

AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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A summary of Parish Council business for the quarter September – November 2004

Parish Plan

The Parish Council obtained a grant of £4,695 from the Countryside Agency to finance production of a Parish Plan. In the near future, volunteers will be carrying out various surveys. This is an opportunity for you to have your say about Audlem – what you like, what you dislike, what future developments you would like to see. The Parish Plan, when complete, will carry substantial weight with government or other agencies when we are seeking developments as it will provide proof of need.

Events

As usual, the firework display on New Year's Eve will be funded by the Parish Council, ADAS and ASET. The Parish Council is, of course, represented on the Committee organising events for commemoration of VE/VJ Day and has budgeted to provide a contribution.

Footpaths

Together with the Ramblers' Association, the Parish Council is pressing Shropshire County Council to treat as urgent a claim for an addition to the definitive map extending Footpaths 6 and 10 to Adderley Pool Bridge.

Recycling

We are working with Crewe & Nantwich Borough Council and Cheshire County Council for the installation of a new recycling site at Browns Bank (corner of Whitchurch Road and Coole Lane).

Fire Cadet Force

A donation of £500 has been made to help Cheshire Fire Brigade with set up costs associated with the introduction of a new cadet scheme at Audlem Fire Station. Fifteen cadets will be recruited in the near future - watch out for advertisements.

Composting

We are seeking permission from the Commons Commission to allow use of part of Longhill Moss as a local composting site. Site opening hours and access will be restricted and local volunteers will be responsible for management.

Highways

Cllr Bill Consterdine recently toured the village with a member of Cheshire County Council's Highways Department and a programme of minor works will be carried out when funding permits. An additional drain will be provided in Sandy Lane and major maintenance is planned for the A525 Woore Road. The possibility of providing disabled parking bays in Stafford Street is being investigated.

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Your Parish Clerk is Jean White 01948 871383.

Except for January 2005, when the meeting will be on 4th January, Parish Council meetings take place on the 1st Monday of every month in St James's School. There is an opportunity for residents to speak about particular concerns at the beginning of the meeting and everyone is welcome to stay and listen for the rest of the meeting.