



## *Serving the Communities of Castleton and Marshfield*

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## **Marshfield Community Council Newsletter Autumn 2022**

**Welcome to the autumn newsletter** from Marshfield Community Council and we hope that you find it an interesting read. We have two new councillors who joined the council in September; welcome to Father Ross Maidment and Jim Smith. There are two vacancies on the council and we would welcome anyone wishing to come and join us, please contact the details above. The public are encouraged to attend the monthly council meetings and the dates for the next few months are 8th November, 13th December 2022, January 10th, February 14th and March 14th 2023. All held at Marshfield Village Hall at 7.15pm and online; visit our website for details [www.marshfieldcommunitycouncil.org](http://www.marshfieldcommunitycouncil.org)

### **Digital Equipment at Marshfield Village Hall**



The council has financed conferencing equipment in the small meeting room. It is now mandatory for the community council to provide hybrid monthly council meetings to be accessed online by the public and in person. This also means that the small meeting room can be hired for anyone wishing to hold a conference meeting, contact [bookings@marshfieldvillagehall.org.uk](mailto:bookings@marshfieldvillagehall.org.uk)

### **New Boiler at Marshfield Village Hall**

In July the boiler at Marshfield Village Hall was replaced after many months of breakdowns; the project was financed by Marshfield Community Council. The boiler will prove to be more reliable and efficient and a great benefit for all using the village hall.

### **Marshfield Village Hall and Coffee Shop**

The community is lucky to have such a fabulous facility at the heart of the village. The hall can cater for most events including parties, clubs, public and private meetings. To hire the hall email [bookings@marshfieldvillagehall.org.uk](mailto:bookings@marshfieldvillagehall.org.uk). The hall is run by volunteers who are organising events so keep a look out on the website [www.marshfieldvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.marshfieldvillagehall.co.uk) and facebook; dates to note **Christmas Fayre** Sunday 18th December from 2.30pm, children can have their photo with Santa in his Grotto (small charge) after he has been around the village in his sleigh; a New Year's event is also planned, look out for details.

**The Village Coffee Shop** has been running on Saturdays and Sundays since July and has proved a great success with the community. The whole range of coffee, tea, chocolate and milkshakes, cold drinks and snacks are available; come along and join us for a delicious brew. The facility is run by volunteers so if you could help out please email [thevillagecoffeeshopmarshfield@hotmail.com](mailto:thevillagecoffeeshopmarshfield@hotmail.com)

### **Neighbourhood Policing Team**



Your local Neighbourhood Police Team consists of Sergeant Mervyn Priest, PC Val Bryan and PCSO's Michelle Pearson and Samantha Davies. The team is responsible for all related policing matters in Marshfield and Castleton. The next few police surgeries will be held on Sundays 6th November and 4th December after which (2023) surgeries will be held bi-monthly on the first Sunday at 1pm for an hour. They will take place at Marshfield Village Hall in the small meeting room.

Confidentiality and privacy are assured and this is an opportunity for residents to raise any issues so come and speak to the team.

## Marshfield Bus Campaign (Supported by MCC)



A community engagement exercise collecting over 500 survey results and incorporating the data into a document was presented to our city councillors on 29<sup>th</sup> July. 98% of those surveyed wanted a scheduled bus service to be reinstated in Marshfield and Castleton. The data analysis was taken back to Newport City Council and Newport Transport Ltd by the councillors. Currently the campaign group is waiting to meet with the city councillors to consider any proposals; updates will be posted on the Marshfield Community Council facebook page.

## New Dugouts at Marshfield Playing Fields

Previous dugouts at Marshfield Playing Fields were removed for safety reasons as they were old and damaged. Marshfield Community Council financed the installation of new dugouts for the benefit of the community. Unfortunately, they were vandalised shortly after installation. The council asks that all facilities provided for the community are respected and looked after.



## Marshfield Magpies



Marshfield's own litter pick group meet up once a month to help keep our village clean and tidy. Everyone is welcome to join in and equipment and bags are provided. The next few meetups are Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022; meet at Groes Corner 10am. Affiliated to Keep Wales Tidy, Magpies also takes part in multi-organisational litter picks with staff from National Resources Wales, Newport City Council, DPD the Police and others. Magpie's reports fly-tipping and is involved in environmental projects like the village pollinating garden; further details [marshfieldmagpies615@gmail.com](mailto:marshfieldmagpies615@gmail.com) or facebook.

## Christmas Bauble Competition

For the second year the community council in conjunction with Marshfield Magpies are running a Christmas Bauble Competition for all children in the villages who are Primary School age and under. Prizes have generously been sponsored by Independent Electrical Supplies Ltd and will be awarded to the best 6 decorations. All of the entries will be hung on the village Christmas tree that is situated opposite the shop every year. The decoration will need a fixing and can be any shape and design, (approx 15cm x 15cm). Please attach your details to your entry with a contact number and deliver to 107, Mallards Reach CF3 2NL on November 30<sup>th</sup> (6pm to 7pm) further information email [marshfieldmagpies615@gmail.com](mailto:marshfieldmagpies615@gmail.com)



## Santa's Visit to Marshfield and Castleton



Santa will be visiting on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December and leaving Castleton Village Hall at 5pm to travel through Marshfield streets visiting Mallards Reach, the Meadows, Marshfield Road, Marysfield Close, and Pentwyn Terrace to finish at Marshfield Village Hall about 6.30pm. There will be Christmas Festivities at the hall once Santa's Journey has been completed; charity collection on the night for LATCH.

## Welcome Back to Father Ross Maidment

'I am delighted to have returned to Marshfield and Castleton to serve as Vicar' says Father Ross 'having spent the previous two years as Chaplain at Winchester College. Steph and I grew to love Marshfield whilst I was a trainee Vicar in 2017-2020 and are thrilled to have returned to the place we are proud to call home'. There is an exciting programme of services and events coming up - **Back to Church** Sunday: 6<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am; **Remembrance** Sunday: 13<sup>th</sup> November 10.45am; **Lessons and Carols**: 2<sup>nd</sup> December 7pm; **Christingle**: 11<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am; **Nativity**: 18<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am; **Midnight Mass**: 24<sup>th</sup> December 11.30pm.

