NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE WELCOME PACK

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WELCOME

On behalf of the Councillors and Parish Clerk, I extend a warm welcome to you and your family as you take up residence in our wonderful part of the world. We hope you quickly transition to feel part of the community and able to join in with local life.

This welcome pack is designed to give you an overview of our community. I hope that you will find the information useful as you settle in. You can also find more information on our website at www.npapc.co.uk.

Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Parish Council exists to serve our local community. Our aim is to continue to improve local amenities and enhance our local environment for the benefit of all residents. Please use the *contact us* form on our website if we can be of any assistance.

Kind regards

Andrew Marshall Chairman

ABOUT THE PARISH

Newbold Pacey is the older of the two places, Newbold Pacey being at one time the village and Ashorne the hamlet. Local folklore says that Ashorne came about when a gentleman named Edward Carew came to Newbold Pacey to escape the plague in London but brought it with him. The villagers then crossed Woozeley Brook to escape the plague and built their houses in Ashorne. Ashorne is an Anglo-Saxon word for north-east, so it signifies the north-east corner of the parish.

There is a monument to Edward Carew and his infant daughter in the church. This monument was brought from the previous church which was partly wooden. The present church was designed by J L Pearson, who was also the architect of Truro cathedral. There are a few interesting monuments in the church, one to a past vicar who was nephew of the poet Southey and another to somebody who was 'a martyr to the gout'.

It is rumoured that a lot of the cottages in Newbold Pacey were burnt down and never rebuilt so that only a few remain today. The old vicarage has an exact replica in Virginia, USA. In Ashorne the oldest houses are around the Green, except Stonehouse Farm House, which is mentioned in the Domesday Book. Several of the houses are wattle and daub, the marl being collected from the 'Holloway', which is now a C class road. At one time this was the only way in and out of the village.

In recent times the village has built a new Village Hall which replaced a hut dating from the First World War. Unfortunately, the village has lost its school, post office and shop. The chapel has been sold and converted into a house.

One of the local large houses, Ashorne Hill, was once owned by Mr Bryant of Bryant & May Matches and was bought by the iron and steel industry during the Second World War as their headquarters. It is now a conference centre.

There is a cricket field which is the only one in the country where you cross water to get from the pavilion to the field. In the adjoining Ashorne House, at one time, lived Major Bouch, whose uncle was the architect of the doomed Tay Bridge.

As in countless English villages, Newbold and Ashorne now have little to offer in the way of employment. Thus, families which have lived in the parish for many generations must look elsewhere for jobs. As they commute to nearby towns, so do the newcomers to the village. There are still a significant number of family names which also appeared in the 1851 census and whose grandparents feature, as children, in the 1869-70 Log Book of the village school.

PARISH COUNCIL

Newbold Pacey & Ashorne Parish Council is the first tier of government and the one closest to residents. District, County and National Government come next. Our Council operates with up to 6 Councillors who are elected every four years. We have a Chairman (Andrew Marshall) and Vice Chairman (Paul Darnell), and the Council is quorate when three Councillors are in attendance.

As a Council we usually meet in the Village Hall at 19.30 hours bi-monthly on the first Wednesday of January (Budget), March, May (AGM and Parish Meeting), July, September, and November. Regular scheduled meetings are known as Ordinary meetings. Extra-ordinary meetings may be convened if the Council has urgent business to consider at other times of the year.

The dates, agendas and minutes of meetings are posted on the two noticeboards (one each in Ashorne and Newbold Pacey) and on our website www.newboldpaceyashorne-pc.gov.uk We also provide a regular update on our activities for the Village Hut News.

The Parish Council receives funding from Stratford District Council in the form of a precept. The precept is collected as part of your annual Council Tax. The Parish Council use the precept to pay for activities that benefit residents e.g. to maintain the Old School village clock, provide the parish councils website and printing of the Village Hut News. We also provide Gooseberry Hill allotments in the village.

Another aspect of the Parish Council's work is to comment on local planning applications (including tree applications) and district and county matters considered relevant to the parish.

If you would like to read more about how the Parish Council works, please view our Legal and Policy Documents on the website. See specifically our Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

The aim of the Parish Council is to represent and involve residents. You are invited to attend ordinary and extraordinary meetings. The Public Forum at the start of each meeting is specifically for you to raise concerns or comment on agenda items. Alternatively, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact a Councillor or the Parish Clerk.

Email: clerk@newboldpaceyashorne-pc.gov.uk

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St. George the Martyr, Newbold Pacey Email: newboldstgeorge@gmail.com www.midfosse.co.uk

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the communities of Ashorne and Newbold Pacey. Hopefully, you have already found the locals to be both friendly and helpful, and you are finding your way around the area.

You have come to live in a thriving community in which the members of the local Church play an important part. St George's Church is a beautiful building with fabulous views across farmland and is located about half a mile from the centre of Ashorne in the nearby Newbold Pacey. It is accessible either by car, which is a slightly longer journey, or by foot passing through the local cricket ground and across a field, which can be rather wet in winter! Services take place every Sunday of the year, although please see the parish magazine or village noticeboards for the specific times as they vary depending on the Sunday in the month. The services cover a range of both Eucharistic and non-Eucharistic, morning and evening, both clergy and lay led.

It is a Church where almost every member is involved to greater or lesser degree. We also have a number of people from the community who support the Church in various ways, whilst not being regular worshippers.

It would be lovely to see you at one of our services. You will find current contact details on the back of the parish magazine.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

USEFUL LOCAL INFORMATION

Location

Ashorne is situated on the C167 which is between the B4087 and B4100. (Helpful for the emergency services if needed.)

Defibrillator

Located on wall of Village Hall entrance

Schools

There is a primary school in Moreton Morrell and a secondary school in Kineton. For more information go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk.

Rubbish Collection

Currently rubbish is collected on Friday mornings. Wheelie bins are left at the kerbside for collection. See www.stratford.gov.uk under Refuse & Recycling for info

Cash Points

There are cash points in Wellesbourne at Sainsbury's, the Coop and within both One Stop shops.

Post Office

Bridge Street, Wellesbourne within the One Stop shop. There is also a cash point here.

Bus

There are buses which call at Ashorne and Newbold Pacey. See www.stagecoachbus.com

Community bus - UBUS

For those unable to access public transport there is a community bus available between the hours of 9.30 am to 7 pm on weekdays (except between 2.30 pm and 4.30 pm on school days) which goes to Wellesbourne and Stratford. Telephone 01789 264491 to register. Once registered, telephone to book your journey (up to the day before). Free to bus pass holders.

Newspapers

Newspapers can be ordered from One Stop in Bridge Street, Wellesbourne (01789 840286).

Window Cleaners

Steve Harvey 07774-922774 Swift Widow Cleaners 01926-770073

Mobile Library

The Warwickshire County Council mobile library visits Ashorne from 10.30-10.45 am on a Friday, every 3 weeks and stops near the phone box. For more information ring 01926-851031 or www.mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk

Allotments

Allotments are available to rent. Please contact the Parish Clerk for details. Email: clerk@newboldpaceyashorne-pc.gov.uk or telephone the Clerk on 01926716191

Dog owners

Please be aware that it is the responsibility of dog owners to clear up any fouling on our roads, pavements and pathways. If necessary, owners will be reported to Stratford District Council and may be liable to prosecution.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

<u>Doctor</u> Hastings House Medical Centre, Rivers Way, Wellesbourne, CV35 9RH	01789-840245
Hospitals	01703-040243
Lakin Road, Warwick Arden Street, Stratford-upon-Avon	01926-495321
University Hospital, Clifford Bridge Road, Binley, Coventry	01789-205831 024-7696-4000
<u>Dentist</u> Langman & Associates, Wellesbourne	01789-840786
Police Wellesbourne – Safer Neighbourhood Scheme Emergencies General enquiries	01789-842114 999 101
<u>Chemist</u> Within Hastings House Medical Centre, Wellesbourne	01789-840247
<u>Library</u> Kineton Road, Wellesbourne	0300 555 8171
<u>Vet</u> Avonvale, 29 Warwick Road, Wellesbourne	01789-841072
District Council Stratford-upon-Avon	01789-267575
Warwickshire County Council Warwick	01926-410410

WHATS ON – VILLAGE HALL



The Village Hall was built in 1983 after a lot of fundraising by the parishioners. The Hall is available for hire during the day, evening or weekends and is suitable for a number of different functions from children's parties to meetings. The Chairman and Booking Secretary is Chris Thornton, telephone her on 651436.

Social events and walks organised by the Village Hall Committee such as barn dances, wine tasting evenings etc to raise funds for the upkeep of the Village Hall. If you are interested in joining the Village Hall Committee contact Chris Thornton on 01926 651436.

Whist Drive – every 2 weeks. Contact Sheila Wyatt on 01926 651762 or Jim Thornton on 01926 651436.

Table Tennis – We play in both the Stratford and Learnington leagues and regularly have practice nights in the Village Hall. If you are interested please contact Steve Handsley on 01926 651978.

New Year's Day breakfast from 10.30 am to 12.00 pm. Just turn up

Newbold Pacey & Ashorne WI – see separate sheet.

WI Community Coffee Morning first Saturday of the month 10 am to midday. Tea, coffee, homemade cake

Footpath volunteers gather at the Village Hall periodically before setting off to spend time keeping our footpaths clear. Phone Steve Bolton on 651768 to volunteer your services.



Currently closed

Cricket

Within Ashorne village is a cricket ground which is the picturesque home of Ashorne and Moreton Morrell Cricket Club. The Club has been in existence since 1860 and plays on a ground fairly unique in that the pavilion is placed within the Newbold Pacey hamlet, whilst after crossing Woozeley Brook, players actually play their game within Ashorne hamlet!

The Club fields a single team on both Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer. Saturday cricket is currently played in Division Two of the competitive Cotswold Hills League, whilst Sundays are for friendly matches. We are a friendly Club which is always looking for additional playing and social members of all ages and abilities.

For further information please visit the Club's website: http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/ashornecc

Alternatively, contact the Club Chairman, Richard Moon on 651640 or the Club's Secretary, Mark Freeman on 01789 840504.





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President: Vicki Etherington Secretary: Jackie Barnett Treasurer: Trish Handsley

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NEWBOLD PACEY & ASHORNE WI

Interested in learning a new skill, making new friends, having some fun? The WI could be for you!

Newbold Pacey & Ashorne WI is made up of women whose ages span six decades. We aim for a diverse programme of activities in a welcoming, friendly environment with plenty of time to chat.

For less than £1 per week members can expect 11 monthly meetings per year with speakers or craft demonstrations; WI magazines and the opportunity to sign up for extra trips, talks and workshops run by Warwickshire Federation and other WIs. We have an active Walking Group and two Craft Groups.

We are a friendly group and are always keen to welcome new members and guests. Why not come along and see if WI is for you - 2nd Thursday of the month, 7.30pm in Ashorne Village Hall.

You can be sure of a warm welcome, great tea - and cake.

The National Federation of WIs is the largest voluntary organization for women in the UK with around 180,000 members in 5,500 WIs www.thewi.org