LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK'S REPORT APRIL 2022

The Parish Council met on Monday 11th April 2022 at 7:30pm in the village hall.

The Council received an update on the plans for the Platinum Jubilee Celebration at the village hall on Saturday 2nd June. This free event will include an afternoon tea (apply for tickets by May 11th), performances from Occasional Brass, a bouncy castle and a circus skills workshop amongst other things. There will also be a street food truck, a gin & prosecco bar and a beer tent. More information can be found on the back page of this magazine.

The Council received an update from Cllr Rees on the Lapworth Station Adoption Group's plans for the future, which include a project to visually improve the station and its platforms ahead of the start of the Commonwealth Games this year. Councillors approved a grant application towards the cost of large planters and plants.

Cllr Hales (WDC) informed the Council that the District Council will shortly be welcoming 63 Ukranian families into the district. Residents considering offering accommodation or support to Ukranian refugees can find useful information on the Warwick District Council website: www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20599/community and social issues/1786/support for ukraine

Warwickshire County Council is empowering local people to help others in their neighbourhood, by offering them the chance to apply for a £17.5k micro funding project, with the aim to help reduce loneliness and social isolation throughout the county. The funding invites residents to apply for small amounts of money to help set up local projects that will help vulnerable people, including those who are lonely and socially isolated. The small grants are open to both individuals and groups. For example, the money may go to a café owner who has decided to host a 'chat and natter' session for older people every Wednesday for a couple of hours or a community football team who want to encourage young carers into the team, so that they can meet up with friends and have time away from their responsibilities. To find out more about the funding visit www.warwickshire.gov.uk/loneliness

We've been informed about a new initiative for residents of Warwickshire, 'Startup School for Seniors', a pro-age social enterprise with the aim of improving the wellbeing of residents over 50. Starting in May 2022, this is a free online 8 week programme to help unemployed Warwickshire residents who are over the age of 50, to start a business, build confidence, increase resilience and learn ways to create an income in these challenging times. For more information visit www.startupschoolforseniors.com

And finally, the Dorridge Fun Run will be coming through the Parish on the morning of 12th June 2022. Sections of Packwood Road, Rising Road, Chessetts Wood Road, Chapel Lane and Bakers Lane will be closed that morning with diversions in place; we will provide more details about the closures on our website nearer the time.

The next meeting of Lapworth Parish Council will take place on Monday 9th May 2022 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall.

Minutes and Agendas for meetings are on the Parish Council website www.lapworthpc.org.uk

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