



# Shipston Forum

shipstontowncouncil.org

June 2022

## Jubilee beacon preparations



A team of volunteers have assembled a beacon to be lit for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee on the evening of Thursday 2nd June.

The Beacon at Whaddon Farm will be one of over 2,022 lit by charities, communities and faith groups all over the UK.



## Marianne Westwood elected Mayor of Shipston

At the Annual Meeting of the Town Council on 9th May, Cllr Marianne Westwood was elected as Mayor for the 2022-23 municipal year. Her husband Eddie Mott, will serve as the Mayor's consort.

## Springing into Summer!

What an amazing time of year this is – a season of transition when all of nature puts its energies towards thriving and surviving into the future. I love hearing and seeing the garden birds busily engaged in rearing their young. A goldfinch has just been feeding its fluttering little chick beside our pond.

The pond itself is coming back to life with several water lily buds and we even have a tiny newt who's taken up residence.



Hedgehogs came out of their Winter hibernation quite early in the year and now we're seeing 3 or 4 on our night-cam who come in regularly for their food. The wildflower seeds we sowed in March have germinated strongly and we're looking forward to an array of flowers which will support more insects.

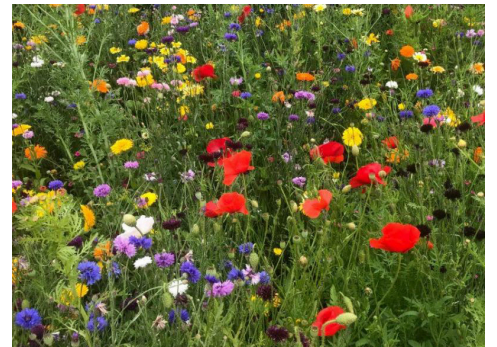
And, joy of joys, the first of Shipston's swifts and house martins arrived this morning (9th May)! We're eagerly watching for 'ours' to return to their nest boxes and anticipating a successful



breeding season for them. Swift Awareness Week starts on July 2nd. Do join me on a "Swift Evening Walk" which I will lead on Friday 8th July. Contact me to find out more.

Meanwhile, let's do all we can to help nature's recovery in our gardens :

- No pesticides or herbicides
- Allow hedgehog highways & drive gently at night
- Let your garden live a little on the wild side and enjoy your discoveries.



Can you identify this insect?

Jacey Jackson - 01608 661288



## Mayor's column

Hello all of Shipston.

Before I say anything else I want to thank Cllr Ian Cooper and his Mayoress Tina Cooper for all the work they have done over the last year for Shipston.

As a couple, and separately, they have been great ambassadors for Shipston and taken the news of our fabulous, and often forgotten town, out to all the far reaches of Warwickshire.

I would also like to thank them both for their support of me during my role as Deputy Mayor.

Ian has kindly mentored me as I adjusted to my new responsibilities. He has helped me manage the increased workload and supported me on the very steep learning curve that's needed once you take on these roles.

I have been very lucky with some of the other mentors I have worked with over my years as a Town Councillor. When I became a Councillor someone told me that if I used Fay Ivens as a role model I couldn't go wrong. It's impossible to follow this advice completely, as she is unique, but I know she is still working very hard in the Town, making sure Shipston is dementia friendly and with the Shipston health and well-being partnership and I'd like to support these initiatives by making them my charities for my year as Mayor.

Two other strong and wonderful influences for me have been Sheelagh Saunders and Ronnie Murphy. Sheelagh and I shared the chair of the council's Heritage, Amenities and Leisure Projects working group in the past. She is a wonderful person to work with, kind and so knowledgeable. We have just made a big step forward in making the area by the River Stour into a much better area and more family-friendly. This was a vision of Sheelagh's and I look forward to seeing it progress this year.

Ronnie has just stepped down as a Councillor to have some well-earned quality time with her family. You all know the hard work that Ronnie has done over the years with the Wool Fair, the Town Band and the Sports Club. She has worked tirelessly behind the scenes too and has been very supportive to me personally.

I miss these three women very much but I am pleased to be working with Jo Barker, Hilary Kelly and Shirley Madams. I think the voices of women in Local government are so important and I think I am very lucky to have such strong and positive women to work with.

I'm very much looking forward to the Jubilee, Proms and Pride events that are coming up very fast in June. Look out for me in my chair. I am easy to spot and want to hear about all the people in our lovely town.

**Marianne Westwood, Mayor of Shipston**



## Could you be one of Shipston's new Councillors?

Shipston Town Council currently has a number of town Councillor vacancies and would like to hear from anyone interested in becoming a community leader by representing the views of Shipston residents.

We are looking for people who would like to become more involved in influencing and shaping the future of our town by improving the environment and services available in Shipston and the surrounding area. Shipston Town Council is an elected body of Councillors, including a Mayor and Deputy Mayor, who are supported by a town clerk and assistant. It is the first tier of government providing services on behalf of the residents of the town.

Please feel free to contact any of the current Councillors (see page 15) to discuss what is required for this role and how you may be able to volunteer around your current commitments and/or contact the Town Clerk to register your expression of interest including details of your skills, interests and passions.

## Live art exhibitions make a welcome return!

Warwickshire Open Studios is an annual event and this year is a true celebration of the variety and quality of visual art across all mediums in Shipston and surrounding towns and villages. With over 400 Artists opening up their doors to the public between Saturday 18 June and Sunday 3 July, admission is free, so a great way to spend some time meeting the Artists and enjoy seeing what they have been creating during the pandemic. It is the largest annual art event in Warwickshire. From bars to churches, galleries to gazebos, halls to garages, you'll find amazing original art presented by the local talented creators.

You can be sure of a very warm welcome 'in person' this year, which will make Warwickshire Open Studios 2022 very special for all of us.

[www.warwickshireopenstudios.org](http://www.warwickshireopenstudios.org)



Shipston artist Heather Bailey is one of the hundreds of artists opening their doors to the public. For further details, including her studio opening hours, please visit <https://www.warwickshireopenstudios.org/summer/2022/heather-bailey>

## News from Shipston Town Council's May meeting

### Election of Mayor for 2022-23

Cllr Paul Tesh nominated Cllr Marianne Westwood and the motion was seconded by Cllr John Dinnie. The motion was unanimously agreed and Cllr Marianne Westwood was elected as Mayor for 2022-23.



### Election of Deputy Mayor for 2022-23

Newly elected Mayor Cllr Marianne Westwood nominated Cllr Gerry Kelly and the motion was seconded by Cllr Ian Cooper. The motion was unanimously agreed and Cllr Gerry Kelly was elected as Deputy Mayor for 2022-23.

### Approval of Policies

Councillors unanimously approved Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and the Terms of Reference for the Planning Committee.

### Cllr Ian Cooper reflects on his year as Mayor

Following the election of his replacement, outgoing Town Mayor Cllr Ian Cooper addressed the meeting, reflecting on his year in office. He noted how it has been a very different experience to when he previously served as Mayor in 2018-19 and that the Council had managed to achieve a great deal during the year, despite restrictions and the need to change working practices, expressing gratitude to the Councillors and community groups for their hard work in delivering an ambitious agenda.

Urging everyone to provide their full support to the newly elected Town Mayor, he emphasised the need for the town to rebuild relationships following the pandemic, ensuring that Shipston would continue to be recognised as an important rural centre.

Ian thanked his wife Tina for her service as Mayoress, noting the challenge of balancing full time work with civic commitments and that she had proven to be an excellent ambassador for the town.

He also expressed his gratitude for the work of Helen, the Town Clerk and Diane, the Administration Officer, who had been working hard to help the Council adjust to new regulations and their essential role in the delivery of many projects.



**talkdementia.uk**

**"Our dementia friendly cafes offer tea & coffee, a chat, friendship & support for people living with dementia, carers, family & friends"**

Shipston Lodge CV36 4QG - Every Tuesday 10.30am - 12.30pm  
 Wellesbourne Village Hall CV35 9NH - Every Wednesday 2pm - 4pm  
 Tysoe Village Hall CV35 0SE - Every Friday 10am - 12 noon  
 Compton Verney CV35 9HZ - 1st Tuesday of month 10.30am - 12.30pm



**Heather & Paul Dowler**  
**Dementia Carer Experience Shared**  
 Telephone: 01295 688376 - email: talkdementia@mail.com

Further information is available on our website: [talkdementia.uk](http://talkdementia.uk)

## Regular Events

### Saturday

**Lego Club:** Shipston Library. 10am and 11am.

### Monday

**Shipston Cycling:** Women-Only Rides, 6.30pm, Bridge Car Park

### Tuesday

**Seated Exercise Class:** 10am Townsend Hall and 11.15am Rainbow Fields

**Dementia Café:** Shipston Lodge, 10.30am-12pm

**Lego Club:** Shipston Library, 3.30pm

### Wednesday

**Dementia Friendly Café:** 10.30am-12.30pm, Shipston Lodge

**New Age Kurling:** 2pm, Townsend Hall

### Friday

**Walks with a friendly group:** 10am Mill car park. Call Marleen 01608 663616

**Wellbeing Coffee Morning:** 10am-12.30pm, Townsend Hall.

## What's On Calendar - June 2022

**1-30 Online Charity Art Auction** – see ad on page 5

**1 Shipston Widows:** Local lunch. 12pm. Contact: Barbara Bean 663230

**Shipston on Stour WI:** Speaker, Dalziel Ellis, Music, Songs and Stories Catholic Church Hall, Darlingscote Road at 7pm. Contact Jane Hanks, Secretary on 01608 664519

**4 Arts & Crafts Jubilee Street Market:** 10am-4pm, Sheep Street & The Bury

**7 Shipston Library Reading Group:** 2pm-3pm first Tuesday of each month

**10 Board Games Social Afternoon:** Rainbow Fields – see ad on page 5

**Shipston Stitchers:** The Church Room, Darlingscote Road. Contact Anita Spencer on 01993 832665

**10-25 Shipston Proms:** see ad on page 16

**11 Coffee and Cake Sale:** 10am-2pm Townsend Hall. Proceeds to Shipston Home Nursing.

**Shipston Beer Festival:** 2pm-11pm, Shipston Rugby Club – see ad on page 6

**15 Shipston Widows:** Join us for a friendly and informal get-together. 10.30am - 12pm, The White Bear. For further information, contact Barbara Bean on 663230

**Singing Down Memory Lane:** see ad on page 6

**17 Royal British Legion Social Evening:** The Shipston on Stour Branch meet in the White Bear Inn from 7.30 pm onwards. Do please come and join us and share your stories with like-minded people. For further information contact Alex Black 07789 968733 or [alblack32@hotmail.com](mailto:alblack32@hotmail.com).

**Townsend Hall - Baby Jools and the Jazzaholics:** see ad on page 8

**23 Shipston Music Society:** see ad on page 4

**24 Board Games Social Afternoon:** see ad on page 5

**Shipston Stitchers:** see above

**26 Cantamus:** see ad on page 8

**30 Local Quaker Meeting for Worship**

St Edmund's Church, last Thursday in the month at 2.30pm, followed by tea/coffee, biscuits & chat



## Shipston u3a

The Townsend Hall was almost filled for the April General Meeting by eager established and new u3a members and guests for an illustrated lecture about the varied, famous life of George Eliot delivered by David Paterson, ably assisted by his wife, who read passages from Eliot's writings. Probably we were all aware that "George Eliot" was a non de plume for Mary Ann Evans, born 1819 in rural Warwickshire near Nuneaton where her father was employed as the Manager of Arbury Hall Estate. She went to boarding school aged five and joined her father on the estate at 16 as his assistant at a time when Warwickshire was becoming the hub of massive industrial change. George Eliot continuously improved her knowledge and education through the use of an extensive library at Arbury Hall.

Around 1840 she moved to Coventry with her father and continued to constantly widen her social circle with particular care and a close friendship with Charles Bray who encouraged her writing skills. George Eliot did not meet the conventional image of a Victorian woman and rejected her father's efforts to get her married, but she much enjoyed the company of men who were captivated by her wide knowledge rather than her beauty. In her later fame and fortune, she was spitefully described by a correspondent as "an ugly beauty". We understood that George Eliot asked a man to marry her but was coldly spurned by the man concerned which deeply and adversely affected her. In 1850 following the death of her father, George Eliot moved to the Strand, London and stayed with the family of John Chapman, a publisher who again encouraged her writing skills despite many rumours of a romance with him during her stay. By this time in her life, she had a bad social reputation which tarnished the image and standing of men who had business dealings with her.

In due course, she met George Lewes, a married man with whom George Eliot enjoyed an open life together for many years. It is probable that during this relationship, George Lewes encouraged her to write "Middlemarch" which is usually regarded as her greatest novel. He died and George Eliot met another man, John Walter Cross when she was 60 years of age and he was twenty years her junior. They were married in 1879 and went on their honeymoon to Venice. It was reported that John Cross jumped from their bedroom into the Grand Canal for reasons unknown but he survived.

After a life lived to the full in an unconventional manner and a short marriage, George Eliot died in 1880 leaving seven published novels as a testimony of her writing skills.

*Tom Clifton*



## Tour d'Ilmington

Sunday 3rd July 2022



The ever-popular Rotary Cotswold Tour d'Ilmington has become a major event in the South Warwickshire calendar. This year's incarnation promises to be bigger and better than ever. Enjoy one of the three unique Tour routes. The shorter and less challenging family ride to the much longer ride for the enthusiast, with one in between. Plus the hospitality provided at the Tour HQ and Tour Village at Newbold-on-Stour Village Hall.

Shipston Rotary will again make the Tour as environmentally friendly as possible:

- Riders will be asked, if they can, to cycle to the event, providing they feel safe doing so.
- Riders will be asked to fill up with water at Tour HQ, there will be no water in plastic bottles although support vehicles will have water.
- Bio-degradable cups and plates will also be used and the Rotary will take care when disposing of waste.

To enter please go to: [www.shipstonrotary.co.uk/tour](http://www.shipstonrotary.co.uk/tour)

or simply google: Cotswold tour d'ilmington  
Put Sunday 3rd July in the diary!

## Winning numbers in the April Rotary 100 Club are:

No. 85- First Prize

No. 3- Second Prize

No.8- Third Prize

If you would like to join please contact:

[tonyjont73@hotmail.com](mailto:tonyjont73@hotmail.com)

The more members the bigger the winnings!





**Shipston Proms 2022**  
10 - 25 JUNE  
SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR  
WARWICKSHIRE

SHIPSTON Music Society

Shipston Music Society supported by

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## Vickers Bovey Guitar Duo

Shipston Music Society presents Julian Vickers and Daniel Bovey, who met while studying at the Birmingham Conservatoire, have been described as performers "with astounding exquisiteness" (Sunday Times)

Thursday 23rd June 2022, 7.30pm  
St. Edmund's Church | Shipston on Stour  
Tickets £12.50 | Students £5.00  
SMS members and accompanied children free  
New Members always welcome





**Dr Sue Pritchard Memorial Challenge  
IN SHIPSTON ON STOUR**

In partnership with Sport England and L&Q, the Stour Health & Wellbeing Partnership will be running **FREE** activities in the Stour area including:

**Board Games Social Afternoon -  
Fortnightly Fridays at 2:00pm at Rainbow Fields**

**Fridays available:**  
10 June, 24 June, 8 July, 22 July

A social, fun get together with playing cards and board games.

For further information please email  
juliareeves@everyoneactive.com or call 07514492468

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**Women-Only  
Rides**

 **When: Every Monday  
at 6.30pm**


 **Where: The Bridge Car  
Park,  
Shipston on Stour**

 **Road bike and a well-  
fitting helmet**



 **Flat-ish routes around  
an hour-long ride**

 **Social rides -  
no-one gets left  
behind!**



 These rides are **FREE** -  
however, we do encourage  
you to join our club after a  
couple of rides with us!

Questions? Get in touch via  
our website or social media!  
[www.shipstoncycling.co.uk](http://www.shipstoncycling.co.uk)

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**BELFAST**

**Certificate PG 13-A young boy and his working-class Belfast family experience the tumultuous late 1960s.**

**TOWNSEND HALL**  
**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022 at 7.30pm**  
**Advance Tickets £5.00**  
**From: A. Clarke Electrical, 27 High Street, Shipston On Stour.**

**Raffle and drinks.**

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# DO YOU LIVE IN SHIPSTON

(IF SO YOU COULD  
APPLY FOR A GRANT)



## SHIPSTON-ON-STOUR EDUCATION CHARITY GRANTS FOR 2022/23 ARE YOU A SHIPSTON RESIDENT UNDER 25 YEARS OLD?

You can now apply for an **Educational Grant** to support you if you are due to undertake an Apprenticeship, Professional or Trade qualification or follow a Further or Higher Education course.

If so, you can apply for a **Grant** for the 2022/23 year.

Application forms are now available from the **Shipston Library**.

Or write to **The Clerk to the Trustees, Mr D Squires, Pinnegar House, 49 Telegraph Street, Shipston CV36 4DA** enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

**COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRI 26 AUGUST 2022**



Stour Valley Lions and  
Shipston on Stour Rugby Club  
present



# SHIPSTON BEER FESTIVAL

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm to 11pm**

**Shipston Rugby Club**

Mayo Road, Shipston on Stour CV36 4BH

**Entry: £10 – including souvenir glass and 2 free tokens**



**20 Craft Beers available - £3 per pint**

**plus Champagne and Prosecco Bar**

**Live Music**

**Hot Food**



*Children's entertainment with Calypso Kids from 2.15pm*

**Find us on Facebook and Instagram – 'Shipston Beer Festival'**

Event Sponsor: Hills Groundworks and Waterworks



Glass Sponsor: Peter Clarke

The following organisations will benefit from this event: Shipston First Responders, Warwickshire and Solihull Blood Bikes and Shipston Rugby Club projects

## Singing Down Memory Lane

Come along and join in with the singing for people with memory issues and their carers



**2.00 - 3.30pm**

Rainbow Fields, The Driftway,  
Shipston on Stour CV36 4BU

Refreshments provided  
(We may be able to help with transport, please ask)

Contact: Barbara Smith 01608 662433

Alternative Contact: Pat Hutton 01608 664648

Every 3rd Wednesday, starting 18 May

Wednesday, 18 May	Wednesday, 15 June	Wednesday, 20 July
Wednesday, 17 August	Wednesday, 21 September	Wednesday, 19 October
Wednesday, 16 November	Wednesday, 21 December	Wednesday, 18 January

**SHIPSTON ON STOUR - A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY**

## Supporting Your Wellbeing in Stour Valley

Come along to our **free,**  
weekly coffee morning



**starting on Friday, 6 May 2022**



Unwind With  
Mindfulness &  
Wellbeing Sessions

provided by Mind South Warwickshire

**Townsend Hall,  
Sheep Street, Shipston on Stour  
CV36 4AE**

**11am - 12.30pm**



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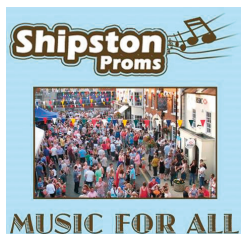


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Wellbeing Partnership

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## Shipston Proms



Drum roll..... the Shipston Proms fortnight is almost upon us! With over 40 different acts we feel we have a Proms to remember and highlights from the programme can be found on the back page.

We are delighted to welcome Josie Kemp as another new member of our committee. Josie has been involved in various festivals over the years and we are thrilled to have her expertise.

Throughout the planning of this year's Proms, people have been so supportive and remarked on how much they have missed the music over the last couple of years. We have been touched by the support of local businesses, venues, the Council and Friends alike particularly this year when finance is tight.

Programmes should be with you by the time you read this Forum and we look forward to seeing you at as many events as possible.

The Proms begin on Friday 10th June and finish with a great finale on Saturday 25th June.

See you there!

*Susan Perry*

## Shipston Home Nursing 25th Anniversary Celebrations



**Party in the Park –  
Sunday 17th July 1-5pm**

**Alscot Park CV37 8BL**

In July we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Shipston Home Nursing with our Party in the Park. Set in the beautiful grounds of Alscot Park (by kind permission of Emma Holman-West), we're planning a fun-filled family afternoon.

Enjoy afternoon tea and Monsoon Estate coffee (or a cocktail at the bar), live music, a slice of wood-fired pizza and a stroll around the grounds. Enter your feline friend into the dog show, admire the classic cars and entertain the children with face painting, music, dancing and a lucky dip. There will also be a car boot sale and some lovely local stalls including Shipston Beekeepers Honey and Granary Oils.

Tickets cost £5 per person and are on sale online at [www.shipstohomenursing.co.uk/events](http://www.shipstohomenursing.co.uk/events)

## Shipston Town Band



A service to celebrate Anzac Day was held at St Martins Church Barcheston on Sunday 25th April. Shipston Town Band was asked to play The Rouse, a bugle call after a one minute silence.

Adrian White represented the band who were only too pleased to take part in this moving service, which included recollections of the various contributions made by the forces of Australia and New Zealand during the two World Wars, recorded musical contributions and concluded with the singing of the Australian New Zealand and UK National Anthems.

Three of our youngsters also travelled to Oxford to take part in the Brass Festival organised by the Oxford and District Brass Bands Association. They each played two solos to a very high standard:

- Alec Banner won the Percussion section with an excellent performance on his marimba and repeated his success in the Junior Solo Championship for extended technical music up to 19 years of age to win the largest trophy on display which had been last won by Luke Barker.
- Tallula Matthews was placed second in the 12 to 14 Solos and third in the Air Varié section.
- Rufus Gallagher gave excellent performances in both sections and was awarded a large shield as the Best Boy and in the process found he was following a long tradition of Shipston Winners.



*Adrian White*



## Townsend Hall

### Musical Treats!!



Well, as expected, the "Bateman Brothers Jazz Band" did indeed go down a storm with a close to a sell-out crowd, standing ovations for the musicianship, and the audience on their feet dancing. In May we also welcomed Cotswold Events back with their "The Denotones 60's Party" and our booking of "Fret and Fiddle – Sally Minchin's String Quintet" – both a musical treat!

And the musical treats keep on coming: we're so pleased that the Proms is back and have booked the hall for some great events during their festival fortnight and to be in the programme with one of our own Proms bookings. As noted last time, we're really pleased to get "Baby Jools and the Jazzaholics" back with us – they're fabulous musicians, so much fun and too many missed out on seeing them when they were last with us due to covid. We're happy to correct that on Friday June 17th. Tickets will be available from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/townsend-hall> or from A. Clarke Electrical Services in town.

The hall is a charity, managed by a small group of volunteer trustees – there's always loads to do to keep the hall maintained and running effectively for the community and we're always up for more volunteers if you have the time to help support us. If you're good with numbers, we also have an opening for a volunteer treasurer. Please give us a shout!

As always, keep up your support for the hall – so much going on, not just live music – plenty of other events, sports and clubs. Our 150 club is about to start a new financial year, and for just £15 a ticket you're in with a chance to win a monthly cash prize, with a big draw at Christmas. Visit us at [www.townsendhall.co.uk](http://www.townsendhall.co.uk) to find out more.

Shipston Rotary presents

# COTSWOLD

## TOUR d'ILMINGTON

A GREAT DAY OF CYCLING FOR THE FAMILY AND ENTHUSIASTS

### SUNDAY 3rd JULY 2022

START & FINISH AT  
NEWBOLD ON STOUR VILLAGE HALL CV37 8TU

STEVE EDWARDS MEMORIAL  
10 MILE FAMILY RIDE STARTS 10AM

DAVID LOCKWOOD MEMORIAL  
30 MILE HILLY RIDE STARTS 10AM

100KM CLASSIC RIDE STARTS 8.30AM

REGISTRATION Card payments preferred on the day  
On-Line [www.shipstonrotary.co.uk/tour](http://www.shipstonrotary.co.uk/tour)  
Adults £18 Juniors (12 - 16 years) £6.00  
On the day £22 Juniors (12 - 16 years) £8.00

Enquiries: [tour@shipstonrotary.co.uk](mailto:tour@shipstonrotary.co.uk)

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# CantamuS

Shipston's a cappella choir presents

## It's Lovely to be Back Again!

A concert of witty, wistful, funny, heart-felt and uplifting music and words for a Sunday afternoon, with home-made cake & a cuppa



**Sunday 26 June 2022 at 3pm**

**Townsend Hall**

Sheep Street  
Shipston on Stour  
CV36 4AE



Tickets £12.50 from A. Clarke Electrical in Shipston, choir members or on the door.

**TH**  
Townsend Hall  
Charity No. 522997

52 Sheep Street, Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire. CV36 4AE

## "Baby" Jools And the Jazzaholics



Featuring:

- ❖ Jools: Drums
- ❖ Mike Henry: Trumpet
- ❖ Karl Hird: Reeds
- ❖ Kevin Grenfell: Trombone
- ❖ Warren James: Banjo / Guitar
- ❖ Jim Swinnerton: Bass

**Friday 17th June 2022**

**Doors Open 19:00 for 20:00**

**Fully Licensed Bar**

**Tickets £10 from:**

- Clarke Electrical Services, 01608-661394, or
- For online booking, visit [ticketsource.co.uk](http://ticketsource.co.uk) or [townsendhall.co.uk](http://townsendhall.co.uk), or
- Email / Phone David: [ds@pinnegards.com](mailto:ds@pinnegards.com); 07511-694733

## Party in the Park

**Sunday 17th July - 1-5pm**  
**Alscot Park CV37 8BL**



For more details and to buy tickets, visit:  
[www.shipstonsnursing.co.uk/events](http://www.shipstonsnursing.co.uk/events)

Fosseway Garden Centre cream teas \* face painting \*  
dog show \* classic cars \* Barney Porter music \*  
Calypso Kids \* Monsoon Estate coffee \* Cheeky Chimps  
\* open gardens \* car boot sale \* Shipston Beekeepers  
Honey \* ice cream \* cocktail bar \* bottle stall  
\* lucky dip \* Good with Custard \* Granary Oils \*  
Twisted Kitchen wood-fired pizza... and plenty more

**25**  
ANNIVERSARY  
1997 - 2022  
25 YEARS NURSING THE COMMUNITY







Welcome to another edition of the Little Shipstonians where this month we continue to think about nature and talk ponds! Water provides an essential habitat for wildlife and introducing a pond into your garden or outdoor space will encourage a huge variety of wildlife species into it. From birds and dragonflies to bees and frogs, it's now even more important for us to look after our wildlife. Water sources, like ponds, provide a place for creatures to feed, lay their eggs, obtain shelter and take rest. Below is your guide to creating your very own little pond so why not give it a go! Make sure you ask a grown up to help as you must always be careful when near water.

When you have made your pond and it has had time to establish, why not keep a notepad to record all the creatures that start to live there and those that come to visit every day. Finally, on the next page is a colouring-in activity which shows some of the common flowers that are loved by bees. Bees also like to visit ponds, just make sure they have a little place to land when they come to rest. If you want to send in a photograph of your pond then send them to [forum@shipstononline.org](mailto:forum@shipstononline.org) and we might feature it in the next Little Shipstonians edition.

## How to make your own mini wildlife pond

Things you will need:

### 1. A container



So long as your container is watertight, you can use anything, so why not upcycle something (eg an old washing up bowl).

### 2. Some rocks and pebbles



Add a layer of stones and rocks. Make sure one of the rocks protrudes above the water so wildlife can safely land.

### 3. Water



Now gently fill your container with water (preferably rain water).

### 4. Water plants (not essential)



You can add pond plants to keep the water oxygenated and provide shade for wildlife visitors.





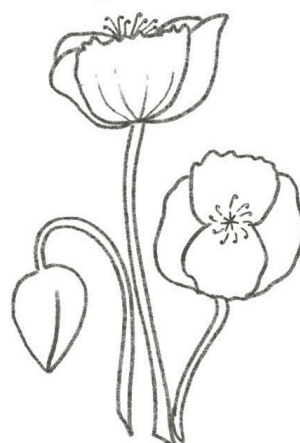
# Flowers loved by bees



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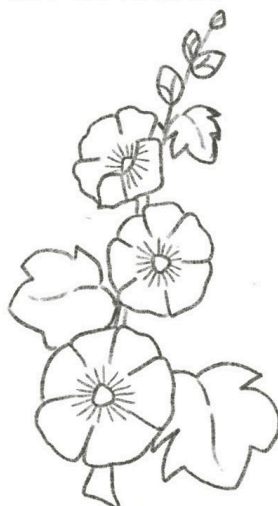
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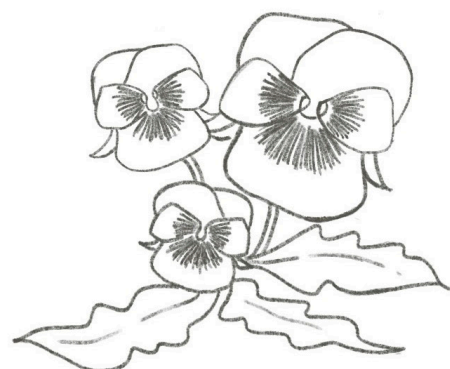
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Pansy



Lily



Lupin



Forget-me-not



## Shipston-On-Stour Women's Institute



The Wednesday meeting attracted many members to hear a talk on Bumble Bees in Spring by Jo Worthy-Jones who has worked for the Wildlife Trust with a particular interest in urban areas.

Jo was looking particularly at the first-to-emerge bumble bee – the Buff Tail – but pointed out that there are 23 species of Bumble Bee and 250 Solitary Bees. The Buff Tail queen is the one we all see in early Spring searching for nectar and somewhere to lay her eggs and found a colony. She has held the male sperm over winter whilst hibernating and once she finds a suitable site, she makes a pollen ball and lays her self-fertilised eggs in it. When the larva become bees, they will be female workers. She continues to lay fertilised eggs and the colony grows. Eventually, she lays sterile eggs which become males who in turn will mate with a queen and then die. All bumblebees die in Autumn except queens who will find somewhere safe to hibernate and the cycle goes on.

Jo emphasised the importance of suitable plants to provide pollen and nectar for insects. Hellebore is very important because it is one of the earliest to flower, crocus, the daisy family, nettles, lungwort, chives – the list goes on. She emphasised the importance of a succession of flowers. Agricultural monoculture is death to insects – the old rotational system provided food until Autumn. Without insects foraging for food there would be no pollination of crops. In some parts of the world insecticides have wiped out pollinators and pollination has to be done by hand. Without insects to pollinate our crops, there would be no crops.

Business continued after tea break. Shipston WI is 100 years old and is planning a celebratory lunch on 22nd October. The Branch will be featured in the Warwickshire WI magazine. A visit to the gardens at Broughton Grange is planned and a Coffee & Craft morning is to be held on 24th May at the Scout Hut in New Street – 10am to 12noon. The meeting voted in favour of the resolution to be discussed at the WI AGM in Liverpool. It is proposed that greater attention be given to women and girls who suffer from ADHD and autism – all too often women and girls go undiagnosed.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 1st June when the speaker will be Dalziel Ellis who will be talking about Music, Songs and Stories. Visitors are always welcome to attend – the WI meets at 7pm in the Catholic Church Hall, Darlingscote Road, Shipston.

## Want to help Ukrainian Refugees keep their pets with them while acquiring a colourful original painting?

Ready to dip a toe into modern art to fill that space on your wall? Here's an opportunity to start, or add to, your art collection at a very affordable price while doing good at the same time.

To reflect the artist Thelma Madge Green's compassion for humanity, Shipston-on-Stour resident Nikki Green, her father and siblings, have donated 80 of her paintings to be auctioned online from 1st -30th June in aid of helping Ukrainian Refugees keep their companion animals with them.

100% of proceeds will go to TOZ, Poland's oldest animal welfare organization, helping at the border, but now desperately short on funds.

Having rescued and rehomed over 500 dogs and 300 cats from her home, when she lived in Hong Kong, Nikki believes strongly that the last thing these poor people need after leaving everything and fleeing for their lives is to lose their beloved companion animals too.

Nikki is looking for volunteers to help her with the fundraising too.

The paintings can be viewed online at <https://app.galabid.com/onreflection/items> or live during pre-arranged viewing periods. Follow us on Facebook for that information at <https://www.facebook.com/OnReflectionTMG>.

Bidding runs from 1st to 30th June 2022, and all paintings must be picked up in Leamington Spa or Shipston on Stour Warwickshire.

We are also looking for volunteers! If you'd like to help, not only by bidding on a painting, there are many ways to do so, and meet some other big-hearted people in the process. Just go to the 'Volunteer' tab on the auction website <https://app.galabid.com/onreflection/info/7a5c8181-dbd0-4978-9b83-32695f227585> and let me know how you'd like to do so.



### Who are we supporting?

The situation in Ukraine is devastating. Rather than abandoning their beloved companion animals to the horrors of war, understandably many fleeing refugees are trying to take them along too. While many sad stories abound of people getting as far as the border but having to abandon them there because they haven't been vaccinated and microchipped, Poland's oldest animal welfare organization has come to the rescue and is helping to keep families together. But it desperately needs our help to fund it!

100% of the proceeds of this fundraiser will go towards TOZ - Towarzystwo Opieki Nad Zwierzetami (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) founded in 1864.

They are providing emergency medical help, food and shelter not only to the refugees' pets, but they're also going into Ukraine to help those poor animals left behind, terrified, starving and often in desperate need of medical attention. In addition to all that, they are building a temporary emergency clinic right on the border to better deal with the overwhelming crisis.

*Nikki Green*

## Shipston Primary School



### CHALLENGE PARTNERS

All the schools in The Stour Federation are a part of the national Challenge Partners network. Challenge Partners is a national education charity, established and led by practitioners. Our mission is to reduce educational inequality and improve the life chances of all children. Through collaboration, challenge and professional development, we are working to ensure every school community can benefit from the combined wisdom of the education system.

At Challenge Partners we believe in providing the best possible education to all our children. We are a group of schools that believe we can achieve this when we harness the skills and knowledge that already exist within our national network of like-minded schools.

Our in-person quality assurance review has always been at the heart of our Network of Excellence, providing the challenge that is part of our name. This professionally-led peer review focuses on how approaches to curriculum, pedagogy and leadership benefit all learners, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds or with additional needs. It identifies and celebrates exceptional practice, helping each school to identify what they need to do to improve on their previous best. For peer reviewers, it provides exceptional continual professional development. At the network and system level, it gives us the confidence to know that the practice we promote and share is accredited as being among the best in the country.

Senior teachers and leaders from across the Trust have visited a number of schools in England this academic year to be part of a quality assurance review. In turn, our three schools will be welcoming Challenge Partners members in the summer term to quality assure Acorns Primary School, Brailes C of E Primary School and Shipston Primary School.

### MULTI ACADEMY TRUST GROWTH

After consultation, we are delighted that Kineton C of E Primary School will be joining The Stour Federation Multi Academy Trust in July. Over the coming months and years, we are looking forward to expanding our Trust by welcoming more schools whose values and aims align with ours.

Working together we are stronger. Through partnership and collaboration, our mission is to develop our group of inspirational schools which instil ambition and desire in learners, open their minds, widen their horizons and equip them to succeed in a challenging world. Through coherent strategies and high-quality leadership at all levels, we look to balance holding schools to account with helping them to improve - transforming outcomes for children at scale. Our School Trust brings clear, tangible and inspiring benefits to children, families and staff.

Our values underpin system leadership and the capacity to collaborate with others leads to a long-lasting driver for improvement - partnership only works when both sides are adding capacity and receiving support as the foundation of the relationship.

### BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Reading is at the heart of our curriculum, a crucial part of our daily experience and is essential for developing educational and social progress. It is our vision to ensure every child achieves their full potential to become confident, enthusiastic readers and diverse, understanding members of society. As inspiring

role models of literature, it is our intention to nurture a love of reading, to immerse children in high-quality texts, and develop a thirst for discovery. We strive to cultivate a community with strong abilities in both the spoken and written word, therefore the acquisition of language and vocabulary is of the utmost importance and underpins our regular meaningful discussions and explicit teaching of reading skills.

We know that being a successful reader is key to future academic success and also to subsequent adult health and wellbeing. It is our duty as primary educators to ensure that as many children as possible become not only proficient and fluent readers but avid and accurate readers, both for pleasure and purpose. That's why we are delighted that Sheldon Bosley Knight and Core Hygiene are both sponsoring our Books Of the Month initiative across the Trust.

Sheldon Bosley Knight, the land and property professionals, are our lead sponsor. SBK have 100 years of business experience and extensive local knowledge in Warwickshire, Oxfordshire and Worcestershire for rural, commercial and residential land and property departments. Our second sponsor is Core Hygiene, a family run business with the capability to supply on a personal and corporate level, with access to over 50,000 products. Core Hygiene specialises in cleaning, hygiene, janitorial and healthcare products as well as PPE, catering and workwear.

Every month, with the help of Jaffé & Neale Bookshop in Chipping Norton, our three schools each receive a new picture book and chapter book to add to our growing school libraries.

### CURRICULUM ENGAGE DAYS

Our curriculum topics are designed using the structure of our four cornerstones of learning: Engage, Develop, Innovate, Express. We believe this way of teaching (pedagogy) reflects the best way children learn and is rooted in a variety of different educational approaches and research. Put simply, the four stages are as follows:

Engage - hook children in with a memorable experience.

Develop - allow children time to gather the knowledge and skills they need to develop a deep understanding.

Innovate - offer creative experiences that allow children to use and apply their knowledge and skills to a deeper level of understanding.

Express - provide the space and time for reflecting, evaluating and celebrating learning, including Parent Sharing Afternoons.

A number of topics for this half term have lent themselves to the Engage cornerstone by taking the form of a trip. Year 1 children had a wonderful time visiting the Cotswold Wildlife Park as part of their Engage stage for the topic Paws, Claws and Whiskers. Robins and Wrens learnt so much from listening to zoo keepers, who taught the children about classification. The children had lots of great questions too. Children learnt about reptiles, mammals, amphibians, insects, birds and fish, and saw animals from each group.

### DEFIBRILLATOR AT SHIPSTON PRIMARY

Shipston Mum Sarah Smith and her daughter were joined Mayor Ian Cooper and Head of School Mr. Roberts to officially recognise their wonderful donation to our school and the town. They are very proud as a family to have been able to donate a defibrillator to Shipston Primary School in memory of John



Fjeld, whose granddaughter Anna attends the school.

John was born in Cardiff to Norwegian and Irish parents, but it was his Scandinavian roots that resonated with him most. He was honoured to be, as he put it, of Viking descent, and enjoyed teaching his children and grandchildren many of the customs he had been taught as a child.

John studied architecture and was lucky to forge not only a career doing something he loved, but lifelong friendships with his fellow students and colleagues. He is responsible for contributions to many designs in and around Bristol, but most notably perhaps that of his involvement in the refurbishment of the SS Great Britain. He was funny, kind and a very good friend, also a mentor, and a dependable professional.

He was incredibly proud of his family and took great pleasure in being able to help them with any task he could, from designing home improvements, offering advice or just being there when the children needed their dad; he was endlessly dependable and loving, and never failed to make sure they knew this.

The device chosen is particularly appropriate for the school as it can be easily switched from adult to paediatric function

without additional equipment being required, meaning that it is suitable for anyone from age 1 Year onwards.

John loved and was truly loved by his wife and family and will be forever remembered as the best of men.

His friends and family contributed most generously to a fund in his name following his sudden passing late last year, and he would be humbled to know he is the reason the family are able to make this contribution. These simple to use lifesaving pieces of equipment are an incredible asset in any community, and whilst the family sincerely hope it will never be used, it is a positive outcome following a very sad event in their lives.

**Christian Hilton, Executive Headteacher**



## Shipston High School

We are now embarked on the summer term in school, and it's good to see students using our green fields during the day and for after school activities. We are blessed with a uniquely attractive school site, and students benefit from the nature that surrounds the school. Students in the school know and value this, and are keen to enhance this environment further. Following the tree planting we mentioned last month, admirably supported by Shipston Rotary club, students have given thought to further projects.

One group of students is keen to look at creating a wild flower area, where plants and insects can thrive. This will bring local environmental advantages, as well as provided a fascinating area for students to observe and study. We'll keep you posted on this project.

The summer also brings the annual exam period, and year 11 students are now engaged in their GCSEs. Students have worked hard and are keen to do well. I am sure that they will get the results they deserve when they are published in August. This will be the first set of external examinations since 2019, and students have approached them with great commitment and maturity. Results day is always exciting, and I look forward to sharing the students' success later in the summer.

Creative subjects such as Art, Drama, Music and Design and Technology require examination students to produce a portfolio of work across time, as well as taking final examinations. It has been a real delight to experience the fantastic creative work of our students. In all disciplines there has been astonishingly high-quality work from such young people; well done to all. Indeed, in music, we hope to hold a school concert as part of the summer Shipston Prom season to celebrate the enjoyment of music across all ages in the school. We'll share details once confirmed.

Our careers programme is a regular feature of school life, and Mrs Moorman recently ran a really interesting day for some Year 10 students. A volunteer group of professional and industry representatives gave their time to address students on opportunities in a range of vocational careers, an extremely valuable insight into the world of work. We are very grateful to all who contributed to this event.

Finally, on behalf of the school, I wish everyone well for the Jubilee and extra Bank Holiday weekend.

**Gavin Saunders, Headteacher**



## Shipston Medical Centre

**Medical Centre t: 01608 661845**

### Going on holiday?

When packing for your holiday remember to think about medications – do you have sufficient supply to last? Have you packed all the medications you need? As well as your prescription medication we would encourage you to think about first aid basics, such as paracetamol, indigestion tablets and anti-histamines.

If you find yourself being elsewhere in the UK, and needing medical help, please call us and we will see what we can do to help – we can send prescriptions electronically to a pharmacy near where you are. However, if you are abroad you will need to seek medical care where you are. We cannot offer medical advice to those not in the UK.

### Travel vaccinations

If you are thinking ahead to your holidays then please consider any vaccinations you may need. The practice does offer a travel health service, we ask that you complete a travel risk assessment form (available from reception) and when you return this we will book you a slot for it to be assessed. Following assessment, our nurse will be able to advise you on vaccinations and book you in for these. Please bear in mind that there can be a wait for a travel risk assessment appointment and thus you need to ensure you leave plenty of time before travelling to use our service. We are unlikely to be able to help if you have less than 8 weeks between returning a risk assessment and your travel date.



## District Council update



There were no local elections held in Stratford District Council last month, but there will be an election in the District in May 2023. What's more, the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) has proposed new ward boundaries that will, subject to Parliamentary approval, affect voting arrangements in Shipston. In 2015 there were 53 councillors. Currently, there are 36 and from 2023 there will be 41.

There are two wards at present in Shipston that elect district councillors – Shipston North and Shipston South. Shipston North includes the northern section of the town together with the five settlements that make up the parish of Tredington. Shipston South includes the southern section of the town together with the parishes of Burmington, Stretton on Fosse and Tidmington.

From next year, the current two Shipston wards will be increased to three wards and with different boundaries. Shipston North (projected 2,516 electors in 2027) will comprise the northern section of the town plus the parish of Barcheston which currently forms part of Ettington Ward. Shipston South (projected 2,629 electors in 2027) will continue to comprise the southern section of the town together with the parishes of Burmington and Tidmington. The third and new ward will be known as Tredington Ward (projected 2,658 electors in 2027). It will consist of the parishes of Stretton on Fosse, Tredington and Ettington which currently form part of Ettington Ward. Both Shipston Town Council and Ettington Parish Council supported my various arguments and evidence against these new arrangements. In coming to its decisions, however, the LGBC demonstrated that its first consideration is always the equality of numbers of electors, to the exclusion of the social, cultural and economic cohesion of local communities and their residents in practice. The new arrangements will mean that where there are two councillors now, there will be three in the future.

May 2023 is now less than a year away. It is not too soon for residents to consider whether they want to seek the nomination of one of the established political parties or to stand next year as an independent candidate. The quality of local government is crucially dependent on the quality of its councillors. Stratford District Council, for example, provides a range of statutory and discretionary services to some 132,000 people. It employs directly some 300 staff, has an annual net expenditure of some £18m and has general reserves of some £9m. Councillors are responsible to their residents for the level and quality of services provided, for establishing the priorities over how resources are allocated and for dealing with the multiplicity of issues that residents can and do raise with them.

Why would you want to consider standing? Because you have some relevant experience of life and of Shipston that you can draw upon? Because you want to represent your fellow residents, to speak and act on their behalf, to resolve issues and to represent their interests? Because you want to accept the challenge of acquiring new knowledge of the many facets of local government and use it to the advantage of the residents you represent?

Although the time commitment involved can be considerable, the opportunity to rise to the challenge in the knowledge that you are working in the individual and collective interests of your residents is rewarding. If you want to find out more, I urge you to make contact with the party of your choice to discuss how you might become involved.

As ever, if you have any issues with which you think I might be able to help, please contact me. I am always keen to hear from the people I represent.

**Trevor Harvey, District Councillor, Shipston North**

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*Jo Barker and Trevor Harvey take it in turns to write this column*

## County Council update

Another municipal year begins! I write from the Annual Council of Warwickshire County Council where we go through the pomp of voting



in a new Chairman and Deputy for the year. We also make appointments to at least 13 committees (I've lost count) and external bodies. Slightly less contentious than Eurovision, but more complicated, with lots of standing up and down like jack-in-a-boxes! So far this morning we have gone through without a hitch... although we started with sadness as our Chairman designate, John Horner – a Stratford member – died suddenly in the previous week. He was a great man with huge intellect, and we will really miss him.

The committees we all serve on, take an overview and scrutiny role over all the activities of the County Council. We go into great detail and I can assure you that we do not give officers and invitees an easy time. It is good to get back to face to face meetings with colleagues and to challenge what is going on in our county. If you have issues you want to be raised – as one of our villages has at a scrutiny committee – please get in touch. If something is not working or seems unfair – it may well be and we can try and fix it!

Once again I am serving on the Children's committee as well as supporting adult health and social care work with Cllr Bell. There are a lot of health changes coming down the track – including work on menopause health and wellbeing and the ambulance service.

Now – to work!

**Jo Barker, County Councillor, Shipston**

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### SHIPSTON ON STOUR TOWN COUNCIL

Shipston on Stour Town Council

NJC Pay Scale within LC2 – dependent on qualifications and experience

#### Deputy Town Clerk

We are looking for a full time Deputy Town Clerk with the necessary skills, experience and knowledge to work with Councillors, staff and contractors to deliver Council priorities.

The successful candidate will have demonstrable financial, management and leadership experience and be capable of instigating and managing projects. Excellent communication and IT skills are essential along with being confident in the use of social media. The person appointed must be helpful towards the public, Councillors and other members of staff.

Applications for this post are invited from suitably qualified persons who hold the Certificate in Local Council Administration (CILCA) or who are committed to obtaining this within a twelve to eighteen-month period.

Commitment and flexibility are key elements for this post which will involve regular evening meetings and occasional weekend work.

The closing date for applications is midday on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022 with initial interviews taking place during week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**For further information, job description and application form, apply to:**

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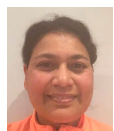
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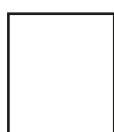
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Shipston Library:	0300 5558171
- 24/7 renewal line	01926 499273
Highways customer services	01926 412515
Severn Trent Emergency Line:	0800 7834444
Shipston Volunteer Transport Scheme	01608 663122
Shipston Leisure Centre	01608 662354
Shipston Medical Centre	01608 661845
- Out of hours	111
Shipston Forum	01295 788655
Shipston Link (local transport)	01386 593446
Shipston Recycling Centre	01926 412593
Stratford District Council	01789 267575
Townsend Hall	07514 704057
Warwickshire County Council	01926 410410
UCHW Hospital	024 7696 4000
Warwick Hospital	01926 495321
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<b>Churches of Shipston:</b>	
Stour Valley Baptist	01608 664876
Our Lady & St Michael	01608 685259
St Edmund's	01608 661210
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## Something exciting to share?

If you have a story that's relevant to Shipston residents, please contact the editor, Chris Rowland on 01295 788655 or email: [forum@shipstononline.org](mailto:forum@shipstononline.org)

To request posts on the council's Facebook and Twitter feeds, contact Peter White (details above).

**Forum copy deadline:**
**Second Monday of the month**

– but the sooner you can notify the editor of a potential story the better.

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Friday 10 June

**SHIPSTON PROMS LAUNCH****Uncle Funk's Disco Inferno**

+Toppers Disco Townsend Hall Doors open at 7pm

£18 on the door / £15 in advance (+ online booking fee)

Tickets available on the Proms website and from Clarke Electrical

Saturday 11 June

**Mos Eisley Brothers** COVERS

George Inn, Lower Brailes 6pm

**The Cotswold Choir**

The Hall, Cherington 7.30pm

£10 on the door / £8 in advance (+ online booking fee)

**Greg Brice** BLUES & AMERICANA

The Halford Bridge, Halford 7.30pm

Sunday 12 June

**Brailes Singers**

George Inn, Lower Brailes 3.15pm

**The Elastic Band** COVERS

The Lion, Tredington 4pm

Monday 13 June

**Mark Harrison** ORIGINAL ROOTS

The Norman Knight, Whichford 8pm

Tuesday 14 June

**Carlo Sax**

The Horseshoe 8pm

Tickets from The Horseshoe

**Leigh Chambers** COVERS

The Cherington Arms 8pm

Wednesday 15 June

**Mrs Porter's****Chamberpot Pourri**

St. Edmund's Church, Shipston 7.30pm

Thursday 16 June

**The Pavillionnaires**

The Hall, Cherington 7.15pm

**Loveday**

The Lazy Pug, Shipston 8pm

Friday 17 June

**Morning Musical Mayhem**

with The Hanksters Stour Court, Shipston 11am

**Kids Dance Party**

with DJ TIM SAMSARA The Hub, Shipston 5-7pm

**Adults Dance Party**

with DJs TIM SAMSARA, HARRY SYNGE, MIKE SMYTH, &amp; MARC BOYCE

The Hub, Shipston Doors open 8pm

See programme for details

**Baby Jools and  
The Jazzaholics**

Townsend Hall, Shipston

Concert starts at 8pm Doors open 7pm £10

Tickets: [www.townsendhall.co.uk](http://www.townsendhall.co.uk)

or Clarke Electrical or Telephone 07511 694733

# Shipston PROMS 2022

10 - 25 JUNE

a festival of music making  
for the whole community

Saturday 18 June

**Music on the Terrace**

Helen Porter and Friends

George Townhouse, Shipston 2pm - 4.30pm

**Shipston Town Band**

Townsend Hall, Shipston 7.30pm

**Sons Of The Delta** AMERICANA

George Inn, Lower Brailes 6.30pm

## Shipston Pubs & Cafés Trail

a musical journey around town

2pm **GEORGE TOWNHOUSE** MUSIC ON THE TERRACE2.30pm **THE THREE EWES** BETSY HARMONY3pm **EL CAFÉ** EMMA FLOWERS4pm **THIRST EDITION** TOM & JERRY6pm **THE HORSESHOE** WAYNE SWIFT7.30pm **THE LAZY PUG** THE PIPS8pm **GEORGE TOWNHOUSE** TBC8.30pm **COACH AND HORSES** RIFF RAFF9pm **WHITE BEAR** OLIVER DARLING

AND ALL FREE

Sunday 19 June

**SHOUT** at Burmington Grange

Burmington Grange 12 noon

**SHIPSTON INTRODUCING**

El Café Courtyard, Shipston 2pm

Entry form on: [shipstonproms.org](http://shipstonproms.org)**Patsy Gamble Jazz Trio**

George Inn, Lower Brailes 3pm

**Big Ginge Blues Band**

Black Horse, Shipston 3pm

Monday 20 June

**Nick Nickerson** OLD FAVOURITES

Thirst Edition 7pm

Pick up a  
programme  
for full details

Tuesday 21 June

**Local Primary****Schools' Concert**

Shipston Primary School 4pm

**Open Mic**

Black Horse, Shipston 8pm

Wednesday 22 June

**Young Musicians Concert**

St Martin's Church, Barcheston 7.30pm

Thursday 23 June

**Calypso Kids Come To Play**

Townsend Hall Shipston 9.15am

**Vickers Bovey Guitar Duo**

St Edmund's Church Shipston 7.30pm

**Folk Music Session**

Black Horse, Shipston 8pm

**Barney Porter** COVERS

The Lion, Tredington 7pm

Friday 24 June

**Songs from The Shows**

Townsend Hall 7.30pm

**Off The Grid**

White Swan, Kineton 8.30pm

Saturday 25 June

The Launton Handbell Ringers

2.30pm St. Edmunds Church

## STREET PARTY

High Street, Shipston 7pm

SHIPSTON PROMS BAR PIG ROAST

St. Edmunds Church Bell Ringers

SHIPSTON INTRODUCING  
ACTS

FROM DUSK 'TIL DAWN

THE SHAPES

RICK PARFITT JR  
and THE RPJ BANDfrom *Classical*  
to *Heavy Rock*[www.shipstonproms.org](http://www.shipstonproms.org)