?

Meanwhile the public continue to be deprived of a beautiful woodland walk along the public footpath that runs through Harthill Moor Wood. What a mess!

Peter Pimm Harthill



#### Christian Aid Week: 12th-18th May

The focus of Christian Aid week this year is to continue to push back against poverty. Aline Nibogora (pictured right) was living on the streets of Burundi, pushed to the brink of survival: "People forget I was human, I don't want my children to have a painful life like mine," she told CA. With the help of CA fundraising she has now been reunited with her sons and they are building a new home together and have the support of a community project which will enable



them to grow their own food, buy medicine and improve their living conditions. Aline and her family are no different from any of us. We all want a better life for ourselves and our children, our community and to live in peace with our neighbours.

We could all benefit from a little TLC - Tolerance, Love and Care - so please think

about our Christian Aid fundraising efforts this year. The generosity of our local communities has always been phenomenal.

Envelopes will be delivered to your door to put your donations in and returned to the collection buckets in the Village shop and Post Office.

There will be a coffee morning at the Reading Room to support CA on Saturday 11th May and a CA lunch on Sunday 12th May (details to follow). Local businesses, as last year, will be donating prizes for the raffle at the coffee morning.

Best wishes - the CA team.

A Christian Aid envelope will be delivered to your door. Please take time to consider a contribution and return your envelope to the Post Office or Village Shop. Many thanks for your donation.



## Saturday, 11 May, 10.00 am - 12 noon in the Reading Room

There'll be proper coffee, cakes, scones, stalls selling anything we can get, a raffle, tombola, friends, chatter, fun and laughter.



If you have anything to donate, for us to sell or use for Tombola prizes, please contact Barbara 636601 or Glenys 636477.



## **Pommie People**

This month's interviewee is **Martin Hill**, 56-year-old former engineering apprentice, postman, paramedic and now Landlord of the Bulls Head. He is married to Nicola and they have four children.









Where were you born and what's your earliest memory?

I was born in Darley Hall, which is now a nursing home. My earliest memory was my very first day at Youlgrave school. It was very traumatic! I was screaming and crying as it was the first time my mum had left me, since there was no preschool or nursery at that time.

Where did you go to school and what was your favourite subject?

I went to Youlgrave Primary school

then to Lady Manners. I liked all sport, cricket, rugby and football. I was also quite good at maths and woodwork.

Tell us something about you that not many people will know.

In 1989 I went to Australia for a whole year where I got a job delivering explosives to mines in the Outback, travelling from Adelaide to Darwin and Adelaide to Perth. Each journey taking over a week one way.

What did you do for a living and how did you get into it?

I have had several jobs. My first was an apprenticeship at Shand Engineering, this used to be at Peak Village at Rowsley. I went to work there with my father at the age of 16 when I finished school. The company closed after 2 years. Then I went to be a Postman at Bakewell before travelling to Australia. On my return I worked for William Twigg in Matlock before leaving there to join the ambulance service in 2002, becoming a paramedic. I left in 2017 to take on The Bulls Head.

#### How do you relax?

I don't really get much time to relax but when I do I like to sit down and have a pint or two.

What's your favourite holiday destination?

Cornwall. If you are guaranteed the weather the beaches west of Penzance are absolutely stunning.

What book are you reading or what music are you listening to at the minute?

I like listening to Radio 2 in the week and I read James Patterson and Peter James novels.

What's your favourite time of the day and why?

I love mornings because I take the dogs for a walk and go for a wild swim.

What's your favourite food or meal?
Can't beat a bacon sandwich or a meal at The Bulls Head.

What's your favourite sport and did you ever play it?

I've played cricket, rugby, football and bowls and there is no finer place then Youlgrave recreation ground on a sunny afternoon.

Are you a dog or cat person?
A dog. Never owned a cat but always had a dog.

What are you most proud of?
All my 4 children. (Don't tell them!)

What's the most embarrassing thing ever happened to you?
I once went on a stag do returning from Bakewell on the last bus, after having



Martin and family took over the Bulls Head in 2017.

too many drinks, I fell asleep and the next thing I remember is the driver waking me up when the bus had returned to the depot at Baslow, missing getting off at Youlgrave.

What skill would you like to learn? How to play a musical instrument.

What is your favourite local view place or location?
Lathkill Dale.

What do you like about living in Youlgrave?

The community – we get so many people that visit and say what a friendly village it is.

What could be improved about Youlgrave?
I'll probably join everyone and suggest parking is the main issue.



## **Granby House, Youlgrave**

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## Next film Friday 10 May

### **Barbie**

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### YOULGRAVE VILLAGE HALL, 7.30 pm start.

Tickets cost £5 - cash only (please bring correct change if possible). Everyone is most welcome. Booking isn't necessary but if you want a particular seat, or have any queries, please phone Glenys on 636477.

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#### Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: April 2024

Spring is reluctantly arriving with little help from the weather, as it has remained very cold and the soil is still very wet. However, our spring birds are starting to arrive. The chiffchaff was our first warbler arriving towards the end of March. They were soon calling all over the village, including our garden. About three weeks later the blackcaps could be heard throughout the Dale. These are much harder to find, though the song is fairly recognisable. Swallows have Early purple orchid on the Limestone Way. arrived, but in very small

numbers. They were seen singly over the playing field on the 7th with more singles at Long Rake and the New Dam. The occasional curlew can still be heard. Blue tits seem to be using several of our garden nest boxes and the siskins are still regularly visiting the bird feeder. They could well be nesting.

Mandarin ducks, goosanders and grey wagtails can be seen on the River and New Dam. Dippers seem most plentiful at the Alport end of the river, though I did see a young one on the third dam on 26th April. Our latest cygnet is fast turning into a very fine white adult swan. A sparrowhawk has been very active down Alport Road and sparrows seem to be getting scarce down there, although there are plenty at the other end of the village. Woodpeckers are being seen and heard near the playing field and down the bank.

More unusual birds seen this month have been a redpoll at Coldwell End, 4 pink footed geese near the New Dam and a stonechat on the Greenfields track.

A single mayfly was seen over the



swimming pool on the 26th. Slowworms have been emerging from hibernation and a lot of ladybirds have been crawling up some windows on Alport Lane. Presumably these are emerging from hibernation, perhaps round the window frames?

Notable plants have included early purple orchids up on the Limestone Way, kingcups in the river and our earliest buttercup, the bulbous buttercup, below the tennis courts. This is guite hairy, but the easiest way to tell it from other buttercups is that the sepals are turned back.

On my wildlife walk on the 26th I found 41 wildflower species in bloom. There were 35 this time last year.

Swift Awareness Week is 29th June to the 6th July this year. I am hoping to organise a Village Swift Walk that week. More details later.

thanks to this month's contributors: Geoff. Simon. Edwina. Pat, Lisa, Caroline, Denise, David and Becky.

Ian Weatherlev email 48iweatherley@gmail.com



## Church Farm Diary, May

We knew Mother Nature wouldn't let us down! The grass is growing, the flowers are coming out and the hedgerows are greening up nicely. It doesn't seem to matter what happens, the seasons always seem to straighten themselves out. This means that it will soon be the silage season, so beware as the tractors will be out on the roads carting the grass from field to farm all over the countryside of Britian.

An old childhood friend of mine has been staying in the village this week, she left the village many years ago as an eleven year old, so things and people have changed greatly.

It was nice to reminisce and catch up on what we have done with our lives, as lots of people that we both knew have either died or their families have moved out, At one time I could tell you who lived in most of the houses, especially with having the milk round. I could only tell you a few now,

Youlgrave still has a good atmosphere and a good crowd of newcomers all willing to get involved with the village. The W.I. is a good example of this. I guess that's because we are all like-minded women who get on with life.

#### **Marjorie Shimwell**



## Recipe of the month: Watercress soup

This month's recipe is for Watercress Soup, I wrote it for the Bugle a long time ago and lots of people have asked for me to write it again.

#### Ingredients

2 packets of watercress (chopped)
2oz butter
1 onion sliced
1oz flour
½ pt chicken stock or vegetable
½ pt milk
Salt and pepper
1 tbsp cream

#### Method

Heat half the butter and fry the onions until soft in a large pan.

Add the watercress and cook a little longer.

Add the stock and simmer for 20 mins.

In another pan melt the rest of the butter and stir in the flour.

Take off the heat add the milk and then return to the heat to make a sauce, add to the watercress mixture, and stir all the time to make a smooth mixture.

Blend until nice and smooth add to the pan and add the cream.





## Youlgrave W.I. report

105 years on... a treasure of memories, both distant and more recent, filled our Archives morning, held in the Community Room on April 13th (see photos – right). Chief archivists Judith Rimmer, Nicola Humphreys, and Janet Pryor have spent many, many hours collating, researching and meticulously presenting hundreds of photographs, mementoes and programmes, etc. There was too little time to study everything, but every one of the appreciative visitors gained so much from reminiscing or discovering new faces and facts together.

We were very sad to hear of the passing of Jennifer Easton, a valued long-term WI member, Committee member and past President.

April Supper Club returns on the 25th with the team once more delighting the diners. The Choir are enjoying their regular meetings in the Wesleyan Chapel. Our new and very varied 2024/25 Programmes are available as members continue their membership via their annual subscriptions.

Our April meeting welcomed our well-respected Bee expert, Judith Orchard. Her knowledge of the bees' lives and habits, bee hierarchy and history and the roles of the Queen, workers and drones, as well as the processes of pollination, wax making and of course honey, is second to none. Then comes the Asian hornet, devourer of all insects, to threaten our bee population. Judith is area coordinator for the Asian Hornet watch team,







and we were encouraged to download the Asian Hornet Watch app to enable the reporting of any sightings. Following her comprehensive talk we were treated to A Taste of Honey, sampling flavours from various plant sources.

Looking ahead to June, WI members will have the chance to show off their gardens again to fellow members, followed by a picnic. They can also sign up for our trip to Melbourne Hall and gardens in August.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday May 14th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Jakki Bavin and her team from Nordvindr will be demonstrating the daily life of a Viking Woman. This should be most enlightening! Viking headgear is optional.

Liz Hickman

#### Town Hall update from District Councillor, Laura Mellstrom

#### A Banking Hub for Bakewell?

At the latest meeting on 4 April, the District Council agreed unanimously to support the establishment of a banking hub, now that the last branch in the Peak District has closed.

Setting up a hub needs the support of the banking industry, which works though Cash Access UK to decide which locations qualify for a hub, so it's not within the power of the Council to just set one up, but Councillors across the board agreed that physical banking services are essential and should be supported as far as possible. In the meantime, cash and cheques can be paid in, and cash withdrawn, at most Post Offices – including Youlgrave, of course.

#### **Open Government**

Another item on the agenda was a motion to delegate decision making powers in relation to traveller sites to the Community and Environment Committee. This prompted complaints from some councillors and members of the public that democracy and transparency were being undermined, and that delegation to a committee would prevent people from having their say.

In fact, not only the full Council meetings, but also the main committees, are completely open to the public. You can go along to listen and, if you give advance notice, you can speak for up to 3 minutes. You can also submit written representations in advance which will be given to all the committee members.

The main committees are all politically proportionate to the number of seats each party has on the full council. They are:

- Community & Environment
- Governance & Resources
- Planning (for areas outside the National Park)
- Licensing & Appeals

Meetings are usually at 6pm. The dates and agendas are published in advance on the website, although they're not that easy to find. Type "committees" into the search box at the top of the home screen and pick "Council and Committee Meetings".

If that's not excitement enough, you can also watch the full Council and committee meetings on YouTube, either live or whenever you want! The Council has its own YouTube channel look for DerbyshireDalesdc1/Live. So if you're having trouble sleeping, or need something to fill the gap before Love Island comes back on, tune in and have a look at what your Councillors are up to

The next full Council meeting is on 23rd May at 6pm. See you there?

#### Get in touch

If there's anything you would like to discuss, here are my contact details:

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Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council 636151

parishclerk@middletonbyyoulgrave.org.uk www.middletonbyyoulgrave.org.uk/parishcouncil

**Middleton by Youlgrave Village Hall** 636532

villagehall@middletonbyyoulgrave.org.uk

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Youlgrave Reading Room, 636477 Youlgrave Scout & Community Youth Hall, 636887

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www.youlgravewelldressers.co.uk/

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www.thebullsheadyoulgrave.co.uk/

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Peak Pods En-suite glamping pods, Alport, 636874, www.peakpods.com

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