

Lapworth Directory of Local Organisations and Useful Contacts

Allotments Vicarage Road

Do you want to grow fruit and vegetables that taste of something? Or are you looking for an outdoors social and interesting pastime? If you think that the 'Good Life' might be for you, telephone

Telephone: Nick Edkins (Secretary) 07776 478225.

Email: edkins2234@outlook.com

Lapworth Charity

The Charity's governing document restricts the benefit of the Charity to matters of health, social care, accommodation & education of the residents of Lapworth, particularly those of low income. Within these criteria the trustees are always to consider applications for assistance.

The Charity owns and supports the 11 almshouses, which are located at the base of the water tower, at Pound Close. Grants made to various local organisations include St Mary's Church, Lapworth School, Lapworth Pre-School and Elderberries. The Charity also makes grants to individuals.

Examples of these grants include:

- the cost of winter fuel.
- the cost of Chiropody not eligible for funding by the NHS.
- the Studying & training expenses which are not covered by the Government Student loans scheme.
- the cost of travelling to and from School.
- medical therapy not covered by the NHS.
- specialist tuition which the state declined to fund

Contact:

Mrs Helen Wollerton, Secretary to Lapworth Charity, The Braids, Rising Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6JE

Tel: 01564 784193

lapworthcharity@gmail.com

Lapworth Cricket Club

Lapworth Cricket Club ground the Melson Memorial Ground on the Old Warwick Road in Lapworth is without doubt one of the most picturesque grounds in the County of Warwickshire and it's a real pleasure to play cricket at "The Melson". It is a beautifully maintained ground which never fails to attract admiring comments from visiting teams, players and spectators.

The Club fields three teams on a Saturday - the 1st XI play in the Premier Division of the Cotswold Hills League, the 2nd team in Division 6 and our newly formed 3rd team in Division 7, our Sunday XI play "friendly" games against local teams and the mid-week XI play in the Shirley 20/20 League. The ECB All Stars cricket sessions aimed at 5 – 8 year olds both boys and girls – are held on a Friday night during the season and this has

already proved to be a huge success. We are also keen to develop our fledgling Ladies section in the coming season
Interested in joining us? new members, playing and non-playing will be made very welcome to our Club - full contact details and further information can be found at:

Website www.lapworthcc.co.uk

Lapworth Elderberries

Elderberries meet at Lapworth Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons between 2.00pm and 4.00pm. A friendly group of ladies and gentlemen, of all ages, who come together for a cup of tea and a biscuit, meet old friends, make new friends and generally spend a couple of hours in good company.

We try to give our members something different each week, and activities include occasional lunches in the Village Hall and various other local venues. Speakers are invited, simple card games as a group (with prizes for winners), easy quizzes, again with prizes, painting sessions (pictures, not walls!), and sometimes we just sit and chat.

If all this interests you, then just come along, everyone is made welcome. All we ask is that you are able to get to the Village Hall. You don't have to live in Lapworth, as there are members from as far afield as Wootton Wawen, Knowle, Shirley and Dorridge.

If you would like to know more

Telephone: 01564 782103.

Email: mal.suggitt@egsmids.co.uk

Lapworth Film Club

Lapworth Film Club was set up in 2011 to provide an enjoyable social event and funding opportunity for maintenance and improvements to this important village amenity.

Film Club is on the last Monday of the month from September to April (excluding December) at 7.15pm for 7.45pm at Lapworth Village Hall.

There is a bar and the £5 taken at the door includes free refreshments at the interval.

Besides showing films carefully chosen by a small committee, the evening provides an occasion for people to meet where they might not meet otherwise.

Films are advertised in the Parish Magazine, on posters on the village noticeboards, and on a large poster opposite the Village Shop.

Website: <http://lapworth.org/film-club/>

Lapworth Local History Group

The history group usually meet six times a year in Lapworth Village Hall to hear talks by visiting speakers on historical subjects often, but not always, with a local slant. The group also arranges three coach trips per year to stately homes, museums etc.

Contacts:

Telephone: 01564 782124 or 01564 783784

Email: lindacous@gmail.com or Nick.Holmes9@gmail.com

Website: www.LapworthHistory.co.uk

LOPA Lapworth Old People's Association

LOPA-The Association exists to enable friendship and support to older people in Lapworth. We provide both a Christmas party and a September lunch. In the first half of the year there's a Spring tea and in late June, a Strawberry Tea. A matinee theatre visit is also part of LOPA's activities. Each Committee member has their own small group of members to support and relate to.

Tel: 01564 782808

kimptonclare@yahoo.co.uk

Lapworth Parish Council

Parish councils make all kinds of decisions on issues that affect the local community. Probably the most common topics that **parish councils** get involved with are planning matters (they are statutory consultees), managing open spaces and campaigning for and delivering better services and facilities.

Telephone: 01676 533258

Email: clerk@lapworthpc.org.uk

Website: www.lapworthpc.org.uk

The Parish Magazine of Lapworth and Baddesley Clinton

The Rector and Parochial Church Council (PCC) at St Mary's Lapworth have produced a parish magazine since 1898 to support communication for the Parish Churches. For many years the magazine has included articles and publicity of much wider local interest and it has become an increasingly important way of sharing all kinds of local information.

The magazine costs £1 where sold, but we aim to distribute a free copy to almost all houses in Lapworth and Baddesley Clinton. A few free copies are also distributed beyond the parish boundaries and are available to worshippers at the back of church.

Contact:

Revd Patrick Gerard patrick@gerard.net Telephone 01564 782098

Or Mr Bill Bailey (production editor)

parishmaglapworthbaddesley@btinternet.com Telephone 01564 782989

Lapworth Old School

This charming venue, next to St Mary's Church, is perfect for special occasions and social functions and is well suited for medium and smaller gatherings.

Perhaps you are looking at venues for a family event or wedding reception? The Old School in Lapworth, set in rural surroundings, has a lovely lawned garden as well as a fully refurbished interior which can cater for about 70 people. It is a very safe place for children. Also – this venue is ideal for pre-wedding use – toilets and room to change are available and coffee and biscuits could be served. Please ask for details.

Call 01564 783798 for booking information.

Lapworth Players

Lapworth Players was founded in 1968 with the objectives of providing Lapworth and district with a little theatre and providing a forum for promoting interest in drama. There is generally a Pantomime in December or January, a Spring Play late April/early May and a Members' Evening (an opportunity for new Producers, Actors and Backstage) in September. It may not sound much on paper it is very busy when a production begins to run.

Get In Touch.

Want to join, or just want to say 'break a leg'? Contact us here...

Website: <https://lapworthplayers.weebly.com>

For bookings and enquires email: lapworthplayersbookings.com

Lapworth Pre school

A community run nursery run by a voluntary committee which is largely made up of parents of current children. Open five mornings a week Lapworth Pre-school provides a stimulating and friendly environment where children are offered a wide range of experiences through play. Strong links with Lapworth Primary School, excellent outdoor facilities and employ qualified, experienced and caring staff.

Pre-school staff to children ratio is high and the staff are a dedicated and professional team. Parent helpers who are a valuable resource to the team are encouraged.

The Pre-school serves Lapworth and the surrounding areas of Baddesley Clinton, Chadwick End, Rowington, Lowsonford, Shrewley, Hockley Heath and Dorridge. Please contact for more information.

Telephone: 01564 785332

Email chair@lapworthpreschool.co.uk

Or vicechair@lapworthpreschool.co.uk

Website: <http://lapworthpreschool.co.uk/about.htm>

Lapworth Pre-school is a registered charity in England and Wales (1083888), members of The Pre-school Learning Alliance and regulated by Ofsted.

Lapworth Scarecrow Festival

As a charitable organisation Lapworth Scarecrow Festival's aim is to benefit local causes. All profits are shared amongst the various organisations that support and educate our local community.

For one weekend, every other September, the village of Lapworth comes alive with straw figures and scenes as residents compete for the now coveted Lapworth Scarecrow Festival Awards

Email: info@lapworthscarecrowfestival.co.uk

Website: <http://www.lapworthscarecrowfestival.co.uk>

Lapworth Ladies Supper Club

Established over 20 years ago, Lapworth Ladies Supper Club is a thriving, friendly, social group of 60 -70 ladies, who live in Lapworth or surrounding districts. It is an opportunity to meet with friends or make new ones, as well as being entertained and informed.

Each year, an informal, **free** social meeting takes place on the first Wednesday in September, where the programme of venues and speakers for the season are announced and membership fees (currently £15) are paid.

New members are most welcome to attend this meeting, or join at any time between Sept and Dec.

Suppers then run from October to March, on the first Wednesday of the month at various venues, including hotels and golf clubs, which are within easy reach of Lapworth.

Suppers from October to March cost £25 (reviewed annually), for a three course meal and an after dinner speaker, covering a wide range of topics.

If you are interested in joining the Supper Club, or would like more information, please look on Lapworth info website, where reports of past meetings, contact information and photos can be found.

Otherwise telephone:

Chairman -Jacqui 01564 785022,

Secretary -Yvonne 01564 783595,

Treasurer-Heather Day 01564 783638 or contact

Email: jacqui.arnott@icloud.com, ymjoyce@btinternet.com or heatherday57@hotmail.co.uk

Lapworth Tagent

Lapworth Village Hall

An ideal venue for all special occasions and social functions from wedding receptions to jumble sales, from birthday parties to festivals

Lapworth Village Hall is at the heart of the community and is used for many functions and events. Facilities include main hall with stage, one large or two small committee rooms, kitchen with large oven, a licensed bar. There is WiFi and additional equipment to hire, such as a projector.

There is a small children's play area and facilities maintained by the Parish Council adjacent to the Village Hall

Volunteers to help work with the Village Hall Committee are welcomed

Telephone: 01564 638638 (leave a message we will get back to you)

Email: lapworthvillagehall@gmail.com

Lapworth Village Hall, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth, B94 6LD

Lees Chapel

Independent Evangelical Church

Home visiting, Pastoral support, Church Services, Lees Lunches and afternoon teas

Telephone: 01564 784739

Email: office@theleeschapel.org

Address: The Lees Chapel, 189 Station Lane, Lapworth. B94 6JG

Web site: www.theleeschapel.org

St Mary's Church

The Church of St Mary the Virgin is the C of E Parish Church and has been serving the community since C14. All are welcome, both young and not so young to the regular services or simply to enjoy the peace in this historic Grade 1 listed building.

Web site: <http://lapworth.org/st-marys-home/>

Revd Patrick Gerard patrick@gerard.net

Telephone 01564 782098

Or Hugh Roberts hughowenroberts@aol.com

Walking – Heart of England Way Association

Activities Undertaken - provide volunteer wardens to help liaise with landowners and councils along the Heart of England Way. Repair and replace way-markers along the route. We also have a series of fortnightly walks of 3-5 miles on Wednesdays and Sundays, regular Summer evening walks and a series of longer walks further afield. See website www.heartofenglandway.org for further details.

The Committee welcomes offers of support or assistance, either as a volunteer warden or other activities ensuring the continued success of this Midlands long distance footpath.

We welcome all new members with an interest in the countryside, walking and keeping the footpaths open for everyone to enjoy.

The principle aim of the Association is to promote both the Heart of England Way and The Arden Way - the former being a 100 mile nationally recognised long distance recreational route for walkers from Cannock Chase to the Cotswolds. The Arden Way is a circular route for walking centre on Henley in Arden in Warwickshire - 26 miles of circular route including a small part of the Heart of England Way.

Contact name, telephone number, email address, website link

Contact - Mike Norman, chairman@heartofenglandway.org

Association and HOEW website - www.heartofenglandway.org

Website: <https://www.heartofenglandway.org>

Lapworth Website <http://lapworth.org>

An excellent website giving useful contact links and updates – full of information about Lapworth.

Browse the website and find things to see and do in the beautiful countryside and along the picturesque canal towpaths.

Discover more about the history and heritage of the area too and its surprising link to the Gunpowder Plot.

Visit a local pub to quench your thirst and satisfy your hunger. There are several excellent gastro pubs in the area with some also serving locally brewed beers.

There is a comprehensive What's On guide to the many activities and events that take place in Lapworth and nearby, and you could easily find yourself out and about every day/evening of the week.

You can also find regular events at the History Society, Film Club, Ladies Supper Club, Cricket Club and WI; Services at St. Mary's and St. Michael's Churches; and Parish Council Meetings by using the menu

Women's Institute - Kingswood and Lapworth

For community and companionship join the WI. New members always welcome. Meetings every second Thursday of the month at 7.45pm in Lapworth Village Hall. Just turn up or

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Email: fus644@aol.com or nailwoods@j@yahoo.co.uk

Website: <https://www.thewi.org.uk/become-a-member/structure-of-the-wi/england/warwickshire/find-a-wi/kingswood-and-lapworth>