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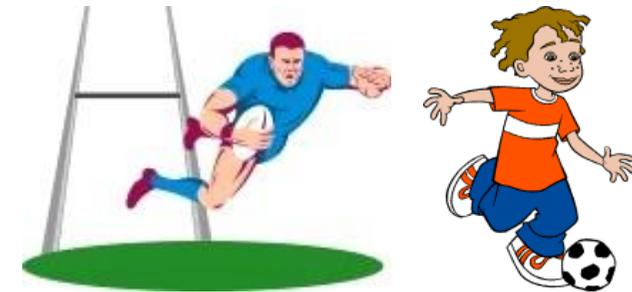
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**Recreational Facilities**

We would like to hear from any young people in relation to additional recreational facilities you may want to see on the estate



Please let us know using our Facebook page

**"Cawston Parish, Rugby"**

or email

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**Community Minibus Transport expanded to Rugby**

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## Neighbourhood Watch

Following recent incidents of robberies and attempted robberies a number of local residents have enquired regarding setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

If you are interested in setting up a scheme, the first step is to speak to your neighbours and find out if they are also interested. The more residents there are who want to get involved, the more successful a scheme will be. But not everyone in a street or neighbourhood needs to join a scheme for it to work.

It will work as long as there are enough residents to keep an eye out for each other's properties and to liaise with the police.

The closer the links with the police, the more effective a scheme will be, so we recommend you contact your local Policing Team to let them know you are interested in starting a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. You can find their details on [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk).

The exact process for starting a scheme varies across England and Wales, so you should also get in touch with your Neighbourhood Watch Association and they will let you know what to do next.

Each scheme has a coordinator who acts as the key contact point for the scheme. They liaise with the police, scheme members and the general public – for instance, people who are interested in joining the scheme – as well as non-member residents when necessary. A scheme may have more than one coordinator as long as members and police know who the key contacts are. The coordinator ensures a smooth flow of information and communication between the police and scheme members.

Enclosed below is the link the Neighbourhood Watch Association which gives good links and help to setting up

<http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/force-level-association/>

Obviously it is with each street/area in Cawston to set up and manage their own scheme but if you have any questions or if we can help then please let us know.

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## Chairman's Message

Hi,

In this edition of the Parish News you will find the usual updates to keep you up to date with actions and activities within the Parish.

As mentioned previously I will be standing down soon. The Council have asked me to hang around a bit longer just whilst we get the running of the hall finalised. So I've agreed to stick around just a while longer.

If you are interested in joining the Council, any of its working parties or the Trustees of the hall then please get in touch with any of the current councillors or the clerk and we would be happy to discuss the roles with you.

Regards

Pete Venner,

Chair Cawston Parish Council

## The Community Hall Management Committee & Trustees

The Community Hall Trustees would still like to speak to anyone who might be **interested in** becoming a member of the **hall management committee or a Trustee**.

As we have explained before, the management committee will be responsible for day to day running of the hall.

The trustees are responsible for making sure the hall operates within the rules as governed by the Charity Commission

We know this sounds daunting but more than anything else time, energy and enthusiasm are all that is needed. If you are not sure just come along for a chat and we'll try to answer your questions

Please contact **Sarah Geddes or Matt Emery** via the hall or come along to a Parish Council meeting.

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## Overgrown Hedges Reminder

As we move into spring I just wanted to remind residents about concerns expressed previously regarding overgrown plants and hedges which could obstruct footpaths, pavements and roads.

The Parish Council respectfully advises that it is the responsibility of all property owners to cut back any overgrown hedges and plant growth on their boundaries.

Obstructing a public right of way is a matter of great concern and causes inconvenience to many, especially people with sight impairment, or with mobility problems, walkers with pushchairs and small children. It also reduces the line of vision for motor vehicles and bicycles as well as other road users.

**Be a considerate citizen and cut your hedges please**

# Cawston Community Hall

*To see if a room is free  
or to make a booking,  
please contact Shona, via email  
at [bookings@cawstonpc.org](mailto:bookings@cawstonpc.org) or via  
mobile on 07449 961505.*

To check room availability there is a live calendar for each room on the Parish Website  
<http://www.cawstonpc.org/Community-Hall/main-hall.asp>

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## WRCC Back&4th Community Minibus Transport – Rugby

For groups needing help getting from A to B, there's the welcome news that WRCC has brought its popular community transport Back & 4<sup>th</sup> project to Rugby.

Ideal for charitable organisations, schools, senior citizen clubs and especially rurally-isolated groups, this new, not-for-profit service will help alleviate the lack of adequate public transport affecting those living in villages around Rugby.

The 15 and 16-seater minibuses, which are wheelchair accessible, are available at subsidised rates for all sorts of travel such as meetings, social events and days out to places of interest

- Walking frames and folding wheelchairs can be accommodated if we know in advance
- Groups charitable organisations must pre-register with us, there is a very wide range of criteria for eligibility
- We can take groups out for a couple of hours for lunch or visiting a landmark for the whole day.
- Trips have included going to museums, garden centre's, lunch club's or any places of interests
- Bookings should ideally be made at least 6 weeks in advance
- We charge £40 to hire a bus plus 50p per mile travelled
- Groups are invoiced after the trip, we do not accept payment on the day or from individual passengers
- All our drivers are volunteers but they are MiDAS trained and DBS checked
- 'Self-Drive Hire' is available but we have very stringent rules about who is permitted to drive our vehicles due to the conditions of our insurance

Speaking at the launch, Service Manager Paul Hinks said: "This new project can make a very positive difference to people's lives, especially in our local villages. For many it will be an important practical lifeline and it can also help bring people together for some fun times out".

He added: "We're all ready to go and very much looking forward to working with community groups in and around Rugby, as well as recruiting volunteer drivers (with D1 entitlement), who will receive full training and be paid expenses".

**For more information call Paul Hinks on 01789 471595 (Mon-Fri 9am – 4pm) or Paul Hinks 07799056398**

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## Councillor Vacancies

Are you interested in being a Councillor but don't know what it entails?

We are seeking new councillors to fill empty positions and to bolster our ranks with new skills and ideas.

If you are thinking of giving it a go but you are unsure please contact any of the current Councillors or the Clerk – details on the back page.

## Facebook pages

If you are on Facebook please "like" our page to help us get up to date news and events out to the community!

You will find us at: "**Cawston Parish, Rugby**"

Please remember that adding something to the Facebook page does not constitute an actual report to the Police or Rugby Borough Council. The Facebook page is only an instrument to share information.

## Cawston Grange Drive / Coventry Road Roundabout

There has been a delay to the completion of the scheme, the Contractor has uncovered uncharted utility services. Unfortunately some disruption will be unavoidable, however efforts will be made to keep delays to a minimum. As far as possible the works have been planned to be carried out at weekends including off-peak hours to mitigate the delay caused by the uncharted services. Also due to the high volumes of traffic during the daytime along this busy stretch of road, and in order to ensure delays are kept to a minimum, the **resurfacing works** will be carried out at night-time under road closure between the hours **of 7:00pm and 06:00am** when traffic has subsided. The **night work** will be carried out from **Monday 3rd April 2017 to Saturday 8th April 2017**

If you have any queries or anything to report in relation to these works please contact Tristan Hall on 01926 412675 or Kande Bure Bai Kamara on 01926 412676 or 01926 418616. (Both Warwickshire County Council)

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## Cawston Crime Wave – True or False?

If we were to rely solely on social media for our information, then Cawston residents would undoubtedly believe we are in the midst of a rampant crime wave and our once peaceful and safe lives are heading inexorably towards the precipice of hopelessness. However the reality is that we are considered by the police to be in an extremely low crime rate area. In Fact it is probably one of the lowest in the county considering the size of current population. I believe the number of incidents below confirm this;

	DEC	JAN	FEB
Anti-social Behaviour	10	7	6
Burglary Dwelling	..1	0	1
Burglary Other (garages/sheds)	..3	0	0
Fire/Arson	..2	0	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	..3	1	0
Theft from Shop	..1	0	0
Theft/Damage	..0	2	0
Theft/Damage Property or Vehicle	..0	0	6
Violence	..0	0	1

It is a sad fact that crimes such as those above will unfortunately continue to plague modern society. Perhaps we are in many ways, paying the price of the liberalisation of personal freedoms and thus the lack of respect for others. However whilst we can bemoan the changes, let's not despair as there are many things we can do to lessen the likelihood of becoming a victim. For example did you know that 78% of burglars use social media to target properties. The following is from the security company ADT,

*Social media is a part of modern life with many people posting every day, but most don't think about just who can access the information they post.*

Tips on how to avoid common pitfalls can be found via the link below.

<https://www.adt.co.uk/protecting-you/adts-top-tips-for-online-security>

## Cawston Crime Wave – True or False?

We can also do more to protect our property, through the CPC we have managed to secure an offer from the makers of Smart Water for £8.95 per bottle. When this was introduced by Brent Council, in Greater London, it resulted in an 85% reduction in domestic burglaries. The trial also delivered an estimated cost saving of £500,000 and saved 15,000 police hours, freeing up resources to tackle other pressing issues. Whilst there are obviously other methods such as CCTV and Burglar alarms Smart Water has got to be one of the most cost effective

In order to qualify for this offer we require a minimum uptake of 20 houses before the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Details of how to register interest are on the CPC Facebook page and also the website. Failing that email [michael.cool@cawstonpc.org](mailto:michael.cool@cawstonpc.org)

I started by mentioning the down side of social media but that's not to say that information and advice cannot be shared. Remember though the Police are the professionals and they need informing first either via 999, but only when a crime is actually being committed or safety is threatened OR 101, when the crime has taken place already or safety is not a concern. Record details, car numbers, and times, whilst they are fresh in your mind, anything that could help the police or community wardens trace the perpetrators. Remember, if ne'er-do-wells think they are being watched or can be traced they will soon get the message and go elsewhere

## Cawston Greenway

All future work days are advertised via the blog, with the team looking forward to getting back to alternating week-days and weekends in April.

<https://cawstongreenway.wordpress.com>

## Ordinary Parish Council Meetings – Venue

All Parish Council meetings are now held in the **Meeting Room within the Community Hall**

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month starting at 7:30pm