# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	ACTIVITY		
Every Thursday	<b>Weekly free coffee morning</b> - Every Thursday 9:30 to 11:30am at the Parish Centre ( <i>inside St Georges C of E primary school</i> ). Ring the buzzer marked "parish" to gain entry. Call 01952 567700 for more info.		
Thursday 25th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning – 10am to 2pm, drop in for some coffee & cake and a chat, while raising money for this superb cause.		
Wednesday 26th November	Over 60's coach trip to Chester 9:30am – Tickets on sale from w/c 20th October		
Friday 28th November	St Georges Christmas Lights Switch On – 3:30pm to 6:30pm		
Sunday 30th November	<b>Priorslee Residents Association Christmas Fayre</b> – At Lakeside Plant Centre. 11am - 4pm		
COMING SOON	The grand opening of the Gower. Watch this space!		

Please see each Event poster or Parish Council Website for more information



# **Meet your safer neighbourhood team**

Officers can be contacted on the below numbers concerning community issues. To report a crime in progress call 999 and for non emergencies, report online at www.westmercia.police.uk/report. If you are unable to report online, you can contact us via the 101 non-emergency number.

St Georges, Priorslee and Muxton SNT (sgp.snt@westmercia.police.uk)





To sign up to receive alerts from your local policing teams scan the OR code above or visit: www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk



07866 215068



**PCSO** Wayne Jervis 07816 220759



# **Staff and Councillor Contact List:**

Ward	Name	E-mail	Tel
Priorslee Councillor	Robert Cadman VICE-CHAIRMAN	cllrrobertcadman@gmail.com	07531 127410
Priorslee Councillor	Rachael Tyrrell	rachael.tyrrell@telford.gov.uk	01952 567700
Priorslee Councillor	Paul Thomas	paul.thomas1@telford.gov.uk	07702 826184
Priorslee Councillor	Jane Little	cllrjanelittle@outlook.com	01952 567700
Priorslee Councillor	Gurdip Singh	clerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	01952 567700
St George's Councillor	Richard Overton CHAIRMAN	richard.overton@telford.gov.uk	01952 613386
St George's Councillor	Stephen Handley	stephen.handley@telford.gov.uk	07814 536715
St George's Councillor	Ernie Dabbs	clerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	01952 567700
St George's Councillor	Janine Smart	clerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	07710 717915
St George's Councillor	Sarah Harrison	cllrsarahharrison@gmail.com	07723 055874
Snedshill Councillor	Andy Harrison	cllrandyharrison@gmail.com	07766 912129
Parish Clerk & RFO	Kate Southgate	clerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	01952 567700
Community Events & Parish Support Officer	Jessica Ellis	parishsupport@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	07934 526362
Deputy Clerk	Catherine Lane	deputyclerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk	01952 567700

All of the above can be contacted via the Parish Centre at Grove Street, St Georges TF2 9LJ Parish Council office opening times - Monday to Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm • TEL: 01952 567700 Keep up to date with whats happening by visiting our FB site: St Georges & Priorslee Parish Council

# Other ways to report issues or concerns about your local area:

To help rough sleepers please call TWC housing solutions team on 01952 391925. Temporary accommodation Shropshire 0345 678 9005

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Support for people in recovery from addiction or experience poor mental health branches TACT 01952 899 204 or email: referrals@tacteam.org.uk

# Parish Matters

ST GEORGES & PRIORSLEE PARISH COUNCIL



# Summer 2025 Newsletter Issue 27

# **Chairman's Report**

Serving as your Parish Council Chair continues to be both an honour and a delight. As we enjoy this glorious summer weather, I'm reminded daily of why St. Georges & Priorslee is such a special place to call home - from our vibrant hanging baskets brightening the streets to families making

cherished memories on our seaside trips.

This year holds extra significance with the installation of our beautiful 80th Anniversary VE Day Benches in St. Georges and Priorslee. These poignant tributes were made possible thanks to the Borough Councillors' Ward Pride Fund and Telford and Wrekin Council's VE Anniversary Grant - a testament to what we achieve together.

We're also thrilled to announce this year we will be moving into The Gower, our new home in a delightful Grade II listed building! This historic space will allow us to:

- ☑ Be more accessible to residents
- ☑ Host expanded community activities
- ☑ Free up much-needed space at St Georges Primary School
- ✓ Develop new youth provision programs using the additional facilities.

Having been born and raised in St. Georges, I'm deeply invested in our community's future. The Parish Council will continue striving



to enhance our area - guided by our Armed Forces Covenant and Care Leavers Covenant ensuring support for veterans, service personnel, and care leavers remains central to our mission.

Together, we're preserving our heritage while building an even brighter, more inclusive future. We will soon be having a formal opening of the Mining and Industrial Memorial at the Albion Bank. This monument is a lasting way of remembering our local history and an opportunity to encourage residents to access the Albion Banks, which is a much-loved gem of a greenspace within our area.

We are keen to improve and enhance the biodiversity in our local green spaces and have

Cllr Richard Overton

projects lined up with various partners to help us do so. If you have ideas or wish to get involved, please reach out we'd love to hear from you!

With warmest summer wishes,

### Richard Overton

Chair, St. Georges & Priorslee Parish Council



# **Gower Refurbishment Nears Completion**

There's not long to go until we move into our new offices at the Gower Building in St George's.

This is a really exciting time for us and we look forward to making the refurbished building our new home.

We'll be relocated in the centre of the building, with the northern wing providing a community space and the southern wing providing three newly refurbished Nuplace homes.

After a challenging refurbishment programme, we are excited to report that work on the Grade II Listed building is nearing completion - with internal fit out underway after careful structural restoration.

St Georges and Priorslee Parish Council would love to hear from all of our residents regarding potential events you would like to see the Parish Council host, as well as ideas for private bookings; this could range from AGM's to Zumba classes - and everything in between.

The relocation of the Parish Office also provides the ever-successful St Georges Primary School with an opportunity to expand and increase their facilities.

For anyone wishing to express an interest in using the Community Hall, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Council by emailing us at: clerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk or telephone on: 01952 567700.



## DO YOU KNOW WHO TO CONTACT?

# **Telford & Wrekin Council - Your Principal Local Authority**

Telford & Wrekin Council (TWC) is the principal authority for the St Georges and Priorslee area, responsible for delivering a wide range of public services. If you need support or need to report an issue in any of the following areas, please contact TWC directly via their website:

#### www.telford.gov.uk

#### Services covered by TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL include:

#### **Waste & Recycling**

- Refuse and bin collections
- Recycling services

#### **Roads, Highways & Street Services**

- Street lighting
- > Roads and highways maintenance

#### **Regulatory Services**

- Licensing (alcohol, taxis, gambling, animal welfare, etc.)
- > Trading standards and consumer protection
- Food safety and hygiene
- > Health & safety enforcement
- Pollution control (domestic and industrial)

#### **Housing & Environmental Health**

- Council housing and privately rented accommodation
- > HMOs and overcrowding concerns
- Environmental health complaints
- Noise nuisance, vermin, and cleanliness issues

#### **Neighbourhood Enforcement**

TWC's Neighbourhood Enforcement Team work in partnership with other services and agencies to tackle:

- Anti-social behaviour
- Illegal parking
- Civil enforcement
- > CCTV management
- Issues in town centres and car parks

#### **Community Services**

- Schools and nurseries
- Adult Social Care
- > Births, marriages, and deaths
- Council Tax and Benefits
- ➤ Leisure centres and sports pitches
- Planning applications and enforcement

#### **REPORTING AN ISSUE?**

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For the fastest response, please report relevant issues directly to Telford & Wrekin Council using the **MyTelford app** or website:

www.telford.gov.uk/mytelford



report issues log missed bins all this and more...

www.telford.gov.uk/mytelford

## **St Georges and Priorslee Parish Council**

What Does Your Parish Council Do for You? St Georges & Priorslee Parish Council Update:

Did you know that a small portion of your Council Tax goes directly to the Parish Council? While it may seem like a modest amount per household, together this funding allows us to provide a wide range of services and initiatives that benefit the whole community. Here's just a snapshot of what your Parish Council does:

#### **Hanging Baskets & Flower Beds**

Throughout the summer months there are glorious displays and brilliant blooms around the Flash and in the centre of St Georges from our hanging baskets. We also have a small flower bed next to the Clock tower in Priorslee as well as three small flower beds in the square. There is also a sensory bed next to the village green in Priorslee.



#### **Community Action Team (CAT Team)**

Thanks to our partnership with idverde, we have two operatives working in the Parish two days a week. They help maintain Rights of Way, remove overgrowth, clear litter, and support planting and environmental improvements.

#### **Gardening Service**

We offer a basic lawn cut to residents of the Parish who are 70 years old or are unable to manage the mowing of their lawn. This is approximately 10 x cuts a year.

#### **Freeston Avenue Play Area**

This fantastic and well used play area is located in Freeston Avenue along Priorslee Road, St Georges. The whole site is owned, maintained and funded by the Parish Council.

#### **Street Furniture & Noticeboards**

We maintain nine open-fronted community noticeboards and a range of benches and picnic seating throughout the Parish, including our new commemorative VE Day 80 benches.

#### **Bus Shelters**

We own and maintain a number of brick built bus shelters within the parish.

#### **Christmas Lights**

Each year we improve our festive displays across both St Georges and Priorslee to bring seasonal cheer to residents.

#### **Planning Consultation**

We are consulted on local planning applications by Telford & Wrekin Council. While we don't make the final decision, we submit comments. Anyone wishing to make a comment on a planning application can do so via TWC's website

#### **Thursday Coffee Morning**

Held weekly at the Parish Centre (9:30–11:30am), our free coffee mornings are a great chance to chat with neighbours. Local policing teams often drop by, and we occasionally welcome guest speakers too!

#### Warm Up Wednesdays

Initially launched as part of the Warm Space initiative, this free breakfast provides residents a warm welcome and a hot meal. We hope to continue this again this coming winter.

#### **Coach Trips**

We offer fantastic subsidised coach trips throughout the year, including our long-running over-60s trip to Llandudno, a November trip to Chester, and an all-ages seaside visit to Barmouth during Whit Week. Residents are collected from numerous points in Priorslee and St Georges so do look out for these fantastic days out!



#### **Community Grants**

We offer small grants to local groups and organisations benefiting our residents. If you're part of a community group, visit our website to find out how to apply.

#### **Room Hire**

Our Parish Centre is available for small group bookings (up to 20 people) with kitchenette access. Once we relocate to our new home at The Gower later this year, we'll have a larger space and improved facilities—details to follow!

#### **Community Events**

We support four major community events annually through funding for the St Georges Partnership and Priorslee Residents Association. We also attend with free children's crafts and Parish Council information - so if you see us, come and say hello.