



# NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2009

## AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL

### A Summary of Parish Council business – April 2009

#### AUDLEM – A LOW CARBON COMMUNITY?

Simon Ross of the Marches Energy Agency will be coming to our Parish Council meeting on 1st June to talk about the work being done by his energy advice charity based in Shrewsbury. The Agency has been established as part of the response to climate change and concerns around fuel security. It works with communities to start discussions around sustainable energy and then, by integrating activity in homes, community buildings and businesses, helps people make informed decisions and start responding to climate change and fossil fuel depletion. The Agency is well placed to help Audlem exploit available funding opportunities.

#### CHEESE & WINE EVENING ENJOYED BY ALL!

Our fourth Annual Village Meeting was on Wednesday 4th March – this time an informal event with cheese and wine. About a hundred residents took advantage of this opportunity to chat with local parish and borough councillors, representatives of Audlem Allotments Association, the 5As, Audlem Parish Plan Group, and Audlem Village Design Group. Thanks to everyone who helped, those who staged exhibitions and also to those representatives of organisations from outside the village who came along to listen to residents' views and answer questions (Inspector Bob Hassall, PC Ken Maple, Dave Hulse of Nantwich Dial-A-Ride, and Nicola Kent of Central & Eastern Cheshire PCT).

#### CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

In early January, Audlem submitted four bids for support from the Borough Council's £400,000 capital grants fund. One bid was successful and we were awarded £17,000 for improvements to the children's playground (more than half the money needed). An application for further grant funding has been made to WREN (Waste Recycling Environmental Limited) by Peter Morgan on behalf of the Parish Council sub-committee for the additional £11,400 needed to complete the project.

#### LAW AND ORDER

Inspector Bob Hassall of the Nantwich Neighbourhood Policing Unit has established regular joint meetings with parish councils in our local area. At each meeting, parish council representatives agree their priorities for policing over the next three months and receive reports from the Police on work done following the previous meeting. Audlem's representatives to the "cluster" meetings are Richard Furber and Geoff Stretch. And, remember the Parish Council's mobile CCTV equipment can be deployed anywhere in the village. Contact PC Ken Maple for advice.

#### **Parish Councillors' contact details:**

Richard Furber (Chair) 811598	Frances Christie 811340
Kate Down (Vice Chair) 811160	Peter Morgan 811575
Andrew Smith 811969	Irene Stockton 811828
Bill Consterdine 811647	Norman Huntbach 812768
Geoff Stretch 811011	Pam Seddon 811282
Mike Hill 811843	Philip Bradbury-Smith 811021

Your Parish Clerk is Jean White 01948 871383  
or email [parishcouncil@audlem.org](mailto:parishcouncil@audlem.org)

*Parish Council meetings will be held in St James' School on 11th May (also the AGM), 1st June and 6th July, starting at 7.30pm.*

*At the beginning of each meeting there is an opportunity for residents to bring matters of particular concern to the attention of the Parish Council. Everyone is welcome to stay and listen for the rest of the meeting.*

#### REFERENDUM ON FIRST RESPONDERS

Sometime ago the Parish Council became aware that the ambulance service provider, North West Ambulance Service (NWAS), was not responding to emergency calls in the Audlem area in accordance with national targets. Various meetings took place with NWAS and eventually the offer was made to support Audlem and train local people to be First Responders, local people who could be first on the scene to provide rapid help until the ambulance arrived.

Four people volunteered and were subsequently trained. However as training commenced, we learned it was to be to a lower standard than other groups around Cheshire. The decision was taken, however, to have the people trained and we would continue to argue our case directly with the NWAS.

This has now been going on for some time to little effect. We have involved our MP, Stephen O'Brien, who has met with the Chief Executive of the NWAS and other senior NWAS managers. All efforts so far have been to no avail. However, Stephen O'Brien is encouraging us to not give up our cause and he will continue to support us directly.

We have a further group of volunteers who will start training in late April. This will give us a tremendous cover across the Audlem area when you consider that the original team were committing 86% of their spare time to provide the service. Unfortunately, the lower level of training the First Responders now receive means they cannot attend calls such as falls; anything involving under-14s or administer any drugs, including Aspirin.

As for costs, the First Responders do not get paid. They are volunteers giving spare time to the village and surrounding areas.

The car they use was donated by Cheshire Constabulary at no cost. The Parish Council donated £500 when the scheme was initially set up, with a further £1,000 this financial year. Other monies have been raised from local businesses and local donations.

The only money received from the NWAS is for car mileage. Insurance, car tax and other running expenses have to be found from donations.

Therefore we continue with our debate with the NWAS to provide training to a level we perceive the Village wants. However we need your views/perception of the level of service we should expect from the NWAS. At present the ambulance service has a target of attending a top priority (red) call in 19 minutes. This does not always happen, and it is of no fault of the crews but because of the few ambulances available and where they are at the time of the 999 call.

*We need to know if you support the Parish Council's efforts to achieve:*

- 1 - An improved ambulance service with better response times
- 2 - Training to a higher standard for our First Responders so they can attend more cases.

A voting slip, where you can also express your views, will be circulated shortly to all households. We want to ensure we are acting in accord with residents' wishes on this important issue about one of the emergency services. We hope you will participate in this local test of public opinion.

Mike Hill, Audlem Parish Council

#### **ADAS(AUDLEM DISTRICT AMENITIES SOCIETY)**

##### **Audlem in Bloom**

New trees have been planted on the Canal side, replacing some that had died off. Tulips are now showing well and the summer plants are growing on well in the Plant Nursery. Work continues in our desire to give beauty to the village and the district. The collection through our ADAS envelopes is well under way and the responses from residents is very rewarding. Please do remember to leave them at McKelvey's/ Williams Newsagents, or at the Post Office.

Any queries on ADAS please contact Ralph Warburton on 812125 - or any other committee member.

#### **AUDLEM MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL 22nd - 25th MAY**

The web site [Audlemfestival.com](http://Audlemfestival.com) gives the fullest picture of just what will be happening with masses of music to suit all tastes. Over 30 different performers and groups are playing in all the pubs, the Grand Open Air Stage, the Canal Wharf, the Butter Market and in St James' Church.

There'll be a wonderful exhibition of Stitch Work in the Methodist Hall - all free.

Great events also in the Canal Shop with a Didgeridoo playing Competition.

'The Public Hall' - a four-part comedy with a small amount of music about the life and the people that use a Village Public Hall over a 12 month period - written by Colin Cliffe, put on by the 5A's players, is in the Public Hall on 23rd May. Book tickets - £5 and £3 concessions - on 811468.

*Any Festival queries, please contact Ralph Warburton on 812125.*

#### **AUDLEM CARNIVAL MONDAY MAY 25TH**

The annual Carnival will, we hope, be as popular as ever and we have booked bands and stalls plus The Great Fun Fair. Sadly there will be no parade this year due to circumstances beyond our control but we will present a very good family day for all. The Carnival Queen will be crowned at 1.00pm and the Fancy Dress competition judged afterwards .

*Contact Gwen Moss on 811467 for more details.*

#### **ASET**

Two community workers have been presented with outstanding contribution awards by Audlem Special Events Team (ASET). Retiring duo Ralph Warburton and Paddy Kenshole were praised for their work in organising numerous ASET events. Ralph and Paddy were founder members of ASET in 2001. ASET has since held the Proms in the Park, bonfire nights and Festivals of Transport each year. Since its founding, ASET has raised £25,000 for local groups and organisations. Alan Duncan of ASET said: "Paddy and Ralph have worked tirelessly over the years to make all of the ASET events a great success. We will miss their leadership, enthusiasm and hard work."

Our latest musical extravaganza will be on Saturday 27th June - **MIDSUMMER MUSIC ON THE PARK**. Join us and stars from London's West End as they perform Songs from Stage and Screen. With music for all tastes this year's picnic in the park is shaping up to be the best ever ASET event.

High Society will get the party started with contemporary Motown hits.

Stars from Beauty and The Beast, Phantom of the Opera, The Wizard of Oz and more will entertain us with favourites from the shows. The evening will close with a spectacular fireworks display



Our second major event of the summer will be on Sunday 26th July - **FESTIVAL OF TRANSPORT 2009**. We already have well over 200 entries and have managed to arrange an aerial display by the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Spitfire-another coup for our vibrant village! There is no entry charge but donations will be gratefully received to help cover our costs of over £3000.

We are urgently seeking sponsors for both events - please contact Andrew Smith on 811211.

You can now find information on all ASET events, browse photos from past events or contact the team directly by email on our brand new dedicated ASET website:- [www.audlem-aset.org](http://www.audlem-aset.org)

## AUDLEM RETAIL BUSINESSES

### **More Reasons to Shop Locally**

The range of goods that can be bought in Audlem has increased with new shops opening, others expanding. With fuel and parking in local towns costing a small fortune, there's every reason to shop locally with a vast range of goods available.

**Williams** - family run since 1862 and open from 5.30am everyday! Newspapers & magazines (plus home delivery service), gifts and toys, dolls' houses, baby gifts, stationery items, diaries & calendars, walking & cycling books & maps, ladies' & men's fancy goods. Audlem products too: cards, notelets, tea towels, stationery, old photographs & prints etc.

Coal (household and smokeless), umbrellas, hot water bottles, bedsocks, hats, gloves & scarves, batteries (including watch batteries fitted), bicycle lights, torches, candles, DIY, haberdashery & household basics. Tourist information section includes leaflets and internet access to Audlem Online!

**The Salad Bowl** - A popular take away service, which includes sandwiches and rolls, soup, jacket potatoes, toasted sandwiches or Paninis, tea, coffee or chocolate. Fresh Fruit & Vegetables, with local produce available; fish ordered for collection on Fridays; roast gammon, pork pies; hams, delicatessen meats, eggs, cheeses, Patchwork pate, Chatwin's bread plus home made cakes and Birthday or Wedding Cakes, chutneys, olives and oils plus Fortes ice cream.

Fresh Flowers for Sale - weddings, funerals, table arrangements, bouquets or floral tributes.



**Audlem Post Office** provides a surprising range of services and goods. Family run since 1880, it provides Post Office services, with partner banks - including Alliance & Leicester, Co-op, Smile, Cahoot, Lloyds TSB, Barclays, Nationwide and HBoS. National Savings and Post Office Investment products, Bill Payment Services; Travel services - insurance, Euros and US Dollars always available, other currencies with 24 hours; House, car, lifestyle insurance; Car Tax; Post Office Telephone and Broadband services; Phone Top ups; Moneygrams - Fax and photocopying. Stationery Items and packaging materials for all ebayers.

Household products - bulbs, batteries and torches. Greetings cards and Giftware plus jewellery, including Murano Jewellery from Italy. Footwear includes slippers and Wellingtons - if not in stock, it can be ordered, plus Toys - and, yes, stamps!

The **Co-op** has improved incredibly since moving to its new premises offering a much wider range of goods, including freshly baked bread and pastries, fruit & vegetables, food and



household items, newspapers & magazines and a wide range of wines, beers, spirits and soft drinks; National Lottery tickets and phone Top Ups.

Audlem's **Chemist** is now operated by Alliance Boots and offers a full pharmacy service as well as a wide range of health and beauty products, including gifts.

**C E Vernon** offers a traditional butcher's service with high quality meat that's locally sourced. Beef, lamb, pork and poultry plus bacon, ham, sausages, burgers, eggs and a wide range

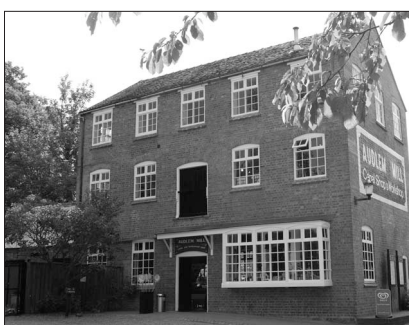


of frozen products, condiments and sauces.

**Village Feeds** on the Square closed, unfortunately, on 11th April but stock for pets can be ordered, including bulk deliveries, by calling Alan on 07870 211154

**Bo'tique by Sarah Allan** is a recently opened shop selling ladies fashion and gifts in new premises on Shropshire Street. Next door is **Braids**, offering unisex hairdressing and beauty treatments i.e. manicure, pedicure, facials, nails extensions etc.

There's two more specialist shops in Shropshire Street - **Audlem Upholsterers**, offering furniture upholstery services, and **Tressider's Funeral Services**.



**Audlem Mill** is in one of Audlem's best known historic buildings. The two retail floors have a wide range of goods. 'Audlem' items include paintings by Sheila Webster, wooden jigsaws, mugs, fudge and shortbread, keyrings, etc. There's Giftware including jewellery by

Helen, made in Audlem; and much more. A selection of original art, including paintings by Audlem artist Sheila Webster. Canal ware painted by Jane Marshall of Audlem and Mary Parry of Tyrley; brass canal plaques; lock windlasses and mooring pins etc. The Mill has probably the best selection of Canal books anywhere in England.

Needlework includes tapestry, candlewicking, crewel work, cross stitch and other kits, many produced in Audlem, plus books on needlework; and threads and tapestry wool; rug making tools; haberdashery and notions. Wool, knitting needles; accessories; patterns etc.

**Beaman's** is a famous landmark opposite the Church, well-known for its ice cream and confectionery. It now features the Old Priest House which will be detailed in the next Parish Newsletter which will feature Audlem's cafes, pubs and take aways.



# DIRECTORY OF C AND SOC

Contact Person	Position	Telephone	Web Site
<b>CHARITIES</b>			
Age Concern Cheshire Day Care & Tea Club	Veronica Briggs	01270 219484	www.ageconcerncheshire.org.uk
Audlem Aid To Cancer Research	Ann Bowles	01270 811253	
NSPCC Support Group	Vi Pritchard	01270 811833	
St Luke's Hospice Audlem Support Group	Ruth Kemble	01270 811887	
Friends of Hope House (children's hospice)	Miriam Winnard	01270 811777	
RNLI local branch	Rodney Cottrell	01270 811454	
<b>CHURCHES</b>			
Baptist Church	Bill Cowen	01270 811463	
Methodist Church	Andrew Gunstone	01270 811711	www.audlemmethodistchurch.org.uk
St James C of E	Helen Chantry	01270 811543	www.stjamesaudlem.org.uk
<b>CLUBS &amp; SOCIETIES</b>			
Ashley Music School	Elizabeth & Matthew Hawley	01630 672546	www.ashleymusic.co.uk
Audlem & District Probus Club	Roland Hall	01270 812530	
Audlem Bellringers	Ruth Kemble	01270 811887	
Audlem Conservative Branch	Linda Hall	01270 812530	
Audlem District History Society (ADHS)	Celia Bloor	01270 811260	
Audlem Embroiderers' Guild	Sylvia Stead	01270 811296	
Audlem Women's Institute	Anne Poole	01270 811224	
Mothers' Union	Pat Wood	01270 811568	
National Women's Register	Judith Wiltshire	01270 780938	www.nwr.org
Shropshire Union Canal Society	Linda Andrews	078677 90195	www.shropshireunion.org.uk
The "5As" Company (Theatre Group)	Cheryl Guerin	01270 811098	www.audlem-5as.org.uk
Touring Arts Visiting Audlem (TAVA)	Anne Burrows	01270 812442	
<b>COMMUNITY</b>			
ADAS (Audlem & District Amenities Society)	Ralph Warburton	01270 812125	
ASET (Audlem Special Events Team )	Andrew Smith	01270 811211	www.audlem-aset.org
Audlem Festival	Ralph Warburton	01270 812125	www.audlemfestival.com
Audlem Public Hall Management Committee	Geoff Stretch	01270 811011	
Audlem Public Hall - bookings	Olive Stretch	01270 811684	
Audlem Scout & Guide Hall	Chris Cottrell	01270 811454	
Audlem Scout & Guide Hall - bookings	Melanie Grange	01630 647062	
Audlem Carnival	Gwen Moss	01270 811467	
Cemetery - Audlem Burial Board	Ralph Warburton	01270 812125	
DAHLIA (Allotments)	Ruth Kemble	01270 811887	
Homewatch	Hayley Goodwin	01244 614332	
Police	Ken Maple	0845 458 0000	
<b>HEALTH</b>			
Audlem First Responders	Nikki Ball	01270 811803	www.audlemfirstresponders.btik.com
Audlem Medical Practice	Helen Matthews	01270 811440	www.audlemmedicalpractice.nhs.uk
Pharmacy, Cheshire Street		01270 811245	
Hospital Car Service	Irene Pryce	01270 811695	
Leighton Hospital, Crewe		01270 255141	www.mcht.nhs.uk
NHS Direct		0845 4647	www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk
<b>NEARBY</b>			
Nantwich Players, Pillory Street, Nantwich		01270 624556	www.nantwichplayers.com/
Nantwich Swimming Pool, Wall Lane, Nantwich		01270 610606	
Pritchards Dance & Fitness Academy	Debi Pritchard	01948 871304	www.pritchards-academy.co.uk/fitness.htm
Whichurch Swimming Pool		01948 662187	
<b>PARISH COUNCILS</b>			
Audlem Parish Council	Jean White	Clerk	01948 871383
Buerton Parish Council	John Kemble	Clerk	01270 811887
Hankelow Parish Council	Ann Jones	Clerk	01270 812555

ORGANISATIONS  
SOCIETIES

Contact Person	Position	Telephone	Web Site
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**LOCAL M.P.**

House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA	Stephen O'Brien	Constituency MP	020 72196315
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**SCHOOLS**

Audlem St James' C of E School Nursery			01270 811450	<a href="http://www.audlemstjames.org.uk">www.audlemstjames.org.uk</a>
Audlem St James' C of E School			01270 811450	<a href="http://www.audlemstjames.org.uk">www.audlemstjames.org.uk</a>
Brine Leas High School, Nantwich			01270 625663	<a href="http://www.brineleas.co.uk">www.brineleas.co.uk</a>
Malbank High School & 6th Form College, Nantwich			01270 611009	
South Cheshire College, Crewe			01270 654654	<a href="http://www.s-cheshire.ac.uk">www.s-cheshire.ac.uk</a>
Reaseheath College, Nantwich			01270 625665	<a href="http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk">www.reaseheath.ac.uk</a>

**SPORTS**

ABC Badminton Club	Sylvia Maddock	Secretary	01270 811471	
Aerobics	Lisa Ratcliffe		07967 821592	
Audlem Badminton Club	Geoff Cope	Chairman	01270 811453	
Audlem Bowls Club	Sue Orme	Secretary	01270 811855	
Audlem Cycling Club	Tim Ball	Chairman	01270 811803	<a href="http://www.audlemcyclingclub.co.uk">www.audlemcyclingclub.co.uk</a>
Audlem Cricket Club	Tom Measures	Secretary	01270 811105	<a href="http://www.audlemcc.co.uk">www.audlemcc.co.uk</a>
Audlem dk Football Club	Paul Cronshaw	Secretary	07790 739388	
Audlem Ju Jitsu Club	Margaret Partridge		01270 812018	
Audlem Ladies' Table Tennis Club	Elma Moss		01270 811019	
Audlem Tennis Club	Debbie Tildsley	Secretary	01270 811049	<a href="http://www.audlemtc.totaltennis.net/home/aboutUs.asp">www.audlemtc.totaltennis.net/home/aboutUs.asp</a>
Brookfield Golf Club			01270 812991	<a href="http://www.brookfieldgolfclub.co.uk">www.brookfieldgolfclub.co.uk</a>
Indoor Bowling Club	Rene Cooper	Secretary	01270 811708	
Senior Citizens' Snooker Club	Bob Godwin		01270 812077	

**UNDER 18s**

Audlem Action for Youth (AAFY)	Pete Marshall		01270 811330	
Audlem Brownies	Jane Dale	Acting Brownie Guider	01270 811912	
Audlem Cubs	Lisa Popovic		01270 812557	
Audlem Guides	Karen Bradshaw	Guide Leader	01270 812295	
Audlem Saints Junior Football Club	Jane Palin	Secretary	01270 812584	
Audlem Treehouse (Playgroup & After School Club)		Supervisor	01270 812258	
Audlem Youth Club	Nicky Lowe		01270 800590	
Mobile Youth Unit	Connexions		01270 847935	
Tots & Tinies Club	Victoria Reddington	Chairperson	01948 871205	
Fun-ky Audlem	Pete Marshall		01270 811330	<a href="http://www.funkyaudlem.co.uk">www.funkyaudlem.co.uk</a>

**VILLAGE SERVICES**

Audlem Fire Station (non emergency)	Gill Dimelow	Watch Manager	01270 812033	<a href="http://www.cheshirefire.co.uk">www.cheshirefire.co.uk</a>
Audlem Post Office	Andrew Smith		01270 811211	
Borough Councillor, Rachel Bailey			01270 811722	
Borough Councillor, Allan Richardson			01270 780207	
Cheshire East Council			0300 1235500	
Citizens' Advice Bureau			01270 625565	<a href="http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk">www.citizensadvice.org.uk</a>
Dial-a-Ride			01270 617143	
Mobile Library			0845 11 33311	<a href="http://www.cheshire.gov.uk/Library/MobileLibrary">www.cheshire.gov.uk/Library/MobileLibrary</a>



## DIRECTORY OF BUSINESSES

### ACCOMMODATION

Berry Cottage, Monks Lane, Audlem	01270 811573
Caravan Club Site	01270 811493
Combermere Abbey, Burleydam	01948 662876
Coole Hall Farm	01270 811232
Little Heath Farm, Audlem (B & B)	01270 811324

### AGRICULTURAL CONTRACTORS

B S Parker	01270 811420
Richard Furber	01270 811598

### BUSINESS SERVICES

Audlem Accounting Services	01270 812538
David Parry Racing Partnerships Ltd	01270 812229
Hedworth Moore (chartered accountants)	01270 811653
Hollow Floor Studios	www.studios.hollowfloor.co.uk
Mortgage Aid	0845 603 1992
Pippin Designs	01270 812061
P S Secretarial/Computer Services	01270 812061
Reverberate Public Relations Ltd	01270 811093
SLS Courier Service	07912 205538
T Design and Marketing	01270 812121
ThenMedia (website design)	0161 408 5777

### FOOD AND DRINK

Bonnells County Catering	01270 811399
The Coffee Lounge	01270 811554
The Old Priest House Café	01270 811749
Fields Farm (farm produce)	01270 811070
Just the Plaice Too (fish & chips)	01270 812242
Stuart's Doorstep Delivery (milk etc)	01630 653288
The Bridge Inn	01270 811367
The Lord Combermere	01270 812277
The Shroppie Fly	01270 811772
Kebab Land (takeaway)	01270 812226

### HAIR, BEAUTY & FITNESS

Eden Beauty	01270 811197
Beautifully Exclusive	07813 984827
Braids Hairdressers	01270 811540
Personal Trainer, Kirsty Armitage	07891 466976

### HOME SERVICES

Advantage Projects Ltd (energy consultants)	01270 812547
Allan Mitchell (floral) Designs	01270 811635
Childminder, Lorraine Joynson	01270 811045
Children's Entertainer, Sarah Middleton	01270 811826
Cleaning Services, Audlem Angels	01270 811803
English Tuition, Fiona Bardsley	01270 812983
French Tuition, Jilly Cotterell	01270 811614
Garden Services, Joe Hoyles	01270 811926
Home Laundry Service	01270 812029
Local Colour Framing	07891 367171
Riding Instructor	01270 811488
Sewinstead Creative Embroidery	01270 811 296
Stylemaker (UK)	01270 812250
The Flower Company	01270 812434
Window cleaner, Danny Fallows	01270 811276
Window cleaner, David Bebbington	01270 812300

### RETIREMENT HOMES

Audlem Country Home	01270 811514
Corbrook Court	01270 812049

### SHOPS

Audlem Mill Canal Shop	01270 811059
Audlem Upholstery	01270 811155
Audlem Pine Services	07855 438506
Bo'tique, ladies' fashions	01270 812958
C E Vernon, Butcher	01270 811227
Chemist	01270 811245
Funeral Directors, Tressiders	01270 812512
Post Office	01270 811211
The Co-operative (food)	01270 811215
The Salad Bowl	01270 811554
Williams Newsagents	01270 811210

### PET SERVICES

Carry on Canine	www.carryoncanine.com
Marycare	01270 812578
Rookery Cottage Cattery	01948 871617
Santoshia Boarding Kennels & Cattery	01270 811314
The Grange Boarding Kennels & Cattery	01270 811264
The Pet Sitter	01270 811032

### TRADES

Audlem Electrical Services	01270 811845
Construction Management Services	01270 811221
Decorator, Colin Rycroft	07710 871608
D R Jones (mini digger hire)	01270 812368
Elmbreck Technical Services	01270 812600
Grout Building Company	01270 811751
Pete Popovic (general maintenance)	01270 812557
Plumber, Pete Webb	01270 812071
Plumber, Plug & Plumb	01270 812875
Plumber, S R Booth	01270 811449
W B Plasterers	01270 811370

### TRANSPORT

Campervan Hire	01270 812068
Driving Tuition	01270 812420
Foxit Vehicle Refinishing	07946 386731
Gilbert's Taxis	01270 812617
J & J Motors	01270 811411

### VILLAGE INFORMATION & NOTICEBOARDS

ADAS noticeboard	on the Square
ASET noticeboard	outside the Post Office
Cheshire East noticeboard	at the car park
Tourist Information	at Williams (newsagents)
Parish Council noticeboard	on the Square
Village diary of events	at Williams (newsagents)
WI noticeboard	outside the Post Office

For more information on all these businesses  
visit the village website at  
[www.audlem.org](http://www.audlem.org)

### AUDLEM DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Meetings of the History Society are in the Scout & Guide Hall. On Thursday, May 21st, 2009 at 7.45 pm, Tony Bonson, author of 'Mills on the Dane', is speaking on 'Waterpower on the River Dane'. On June 17th, the coach trip is to the Llangollen area, probably the Rug Chapel first, lunch in Llangollen and then Plas Newydd. There may be space for non members.

### CARERS

If you care for a friend or relative who needs help due to illness, disability or frailty then you are a Carer. Cheshire Carers Centre is a charity offering advice, information and support to Carers across Cheshire East and Cheshire West and Chester. We also have an informal drop in session at Audlem Public Hall on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 10.30am until 12.30pm. Call in for a coffee, chat to centre staff and other Carers. For information, call Dawn Brown on 01606 828151 ext 5.

Lots of activities and trips are held during the year and there are no charges for any of our services. Call the helpline for more information Monday to Friday from 10am until 4pm on 0800 085 0307.

### ACCCA

#### **(Audlem Church Clock Centenary Appeal)**

It is exactly a year since the Appeal was launched to automate the winding mechanism for the Church Clock. You may remember that the Clock will celebrate its Centenary in 2011 and it is hoped that the work will be completed and operational by then.

The fund now totals £4,900. One estimate for part of the work is currently outstanding and when that has been received, hopefully, work can begin. It is not too late to make a donation and cheques should be made payable to "Audlem PCC" These can be sent to either Christine Johnson at 16 Shropshire St, Audlem or Ruth Kemble, Plum Tree Cottage, Kettle Lane, Audlem. Anyone who would like to visit the Clock (and the Bells) should contact Christine on 811774 or Ruth on 811887.

### **D.A.H.L.I.A.**

**(Developing Allotments 4 Healthy Leisure in Audlem)**

1. Do you like fresh, seasonal fruit and veg?
2. Would you like to G.Y.O?
3. If you had the chance of an Allotment in Audlem would you take it?

If yes to these questions and you want to register an interest in having an Allotment (with no commitment at this stage) please:-

**PHONE: 01270 811887 or 811774**

**EMAIL: [czarptc@hotmail.com](mailto:czarptc@hotmail.com)  
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The number of people expressing an interest in an Allotment has now risen to 60. Following a public meeting in January, where the decision was taken to form an Association, a Committee has been elected and held their first meeting on April 1st. Christine Johnson was elected Chair and Ruth Kemble was elected Secretary/Treasurer

The local group will now affiliate to the National Society of Allotments and Leisure Gardens (NSALG).

The Parish Council have formed an Advisory Working Group to take forward the issue of Allotments and Christine and Ruth have been co-opted to work with 2 Parish Councillors. Research into available land and possible sites is now being conducted. Anyone who would like an allotment or with queries, please call Christine on 811774 or Ruth on 811887

### AUDLEM METHODIST CHURCH

Audlem Methodist Church is planning a special day in July this year when we want to raise a lot of money for a cause other than ourselves.



Following the success of last year's Flower Festival, this year we've decided to organise a series of events and occasions to raise as much money as we can in one day. The day will be the evening of Friday 3 July to the evening of Saturday 4th July and, during these twenty-four hours, we hope to raise £5,000 for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Our slogan and logo is '£5k 1 day'. As well as simply inviting donations, we are planning dinner parties, coffee mornings, an auction of promises, a sponsored 'move' (walk, run or swim) and a musical spectacular. On Sunday 5 July a representative from MacMillan will attend the morning service to receive what we hope will be a sizeable cheque.

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### AUDLEM & DISTRICT BRANCH CONSERVATIVES

With the changes planned to take place in the Eddisbury Parliamentary Constituency Boundary at the next General Election (to be held June 2010 at latest) the Branch will be looking at including Hankelow, Coole Pilate and Austerson in their social events for 2009. For further information about the Branch and its events contact Roland Hall (812530) or Alan Cross (811974).

### AUDLEM & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

Alvar Jones completed his successful year as President in March and Ben Clark has been confirmed as President for 2009. Rex Rayner has taken over from Derek Rooke as Club Secretary. Derek was the founder of the Club and has been elected Honorary Membership.

The Club has a varied programme and meets at the Brookfield Golf Club on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month (except August) commencing 10 am for coffee followed by a guest speaker. Coming up soon we have On the Fiddle; Barnes Wallis – Designer Extraordinaire and Echoes of the Stage. A full social programme includes a 5 Day break in Alnwick and a visit to Lyme Park. For further details contact Ben Clark on 01630 655052 or Rex Rayner on 811896.

### **AUDLEM WI**

The 90th birthday year of the W.I. started well with a hectic performance by our January speaker to illustrate her 'Nine Lives' as a children's guide at Tatton Hall and the annual dinner at the golf club with the Kipling singers as the cabaret was a great success.

March was the birthday meeting with a superb display of archives and achievements covering the past nine decades. The hall was opened in the afternoon and the public viewed the exhibition over cups of tea. This was followed in the evening by a birthday party when the old established members related amusing stories of the days gone by.

In May an outing to Southport is proposed and in June there will be a visit to a Derbyshire well dressing. Our activities have attracted three new members this year but there is room for more and they will be made most welcome. Further details from Christine Salisbury, President on 811110 or Anne Poole, Secretary on 811224.

### **AUDLEM MEDICAL PRACTICE**

We are very aware that over recent weeks we have had fewer appointments available than would usually be the case. We are responding to this by changing our appointments system from 5 May 2009 to increase the number of appointments bookable in advance, whilst ensuring that those patients with problems that they feel are urgent can be assessed promptly and then reviewed by a doctor, nurse or nurse practitioner as appropriate to their individual need.

### **AUDLEM PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP MEETING**

The Audlem Patient Participation Group met at the Medical Practice on Thursday 19th March, the second meeting of the recently formed group. The group discussed communication across the whole practice; a Patient Participation Group leaflet for patients, with contact details for the members of the panel; Practice Based Commissioning; an overview of services; the results of the Patient Survey; and an update on plans to extend the Medical Practice's building.

The group was impressed with the excellent results shown in the Patient Survey which were well above the national averages.

The Group heard about the touch screen arrival system which is being installed on 18th May 2009. Initially, a member of staff will greet patients on arrival to show them how to operate the new system. However, patients will still be able to check in at reception if they so wish. This system is to help achieve a more efficient flow of patients through the appointment system and help free up the receptionists' time to take more telephone calls and deal with other queries. The Group meets again on Tuesday 23rd June

### **AUDLEM PUBLIC HALL**

As part of the continuing refurbishment of the Hall, a stair lift is due to be fitted and will provide easier access for the less mobile to the snooker and committee rooms. The committee is also planning to renew the wall and repair the steps on



the Cheshire Street frontage and to replace the doors at the main entrance. In addition a sound system will be installed in the main hall.

Bingo sessions are held on the first and third Fridays of every month, starting at 7.30 pm. Cash prizes to be won.

### **WIND FARM INQUIRY IN WOORE IN MAY**

The appeal against the decision by North Shropshire District Council to reject the application by Nuon UK Limited to build a wind farm with seven turbines is to be heard in Woore starting on Wednesday 6th May. It will be held at the Victory Hall, London Road, Woore and is expected to last eleven days.

Approximately 600 local people turned up for the planning meeting last September at the Grange School, Market Drayton. The local council, sensing the strength of opinion and hearing the facts, threw out the proposal after hearing that 2,333 local people or organisations had submitted statements opposing the scheme, including Audlem and Buerton Parish Councils. Nuon, as expected, have appealed against the decision, hence the Inquiry in Woore.

Anyone may attend the Inquiry at Woore. If you wish to speak, you must be present when the Inquiry opens to inform the Inspector of your attendance. The initial meeting starts at 10.00am on Wednesday 6th May.

### **NEW LOOK TO AUDLEM ONLINE**

The month of May sees a re-designed, easier to navigate village website with lots more pictures, galleries showing local scenes and events, and continued daily news and information on village clubs and societies and local businesses.

There will be new features including: an interactive map of Audlem showing places of interest and local retail businesses, pubs and cafés plus three day weather forecasts. A completely new feature is a Puzzles Section bringing you online entertainment created in the Village and unique to Audlem online. The webteam is looking for many good quality digital photographs and historical photos. If you have any of interest please email them to: [webteam@audlem.org](mailto:webteam@audlem.org)

As this is a complete re-vamp of the website, please check that information on businesses, clubs, societies etc. on the new site is correct and let the webteam know of any necessary changes. The website address is unchanged:- [www.audlem.org](http://www.audlem.org)

## **HAVE YOUR SAY**

If you would like your views in the Newsletter or on the Website contact:

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**Website Team** on [webteam@audlem.org](mailto:webteam@audlem.org) or 'Contact Webteam' on the website.

The closing date for items for the next issue is 11th July 2009