



SUTTON WEAVER PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

March 2024



Christmas Decoration Competition Results

As usual there were a lot of properties decorated with some fantastic Christmas displays, making the judging very difficult indeed. Sutton Weaver looked very seasonal.

In the end the first 3 places went to:



42 Cedar Avenue



25 Cedar Avenue



50 Chester Road

There was also a fabulous turn out for the Christmas tree lighting. Thank you to everyone for coming along. *The Parish Council need to bring more mulled wine next year!*

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Playground Re-development

The playground re-development work started in early December, so did the wet weather!

The contractors worked tirelessly in the most awful conditions to get the groundwork done and the new equipment in place.

Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather this did result in the playground looking like a scene from a battlefield, and accordingly the Parish Council, as previously advised, took the decision not to open the playground until it had dried up enough for the contractors to rework the ground. January and February continued to be very wet so it was early March before groundworks could be contemplated. The bare soil will be re-worked and seeded hopefully before the end of March.

The new swing and wheelchair accessible roundabout have both been placed within the new safety matting. The old swings, and the slide equipment will be repainted before the playground opens and the wooden toddlers area will also have a few running repairs also carried out.

The swing seats will be replaced, and a new toddlers rocker will be installed.

The new pedestrian access gate, which is self-closing, will keep loose dogs out of the playground, and residents are reminded that dogs are not allowed within the playground.

All this has been possible through the fundraising. Thank you all again.



Saint Peter's Church

At St Peters we ended 2023 with some very enjoyable services. It was lovely to welcome Aston School choir to our Carol Service, along with their parents. The school also used the Church for their own Carol Service and Communion was held on Christmas Day.

Our regular Communion service continues to alternate between the 3 churches in the Parish – Aston, Little Leigh and Lower Whitley. The Service rota is posted on each of the Church noticeboards but if in any doubt, please contact the Church Warden – Karen Sandiford (01928 715661).

We still have a vacancy for a Church Warden, so if you are interested in helping to support St Peters, please come forward – it is a very rewarding role.

We have just recently celebrated Rev Collette's 10th anniversary in the parish – hard to believe where this time has gone!

"Garden Savings" will start cutting the grass again during March, to ensure easy access to the graveyard and hopefully this will flatten the mole hills which keep appearing!

We continue to collect food and cleaning items for Runcorn Foodbank from across the parish and the whole congregation has been very generous with their donations. We generally donate around 40kgs every couple of months, which is most gratefully received.

It is hoped that a Wardens Gift Day will be held in the coming months to enable us to pay the insurance premium for the church and hall, which is estimated to be around £5,000 for 2024. Grade 1 historical buildings are not cheap to maintain, and we are continuing to struggle with finances.

The newly formed Sutton Weaver Community Group are now starting to use the Church Hall more frequently and we really appreciate the financial and practical assistance they are giving towards ensuring this resource remains available in the village.

Dates for your diary at St Peters Church –



Easter Services



- **Sunday 24th March – Palm Sunday - 11.00am**
- **Friday 29th March - Good Friday Last Hour – 2.00pm**
- **Easter Day – Communion – 11.15am**



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- if you have any doubts, hang up and do not call the number provided.
- be aware that fraudsters can spoof phone numbers, so the number that appears on your caller ID may not be proof of who they are.
- instead, check with the organisation directly using contact details you know are correct, such as those on a utility bill, official website, on the back of your card or by 159 for banks.
- if you get a message from a family member asking you to send money, use known contact details to check if it's real.

Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) update

The PCSO and the police have again been active in the village over the past few months, carrying out regular speed checks. The PCSO sends an update to the Parish Council each month. These are uploaded on to the website when received. www.suttonweaver.com

PCSO Netherton – Deborah.netherton@cheshire.police.uk



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MEASLES

Don't let your child catch it

– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

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the safest way to protect your child

For more information contact your local GP surgery or visit: www.nhs.uk/mmr

Please be reminded as a dog owner you are responsible for:

Keeping your dog under control in a public place. This includes keeping your dog on a leash when on a public foot path through fields especially where there is livestock in the field.

Getting it chipped and putting a tag on its collar with details (in case it gets lost)

Cleaning up after your dog in public. Please use the bins provided.

Please be a considerate dog walker and consider others when letting your dog off the lead, you may know your dog well but other people and animals don't.

Speed on the A56

Three members of the Parish Council attended the Marbury Ward meeting at the end of February with the CWAC CEO & Head of Highways, where the findings of the recent petition regarding the speed on the A56 were discussed at length and they have been assured that CWAC will take this on board.

Any changes to the speed limit will come at a financial cost to the Parish Council, and members of the public will be consulted before any changes are agreed.

Parish Councillor Vacancy

Simon Richards, who has served the on the Parish Council for 10 years, has stepped down at the last meeting, due to not having the time to commit, that he feels the position needs.

The remainder of the Parish Council wish to thank Simon for all his hard work and commitment over the last 10 years. He will be missed.

This does mean there is a vacancy on the Parish Council. If anyone would be interested in finding out more about what is involved, please contact the Chair or the Clerk.



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May

SUN 5	Canning Dock, Liverpool - Mode Wheel Lock, Salford	0830-1800	£120
MON 6	Mode Wheel Lock, Salford - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1000-1600	£85
THU 9	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Acton Bridge	1100-1330	£40
	Acton Bridge - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1400-1630	£40
	FAMILY CRUISE Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Marsh Lock - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1800-1900	£5-10
FRI 10	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1200-1600	£50
MON 13	Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1230-1630	£50
FRI 31	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port via turn at Runcorn	1300-1630	£60

June

SAT 1	National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port - Latchford - National Waterways Museum	1100-1500	£60
SUN 2	TWILIGHT RIVER MUSIC CRUISE featuring Leanne James National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port - Canning Dock, Liverpool	1700-2100	£70
SAT 22	Canning Dock, Liverpool - Acton Bridge	1130-1800	£90
SUN 23	Acton Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1100-1230	£30
	MUSIC CRUISE featuring Top Monkey Anderton Boat Lift - Acton Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1330-1700	£45
MON 24	Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1200-1600	£50

July

FRI 12	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Acton Bridge via Marsh Lock	1700-2030	£45
SAT 13	Acton Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1200-1330	£30
	Anderton Boat Lift - Anderton Boat Lift via Acton Bridge	1700-2030	£40
SUN 14	MUSIC CRUISE featuring Top Monkey Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1400-1800	£55
FRI 26	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port via turn at Runcorn	1200-1530	£60
SAT 27	National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port - Mode Wheel Lock	1100-1700	£85
SUN 28	Mode Wheel Lock - National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port	1100-1700	£85
MON 29	National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port - Anderton Boat Lift	1200-1800	£75
TUE 30	Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1200-1600	£50

August

FRI 16	FAMILY CRUISE Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Marsh Lock - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1400-1500	£5-10
	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1700-2100	£50
SUN 18	FISH & CHIP CRUISE Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge via Marsh Lock	1330-1900	£60
FRI 30	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1700-2100	£50
SAT 31	Anderton Boat Lift - Anderton Boat Lift via Acton Bridge	1200-1530	£40
	MUSIC CRUISE featuring Top Monkey Anderton Boat Lift - Anderton Boat Lift via Acton Bridge	1700-2030	£45

September

SUN 1	FISH & CHIP CRUISE Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge via Marsh Lock	1330-1900	£60
SUN 8	Anderton Boat Lift - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1100-1500	£50
	FAMILY CRUISE Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Marsh Lock - Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge	1630-1730	£5-10
FRI 20	Sutton Weaver Swing Bridge - Anderton Boat Lift	1200-1600	£50
SUN 22	MUSIC CRUISE featuring Top Monkey Anderton Boat Lift - Anderton Boat Lift via Acton Bridge	1300-1630	£45

October

THU 3	Anderton Boat Lift - National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port	1100-1700	£75
MON 7	FINALE CRUISE Acton Bridge - Sandon Dock, Liverpool with River Mersey & Dock Tour	1000-1700	£95



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Tallest Sunflower Competition



This will be running again this year, and now is the time to start sowing those sunflower seeds. As usual it will be judged around the end of August – the exact week will be posted on Facebook nearer the time.

Can you beat last year's winner with a huge 310.5cm??



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The bus can be booked up to 30 days in advance and up to 30 minutes before depending on availability) **This initiative is sponsored by CWAC. It is a 3-year trial. Use it or lose it.** (We have heard of people just using it for a day out to Delamere Forest or Blakemere Craft Centre)



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Parking in the Village

PARKING NOTICE

It is an **offence** to:

- ▶ Park on the pavement and fail to leave room for a **wheelchair** or **double-buggy** to pass.
- ▶ Park on the road and fail to leave room for **another vehicle** to pass.

The Parish Council continues to receive complaints regarding parking in the village. Parking on pavements forces pedestrians to walk out into the roadway, this is a particular risk for anyone with a pushchair or wheelchair users. Please also consider the possible necessity of emergency vehicles using the roads in the village. Please park responsibly.

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Potholes, Overgrown Verges & Hedges, Uneven Footpaths

The Parish Council are aware of these issues and would encourage all members of the community to use the CWaC “Report-it App” which can be downloaded to your smart phone, simply take a picture of the issue and forward to CWaC. The more reports they receive the more likely they are to do something about the issues.

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it-app>

Hedges

The Parish council would like to ask all residents of the village to check your hedges and overhanging trees, and if necessary, cut back now, before birds are nesting, to allow pedestrians ease of use of the footpaths. Hedges and tree’s are the landowners responsibility, but we receive many complaints throughout the summer on this subject.

New Parish Council Website

The parish council is to have a new website, and following new guidelines have changed from a .com to a .gov.uk domain.

The new website will be www.suttonweaver-pc.gov.uk

The email addresses are also changing, however all emails to the old email account will be forwarded to the new email accounts for at least 6 months.

New email: clerk@suttonweaver-pc.gov.uk

Date to be confirmed at time of going to print. This information will be added to the noticeboard once migrated over.

Winter Gritting

The parish council received a number of requests during the short spell of freezing weather in January regarding grit bins. Unfortunately, CWAC no longer supply these, unless to an area of steep incline, of which Sutton Weaver doesn’t have.

The Parish council are looking into how to resolve this for next winter. The Clerk has made numerous enquiries, and the parish council will be looking at this again at the end of the summer.



CHAPTER BREWING TAP ROOM

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Volunteer Groups

Sutton Weaver Residents Community Group are currently planning some events/activities for 2024 the first one being 'An Easter Egg Hunt' to be held at the Church Hall on Friday 29th March. Children accompanied by an adult are welcome to come and take part to hunt the eggs. There will be prizes for the successful hunters. Refreshments will be available in the Church Hall.



OPERATION PARK SAFE

Operation Park Safe is a new project from cheshire Police which will allow members of the public to report parking issues online.

As part of the scheme, residents will be able to upload videos and photographs of offending vehicles where they will be assessed by an experienced traffic officer, who will triage and deal with any dangerous parking offences.

Any minor traffic obstructions, or community impact issues will be allocated to the local PCSO or Beat officers to deal with in an appropriate manner.

What residents will need to do.

- You will need to provide a written statement about the offence, including the date and time it happened.
- This can be completed electronically.
- You will need to provide us with your name, address, date of birth and contact details.
- You may be required to attend court if the matter is contested.
- Do NOT challenge the driver or get involved in confrontation.
- Do NOT put yourself at risk to obtain a photograph.

What officers will do:

- The Roads and Crime Unit will triage the report and will deal with the person responsible.
- This may include issuing fines or educational courses depending on the severity of the offence committed.

Offences officers will deal with:

- Vehicles parked on or in a crossing area: This includes the area covered by zig-zag lines.
- Parking on white lines: People cannot stop or park on a road marked with double white lines, even when a broken white line is on your side of the road, except to pick up or set down passengers, or to load or unload goods. This includes the pavement or verge.
- Forcing pedestrians to walk in road: This includes parking on the pavement where there is not enough room for pedestrians to get past.
- Parking at/on a junction: Vehicles cannot stop, park opposite or within 10m of a junction.
- School parking offences: People cannot stop or park on the zig-zag lines or keep clear markings.
- Parking on a cycle track
- Parking a goods vehicle on the road: Vehicles with a maximum laden weight of more than 7.5 tonnes (including trailers) cannot park on a verge, pavement or any land situated between carriageways, without police permission. The only exception is when this is essential for loading and unloading, but the vehicle cannot be left unattended.

What officers can't deal with:

- Single and double yellow line offences: These are local authority parking enforcement only.
- Pavement parking: This is where there is still room for pedestrians to get past without having to go into the road.

How to report

To report please follow the directions below:

Go to www.cheshire.police.uk then to [Report a road traffic incident](#) page and find the location on the map.

On the next page press **no** on "Did at least one vehicle collide with something or someone?"

On the next page click on "A possible driving offence e.g. careless driving, using a mobile phone" and complete the form.

Your Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting's

Parish Council meetings are held at 7pm on the 1st Wednesday of each month, except for August. at St Peters Church Hall. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Agenda's and draft minutes are displayed on the notice board and all information can also be found on the website.

Websites

Sutton Weaver Parish Council:

Currently www.suttonweaver.com

Changing to www.suttonweaver-pc.gov.uk

Sutton Weaver Community: www.suttonweaver.co.uk