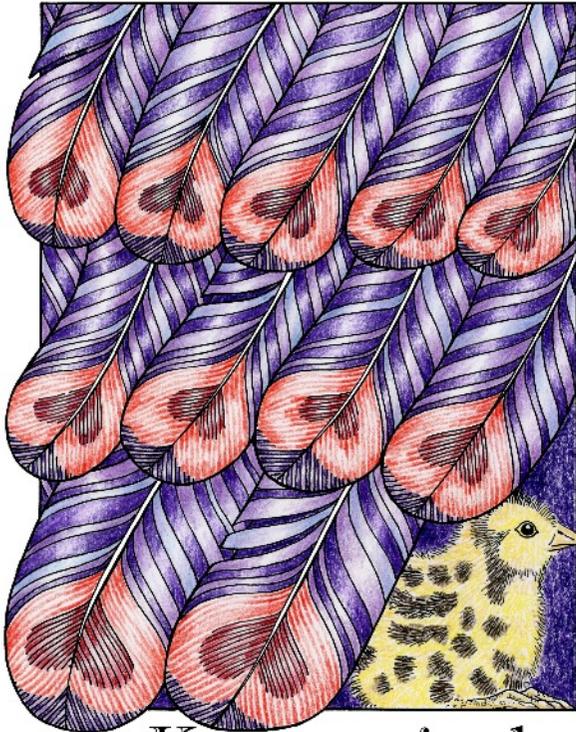


**LANGLEY  
METHODIST**

# **NEWS**

*February 2021*



shelter of your wings Ps 17:8

Keep me in the

Ministers: All the congregation  
Contact: Rev Dr Graham M Edwards  
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## LANGLEY VISION STATEMENT

“To maintain a growing, caring and welcoming fellowship that develops spiritual growth and wholeness through worship and outreach to the community.”

## LANGLEY CHURCH CONTACTS

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## Activities at Langley Methodist Church

### ON LINE

Sunday Services      You Tube *Macclesfield Methodist Circuit*.  
 Available from about 08:00 on the Sunday  
 Earlier services are available from the same site.

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The dates and times and contact details below are legacy information for guidance if you need to contact any group for information when there is any news of an easing of the lock down.

#### Regular Activities

Coffee & Chat	10.30 am	Wednesday
Choir Practice	7.30 pm	Thursday
Lunch Club	1.00 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month

#### Other Activities During Term Time

Little Lambs	10.00 a.m	Monday
Yoga	1.30 p.m	Monday (places available)
Scottish Dancing	6.30 p.m	Tuesday Juniors
	7.30 p.m	Tuesday Adults
T'ai Chi	6.45 p.m	Wednesday
Craft Group	10.00 a.m	Thursday
U3A Painting Grp	10.15 -12.15	Friday
	1.30 - 3.30	Friday

#### Contact information.

Little Lambs	Sarah Sinnett	07762497985
Lunch Club	Marie Gilbert	01260 253126
U3A Painting Grp	Jackie Gibbs	07843 799614
Scottish Dancing	Joan Bradbury	01260 252976
T'ai Chi	Karen Davies	01477 534667
Yoga	Marion Duff	01625 528650

UPDATES from the LANGLEY COMMUNITY

Debbie and Peter have been keeping busy with walking, the Gritstone Trail and Macclesfield Forest being the highlights of the last month or so. Photos included from some of our hikes with the dogs, these are from the nice days - we have seen a lot of mud over the last few weeks! Can you guess where each one was taken?

Bill has pneumonia but has managed to stay out of hospital, he is an avid reader and is in good spirits, hopefully being vaccinated next week. Alex is still living in Massachusetts and has a new job. Aaron is busy with his A level work. Alasdair has been applying for hundreds of accountancy jobs and has been offered a role with KPMG in the Channel Islands starting in August - he is extremely delighted as are we!

We are all missing our family and friends and look forward to seeing everyone again once lockdown eases.





*Do you have any photos, news or memories from the past year?  
We would be delighted to publish them in the March or subsequent  
editions*

## Methodist Central Hall Westminster and United Nations

UK hosted a virtual three-day visit by UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, starting on Sunday, to mark the 75th anniversary of the United Nations.

The area outside the Methodist Central Hall in Westminster has been renamed from Broad Sanctuary Green to United Nations Green to commemorate the first UN general assembly meeting held at the venue in 1946.

A special service to mark the UN's inaugural meeting on the 10th January 1946 was held online on Sunday by Revd Tony Miles, Superintendent Minister and Team Leader

Revd Miles said in a statement: "Unscathed by the war, MCHW was the ideal choice to host the UN's General Assembly. The Trustees at the time, however, had to be persuaded by Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin and others that "there could be no better place than a House of God, with the atmosphere of prayer already there". The Revd Dr. William Sangster and his congregation vacated the premises to worship at the Victoria Palace and then the London Coliseum.

On 26th May 1946, Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Dr Sangster unveiled a plaque at MCHW to mark the UN's first meeting, which was on Methodist premises."

Mr Guterres, UN Secretary General, said: "In the midst of a Second World War that was far from won, Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt - later joined by leaders of China, France, the-then Soviet Union and other allied powers - courageously set out a vision to free the world of fear and want, through cooperation.

"This vision became the United Nations and, on this very day 75 years ago, the first meeting of the UN General Assembly was held in London.

"At this time of new global turmoil, I am honoured to virtually visit the United Kingdom to mark that occasion, renew our cause of overcoming global challenges together, and celebrate a country that was instrumental in creating the United Nations and which remains, today, a crucial member state, not least in the run-up to Cop26 in Glasgow."

The UN Secretary-General took part in the virtual commemorative event on Sunday before speaking via technology with the Prime Minister, Mr Raab and Cop26 president Alok Sharma, along with others, during the 3 day virtual visit. to the UK

## On how to deal with your church's correspondence

The Rectory St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

You may have had several years of intensive training on biblical interpretation, preaching and church history, but that doesn't cover the really important matters in parish life: how to evade disgruntled parishioners, run a brisk Summer Fete and, in your case at present, deal with correspondence, either by letter or email.

My regular practice, which I recommend to you as a New Year Resolution, is to read all the letters/emails you receive and then discard them. If the matter is truly important, you will receive a second message, to which you respond; more likely, the sender will either have forgotten all about his first letter/email after the second month or will write to some other cleric instead. In either case, you will be saved a great deal of trouble.

You only need two folders for your filing system, either for post or emails. The first is for complaints; they are to be filed and ignored, no matter how many duplicates you are sent. Should you be confronted personally, you simply say that the matter has been passed on to the bishop. Those truly dogged complainants who pursue the matter will eventually receive an episcopal reply saying he knows nothing of the matter, for which you then blame the postal system/spammed email. After letters and emails have ricocheted round the country for many months, the person complaining will either have lost energy to pursue the matter, or the will to live.

The second file receives all other correspondence/emails chronologically. The earliest letters and emails will be at the bottom of the pile and the most recent on the top. In my experience, the postal file only needs attention when it reaches a height of about two feet and becomes unstable. The practice then is to discard the lower six inches and allow it to continue its steady growth. If the stack is kept in the church vestry, then mice usually attend to the papers on the bottom of the pile.

Sadly, your own church, with its electronic systems for filing, sorting and retrieving correspondence and with your parish secretaries, removes all of these blessings at a stroke. You have therefore no excuses for not dealing instantly with every note that comes your way. As ye sow, so shall ye reap.

May I also remind you that not even St Paul, that unflagging letter-writer, ever ended one of his letters with a request for a prompt reply. Need I say more?  
Your loving uncle,

**Eustace**

**SUTTON WI NEWS**

*Because the WI are unable to meet face to face during the pandemic the Cheshire Federation of Women's Institutes has produced a programme of online meetings for the members. For security reasons the links have been removed. If you want to know more about the local group please contact Maria Rowson on 01260 253341.*

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### **Cheshire Federation Virtual Events**

**On Wednesday the 10th February at 7pm for 7.30pm** we have the pleasure in welcoming Dr Jackie Bell a Senior Teaching Fellow at Imperial College London and Honorary Fellow of the University of Liverpool Mathematics Department. Having always had a passion for learning and a curiosity for the unknown, Jackie became the first in her family to go to University and graduated with a PhD in theoretical particle physics in 2016.



Winning multiple awards for her efforts in improving diversity within the sciences, and recently named as one of the WISE20, Jackie has devoted both her professional career and personal time to inspiring and engaging people from disadvantaged groups to pursue STEM careers. Appearing on the BBC documentary series 'Astronauts: Do you have what it takes?', her ultimate dream is to follow in the footsteps of Helen Sharman and Tim Peake and one day become Britain's next astronaut. Photo credited to the University of Liverpool

**On Thursday the 25th February at 7pm for a 7.30pm start** we have the pleasure in welcoming Katie Awdas talking about Living with Endometriosis. It is thought that around 176 million girls and women suffer from endometriosis worldwide.



Katie has suffered from the chronic condition endometriosis since the age of 16, taking ten years to receive a diagnosis, and is now in her early thirties. She will talk to us about her ongoing battle with this debilitating and painful condition while trying to lead as normal a life as possible, a challenge which may well resonate with many of you.

Katie stepped out of her comfort zone and joined 11 other women in making a calendar for Endometriosis UK, as Miss June, with 100% of the profits being donated to the charity.

**On Tuesday the 9th March at 7pm for a 7.30pm start** we

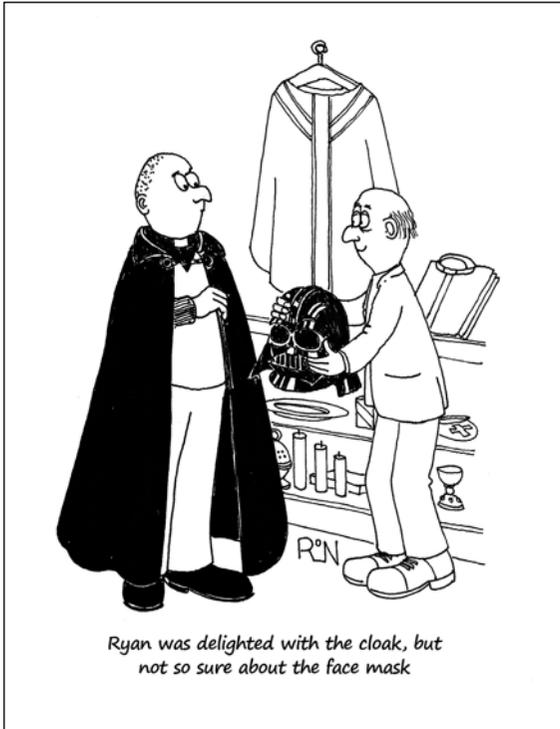


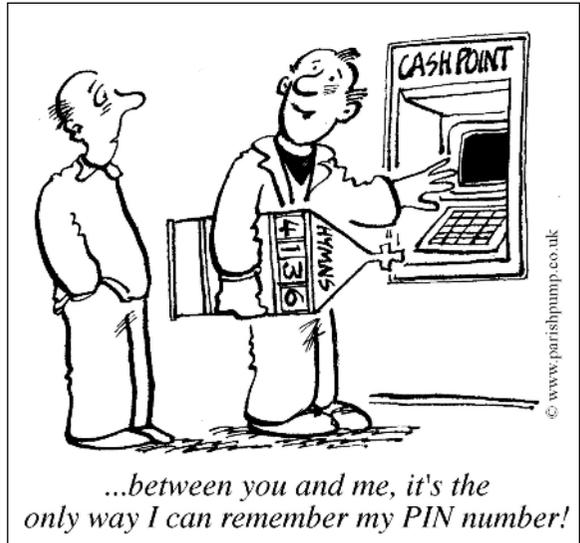
have the pleasure in welcoming Toto James. Toto was co-opted to the Board of Trustees in November 2019. She is also Vice Chairman and a Trustee of Surrey Federation, as well as Head of Digital.

Toto was honoured as a Women of the Year in 2018 for her professional work as a Marketing Consultant for a leading law firm and her charity work.

Toto will talk about her life in the W.I. and what made her join in the first place and why her Indian parents and their sense of community has led to her aspirations for a WI that reflect our communities.

**On Monday the 22nd March at 7pm for a 7.30pm start** we have the pleasure in welcoming Chris Duffin. As the first female governor into HMP Strangeways and the notorious Dartmoor Prison, Governor Chris Duffin was a ground-breaker. She will recount some of the many stories and incidents from her twenty-year career both as a lowly 'screw' and as a prison governor. These tales will amuse, entertain, and definitely change your view of what it's like doing 'porridge'. Whether it's flying out of the UK with a briefcase full of class A drugs, talking to the BBC's John Humphries in her nightie or having MYRA HINDLEY as her tea-lady.





## Sutton Parish Council

The **DECEMBER** and **JANUARY** meetings of Sutton Parish Council were well attended by Councillors. Details of attendance are available in our published minutes on our website.

Council business is continuing virtually as normal so please contact us if you have any concerns or issues to raise. Members of the public are able to witness the decisions being made and also contribute during '**Public Participation**'. If you would like to join a virtual meeting you will need to contact the Parish Clerk and a link to the meeting will be issued (access is available via landline).

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A resident spoke objecting to application 20/5094M (infilling of former mill pond Langley).

### **MEMBERS REPORTS**

#### **The Cheshire East Ward Member:**

- There are ongoing issues in Macclesfield Forest with Civil Enforcement Officers going in. United Utilities are sending out teams to give guidance on parking to visitors.
- United Utilities have agreed to fund a traffic survey in Macclesfield Forest which will cover traffic flow through Langley.
- The next Macclesfield Forest review Meeting is 20<sup>th</sup> January.
- There are concerns regarding increase in mounting bikers.
- He is liaising with resident regarding the volume of traffic on Parvey Lane.

#### **The Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team:**

- The main policing issues are to do with Macclesfield Forest. Patrols continue to deal with offences when needed and they are working closely with United Utilities, Cheshire East and local residents.
- Cannabis found grown in Sutton and similar a growth in Wildboardclough (please be vigilant and report any issues with rental properties to the police).
- Due to COVID restrictions face to face surgeries have stopped (contact details have been sent on Facebook and Twitter).
- COVID is also restricting school visits again.

- A few fly-tipping issues reported. Farmers are asked to make sure they lock gates to their fields.
- Reported high risk missing person found safe in Macclesfield Forest.
- Suspicious vehicle reported Gore End Lane (registration obscured). Vehicle belonged to auto repair unit and was legitimate.
- TRUCAM has been used on Byrons Lane to deter speeding and a traffic report regarding Hall Lane has been submitted requesting it becomes a TRUCAM site.

### **HIGHWAYS MATTERS RAISED**

- Parvey Lane onto Walker Lane – speed sign knocked over. Cllr Gregory reported he had already alerted Highways.
- Arrow sign warning of the sharp bend when travelling from Langley to Jarman – still not replaced.
- Kerb on Church Lane – Cheshire East Highways will be dealing with it.
- Flooding on Red Lane.
- Grit boxes – Teggs Nose Mount, Clarke Lane (near High Low Farm), outside Lees House Farm and Heathcoates Lane are nearly empty.
- Whistons Lane - road surface has deteriorated and in dangerous condition.
- Road works on Main Road, Langley - Ward Councillor liaising with Cadent. To ask Cadent to liaise with Langley Councillors. Work commencing in three weeks.
- Church Lane - complaints about Cadent over how they have left grass verge.
- Ridge Hill - Hedge cutting and ivy still not cut back and growing across pavement.

### **MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL**

It was **agreed** to continue with virtual meetings during COVID restrictions.

### **REPORTS FROM PARK 4ALL@LYME GREEN**

- Work continues in the Robin Lane park on the construction of the sunken sensory garden and the perimeter path. A willow tunnel has been installed near the entrance to the park.
- A site meeting was held with staff from Ansa and two Trustees to discuss the location of various features for example the community library which is being built by a volunteer.

- Local residents held a Santa Trail just before Christmas for the children to go with their families (socially distanced) around Lyme Green to see Christmas lights in people's gardens. Tesco's donated sweets and over £200 was raised.

It was noted that some flooding of the park has taken place and to some gardens facing towards the park. The Parish Council are liaising with Ansa and they have said that they will be resolving this.

## FINANCE

The Precept has been set at **£24750** for 2021/22. This will equate to a £2 increase on Band D Council Tax.

The precept has been increased to cover existing and projected expenditure including Remembrance Day policing, allotments, salaries and the increase in installation costs for our Christmas trees. This adjustment will ensure that we will not be operating at a deficit.

**Receipts** – Ansa Environmental Services Limited (BACS towards allotments).

**Payments Included** – S Giller (Clerk's salary), ChALC (course fees), NSALG Ltd (membership renewal), F Davies & Son Ltd (Column 15 (20 Gonville), Column 65 and Pleasance bus shelter (conversions to LED)), EON (Electricity supply November and December 2020).

## PLANNING

Members **agreed** comments for return to the relevant authority for these applications during December and January 2020:

**No Objection** – Applications 20/5046M (*9 Brookside Avenue, Sutton - rear facing single storey extension*), 20/4867M (*Fairways Garden Centre, Bullocks Lane, Sutton - proposed conversion of existing external space into a retail space, with associated replacement roof and elevation works and the erection of an attached canopy*), 20/4618M (*3 Peterhouse Road, Sutton - side extension above garage to create bedroom with en-suite bathroom*), 20/5594M (*Unit 2, Lyme Green Retail Park - The installation of a new shopfront to full width of front elevation (height to extend to underside of soffit) complete with new bi-parting entrance doors and side screens*) and 20/5608M (*Unit 2B, Brindley Way, Lyme Green - Advertisement Consent for a new illuminated fascia sign to front of building to replace existing*).

**Objections** - Applications 20/5223M (*St James Church, Church Lane, Sutton - to create a conservation and well-being garden on a portion of church owned land currently left fallow*), 20/5349M (*Kindersfield Edge, Hollin Lane, Sutton - to erect an oak framed swimming pool structure on a concrete raft under a cedar shingle roof*), 20/5094M (*Langley Business Park, Langley Road, Langley - Engineering operation comprising infilling of former mill pond and creation of an area of public open space*) and 20/5495M (*Brackendale, Jarman, Sutton - Proposed front porch extension, external amendments to doors & window openings & detached garage*).

**Request for observations** – Application 20/5820M (*Lane Ends Farm, Walker Lane, Sutton - reserved matters application following approval of 17/4216M - Outline application for demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of new dwelling*).

Details of our comments regarding these planning applications can be found using the following link:

[http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/view\\_a\\_planning\\_application.aspx](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/view_a_planning_application.aspx)

### **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM**

Savills Planning (on behalf of Morris Homes) (*public consultation regarding residential development of 45 dwellings on Land South of Gaw End Lane/West of London Road, Lyme Green*), Mayor of Cheshire East (*virtual Holocaust Memorial Day 2021*), Cheshire East Council (*Local Plan Revised Publication Draft Site Allocations and Development Policies Document*), Cheshire East Council (*consultation on transport and parking*) and NALC (*Standards Matter 2: Public Consultation and Public Sector Surveys*).

### **HOUSING**

Members considered an applicant for property at 6 Dawson Close, Langley.

### **INFORMATION**

Meeting agendas and minutes are all available on our website or from the Parish Clerk. If you have any enquiries, please contact:

Mrs S Giller - Clerk & RFO to Sutton Parish Council

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### **Future Meetings – 2021**

11<sup>th</sup> February, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> April and 13<sup>th</sup> May.

All Meetings commence at 7.30 p.m. and, unless legislation changes, will be conducted virtually. Meetings will be advertised on the Parish notice boards, website and Facebook. All residents are welcome to attend.

### **Sarah Giller – Clerk to Sutton Parish Council**

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## KEEPING IN TOUCH

- Church Stewards are contacting members of the congregation on a weekly basis.
- Our Minister together with the members of the Circuit Staff are producing worship services on line and producing a weekly newsletter. The services can be accessed on YouTube at “Macclesfield Methodist Circuit”.
- An Evening service via ZOOM at 6:30 p.m. Every Sunday - please contact a Church Steward for sign on details.

### Church Stewards

Alan Chapman (01260 252745), Julia Fenton (01260 252891)

Margaret Robinson (01625 619837) Heather Self (01260 253480)

Paula Spray (01625 434742)

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### NEXT ISSUE

Items for the March 2021 Issue should be given to Alan Chapman by lunch time on **Saturday 27th February 2021.**

Items accepted as follows: paper copy, disc or email.

Please copy emails to both  
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