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PARISH CHAIR



Cllr Gareth Brunt

As the year draws to a close, I wish to extend to you all my sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This has been a year of considerable turbulence within government, yet Fulford Parish Council had remained steadfast in its duty to support and represent the Parish to the very best of its ability. The stability and dedication of this Council continue to provide reassurance and service to our community during uncertain times.

After another year of dedicated service, I would like to thank all councillors for their commitment and the generous time they give – after all, they do so entirely as volunteers.

My thanks also go to Mark and Sam (Village Wardens), who each work a few hours a week to support the Councils efforts and of course a particular heartfelt thank you must be given to our excellent Clerk Gemma, whose tireless work and commitment provide this Parish with nothing less than 100% and more.

I would also like to record gratitude to the residents who took the time to complete and return the Neighbourhood Plan Survey. The level of response exceeded expectations, and the information gathered will be of great value in guiding future planning. It is our hope that the outcome will reflect what is genuinely needed within our community, rather than measures imposed from outside. The data findings will be published in the Parish Spring 26 newsletter.

On behalf of the Council, I thank you all for your continued commitment and support.

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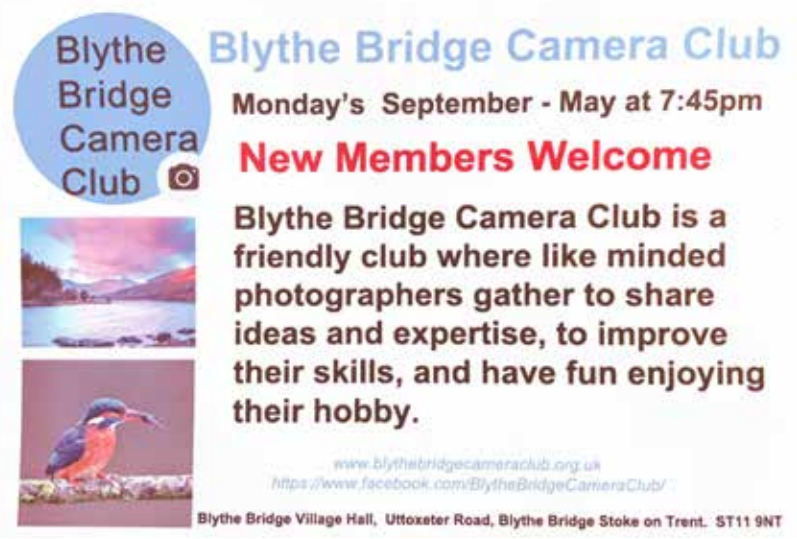
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Saverley Green Picnic



The biannual Saverley Green picnic on the Green took place on Sunday 24th August when, fortunately, the weather was still in heatwave mode.

Once again, it was an opportunity for neighbours and friends to get together in pleasant surroundings to share snacks, drinks and conviviality.



This event takes place on the Sundays of the May and August Bank Holiday weekends and is organised by two ladies, life-long friends, both born in Saverley Green and still living there as close neighbours.

Mrs Pat Shotton and Mrs Margaret Mountford were first motivated to get neighbours together on the Green in 2012 to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and they have not looked back since!

Community spirit is alive and well in Saverley Green thanks to the efforts of these two inspiring ladies.

Cllr S White

Flower Festival and Photographic Display

Over the August bank holiday, St. Nicholas Church marked the 200th anniversary of its current building with a vibrant Flower Festival and a display celebrating the history of the village. The festival's theme, "Celebrating Village Life," was expressed through beautiful floral arrangements representing local community activities. From the moment the doors opened, visitors arrived from across the parish and beyond to enjoy the occasion. A special celebratory service was held on Sunday morning, led by the Rt Revd Jan McFarlane, Dean of Lichfield, alongside Revd Lucinda, with music from the Fulford Community Choir.





Across the three days, hundreds of people came to admire the flowers, explore the photographic history, and enjoy the refreshments on offer. The event was made possible thanks to the skilled contributions of arrangers from the Leek Floral Art Society and nearby villages, as well as the support of volunteers, sponsors, and the Fulford Parish Council. Organizers expressed deep gratitude to all involved in creating such a memorable celebration.



The photographic exhibition highlighted the church's long history, dating back to the construction of the present building in 1825. Visitors could explore photographs, newspaper cuttings, and documents illustrating the life of the church and the many fundraising events held over the years.

The display also showcased the wider village community and its close ties to the church, offering guests the chance to reflect on two centuries of shared history while enjoying drinks and cakes in the church annexe.

Fulford Village Hall

On the 11th April this year Fulford Village Hall Committee applied to the National Lottery Community Fund for a grant to help towards funding the much needed replacement floor in the main hall of the village hall.

We are delighted to announce that the application has been accepted and that the National Lottery Community Fund has awarded Fulford Village Hall £19,317 to help, as they say, our "community thrive". The funding is very close to the full cost of the work necessary, and members of the Management Committee are hugely appreciative to the National Lottery Community Fund for the financial support it continues to give our Village Hall.

Fulford Community Choir

Fulford Choir was set up over 12 years ago at the suggestion of one of St Nicholas' parishioners and under the enthusiastic leadership of Dan Hollingshurst continues to go from strength to strength.



With over 50 regular members, the choir enjoys fortnightly Sunday afternoon rehearsals in Fulford Village Hall and as well as their regular performances in the village hall and Church, has also had wonderful concert opportunities in Lichfield Cathedral, Sandon Hall, the Victoria Hall Hanley and Middleport Pottery amongst others.



As well as the large choir, smaller groups from choir also sing in care homes, in Church and occasionally at weddings.

As with the main choir these choirs (called the Willows Choir, St Nicholas' Singers and of course the Wedding Choir!) are open to anyone from choir.

Fulford Choir is for everyone wherever you live, whatever your age or ability. You do not have to have had any previous experience, you do not have to read music, you will not be asked to sing a solo or have an audition. If you have ever wondered whether you can sing and would like to give it a try, just get in touch and come along! You will find a friendly, warm and welcoming environment and most of all, you will have fun!

If you are interested please visit our website: www.fulfordcommunitychoir.com, message us on fulfordcommunitychoir@gmail.com or text Wendy on 07890 996798



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Walking the 'Arf for Fulford CFRs

One of our Community First Responders took on a big challenge to raise money for Fulford and District CFRs. On 28th September, Jonathan Hore, completed the Potters 'Arf Marathon Walk not only in full CFR uniform but also while carrying a 10kg response bag!



Jonathan said: "It's a great opportunity to raise the profile of our CFR group and hopefully bring in some extra funds to support the work we do in our community. Our 62-plate Skoda is getting a bit tired now, so we are desperately trying to raise enough money to purchase a new vehicle and continue to provide life-saving care to our local community."

Its not too late to show your support and help make a difference to Fulford CFRs via his JustGiving page:

http://www.justgiving.com/page/jonathan-hore

We got really WILD at Grindley Park again this summer



Thanks to funding from both Fulford Parish Council and SPACE which is driven by the Staffordshire Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner, Staffordshire Wildlife Trust were able to run GetWild sessions at Grindley Park for a second summer.

This year we were able to run even more sessions enabling more young people to #GetWild!

The GetWild sessions are outdoor activities similar to Forest School for 8-16 year olds without their parents.

During the sessions the young people had the option to take part in a range of activities from shelter building, wildlife

identification, fire lighting to natural crafts.

Those that attended had fun and made lots of memories and we received lots of lovely feedback such as: *I enjoyed 'clay & fire lighting & stick whittling', 'its fun!- the clay and climbing trees', I got to 'come with a friend'.* One young person who attended said that the sessions were a *'good breath of fresh air and not staying indoors and doing nothing'.*



Aimee Burrows Wildchild Engagement Lead for Staffordshire Wildlife Trust said *'It has been great to be able to deliver a second summer of GetWild sessions at Grindley Park. Thank you to both Fulford Parish Council and SPACE for seeing the value in the sessions and funding us for another summer. The sessions gave*



those who attended the freedom to try new things, get mucky and play outside. The young people who have attended have been an absolute delight and it has been lovely to see returning faces.'

Thanks to the success of the sessions over the summer and subject to further funding we hope to be back in summer 2026 for more GetWild sessions!

Photo credit- Susan Koszak

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Hilderstone Road Speed Campaign

It's been a very busy time, here on the campaign trail! With the help of our amazing Community, we have been mentioned in Parliament and have finally managed to reach 1000 signatures for our petition.



This was helped significantly by the fact that we were featured on BBC Midlands Today. They filmed us and put together a nine-minute feature, explaining our concerns, which really raised our profile.

On Monday 22nd September, I presented our petition, along with a Powerpoint presentation full of facts and data, to Peter Mason, the Cabinet Member for Highways for Staffordshire County Council. Supporting me were Dr Allison Gardner MP, Cllr Sean Baggeley and Cllr Alec Sandiford.

The meeting went well, we had commitments which is very positive but we need to keep the pressure on. The next step is a feasibility study, so watch this space.



Once again, thanks to our amazing Community who have helped to make this happen. Onwards and upwards!

Penny Meakin
Chair, Hilderstone Road Speed Campaign

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Shuttle Bus to Stone – Use it or Lose it!

Since June 2024, the Parish Council has been subsidising a monthly shuttle bus to Stone. Unfortunately, uptake has been low, and we risk losing this valuable service if it isn't used. This bus is here to support our community – whether it's for shopping, appointments, or just a day out. Please help spread the word so that all residents know about it and can make the most of this facility.

Remember: If you don't use it, you may lose it!





Outward timings	
Blythe Bridge Flats, Uttoxeter Road - bus shelter	10:00
Stallington Road, Stallington - bus shelter	10:05
Fulford Village Hall, Fulford Road - bus shelter	10:20
Windmill Pub, Meir Heath - car park	10:26
Morrisons, Stone - car park	10:50
Marks & Spencers, Stone - layby near Canoe Club	11:00

Return timings	
Marks & Spencers, Stone - layby near Canoe Club	13:00
Morrisons, Stone - car park	13:10
Windmill Pub, Meir Heath - car park	13:30
Fulford Village Hall, Fulford Rd - bus shelter	13:36
Stallington Rod, Stallington - bus shelter	13:42
Blythe Bridge Flats, Uttoxeter Road - bus shelter	13:47

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR

An Update from County Councillor Sean Bagguley

How we're working with utility companies to reduce community roadworks.

The county council has written to utility companies asking them to get behind its new approach to roadworks. This letter sets out the council's approach, and how it will impose stricter rules on utility companies who need access to the road network and use fines to encourage compliance.

Current legislation prioritises utility works and third-party access to road networks, often with very little notice given to county councils. Staffordshire County Council wants to work with utility companies to ensure their work is completed as quickly as possible, and to a sufficient standard. To address congestion caused by roadworks on major networks in Staffordshire, Staffordshire County Council is refraining from adding any new non-essential works in heavily disrupted areas, unless it can be shown that the works will not further impact key routes.

Emergency works such as water/gas leaks will still go ahead as these cannot be stopped, but the authority has asked the major utility companies to reduce how long they take in repairing them. You can find out more here: County Council asks utility companies to back roadworks campaign - Staffordshire County Council Newsroom

Clearing gullies and drains in your area and tackling flooded roads

Staffordshire has a well-maintained road drainage system with more than 165,000 gullies. Additional county council highways maintenance funding this financial year includes covering gully clearance.

Normally for gully clearance, the teams use data collated on silt levels and road classification to prioritise routine clearing and is at least done on an annual basis on A and B roads.

In Fulford Parish, higher priority roads include Hilderstone Road and Windmill Hill where gullies are cleared at least once a year (this year in March and July respectively), while for others it is every two years such as Saverley Green and Fulford Dale.

In September, our teams were clearing gullies in Fulford Road and Saverley Green. However, highway teams are ready to respond to clear floodwater and unblock gullies on an ad hoc basis where necessary and the teams are always grateful where residents let them know there is a particular problem. The teams still need to prioritise call-outs where there is more traffic. People can report issues on the county council's highways webpage.

As safety is an absolute priority, they will close roads where flooding has occurred if needed and at short notice. With any adverse weather, people should always drive to the conditions and with extra care.

Responsibility for flood reduction generally is through partnership working by the county and district/borough councils, water companies and landowners. The county council coordinates ongoing flood risk management and works with parish councils on specific flooding issues.

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DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Working Hard for Our Villages – An Update from Councillor Alec Sandiford

Protecting the Windmill – Our Local Heritage

Heritage at Risk

The Windmill is a cherished part of our local history and must be protected for future generations. Sadly, over the years its condition has deteriorated well below the standards required of a listed building. The brewery, who are responsible for the site, have a legal duty to ensure it does not fall into disrepair.

I have asked the Borough Council's conservation officer to contact the owners and remind them of their responsibilities. If no action is taken, the Council has the power to step in and enforce the necessary works. Our heritage is too important to lose, and I will continue to press for the Windmill to be properly cared for.

Protecting Our Greenbelt and Village Identity

Standing Up for Villages

With the Government changing the national planning framework, it is more important than ever that we safeguard our greenbelt. Unsuitable developments put pressure on our communities, increasing flooding risks, straining infrastructure, and damaging the rural character of our villages.

I continue to campaign against inappropriate building on greenbelt land. I have urged both the Borough Council and our MP to challenge why brownfield sites are not prioritised instead. With the number of brownfield areas already allocated locally and nationally, housing targets can be met without sacrificing our countryside. Protecting our rural identity and beautiful green spaces will always remain one of my top priorities.

Protecting Our Community – Traveller Site Update

Working Together for the Right Outcome

The process to remove the unauthorised traveller development on Stallington Road is ongoing. A planning decision is due shortly and enforcement action is already under way.

Because this is a part-legal matter, I cannot disclose every detail without risking the outcome. However, I want to reassure residents that I am working closely with the Borough Council, legal teams, and local people to reach the right result.

I would like to thank the residents of Stallington for their resilience and determination throughout this process. Together, we will get there.

Working Hard for You All Year Round

Getting Things Done Locally

As your Borough Councillor, I pride myself on working hard all year round, keeping residents updated and getting things done.
I have been:

- Standing up against inappropriate development.

- Keeping the area clean and tidy, reporting issues such as blocked drains, grids, and potholes.- Installing new bins and tackling anti-social behaviour, including the removal of dangerous garages that were being misused.

- Working with the police to arrange mobile drop-in clinics, with more to be announced soon.

I am proud to have issued a Section 56 notice which forced repairs at Windmill Hill, finally restoring a functioning road. I've been busy on planning disputes and enforcement cases, ensuring everyone plays by the same rules.

The campaign to reduce speeding on Hilderstone Road has also taken a positive step forward with the recent petition hand-in. Meanwhile, I continue to campaign against unfair maintenance fees charged by management companies who provide little or no service in return.

Strengthening Enforcement – Closing Loopholes

Closing Loopholes, Protecting Communities

My work on enforcement matters has shown me that the current system does not go far enough. Too often, unsuitable developments drag on because loopholes are exploited, prolonging the misery for residents.

I am campaigning for the Government to close these loopholes and give enforcement officers stronger powers. When issues reach enforcement level, they should be dealt with swiftly, with perpetrators made to put things right and pay the costs.

If enforcement officers are not seen to have 'teeth', the wrong people will take advantage. By strengthening enforcement and closing loopholes, we can protect our communities and send a clear message that the rules apply to everyone. I will continue pressing for these much-needed changes.

I am proud to represent our community and will always stand up for our villages. If there's ever anything I can do to help, please contact me on 07950 513706 or at alec@alecsandiford.org.uk.

LOCAL POLICE

STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

A safer Staffordshire

Your local officers

Stone Town

Oulton, Barlaston, Fulford, St Michael's & Stonefield and Walton



PCSO 25565
Megan Rogers



PCSO 8849
Rebecca Davies



PCSO 28240
Neil Moffatt

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Emergency 999

staffordshirepolice

@staffspolice

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Catch up with your local officers

Do you have concerns or queries about policing in your local area? We're here to listen.
Drop in and chat to your local officers:

On Saturday 17/01/2026
At the following Locations

1pm -1.30pm Swynnerton Arms Car Park
1.45pm – 2.15pm Windmill Car park Meir Heath
2.30pm – 3.00pm Ridgeway drive
3.15pm – 3.45pm Stallington
4.00pm – 4.30pm Fulford village Hall

#CatchUpWithYourPCSO

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STONE RAMBLERS



News from the Stone Ramblers and 'Walk of the Month'

Welcome the third of our regular features from the Stone Ramblers.

Well, three heatwaves in one summer, that is amazing! Here at the Stone Ramblers, the heat hasn't deterred us from walking, including an extremely hot walk up to Mam Tor and an overnight stay in Castleton! We've continued to walk twice a week and as usual have walked in many beautiful places.

We have recently celebrated 30 wonderful years of walking together and birthday celebrations took place at the beautiful Boar Inn in Moddershall. It was a fabulous day. We completed a walk and then went back for a superb buffet and we also raised £262 for the Air Ambulance Charity.

This month's walk is a lovely, local five mile walk and is taken from one of the three free walks that we give away when we have our market stall in town. Please remember to wear strong footwear, take a hat and plenty of fluids with you.
Stone – Pirehill – Aston

This walk goes through Walton, with an easy section and a more strenuous return leg, across fields to Aston by Stone, ending along the Trent and Mersey Canal. Be warned there are several stiles! It is approximately 5 miles and should take approximately 2.5 hours.

1.Walk from the Sports Centre across the field to the gate to the right of the Stafford and Stone Canoe Club. Turn left and cross the River Trent by the old road bridge. Keep to the left-hand path in front of the cottages and turn left into Stafford Road and continue ahead until you meet the A34.

2. Cross the dual carriageway by the footbridge and continue on the asphalt path to Tilling Drive. Turn left and in 100 metres, turn right into Beacon Rise. In 200 metres turn right at the safety barrier into the end of the cul-de-sac with three bungalows on your right. At the end of the bungalows, turn right into Hill Crescent and keeping to the left, find the path between two houses on the right-hand side at the top of the cul-de-sac. Follow the path until it meets the boundary fence of Walton Priory Middle School. Continue uphill past a bus shelter to a T-junction on to Pirehill Lane.

3. Turn left and follow Pirehill Lane, continuing uphill past Oak Farm and then New House Farm on the left. Pass the barns and farmhouse of North Pirehill Farm and immediately look for a footpath on your left and cross the stile.

4. Walk down the middle of the field to the gate in the hedge at the bottom. Ahead of you are Staffordshire Fire and Rescue buildings. At the gate, bear left to the bridge in the corner of the field. Cross and turn right up the hedge 20 metres

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to the double stile in the hedge on your right. Cross and walk up the field with the hedge on your left to the stile. Admire the views across to Stone on your left. Cross the stile and proceed straight ahead to the stile and onto the tarmac track.

5. Cross the stile opposite and walk diagonally left to a stile in the fence, crossing into the next field diagonally left to the gap between two adjacent trees. Cross into the next field and keeping the hedge on your left, proceed into a grassy lane, which leads to the A34 and the old Crown Inn.

6. Cross the A34 with great care and go down Aston Lane. After 200 metres turn left into Bowers Lane. Pass Willowdale and bear right and then turn right into a small close of houses. At No.2, turn left and follow the path to the right and cross the rickety stile bridge and stile into a field. Bear left to a kissing gate. Cross the field ahead to the far corner, a brick wall around Aston Hall. Observe Aston Farm on your left. Turn right and with the wall on your right, follow to the gate in the corner. Go onto the road.

7. Turn left for 100 metres, passing the old Aston School and turn right passing the entrance to the church. Cross the River Trent and after 100 metres turn right round a barn conversion onto the Trent and Mersey canal towpath.

8. Turn left after Bridge 90 and follow back to Westbridge Park, passing under the A51 road bridge and canal bridges 91 and 92.

We should make you aware that changes can occur to footpaths, so please let us know if you spot any that we have missed.

If you would like to join us, please have a look at our website www.stoneramblers.org for more details and come along!

We have had several new members joining us recently, which is fantastic. Once again, thank you to our wonderful volunteers and happy walking!

Penny Meakin, Chair, Stone Ramblers.

STONE - PIREHILL - ASTON WALK



GENERAL NEWS

VE Day

This year, we wanted to do something truly special — to celebrate VE Day while also giving something back to our community.



Fulford Parish Council organised a celebration to mark the occasion, inviting everyone aged 80 and over to join us for an afternoon of reminiscence, companionship, and joy. A splendid afternoon tea buffet was laid out, and we were delighted to welcome a Vera Lynn look-alike singer to provide the entertainment.



Our guests arrived dressed for the occasion, full of enthusiasm and excitement. The atmosphere was electric, especially when the singer began performing much-loved classics, including *We'll Meet Again* and *The White Cliffs of Dover.* The room erupted in rapturous applause, and before long, everyone was up on their feet, dancing together.

It was an emotional and heart-warming sight — as though the clock had been turned back, bringing treasured memories to life once again.

Cllr Carol Baskin

A Huge Thank You to Our Amazing Litter Pickers!

Fulford Parish is looking its best thanks to the incredible efforts of our dedicated litter pickers. Your hard work helps keep our community clean, safe, and beautiful for everyone to enjoy — and we are truly grateful!

If you'd like to get involved or need litter-picking equipment, please contact the Parish Clerk:

clerk@fulfordparishcouncil.gov.uk
07946 169337

Together, we can keep Fulford shining!

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VILLAGE HALLS

Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall (registered charity 506032)

Monday

0900-1500	Available to hire
1700-2000	Karate
	Contact Carol 07947771772

Tuesday

1000-1100	Yoga *Contact Jan 07765966911*
Afternoon	NHS Diabetes Class
1900-2030	Allsorts Choir *Contact Tracy 07585892598*

Wednesday

0900-1100	Slimming World
	Contact Nicola 07758517815
1300-1500	Dougie Mac
2000-2200	Stone Fencing Club
	Contact stonefencingclub.co.uk

Thursday

Afternoon	NHS Diabetes Class
1900-2000	Keep Fit
	Contact Jackie 07977466004

Friday & Sunday

0900-Midnight	Available to hire

Saturday

0900-0000	Available to hire

Available for public use
Fees £20 per hour

For booking enquiries contact the booking officer on 07864015187
or email mhrcvillagehall@gmail.com

www.meirheathandroughclosevillagehall.co.uk

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Fulford Village Hall (registered charity 522663)

LITTLE LEARNERS
(Fulford Pre-school) operates during school term time.
Monday to Friday 0700 - 1600
Contact Amy Colclough on 07736575036

Monday

1100-1300	Knit & Natter *Contact Jan 07972 817309 (Alternate weeks)*
1800-1900	YOGA *Contact Noel Beckhill 07546 360095*
	For any ability, beginners welcome. Stretch out and improve your posture and mobility.

Tuesday

1000-1200	Art Club
	Contact J Barnard 01782 393141
1900-2100	Patchwork and Quilting
	Contact Jane 01889505738
2000-2200	Medieval re-enactment
	Contact Adrian 07760177776

Wednesday

1900-2000	Badminton
	Contact Sheila 07981 549013

Thursday

1000-1200	Village Residents' Coffee Morning
	Every 3rd Thursday
1630-2000	Bluebells Dance Classes
	Contact Louise 07813184225
2000-2230	Indoor bowls
	Contact Martin 01782 397629

Friday

1000-1200	Table Tennis
	Contact Sheila 07981 549013

For booking enquiries contact
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VILLAGE RESIDENTS Coffee Morning
3rd Thursday of each month, 1000 – 1200
Contact J Conlon 01782 388784

Fulford Community Choir
Meet regularly for Choir Practice during the week and also weekend concerts.
Contact: fulfordcommunitychoir@gmail.com

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Fulford Village Hall Christmas Fair

SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER
1 pm - 4 pm

Meet Santa in his Grotto

Festive Stalls for all your Christmas Presents

Grab some refreshments.
Adults £1, Children go free!



Fulford Parish Christmas Celebrations

Fulford Parish Council is spreading festive cheer this December with a series of free community events – and you're warmly invited!

Christmas Gathering at St Francis Church

Friday 5th December
4:00pm – 6:00pm
St Francis Church, Meir Heath

Come along and enjoy a cosy afternoon of tea, mince pies, and Christmas carols. Keep your eyes peeled – Santa may even make a surprise appearance! This is a free event for all parish residents, young and old, so bring your festive spirit and join the fun.

Community Christmas Tree Dressing

This year, the Parish Council is bringing Christmas sparkle to every corner of Fulford with community Christmas trees. Look out for notices on your local board or on social media for details of when your area will be decorating its tree. It's the perfect chance to celebrate, connect, and share in the season together.

A First for Saverley Green

Saverley Green residents are invited to the inaugural decorating of our first permanent Christmas tree:

Saturday 29th November, 11:00am
by the village noticeboard

The Parish Council has provided and planted the tree, and will supply decorations (though any extra you'd like to bring are very welcome). Festive refreshments will also be served to make this a memorable occasion.

Let's come together as a community to celebrate the season and make Fulford Parish shine bright this Christmas.

Thanks for your support.

Sue White. Parish Councillor.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Dates for next Parish Council Meetings

Thursday 8th January 2026
Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall

Thursday 12th February 2026
Fulford Village Hall

Thursday 12th March 2026
Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall

Thursday 9th April 2026
Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall

Thursday 14th May 2026
Fulford Village Hall
Annual Meeting 1800
Full Council 1915

Thursday 11th June 2026
Meir Heath and Rough Close Village Hall

Note: All meetings start at 7.15 pm with an opportunity for any local government elector from the parish to ask questions of the Parish Council relating to any parish issue. At the formal meeting, which follows at 7.30 pm, these matters will then be considered; the public may also attend but are not allowed to join the debate. Alternatively, write to the Clerk so that the matter can be raised at Fulford Council.

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111

Electricity Issues
105

The Samaritans
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Staffordshire Mental Health Helpline
0808 800 2234

Crimestoppers
0800 555 111

StreetScene
01785 619000

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