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NEWSLETTER

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council will be joining forces with Shropshire Prostate Cancer Support Group to invite men over 50 (and men over 45 if they have a family history of Prostate Cancer) to Our PSA test evening.

A PSA test is a free blood test which checks for levels of Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) protein. It's normal to have PSA in your blood, but high levels can mean something is wrong – potentially Prostate Cancer. Prostate Cancer is the most common cancer in men, with 1 in 8 being diagnosed in their lifetime.

We spoke with the Chairman of Shropshire Prostate Cancer Support Group, Dennis Briggs, who told us about how effective their last PSA evening had been. In their most recent event at Oakengates a total of 303 men attended and shockingly, 25 of them tested positive for high PSA levels. Another 14 men were flagged up as 'Amber', which meant that they were directed to their GP for further investigation. When

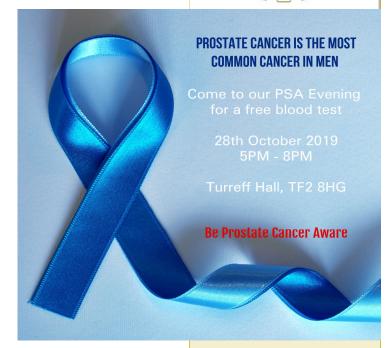
detected early, the survival rate is close to 100% after five years, however if detected late it drops to 28%. The PSA test is the best way to detect prostate cancer early.

A lovely lady from Telford was kind enough to share her story with us of her recent visit with her Husband to a PSA Evening in Newport. She told us 'All those men eligible really ought to go. My husband went to the one that The Lions' Club held in Newport. His PSA levels were high. His doctor couldn't find anything wrong, and two specialists couldn't find anything wrong. My husband had ABSOLUTELY NO SYMPTOMS whatsoever. A biopsy eventually picked it up, and just in time, as it hadn't spread. So, I urge all men in this age group PLEASE get checked. It could save your life.'

Jean's story and the shocking statistics from their last event just goes to show how incredibly important it is for men to attend. Sparing an evening could quite literally save a life.



Our PSA evening will take place at Turreff Hall in Donnington, on 28th October 2019, between 5PM and 8PM.



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- Telford Job Box Events
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SMARTWATER INITIATIVE

Donnington and Muxton Parish Council have teamed up with West Mercia Police to bring a new crime fighting solution to the community.

SmartWater is an international crime fighting and crime prevention company with an established track record for detecting and deterring criminal activity.

Their cutting-edge and proprietary traceable liquid products have been highly successful in reducing crimes, such as burglary, robbery and asset theft. Enabling evidence to be provided which has aided hundreds of convictions.

"Only a tiny speck is required to link a criminal back to the scene of the crime" ...

COMMUNITY EVENTS & ENGAGEMENTS OFFICER

The Parish Council have successfully employed a Community Events and Engagement Officer.

The successful applicant is a Mrs Holly Westwood whose background is working with a housing association in Staffordshire, part of which was dealing with the community, events and complaints.

Holly has settled in very well and we look forward to working along side her as a member of our team.



Each water-based, inorganic traceable liquid contains a unique forensic signature, which can withstand fire, humidity and sunlight. Only a tiny speck is required to link a criminal back to the scene of crime.

West Mercia Police identified Fieldhouse Drive as a hotspot for recurring issues in

the Muxton area over the last two years, so with their guidance, this is where our focus will be.

We will be moving forward with the SmartWater initiative in October.

John Campion, West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner, is committed to making communities safer and is pleased area's in our community will soon be We Don't Buy Crime and SmartWater protected.

We look forward to seeing the positive effects this initiative will have on the area!





PARISH CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

It may only be September, but we're already gearing up for our annual Christmas Festival!

There will be lots of festive fun including stalls, music, singing, face painting, a bouncy castle, bucking reindeer and much more!

Stalls are available to hire, however we only have a few left as they are getting booked up quickly! There is no charge, we just ask that stallholders donate a prize to the Youth Club Tombola.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in having a stall, then please contact us on **01952 608001** or send an e-mail to **events@donningtonmuxtonpc.org**

The festivities will take place at the Parade in Donnington on **24**th of November, between **2pm and 6pm.**

See you there!

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CALLING TIME ON KNIFE CRIME

"We can only tackle knife crime if we work together—police, local governments, schools, colleges, court, parents, carers and families"

Please join Telford & Wreking along with West Mercia Police for an Anit-Knife Crime Event at Donnington Community Hubb on Friday 20th September from 1:30pm to 4:00pm for engagement and then a community knife sweep from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.





Learn Telford Drop In

Monday mornings

(starting Monday 2 September)

9:30am - 12noon

Donnington Library, Turreff Avenue

Call in for information/advice on:

Local courses and gaining a qualification

Job Junction provision and support with finding work

Referrals to other Job Box services (including the National Careers' Service)

For more information, please contact 01952 383605/382888

Introduction to Child

Psychology

Limited places available, please contact the number below to secure a place

A new FREE short course at

Donnington Community Hub, St Matthews Road, Donnington

This course will introduce learners to Child Psychology in an engaging and active way. The course will include:

What makes children tick, Aspects of child development

How behavior is learned ,Parenting styles, Learning style

Course dates:

Wednesday 9 October (9:15am – 12:15pm) x 3 weeks

Learners must be aged 19 or over to be eligible for this course.

Level 1 Award in Child Development

Donnington Community Hubb

This course is ideal for anyone preparing to work with children. It is also valuable in helping parents to support their own children's development. Areas covered include:

Children's social and emotional needs and how they can be met

Understand the role and purpose of play in child development

Understand key aspects of child development

Understand how to encourage children to feel positive about themselves

Course dates:

Wednesday 6 November (9:15am – 12:15pm) x 13 weeks

This course is free for anyone who is unemployed or anyone who works and earns less than £15,736.50 annual gross salary. We also operate a fee remission policy, so if you earn more than £15,736.50 per year but you cannot afford to pay for the course, you can apply for support

Food Safety Level 2

Donnington Community Hub

Enrolment Session

9:15am Wednesday 16 October 2019

(Please bring along some form of ID)

Course Date

Wednesday 16 October 2019

9:30am to 4:30pm

If you are employed, you will be required to make a contribution of £56.

Free places are available, if you are:

Aged 19 or over

Aged 19-24 and not in Employment Education or Training (NEET). Aged over 50 and unemployed or at risk of redundancy

Employed and without a Level 2 qualification. Disabilities or special educational needs

Single parent with at least one child at home, Unemployed for 12 months or more. Due to funding criteria, customers can only undertake one funded course within a year.

WORKING LUNCH

Working lunches are held every two months at Turreff Hall, Donnington. The aim is to enable representatives from other partner organisations to meet each other, share information and help each other with local issues or events. To date, they have been extremely useful and well attended. The date of the next working lunch is

Thursday 24th October 2019 commencing at 12 noon.

If you wish the Clerk to raise some issues at the meeting on your behalf then please contact him.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council has, so far this financial year, awarded grants, totalling £1850.00 to:

Donnington Community Hubb

Crucial Crew

Age Concern

Age UK

Telford Visually Impaired Group

The Job Box

Information about the Parish Council can be found on its website <u>www.donningtonmuxtonpc.org</u>

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

All meetings will commence at 7:00pm unless otherwise stated and are open to the public and press.

Planning Committee Meetings are called as and when required and notified separately.

The agenda's for all meetings will be on our website 5 days before the meeting...

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11th Sept 2019 St John's Church, Muxton

4th Oct 2019 Turreff Hall, Donnington

11th Nov 2019 Turreff Hall, Donnington

11th Dec 2019 St John's Church, Muxton

13th Jan 2020 Turreff Hall, Donnington

10th Feb 2020 Turreff Hall, Donnington

9th March 2020 Turreff Hall, Donnington

6th April 2020Donnington Community Hubb

11th May 2020 Turreff Hall, Donnington

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PARISH CHAIRMAN-PHILLIP LOUGHLIN



Philip moved to Telford from Leicester with his wife Theresa in 1988 and since 2000 they have lived in Muxton.

Having studied Electronic Engineering at Leicester Polytechnic in 1984, Philip went on to study for a Business Enterprise BA hons at the University of Wolverhampton in 1994 followed by an MBA from the Warwick Business School in 2006.

An avid and passionate motorcyclist,

Philip is a member of the Shropshire Advanced Motorcycle group and is training to be a Blood Biker for the Shropshire area. Philip is also involved in a number of motorcycle charitable activities including the annual Bike4Life festival held each April that raises funds for the Shropshire Air Ambulance and more recently becoming involved in the Bikers Against Child Abuse charity BACA.

Philip has been working in the Computing, IT Software and Services industry for over 30 years taking him on many assignments across the UK, Northern European and Nordic regions as well as the USA.

Since May 2014, Philip has successfully led the Muxton community in campaigning against the over-development of Muxton, overseeing the development of the Muxton Neighbourhood Plan that will help protect the edge of village open green spaces for generations to come.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE WILL BE OPEN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

MONDAY 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

TUESDAY 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

THURSDAY 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

FRIDAY 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEEKENDS

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