

## USEFUL CONTACTS

### North Warwickshire South Safer Neighbourhoods Team

www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/nws.

The team can be emailed at:

nws.snt@warwickshire.police.uk

or spoken to directly on 024 76 483554

### North Warwickshire Borough Council

Telephone 01827 715341

Mon-Friday 0830 - 2000, Sat 0900-1600

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### Your local MP is

Mr Dan Byles

whose office is at:

4 King Street  
Bedworth  
CV12 8HY

Tel: 024 76 315233

Surgeries are held every 3 weeks on a Friday and Saturday in different locations each time.

Contact his office for further information.

# Astley Village Newsletter

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## PLEASE BE VIGILANT - WATCH SCHEMES

Thefts from rural properties continue to occur however whilst Warwickshire Police do all they can to protect properties through a visual presence, they stress the importance of residents and communities signing up to the Warwickshire Watch Schemes which include:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| ◇ Rural Watch         | ◇ Business Watch |
| ◇ Horse Watch         | ◇ Hotel Watch    |
| ◇ Truck Watch         | ◇ Shop Watch     |
| ◇ Caravan Watch       | ◇ Golf Watch     |
| ◇ Neighbourhood Watch | ◇ Pub Watch      |

### How does this work?

- You join the scheme by completing and returning either the online form on the website [www.warwickshire.police.uk/crimeprevention/businesscp/WPwatcheschemes](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk/crimeprevention/businesscp/WPwatcheschemes) or by completing a paper form which can be sent to you by telephoning the number below.
- Local Police will identify crime issues that require circulation. These are passed to the Watch Co-ordinator, who works at Police Headquarters and then circulated via using the Watch messaging system. Messages can be sent to you by all the methods below. We prefer e-mail.
- If you have information about crimes or suspicious incidents that you want circulating you can send it to the Watch Co-ordinator and we will circulate it.

### Contact Details:

Email: [watch@warwickshire.police.uk](mailto:watch@warwickshire.police.uk)  
Tel: 01926 684385



**HOWEVER:** The Watch Office is only open between 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday. Urgent information must be passed directly to the Police. **If the Police are required to attend immediately - dial 999.** The Watch system should not be seen as a substitute for how you would normally deal with the Police.

### REMINDER - AREA FORUM SOUTH

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th December 2012 at 7.00 pm, at Arley Community Centre, Gun Hill, Arley. The Police Surgery will be held before the meeting at 6.30 pm. Please feel free to come along and talk to the Police, your Borough and County Councillors. All welcome.

### Astley Parish Council

Will meet again on

**Monday**  
**5th November**  
**2012**

**at 7.00 pm**

In the Reading Room

All Welcome

For items that you would like put on the Agenda, please ring one of your Councillors or the clerk on 02476 396523 by Tuesday 30th October 2012  
*Thank you.*

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## **St Mary the Virgin**

*Advanced notice of  
Forthcoming Events*

### **Carol Service by Candlelight**

with the Bulkington Silver Band  
Friday 21st December 2012  
at 7.30pm

**The Holy Communion service on Christmas Day will be at  
9.00am in Astley Church.**

**S**unday Service starts at 3.30pm which is a traditional Evening Prayer delivered .  
On the fourth Sunday of every month the service is replaced with Holy Communion.  
**Everyone welcome.**

### **ASTLEY READING ROOM SOCIAL GROUP**

The Group's annual picnic in August was well attended and blessed with fine weather!  
Massive thanks to Peter & Margaret Buckby and all their helpers for a very enjoyable afternoon.

Also thanks to Judith Perkins for organising the Group's recent trip to Stoneleigh Abbey.

The forthcoming November meeting will be on Tuesday 13th at 2pm in the Reading Room and will be a talk on cake icing (just in time for Christmas!!) by our old friend Elizabeth Smitham.

Everyone welcome.

Anyone with ideas for our monthly meetings for 2013 please get in touch with Jean Allen or Anthony Proctor (01676 540338).

### **ASTLEY SOCIAL GROUP REMINDER**

#### **Christmas Coffee Morning**

**Come and join us for coffee and  
mince pies**

**On Saturday 3rd December  
10.30am–  
12.30pm**

**Proceeds  
in aid of  
church  
funds**



### **Champions urgently needed in key areas**

There are now over 150 Local Broadband Champions who are busy spreading the word within their communities about the project and encouraging people to complete the survey, enter the competition etc. However, there are some notable gaps in the network.

Would you be able to volunteer as a champion, or using your local knowledge and contacts would you be able to help to recruit a champion?

For information about becoming a Champion or to sign up please see

[www.cswbroadband.org.uk/downloads-and-resources/for-community-champions/](http://www.cswbroadband.org.uk/downloads-and-resources/for-community-champions/)

We also have a map on our website showing where current Champions are located and where survey responses have been received from

[www.cswbroadband.org.uk/downloads-and-resources/map-of-survey-responses/](http://www.cswbroadband.org.uk/downloads-and-resources/map-of-survey-responses/)

### **Surveys needed**

The project will shortly be entering the pre-procurement phase and there is a need to have a big push on getting information about the real state of broadband provision across our area.

As you will be aware, telecoms providers will tell you that you can get broadband speeds of up to a certain speed, but we have examples where up to 10Mbps actually means less than 1Mbps.

The only way we will be able to show where an uplift is needed is to have evidence of real speeds and what broadband is being used for or may be used for in the future.

Don't forget to complete the surveys on our website: [www.cswbroadband.org.uk](http://www.cswbroadband.org.uk)

Thank you in advance of your help.

### **Littlehurst Nursery and Garden Centre**



Bennetts Road North, Corley, Coventry. CV7 8BG  
Telephone: 01676 540178

**OPENING TIMES 9 – 5 MON-SAT 10 – 4 SUN**

### **ASTLEY ART GROUP**

**Held in the Reading Room,  
Castle Drive  
Every Saturday from 12 - 4 pm**

**Refreshments available  
For more information please  
contact Pat Jowett on**

**07414 456543**