**INGESTRE & TIXALL NEWS**

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INGESTRE WITH TIXALL PARISH COUNCIL

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**PARISH NEWS**

**Parish Council Meetings:** in line with the latest Government advice, all Parish Council meetings will continue to take place, face to face, in Tixall Village Hall. All meetings will commence at 7.30pm, unless advised differently.

**Latest updates on HS2**

**Repeat Notice:** Survey Works in Ingestre, from February – September 2022

The next stage of HS2-related work that the British Pipeline Agency (BPA) will undertake will include initial site surveys and assessments, including ecological, archaeological and ground investigations. Most of these assessments will be carried out between February and April, with follow-up work to be completed afterwards. For more details on this work see attached Notice, titled HS2 Notification – British Pipeline Association.

**Repeat:** HS2 Phase 2a 2022 virtual one-to-one appointments are still available to book

Further to the positive feedback and success of the virtual one-to-one meetings held last year, HS2 are making further dates available into 2022 for local residents and stakeholders to book a virtual appointment with the local community engagement team.

Local residents, businesses, representative and community organisations can join to ask the engagement team any questions they may have about the HS2 programme and works in their area. This can be anything from questions around where the Phase 2a route is going, how they are building the railway and what works are happening in their local area, to the community funding available and the job and business opportunities.

Appointments are available to book on the following dates:

Thursday 26 May 10am-7pm – [**Register Here**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hs2-phase-2a-west-midlands-to-crewe-virtual-one-to-one-meetings-tickets-242675738667)
Tuesday 28 June 10am-7pm – [**Register Here**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hs2-phase-2a-west-midlands-to-crewe-virtual-one-to-one-meetings-tickets-242677132837)

Registration links for all dates can also be found via the HS2 Events listing page at [**www.hs2.org.uk/events**](http://www.hs2.org.uk/events)

**Kier will be undertaking survey work, on behalf of HS2 between mid-April 2022 and December 2022.**

Details of this work are shown below:

**Where are we working?**

We will be undertaking this survey across private land within your area. Access will be arranged directly with the landowner, however, I wanted to make you aware that you may see our survey teams in fields and around the area.

**What surveys are we doing?**

We have numerous surveys to undertake along the main HS2 route and these involve:

* Ecological surveys such as bat and badger surveys
* Watercourse surveys
* Tree surveys
* Heritage surveys
* Soil surveys

**How will this affect traffic?**

**Because this** work will mainly take place off the highway, t**here will be minimal disruption to local traffic.** On the few occasions traffic management will be installed, we will continue to write to you in advance with further details.

**Other Parish News**

**Queen’s Platinum Jubilee celebrations**

You are all invited to:

**JUBILEE AFTERNOON TEA & BUBBLES**

At Tixall Village Hall on Sunday, 5 June, from 3.00pm – 5.00pm

There will be sandwiches, cakes, scones and cream with a glass of bubbles (tea and coffee available too), sparkling juice for children, for all to enjoy.

Why not come along and help celebrate this ‘once in a lifetime’ occasion with your fellow residents, neighbours and friends!! Everyone is welcome.

The afternoon is free to all Ingestre and Tixall residents. For non-residents, there will be a £2.00 charge per person (no charge for under 11’s), to cover costs and any profit will be put back into the Village Hall fund.

Please let us know if you’d like to come - and how many in your party - **by 14 May at very latest,** by email to the Parish Clerk at clerk@ingestretixall.gov.uk

**Organised by Ingestre with Tixall Parish Council and Tixall Village Hall**

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**Tixall Broadband.** Many Tixall residents will be already be aware that the Parish Council contacted them regarding continued interest in this project. A total of 80 residents were contacted and of those 28 responses were received. Analysis of the responses, indicated that 17 residents were still interested in the project and the other 11 were not. This information was provided to Openreach for their advice as to the best way to proceed and we are currently waiting for their response.

**Staffordshire and Worcestershire canal towpath improvements**. This project is progressing well and it is the understanding of the Parish Council that work will commence on the towpath improvements in January 2023. This is a little later than it was originally anticipated and the reason for the delayed start is a decision that has been taken by the Canal and River Trust, who are delivering the project on behalf of the Parish Council and relates to the achievement of best value for money and the avoidance of any ‘down time’ with plant hire costs and security costs, whilst the site is unoccupied.

The Parish Council hopes to see the improvements completed well in advance of the 2023 summer period.

**Bin lorry collection service.** This service has now resumed for 2022. One visit has already taken place in April – unfortunately, there was a mix up by the contractor, who failed to turn up on 16 April, so the visit was revised to 30 April. Stafford Borough Council and Veolia offered their sincere apologies for this mix up and are reviewing the management of this process and putting safeguards in place to ensure this does not happen again.

2 further visits will take place as follows:

* **Site:** Ingestre – opposite Home Farm Court

**Dates:** 25 June and 22 October

**Times:** 9.00-10.00am

* **Site:** Tixall – Village Hall car park
* **Dates:** 25 June and 22 October
* **Times:** 10.15-11.15am

**Please note the following information from SBC** - the Saturday Civic Amenity Visit is for excess general waste only that cannot be disposed of using the existing options in place, such as green bin, blue bin/bag or other domestic waste disposal options, for example: large item collection service and local furniture reusable schemes. Please be aware that items collected on these Civic Amenity visits are not recycled or reused due to contamination issues caused by the unknown composition of waste deposited on each visit. This service is not for business/commercial waste. For more details, please visit: [www.staffordbc.gov.uk/binday](http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/binday)

**Ingestre Park Golf Club offer:**

In February 2022, the Parish Council received the details below from Ingestre Park golf Club, which was added to the Parish Council website for residents’ information. For those residents who may not be aware of this offer, please see the information below:

*Following engagement with HS2 and as part of the reconfiguration of the golf course Ingestre Park Golf Club would like to offer all residents of Ingestre and Tixall social membership free of charge. This would allow residents of the villages to have access to the bar and restaurant facilities at the club and as such the clubhouse can then be seen as an asset for the use of the community as a whole.*

*Social membership would also allow residents to be able to use the facilities for private functions such as weddings, birthday celebrations etc subject to availability.*

*We believe that residents would like to have this opportunity and we would like to promote this opportunity via yourselves and feel this could be achieved via your parish newsletter and via your web site.*

*The golf club’s new membership year starts on 1st April and it would seem sensible if this could be promoted to coincide.*

*I would suggest that any resident who wishes to avail themselves of this opportunity either contacts the office at the club and speak to Sarah Sharp ( the club manager) or Louise Upton ( managers assistant) on telephone 01889 270845 option 1 to record their details and interest or they email their details to* *office@ingestregolf.co.uk* *and they will issue cards to verify their membership and said card will also provide access to the clubhouse.*

**The Parish Council sees this as a very generous offer from the Golf Club and hopes that residents will sign up and take advantage of this offer.**

**Village Hall Update**

**Tixall & Ingestre Village Hall 100-Club update**

The 100-club has had the following draws:

**February:**

* 1st prize of £25 was won by Steve Pitt
* 2nd prize of £10 was unsold
* 3rd prize of £5 was won by Yvonne Howell

**March:**

* 1st prize of £25 was won by Nicky Grainger
* 2nd prize of £10 was won by Margaret Collier
* 3rd prize of £5 was won by Kate Greatholder

**April:**

* 1st prize of £25 was unsold
* 2nd prize of £10 was won by Lars Enocson
* 3rd prize of £5 was won by Fiona Ramsay

**There are still numbers available to sign for at £12.00 per year, which should be paid for in June, preferably by standing order.**

Craft Sales & Coffee Mornings with soup lunch are going well, held on each 2nd Saturday morning, from **10.00am until 12.30pm**. Do come to meet neighbours, buy cakes, cushions, jams also re-cycle books & jigsaws.

**As parishioners may well be aware the Village Hall has been well restored and decorated, it has new blinds and a new floor finish. It is now fully back in use and taking bookings – please contact Sheila Sindrey if interested on 01785 663767.**

**Church News**

**Please find details below of Church Services in Ingestre and Tixall from May to September:**

**Sunday Services in Ingestre**

**Ingestre – St Mary the Virgin Services**

* 8 May at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 22 May at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* **12 June at 6:00pm - Holy Communion**
* **26 June at 10.30am - Celebration at St John the Baptist, Stafford**
* 10July at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 24July at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 14 August at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 28 August at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 11 September at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 25September at 11:15am - Harvest Festival

**Sunday Services in Tixall**

**Tixall – St John the Baptist Service**

* 1May at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 15 May at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 5June at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 19June at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 3 July at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 17July at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 7 August at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* 21 August at 11:15am - Morning Prayer
* 4 September at 11:15am - Holy Communion
* **18 September at 6:00pm - Harvest Festival**

For more information contact the Church office 01785 253493

**Updates from Stafford Borough Council**

Report from Ward Councillor Frances Beatty is attached for your information.

Article on Stafford in the World is attached for your information.

Please see Press Release on Climate Change – [press release](https://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/news/climate-change-panel-stafford-borough-choose-first-ever-co-chairs)

**Updates from Staffordshire County Council**

**“Aiming High” programme**

The County Council is relaunching its “Aiming High” programme of activities and short breaks for children/young people aged 0-18 years with a special educational need/disability (SEND) who live in Staffordshire.

The great news is that the children do not need an Educational Health and Care (ECHP) to book onto the activities. It is recognised that many families are struggling to get a diagnosis. The activities are designed to build confidence and independence and cover a range of abilities from autism to being physically disabled.

Some activities are open to the whole family while other activities are suitable for children and young people to attend independently.  At least one free activity is available every month with extra during the school holidays. Activities include sensory experiences, day trips, sports, youth clubs, nature and outdoor activities and much more. For more information, please visit [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/aiminghigh](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/aiminghigh)

Information has already been posted on:

* Facebook SEND Local Offer page:  [(8) Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/StaffordshireSENDLocalOffer/photos/a.286430805613951/1022154448708246)
* Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StaffordshireCC/status/1509802774682345472>
* Instagram: [Staffordshire County Council (@staffordshirecountycouncil) • Instagram photos and videos](https://www.instagram.com/p/CbzQzfqs7ym/)

**LOCAL INFORMATION OF INTEREST**

**Trent Sow Press Release**

Please find a link to a Press Release, that has been shared by HS2, on the Trent Sow Group and its confirmation of the environmental related projects it will commence with from the HS2 funding contribution.

<https://mediacentre.hs2.org.uk/news/hs2-funds-major-new-environmental-project-in-staffordshire>

**Parish Council website**

Please visit the Parish Council website for information of meetings, etc

<https://www.ingestrewithtixallparishcouncil.co.uk>

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