



Albrighton Parish Council

Monthly Newsletter

October 2024

Update on the Albrighton War Memorial

Albrighton Parish Council are pleased that the final stages of the Albrighton War Memorial have been completed with works carried out on the landscape by Riverwood Commercial Ltd. We are thankful to everyone involved in the repairs and to everyone who joined us on Sunday 15th September 2024 for the rededication event.

More information on the restoration project with information on those involved can be found on our website:



Landscaping work donated by Riverwood Commercial Ltd

<https://albrightonparishcouncil.gov.uk/services/albrighton-war-memorial>

Update on the Defibrillator Box

A few months ago, we announced that Albrighton Parish Council had acquired a decommissioned BT phone box on the High Street, which has now been repurposed as a Defib Box following donations for a defibrillator and maintenance raised by The Harp and its patrons. Whilst this was fantastic news, the phone box was in visually poor condition and needed work to give it a new lease of life and promote its new intended use. Albrighton Parish Council contracted Stripe Master Ltd to fit the vinyl and Dudley's Glass Telford to replace the toughened glass windows. Our thanks go to Councillor Greg Wilmot for encouraging Council to adopt the decommissioned BT phone box, The Harp and its patrons for raising funds for the defibrillator, our Office Administrator Olivia for co-ordinating the replacement of the glass and design of the vinyl and the contractors for carrying out the work. Our next and final stages will be to repaint the outer door and handle within the coming months. Albrighton Parish Council are the custodians of the defibrillator outside The Harp and outside The Red House. More information on the community defibrillators can be found on our website:

<https://albrightonparishcouncil.gov.uk/services/defibrillator>



Defibrillator box with new toughened glass and vinyl signs

Green Waste Services to be charged for from October 2024

Albrighton Parish Council are aware there are a few elderly residents who are having difficulty with subscribing to the Green Waste Service. We are in communication with Shropshire Council to see whether additional help and support can be provided to those in need as this is something we cannot facilitate from the Parish Council office or library. Details on this service can be found below.

For more information and to subscribe, please visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/gardenwaste or telephone 0345 678 9000.

From 1 October 2024, you'll need to subscribe to our garden waste collection service if you'd like us to continue collecting your garden bin.

The annual subscription fee is £56 and covers the period 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025.

A payment window will be open from September 2024 until 31 March 2025. The charge is £56 regardless of when you sign up.

Once you have signed up and paid, we will empty your garden waste on your scheduled collection day.

£56 PER BIN, PER YEAR.

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE

Just go to:
shropshire.gov.uk/gardenwaste

Once you subscribe, we'll send you a letter plus a special sticker for you to attach to your garden bin so that it can be easily seen by our collection crews.

Place the sticker on the back of your bin (handle side) as soon as you get it.

The stickers are designed to fray and tear when removed from the bins, to prevent them being reused by other residents. Your sticker will have your address and unique reference number on it which allows the waste teams to check that the bin is at the right location.

NO Food Waste

FAQS

Can I pay a subscription on someone else's behalf?
Yes, you can buy a subscription for someone else's address within the Shropshire Council area.

Could I share a bin with a neighbour?
Yes. The subscription fee would apply per bin, so if you wished to share one of you would need to be the named subscriber and pay the fee.

Which properties aren't eligible?
For operational reasons, not all properties are suitable for us to collect from. If you're not sure whether you're eligible, you'll be able to check during the subscription process.

DON'T WANT YOUR GREEN BIN TO BE COLLECTED?

Where should I put my garden waste if I don't subscribe?
You may wish to consider home composting. You can find lots of information and advice about home composting on our website. Scan the QR code to find out more.

If home composting isn't an option, it remains free for residents to dispose of garden waste at our household recycling centres.

Please don't put garden waste in your general waste bin.

Up to 100% of the waste in your general waste bin is taken to the Battlefield energy recovery facility, which cannot accept garden waste. **Your general waste bin will not be emptied if it contains garden waste.**

What would happen to my green bin?
We are not planning to remove bins during the first 12 months of operation as people may change their minds and want to subscribe at a later date. If you wish you can take your bin to a recycling centre to be reused/recycled.

Vacancy at Albrighton Library for Saturdays

Albrighton Parish Council are seeking to hire a Librarian for Saturdays working 3.5 hours a week. Please contact the Parish Clerk, Joanne Oliver, for more information on 01902 375455 or email clerk@albrightonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Update report from Chairman Councillor Colin Noakes

Council meetings have reconvened now the August recess is over. The concrete planters located around the village, which have looked a bit of an eyesore for several months, were discussed at the Full Council Meeting. APC have been seeking a long-term, sustainable solution to maintain them. Councillor Jan Gold and the members of the Albrighton Craft Group have volunteered to plant, maintain and water the planter's long term. APC will purchase the flowers and supply the tools to the members of the group. If the flower arrangements are anything like the post box toppers, I'm looking forward to seeing some excellent Winter/Summer displays!

Work on the King Charles III Coronation Garden is still ongoing. APC intends to plant more wildflower seeds and spring bulbs this month, with the help of the children from the local schools. We hope to site the King Charles III Commemorative bench in the very near future. Some of the trees planted earlier this year have now started to bear fruit. If you visit the garden and see any ripe fruit, feel free to help yourself, this is after all a community project.

Work on the boundary review is continuing. This is an extensive piece of work that will see Albrighton and Donington with Boscobel become one Council. Albrighton Parish Council will cease to be a Council from the 1st of April 2025 and a new council formed following elections in May. In the interim period between forming the new council, Shropshire Councillors along with Chairs and Vice chairs of both Parish Councils will remain to assist in the transition and extra-ordinary Council meetings will be called to discuss any business. Council services will remain during this period with the library and Council Offices remaining open. I will hopefully have more information on how the transition will commence in next month's Parish Magazine.



Chairman Councillor Colin Noakes

What's on at Albrighton Library

Information, advice, and support

Shropshire Council and their partners attend Albrighton Library every third Tuesday of the month from 10am to 12noon. This is a free information, advice, and support session. You can expect help and support with:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Housing Support- Children's Health and Wellbeing- Dementia Support- Financial Advice- Healthy Living Advice | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Home Fire Safety- Domestic Abuse Support- Drug & alcohol Support- Getting Older |
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NEW AND IMPROVED! Stay and Play and Rhyme Time with Lauren

Join us EVERY Wednesday from 10:30am to 11:45 for Rhyme Time with our trained librarian Lauren who will sing songs, read stories and help your child build key core strength and skills for life! Rhyme Time is targeted for ages 0-4 year olds. Dates during term time and subject to change. Please note that parents/guardians must accompany children at all times. Spaces limited to 30, but no need to book!

NEW - Lego Club

Join us every Thursday and Friday from 3pm to 4pm for our new after school Lego Club! Aimed at children aged 7 to 12. Lego will be provided, just bring your imagination! If you have any Lego to donate, we would be happy to accept it.



Age UK Albrighton Friendship Group

Join Age UK 4th Wednesday of the month – 2-4pm

For people aged 60+ to catch up with friends or meet new people from your community for a friendly chat while enjoying a cup of coffee or a slice of cake. .

For more information, please call 01743 233 123 or email enquires@ageukstw.org.uk



Shropshire
Community Blood Pressure Checks

Blood Pressure Monitoring 2nd Thursday and 4th Wednesday of the month from 2-4pm.



SEND Drop-in Session with Georgina Roycroft from Wren Support – every first Friday of the month starting 6th September 2024 from 9:30am

For more information, please email wren.assessment@gmail.com or visit <http://www.wrensupport.co.uk/>



Health, Wellbeing and Prevention Team will be hosting Quit Smoking Sessions from September onwards. These are pre-booked session hosted every Wednesday in the Library meeting. <https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/public-health/healthy-shropshire/stopping-smoking/>