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VOLUNTEERS

What would we do without them?

As you know the Community Association, which runs the Village Hall, is a registered charity and manned (and womanned (?)) by volunteers. We don't employ any paid staff. We don't have a caretaker or an odd-job-man (although we could certainly do with one – any volunteers?).

All the effort it takes to manage and operate the Hall is provided unpaid by people who want to do something for the village and ensure that the Hall is available for their family and friends to enjoy it and have a good time there.

We have a volunteer who takes all the bookings at the Hall, makes sure the keys to get into the Hall are supplied to the Users and takes the money afterwards. The money needs to be banked and reconciled. The person who does this for us has done it for many years, and would like to hand it over to someone else, so we are looking for someone else to take over this side of things.

The work involved is straightforward. The bank accounts, spreadsheets, etc. are all set up. It is just a case of someone else taking over and carrying on the same good work. Others order and pay for the supplies we need and bring all these transactions together at the end of the year and prepare final accounts for the Association.

Different people organise the management of the Hall through committees, which are all attended by Users voluntarily. The meetings are recorded and the actions minuted. The appropriate people complete their actions and make sure they are carried through to improve the Hall.

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Special projects need to be undertaken from time to time to review the costs of the Hall and check that we are getting the best value for money. At the moment, the biggest project we have in hand is the extension to the hall. This will take up an awful lot of time, so we would particularly like any help we can get with this. Obviously, there are many different aspects to this, so you could help in many ways.

Someone arranges for a contractor to cut the grass, paint the Hall, etc. We recently had a member who volunteered to look at our contracts for gas and electricity and see if he could save us any money. He succeeded in making significant savings for the hall, giving a big boost to our finances.

Needless to say, I am very grateful to him and to all the volunteers we have at the Hall. We provide a well maintained and well supported asset for the village and we have an awful lot of people to thank for it. But then that is what community help and support is all about. We have a wonderful Hall, which we value greatly, use enormously and look after well. We never have enough volunteers, of course, so if you are interested, please contact the undersigned.

And if you are interested in finding out about the Community Association, why not go along to the AGM on the 21st May. It will take place in the Village Hall at 8.15 pm. All welcome.

VILLAGE FETE

Make a note in your diaries and don't miss this year's Annual Village Fete. It will take place on Saturday 14th July.

It will have lots of the same attractions, but with many new ones as well. All the best games and stalls will be there again this year and there will be some surprises as well.

All the Fetes that have been held so far have been enormous successes with thousands of pounds being given to local Groups and charities for their help in running each Fete. The team who organise it have an excellent record of delivering a quality entertainment and the people of the village and beyond have supported all the Fetes brilliantly.

So, remember Saturday July 14th for the Village Fete. We have been so lucky with the weather each year and we all have our fingers crossed that we enjoy a hot and sunny time again this year.

Derek Hughes

Clubs and Societies

Badminton Club (Seniors & Juniors)

The Badminton Club plays in the Village Hall from September until the end of April.

Club nights are:

Seniors - Monday and Tuesday evening from 8.00pm - 10.00pm

Juniors - Wednesday evening from 6.30pm - 8.00pm

The Seniors continue to have good membership support for Mondays but we are still struggling to attract new members to play on Tuesday evening. So if you have played some badminton before, or any other racket sport and would like to give it a try you will be made very welcome.

We have a great facility in the Village Hall so why not come along and enjoy the social nature of the club whilst taking some gentle exercise. It's a very enjoyable way of keeping fit.

If you are interested in joining the Senior Section please contact Peter Evans on 300890 or just turn up on a Monday evening to find out more.

The weekly sessions for Juniors are run by parents on a rota, and include a mix of matches and informal games, as well as table tennis.

We would welcome further help from experienced badminton players with coaching.

Please call Dave Hudson (07850 819393) for further information.

Peter Evans
Dave Hudson



Women's Institute

At our AGM in November Jill Beavan, President, and the present committee agreed to serve for a further year.

Our December speaker, Karen Andrews, gave an interesting talk on the “History of Lacemaking” and brought lots of examples to show the members.

Members attended two Carol Services in December. The Cheshire County WI carol service was held in Chester Cathedral where over a thousand WI members from various parts of the County came, and our local Gowy Group, hosted by Dunham Hill WI, at St Paul’s Church, Helsby - a little rural church, which was also well attended.

Everyone enjoyed our Annual Lunch at the Mill Hotel and Jean Wiltshire was presented with a bouquet of flowers for her forthcoming 90th Birthday.

In February Sally Buttifant gave an interesting talk on the “Mid Cheshire Railway Line” and the work of the volunteers who look after the stations, and to encourage people to use the line by producing leaflets and small books on all the stations together with interesting walks from several of 15 stations along the line. The Line runs from Chester to Manchester Piccadilly .

A team of four members entered the County Quiz, unfortunately they were not one of the teams to go through to the finals but they enjoyed the evening.

Our outings included a visit to the Hammond School in December to see “The Railway Children” and in February we visited Little Stanney WI to see their hilarious panto called “the Beauty and the Beast of Rock.”

Guilden Sutton WI meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Marigold room at 7.30pm.

Visitors and new members are always welcome. Please contact Jill Beavan on 01244 301015 for further information.

Talkabout

It seems a long time since Christmas as we look forward to spring, so here is a timely update about our recent meetings. November was a wonderful meeting where members brought a 'taste of their childhood' by bringing a dish that reminded them of their early years. There was a plethora of dishes, both sweet and savoury, representing places from Cornwall to John O'Groats and all were delicious. We ate far too much whilst reminiscing over childhood memories and it was clear how diets have changed over the years.

Our Secret Santa evening was held in December, with the usual hilarious presents to be opened amid wine and Christmas nibbles. Always a convivial evening.

In January we went to the Boot, in Willington, for our annual meal. The food and service were excellent and I'm certain a good night was had by all.

Our latest meeting comprised a talk by Tom Jones, (no not that one), about the life of a Tour Guide. Tom has been a local guide for 17 years and has coped with many different and sometimes hilarious situations. He accompanied his talk with some illustrations of Chester which reminded us of just what a beautiful city we have. I was amazed to hear about his training, which was a full academic year of lectures by experts in such subjects as Roman history, Tudor history, architecture and archaeology, to name a few. He then sat exams at which he had to get 80% to pass! Wow!

We were pleased to welcome a couple of new members last autumn and hope they are enjoying our diverse programme of events.

Lynne has organised several theatre trips, the latest was to see 'The Band' and we have more in the coming months to see 'Beautiful' and 'An Officer and a Gentleman'. Thank you Lynne for organising these and thank you to our hosts for each meeting.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact any committee member listed below.

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Date & Venue	Subject/Activity
April 18 th 2018 7. Fox Cover.	'The servants of Erddig' a talk by Jill Burton.
May 16 th 2018 7. Guilden Green.	'The Origins of Nursery Rhymes' by Jean Finney.
June 20 th 2018 7. The Dell.	1970's an evening of nostalgia complete with music, a quiz, fashion and food appropriate to the decade.
July 18 th Hawarden	Treasure Hunt followed by a meal at the Glynn Arms.

Cinema Club



We are still making enquiries for an alternative Cinema provider after our last one ceased to provide the service. We have a couple of possibilities in the pipeline, so keep an eye out on the website and Facebook pages.

If you are interested in helping or wish to join the cinema club, please contact any of us.

Trisha Paterson	300307
Sue Davies	300320
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Parent and Toddler Group

The Parent and Toddler Group meet term time only every Tuesday morning between 10.30 and 12.00 in the Village Hall. We charge £1.50 per family.

Parents, grandparents, childminders are all welcome to join our friendly group which is suitable for babies and children right up to school age.

We have a wide selection of toys and play equipment. Our ride on toys are always very popular with the older children. The babies enjoy socialising on the play mat and are able to explore new toys in a safe environment.

Painting, play dough and other craft activities are carried out each week sometimes themed on seasonal or festive events that take place throughout the year. Children enjoy a healthy snack and drink and grown-ups have a drink and a biscuit too.

We enjoy two trips a year, the summer trip is yet to be confirmed but promises to be an exciting day out for all.

The Parent and Toddler Group is a great way to make new friends.

Come along next Tuesday and give us a try!

Over the next few months we will be hoping to raise funds to enable us to expand our selection of toys, this will be through a variety of events.

We will be holding a 'photo shoot' which will be advertised nearer the time, so keep your eyes peeled!

Alice Hay

Guilden Sutton Preschool

Well, Spring has sprung and we are certainly ready for some warmer weather!



We are very excited about our Preschool garden being landscaped and developed in order to enhance the childrens learning whilst outside - with the addition of a fruit and vegetable patch, a bug hotel and lots of opportunities for mark-making, counting and exploring!

We will be having an opening ceremony for all of the community when the work is completed, so keep an eye on our Facebook page or the village Hall notice board for more details!

We would like to offer a big Thank you to all of our parents, local businesses and residents of Guilden Sutton who have supported us recently by helping to raise much needed funds for our increasingly busy preschool - it has contributed towards the recent developments to our outdoor area as well as keeping us well stocked in art and craft supplies!

Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Many Thanks.

Charlotte Venables

Indoor Bowls Club

Our indoor bowling season has now finished for the summer break. The team have had a successful season in the Cheshire Villages Indoor Bowls Tournament with some good wins & narrow defeats.

We reached the quarter finals and drew 3-3 with Davenport but went through with a better aggregate score. We play Chorley in the Semi-finals.

On the same day Edna Fenwick, partnered by Neil Trownsen from Rixton, were runners-up in the pairs competition

We will start again on 7th September.

Jill Beavan (Secretary) Tel: 301015



Rambling Group



Since the last Marigold report we have been on some lovely walks. On 20th November Brian led a walk from Afon-Wen up to Caerwys village, where we stopped at a very good little cafe for lunch, and then on to circumnavigate Ysceifiog Lake returning to Afon-Wen. The walk took in an area of special scientific interest, in an unusual limestone habitat which exists at this northern end on the Clwydian Hills just south of the A55. Following this we had our Christmas walk from Guilden Sutton to the Cheshire Cat where 18 of us enjoyed a very good lunch.

The New Year saw our first walk on 10th January to our now traditional visit to Hilbre Island. 24 ramblers enjoyed the most fantastic weather we have ever had in January, bright sunshine with very little wind, excellent on all fronts. We saw quite a number of birds and, in the distance, two groups of grey seals out on the sandbanks in the middle of the estuary. This was topped off with lunch at Tanskeys in West Kirby.

Our next scheduled walk on 14th February was to be from Helsby, taking in Helsby Hill and then a very circuitous route back via Manley and Helsby Golf Course. Unfortunately it was cancelled due to very wet weather.

Coming up we have a walk from Loggerheads led by Brian, which will have taken place by the time you read this. That will take us up to the Easter holiday break, resuming again on Tuesday 17th April with another shot at the Helsby walk.

As you can see from the walks above there is a mixture of very flat and some quite hilly walks in the programme. The pace is quite relaxed, plenty of time to look around at the scenery and absorb any interesting local details.

Have a look at the Rambling Group pages on the Guilden Sutton Village website www.guildensutton.org.uk (Home page, Living Here, Ramblers) for more details and to see the programme for up and coming walks, which is now being put together. We have walks every 15 days for the spring to autumn seasons, dropping to once month in the winter. They take place Monday to Friday and we move through the week to avoid permanent clashes with other regular events in peoples' busy lives.

Our aim is to cover a range of different walks from short and moderately flat/easy to longer hill walks up to about 7-8 miles. If you would like to join us please contact Richard via rambling@guildensutton.org or phone 300107.

Richard Batterham

HEALTHY ACTIVE LIFESTYLE (H.A.L.) CLUB

We are always looking for new members to join our Thursday morning H.A.L. Club in the Village Hall (9.15 – 10.30am). Our healthy eating discussions this year have covered topics such as “Foods for good mental health”, “Importance of a balanced diet for weight management” and our “Sugar Shocker!” – a demonstration of the volume of hidden sugars in everyday foods. Our 25 minute weekly workout is low impact, and can be adapted for those with limited mobility. However, there are also options to really go for it and get a more intense work out. After our workout we relax and recover with a delicious protein-rich smoothie (different flavours each week).

We are a very friendly and supportive bunch of men and women with an age range of 20s to 80s. Everyone is welcome! We have a pay as you go approach, so no need to commit for an extended period. Weekly membership (£5) includes:

- A cup of delicious, energizing herbal tea
- Healthy eating discussion
- Community workout (suitable for all fitness levels)
- Recovery smoothie

For more information please contact Su Baird on 0777 195 1427.

Su also runs outdoor fitness sessions in Alexandra Park, Hoole every Wednesday 6.30pm and Saturday at 10am for just £1 per session. Please contact her on the above number for details.

For tips on healthy eating and exercise please visit Su’s Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/nutritionhealthlifestylechester/>

Su Baird

St. John’s Church Hall Cafe

Open on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month 10am to midday

- Hot & cold beverages
- Cakes & biscuits
- Exhibition of local art, crafts, photography etc
- Play area for children



Guilden Sutton Players

Thank you to everybody who came to see “The Flint Street Nativity” by Tim Firth. It was a highly successful production, with full houses every night and much audience enjoyment.

The Players’ next production will be:

“THE TEMPEST” by William Shakespeare.
Directed by Simon Johnson and Anna Morris
16-19 May 2018, Guilden Sutton Village Hall, 7.45 pm

What is the story of The Tempest? Director Simon Johnson has this to say about his adaptation of the tragicomedy:

Prospero, the deposed Duke of Milan (ageing hippie), and his daughter Miranda were banished to a remote Mediterranean island many years ago, where they now live with their slave servant Caliban. Prospero, who dabbles in the mystic arts, conjures up a storm. Aided by his spirit servant Ariel, a passing yacht carrying Prospero’s erstwhile enemies, his treacherous sister Antonia, Alania the Duchess of Naples and their entourage are shipwrecked on the island.

The crew and passengers of the yacht (miraculously unharmed) are dispersed all over the island. Manipulated and guided by the unseen Ariel, the passengers are led around the island.

Miranda sets eyes on Alania’s son Ferdinand, and immediately falls in love (obviously).

Conspiracies develop - Alania the Duchess is in danger as her sister Stephania and Antonia plot to depose her, and the two servant chancers, Stephano and Trinculo, conspire with downtrodden slave Caliban to seize the island from Prospero.

Finally, the conspirators are brought together and confronted with their past by Prospero who offers forgiveness. Prospero is restored to his Dukedom and Miranda of course marries the handsome prince.

So they all live happily ever after, or do they? You’d better come and find out for yourself!

“The Tempest” is said to have the most beautiful language of all Shakespeare’s plays. Remember Kenneth Branagh, as Caliban, saying “Be not afeard, the isle is full of noises” in the opening ceremony of the 2012 London Olympics?

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Also “O brave new world, that has such people in’t”, said by Nicola Miles-Wildin as Miranda, opening the 2012 Paralympics .

Tickets are now on sale. Price - adults £10, concessions (65 and over, 18 and under) £8. Visit www.guildensuttonplayers.org for on-line purchase.

Tickets can also be booked by telephone (0333 666 3366) with calls charged at the normal rate from both a landline and mobile. Please note that telephone bookings are subject to a £1.50 service fee which is added to the total bill. This service fee includes ticket delivery either by e-ticket, mobile or by post.

New members for acting, Front of House or back stage are most welcome. Please contact Anna Morris (01244-791267) or Anne Albany (01244-851054) for further details.

Vivian Downing

Around the Village

Guilden Sutton and Pipers Ash Mobile Library Service

The library bus will visit on the following dates;

09 April 2018
30 April 2018
21 May 2018
11 June 2018
02 July 2018
23 July 2018

Stopping at;

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| • Hare Lane (post box) | 9.30 - 9.50 am |
| • Moorcroft Crescent | 10.00 - 10.15 am |
| • Village Hall Car Park | 10.30 - 12.00 noon |

The bus is very user friendly with a rising platform making it easy to access for people with walking difficulties and wheelchair users

Sue Davies

St John the Baptist Church



Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday, 25 March	9.30am	Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday, 29 March	7.30pm	Holy Communion at St Peter's Plemstall
Good Friday, 30 March	11am	Devotional Service at St Peter's Plemstall
Easter Sunday, 1 April	11am	Holy Communion

Normal Service Times

1st Sunday of month	11am	Family Service in the Village Hall (some months: Messy Church at 9.45am)
2 nd Sunday of month	9.30am	Holy Communion
3 rd Sunday of month	11am	Morning Praise
4 th Sunday of month	9.30am	Holy Communion (1662)

Occasionally time/venue subject to alteration. See Monthly Newsletter or Website for full details.

Children & Young People

Sunday Club (4-11s), Aqua (12+) Group, meet on 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays in term at 9.30am.

St John's Café

Café in St John's Church Hall—open on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month 10am-12noon. Drinks, cake, biscuits. Exhibition of local art, crafts, photos etc - contact Peter Reid to enter items.

Music

The Choir practices on Wednesday evenings in St John's at 7.30pm and sings at various services. New members are always welcome.

The Music Group is for young and old who play any instrument. They play at Family Services and occasionally at other times. New members would be very welcome.

Other Enquiries

For any enquiries concerning the above, or to find out about baptisms, weddings, confirmation, pastoral visits... or to subscribe to the monthly newsletter... please contact Heather Carty (Curate), tel. 07484 515812, email: heathercarty1@gmail.com

Website: www.stjohnsguildensutton.org Facebook:
www.facebook.com/stjohnsguildensutton

GULDEN SUTTON OLD SCHOOL HOUSE TRUST

Registered Charity No. 1066844

What is it?

The Trust supports financially the education or personal development of young people who attend or have attended Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School.

Grants can be made to the school as well as to current or former pupils who apply to the Trust. Previous grants to individuals have been in the range from £50 to £500 and have helped fund: the purchase of musical instruments, textbooks and other items of equipment; gap year projects; higher/further education expenses; voluntary work; overseas study, etc.

The trust was set up in 1997 by the Diocese of Chester using the proceeds of the sale of the Old School House, situated at the west end of the village.

How to Apply

Applications should be submitted by 30th April for consideration in May or by 31st October for consideration in November each year. Applicants must be under 25 on 1st May or November as appropriate.

Further information and application forms are available (SAE welcomed) from: The Clerk to the Trustees, Dr Peter Reid, 48 Cinder Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7EN (Tel. 01244 300985). Application forms can also be downloaded from the Guilden Sutton website. All information supplied in applications is treated in confidence. Repeat applications will be considered but priority is given to first time applicants. Unfortunately retrospective applications cannot be considered.

Open Gardens

The Community Association is hosting another open garden event on Sunday 10th June 2018, between 2-4pm with prize giving at 4.15pm.

Scouts are to provide a BBQ, and there will be a bouncy castle at the Village hall. Thank you to everyone willing to open their gardens. Please put the date in your diary.

Trisha Paterson 300307

**Results of the Village Lottery -
Drawn 14 January for quarter ended November 2017**

The village lottery is drawn every quarter with proceeds used to help with the running of the Village Hall.

The cost is £3.25p per quarter which buys a number for entry into the draw which takes place every three months. Prizes start at £100 for the first number drawn, with other prizes ranging down to £10.

For further details please contact the promoter:- John Riley, 8 Wood Croft,
Tel: 01244 300849

£100	112	Mrs E Horwood
£15	60	Mrs L Pilkington
£10	33	M G Davies

**70's night
- live band-**



**Saturday 21 April
Village Hall 8 pm**
Fancy dress please

Tickets £7.50 (Bring your own drinks)
In aid of Claire House Children's Hospice

Tickets from Andrew 07976 320260

Guilden Sutton Diary

April - July 2018

April

3rd	7.30 pm	W.I. - "15 Years in Vice" (Village Hall)
4th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
17th	9.30 am	Ramble - Helsby (meet in Village Car park)
18th	7.30 pm	Talkabout - 'The servants of Erddig' (7 Fox Cover)
21st	8.00 pm	70's night (Village Hall)

May

1st	7.30 pm	WI - Resolutions followed by "Kurling" (Village Hall)
2nd	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
16th	7.30 pm	Talkabout - 'The Origins of Nursery Rhymes' (7 Guilden Green)
16 - 19th	7.45 pm	Players - "The Tempest" (Village Hall)
21st	8.15 pm	Community Association AGM (Village Hall)

June

5th	7.30 pm	W.I. - "Dolls Houses" (Village Hall)
6th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
10th	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Open Gardens
20th	7.30 pm	Talkabout - 1970's an evening of nostalgia (7 The Dell)

July

1st	11.59 pm	Copy deadline for the next issue of the Marigold
3rd	7.30 pm	W.I. - "Amazing History Walks" (Village Hall)
11th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
14th	1.00 - 4.30 pm	Village Fete (School Field)
18th	7.30 pm	Talkabout - Treasure Hunt & Meal (The Glynn Arms).

COMMUNITY PAGE

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