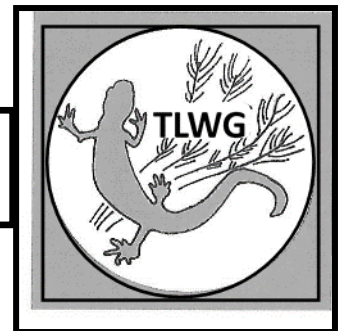


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SHOCKLACH OVIATT & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

VILLAGE MEETING

To be held in Shocklach Primary School on Thursday, 26th May 2022 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

THE MEETING WILL
PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO MEET YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS AND RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN
ON THE WORK OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.... AND FOR US TO OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT TO ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING US
AS WE HAVE TWO VACANCIES! DON'T BE SHY ... YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU ...

ALSO
COME AND MEET OUR GUEST SPEAKERS

MIKE DUGINE from Cheshire West & Chester Council who will be discussing the various options available for residents to improve broadband speeds in rural areas and JULIE BUSHELL from Kloud9 who will be outlining the Government backed Project Gigabit Voucher Scheme to provide full fibre broadband to residents and businesses in rural areas including what local people need to do to progress this.

They will be open to taking any questions you might have.

Representatives of Shocklach Primary School Council will also give a short presentation.

Your parish councillors are:

Chairman: Greg Bowles (williamgregorybowles@icloud.com)

John White (271275); Iain Carr (iacarr@icloud.com); Jenny Davies (jennydavies008@live.co.uk). You can contact the Parish Clerk Claire Taylor on 01829 270887 or by email at shocklachparishclerk@outlook.com

All residents welcome to attend – your support would be very much appreciated.

Tilston Parish Council

Hill Field Spring Event &
Streetlight Basket Planting



Join us on the Spring Bank Holiday,
Monday 2nd May between 10am & 1pm
at Tilston War Memorial Hall

- Enjoy Hill Field
- Take part in a Family Treasure Hunt around Tilston
- Help fill the Streetlight planters

(Bring your own plants and/or use those provided)

Refreshments including bacon
sandwiches will be available.

For more information contact the Clerk:

Anni Wright, 62 Well Street, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 8QH.

E mail: clerk@tilstonparishcouncil.co.uk www.tilstonparishcouncil.co.uk



Tilston Parish Council Report – April 2022



Clerk's Vacancy

Tilston Parish Council is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to be employed as the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer for what is a very active Parish Council.

The post will provide the right candidate with an interesting, challenging and rewarding position allowing them to make a real difference in the community.

To be successful you will need to be:

- A good communicator who can build and develop positive working relationships.
- Be able and confident with administrative tasks, keeping minutes and preparing accounts.

The role is for 6 hours per week and will be paid according to national pay scales points, taking account of qualifications and experience.

The Clerk will be required to attend Parish Council meetings which take place at least 6 times per year and any extraordinary meetings called.

The Clerk will be responsible for the following duties:

- Management and advertising of Council meetings including preparation of agendas, minutes etc. in accordance with Parish Council procedures and regulations.
- Researching and providing advice to Councillors.
- Implementation of Council decisions.
- Responding to queries from the public.
- Working with other bodies including Cheshire West and Chester Council.
- Preparing Council Accounts, making payments and preparing for the Audit each year.
- Posting regular information on Facebook and maintaining the Council's website.

For more information or to apply for the position please email clerk@tilstonparishcouncil.co.uk

Slow the Flow

Councillors are investigating whether it is possible to introduce a 'slow the flow' scheme on the Brook which runs through Tilston, the aim of the scheme would be to create natural barriers up stream of Tilston which would hold water back during times of high flow rates to reduce the risk of flooding in the village itself. Such schemes have helped mitigate flooding in other areas by introducing leaky dams and creating areas where water can be held. Schemes can also increase the biodiversity along Brooks and rivers.

The project is at the very early stages and will require the support of landowners as well as the Environment Agency, anyone who would like to be involved should contact the Clerk.

Any issues we can help with relating to the village please contact any of the Councillors or the Clerk, you can also report a range of faults directly to CW&C just search 'Cheshire West Report it'.

For more information contact the Clerk to Tilston Parish Council Ann Wright, 62 Well Street, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 8QH. ☎: 01948 861 035
E mail: clerk@tilstonparishcouncil.co.uk

News from St. Mary's, Tilston and St. Edith's, Shocklach – May 2022

The May edition of The Reporter focuses on the events that are planned for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, extending from 2nd. to 5th. June. Sunday 5th. June also happens to be **Pentecost**, one of the major festivals in the Church year, with the coming of the Holy Spirit (more of that shortly).

Although you will no doubt be planning to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee on more than one of the four official celebration days (Thursday to Sunday), in the April edition of The Reporter we asked you to try and keep Sunday 5th. June free for the 'Picnic on the Playing Fields,' which starts at 12 noon, and extends into late afternoon. Come and join the celebrations when it is convenient.

St. Mary's church has moved the Sunday service from the usual time of 9.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., so that people, if they so wish to do, they can walk from the church at the end of the service to the playing fields. Please feel free to bring children to the church service in fancy dress; it will be an All Age Service. And don't forget, there is a special prize for the 'best crown!'

The other important church service, which is almost upon us, is the annual Animal Blessing Service (mainly pets, but we do get the occasional farm animal), which takes place on Sunday 15th. May at 10.00 a.m. in the field opposite Shocklach Oviatt Church of England Primary School. Please bring your pets along, the more the merrier!

But, back to Pentecost. In John's Gospel, chapter 16, Jesus tells us,

St. Edith's, Shocklach &

St. Mary's, Tilston

Rogation Service

Sunday 15th. May, 10.00 a.m.

**St. Edith's Church – Tom's
field opposite the school**

**Blessing
- of the -
ANIMALS**



**PLEASE BRING YOUR PETS AND
DOMESTIC ANIMALS TO BE
BLESSED**



St Edith's church Shocklach are holding a Platinum Jubilee, cake, and pudding competition. This will be held on Saturday the 21st of May at Shocklach School's Jubilee Mayfayre

The theme is Fit for a Queen.

Class 1 Decorated sponge cake

Coffee
Chocolate
Victoria sponge
4 cupcakes

Class 2 Undecorated sponge cake

Coffee
Chocolate
Victoria sponge
4 cupcakes

Class 3 Any pudding of your choice

Categories in all classes

16 and under

Adult

Guidelines

£2.00 per entry

Please bring the recipe with the cake or pudding

Please bring your cake or pudding to the school by 11am so judging can commence

Winners will be announced at 2pm

All proceeds to go to our church funds

Services and Rotas – St. Mary's, Tilston and St. Edith's, Shocklach – May and early June 2022

Date	Time	Church	Service	Readings	Readers	Cleaning and Flowers	Sides-people
1 st May	8.00 a.m.	St. Mary's	Easter 3 Holy Communion	Ephesians 1: 3-10 John 14: 1-14	Jill Farmer (M) x2	Norma Robinson and Lizanne Reeves (M)	n.a.
1 st May	9.45 a.m. 11.15 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Edith's	All Age All Age	t.b.c. t.b.c.	t.b.c. t.b.c.	Norma Shaw and Della Jones (E)	Penny Honeyborne (M)
8 th May	9.45 a.m. 11.15 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Edith's	Easter 4 Holy Communion Easter 4 Holy Communion	Acts 9: 36-end John 10: 22-30	Adrian Donovan (M) Viv Black (M) Wendy Gilpin (E)	Lynn Lloyd and Helena Johnson (M)	Penny Hearn (M)
15 th May	8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Edith's	Easter 5 Holy Communion Pet Blessing	Acts 1: 15-end John 15: 9-17 t.b.c.	Tim Robinson (M) x2 Jerry Mobbs (E)	Jill Farmer and Jo Huxtable (M)	n.a.
22 nd May	9.45 a.m. 11.15 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Edith's	Easter 6 Holy Communion Easter 6 Morning Prayer	Acts 16: 9-15 John 14: 23-29	Pam Passey (M) Penny Honeyborne (M) Helen Peel (E)	Penny Hearn and Su Tedham (M)	Helena John- son (M)
29 th May	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	St. Mary's Zoom	Easter 7 Holy Communion Joint Service Easter 7 Morning Prayer	Acts 16: 16-34 John 17: 20-end	Nick Garnell (M) Liz Garnell (M) Bob Evans (Z)	Cressida Travis (M)	Chris Cotterell (M)
5 th June	8.00 a.m.	St. Mary's	Pentecost Holy Communion	Acts 2: 1-21 John 14: 8-17, 25-27	Steve Farmer (M) x2	Norma Robinson and Lizanne Reeves (M)	n.a.
5 th June	10.30 a.m. 11.15 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Edith's	Queen's Platinum Jubilee	t.b.c. t.b.c.	t.b.c. t.b.c.		Su Tedham (M)

M = St. Mary's E = St. Edith's

St. Mary's Prayer Rota see Viv Black



TILSTON LANDSCAPE AND WILDLIFE GROUP

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and where it is, there is less likelihood
that it will be mislaid*

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Julie (01829 250582) or
Tom (01829 250249)

May 2022
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BACK OUTDOORS

TLWG's first 2022 walk in March was from Shocklach Church. Debris from the recent floods was an impressive distance from the River Dee.



THINGS TO SEE AND HEAR IN MAY

- Nesting birds with eggs and fledgelings, including tits and blackbirds
- Wild garlic, garlic mustard, bluebells, red campion, oxeye daisy and rowan blossom
- Holly blue, orange tip, (both below), comma and speckled wood butterflies

TLWG COMMITTEE

The AGM on 9 April elected:

- Tom Stephenson as Chair
- Juliet Edwin-Scott as Treasurer
- Julie Maling as Secretary
- John Davies-Colley and Alison Smithson as Committee members



Don't forget...

BEATING THE BOUNDS

10.30am on Saturday 7 May

- *Estimate the age of trees*
- *Learn an ancient tradition*
- *Sample damson gin*

See separate posters
for these two TLWG
events



RARER BUTTERFLIES HAD BETTER YEAR

After a cold wet May, 2021 was poor for common butterflies. However, vulnerable species such as the Silver-studded Blue, Hairstreaks and Heath Fritillary fared much better. This seems to be due to conservation efforts on their habitats

JUBILEE WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

E-mail your pictures to
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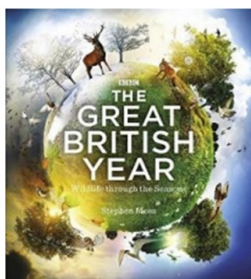


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Best picture wins
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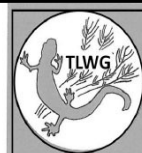
A BBC book by Stephen Moss
Beautiful photographs and facts
about our wildlife through the
changing seasons

E-mail your pictures to stephenson256@btinternet.com

Deadline: 3 June, the Queen's Jubilee Celebration Day

Judging at the Tilston Garden Trail on 11 and 12 June at 'The Mount'
Come along and help us choose!

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TILSTON LANDSCAPE AND WILDLIFE GROUP

BEATING THE BOUNDS IS BACK!

10.30am Saturday 7 May

Meet at the
Stocks



The TLWG's annual celebration of
our village's place in the landscape
returns, with more about the history
of this ancient tradition

And yes, there will be damson gin again

Also on the walk this time...

**Learn how to estimate
the age of trees**



Look for the most
curious thing to find its
way into a tree

Dogs on leads
please

These are violets



TILSTON GARDEN TRAIL 2022

Gardens open 11th & 12th June 11am to 5pm
£8 admission to all gardens over the 2 days
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The Garden Trail is back after 3 years ! We will
have 10 gardens open for you to visit.

Some are the favourites you will want to see
again, but we have two new gardens this year -
and a very welcome return of one that hasn't
been open for some time

Refreshments will be available in two of the
gardens - and the Memorial Hall will also be
open for light lunches.

Admission will be by programme costing £8. This
will give you access to all 10 gardens over the
two days. Programmes can be bought in advance
from the Village Shop - or from the first garden
you visit on the weekend.

Proceeds to the maintenance of St Mary's
Church and to local groups.

Any enquiries - Su Tedham 250336 -

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St Mary's Bell Ringers

! BIG NEWS! BIG NEWS! BIG NEWS! BIG NEWS! BIG NEWS! BIG NEWS.



We have waited to the last minute to put in our entry for "The Reporter" this month so we are able to report on an attempt by three of our ringers to ring a Quarter Peal this very afternoon (18th April 2022) with the help of three friends from two other local towers. For Jill, our hard-working Tower Captain it was her first attempt at a "Quarter", and for Jo, it was her first time ringing one on a "working bell", Jo has rung one before on the 8th April 2002 in Warburton, Greater Manchester so 20 years ago almost to the day when she rang the Treble (smallest bell) to the same method rung today.

Despite a few "wobbles" at times, which were swiftly corrected by the "Conductor", Simon Christian from Tarporley and/or his wife Jenny who rang the Treble for us, and we completed the 1260 changes required to complete the composition of the method called Plain Bob Doubles in about 39 Minutes. Ian Orme from Tattenhall came over and kept us moving at a fair rate ringing the Tenor and when we finished there were both smiles of relief and satisfaction all round!

We will be putting a notice into the database of ringing called Bellboard (<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk>) as a permanent record of the occasion. If you go to the bellringing section of St Mary's website then there is link that shows all the peals and recorded ringing events that have taken place at St Mary's that have been entered back to 1977 (Note: If anyone has any information or records of peals or ringing before this, then we would be delighted to have them so the records there can be entered and added for posterity).

In Church on Sunday, the quarter peal attempt was announced, and a few people commented afterwards, it certainly made me smile when asked "How will we know you've gone wrong, will it when we hear Chords!" .. All I can say John is that there were a few today, but I suspect you couldn't tell me the key!

So, that's the excitement over and reported!

I mentioned above that the Method (the sequence of changes) was called "Plain Bob Doubles" , as of today there are 23,275 methods that are registered in the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers (CCCBR) method library, these are all unique and cover everything from two to twenty-two bells, your bit of information for this month is that the "Doubles" at the end indicates how many bells are required to ring the selected method, "Doubles" means 5 bells, so today we rang 6 bells but only the first 5 were moving order, the heaviest bell (the Tenor) just stayed put and "Bonged" at the end of each row.

Taking this a small step further, the "Plain Bob" method when rung on 6 Bells is called "Plain Bob Minor" so Minor means that 6 Bells are changing places (moving in the order) at every pull of the rope. Taking this a few steps forward, "Triples" is 7 Bells, "Major" is 8, "Caters" is 9 and so on ... you never know what will come up in that Pub Quiz!

Remember, if you fancy finding out more, getting involved, or just having a go at ringing then just drop our Tower Captain a line (jill.farmer@elginhill.com - 01829 250471), or pop along on a Thursday night when you hear the bells ringing on our practice night from 7:30pm to 9.00pm, we would be delighted to see you.

Until Next Time!

The St Mary's Bellringers

Shocklach Gardening Group

Our speaker at our next meeting, on **16 May 2022**, will be **Jane Allison of Mayfield Plants**. Those who attended the plant hunters fair at Cholmondeley on 24 April may well have met Jane and bought plants from her. There are plenty of surprises in her light-hearted talk, **'It's a Family Affair'** about plant relatives. Jane guarantees you will walk round your border with new eyes!

We meet for a 7:30 pm start in the Chorlton and Cuddington W.I hall on Chorlton lane, SY14 7EP and look forward to seeing you there. Visitors are always welcome.

Information: Wendy Gilpin 01829 250413



CHORLTON & CUDDINGTON WI

Jean Roberts has designed a beautiful card to be sent, on behalf of all our members, to Her Majesty The Queen as she celebrates her Platinum Jubilee..

Don't forget that on the 4th May we will discuss this year's resolution - with the help of Bites, Bucks Fizz and Bingo. Then on the 1st June Jane Allison will tell us how to "Make the Most of your Garden Space" and the competition is for "A Garden on a Plate".

Early notice that on **Wednesday 22nd June** at 2.00 pm we are holding a special event in our Hall - **Afternoon Tea plus "Talking Heads" entertainment by The Smiths.**

Do make a note of the date - tickets will be strictly limited and more details will be available next month. Report by Jean Sutton. For information on our WI please ring Eileen on 01948 770405.



Malpas and District Ukrainian Support Hub



With the events unfurling in Ukraine and Ukrainians seeking refuge outside their country. Many in the Malpas area are wanting to help, either through hosting Ukrainians or donating time and resource to help welcome Ukrainians as they arrive in our area. A voluntary group has formed, centred in Malpas, with membership stretching from Churton to Whixall and Worthenbury to Wrenbury. We have started to meet once a week, generally on Monday evenings, unless it is a bank holiday; then we meet on Tuesdays.

If you are looking to host Ukrainians and haven't contacted the group - please get in touch. We have amassed many resources and share experiences as we navigate the bureaucracy along the way. Likewise, if you would like to volunteer help, which can be anything from transport to organising and helping at events or to be a friendly face, do let us know. We will need a large range of skills to make the transition to UK life as smooth as possible.

To facilitate communication within the group, a private Facebook group has been set up to exchange information, questions and information sources. There is also a WhatsApp group which is in regular use as members have questions to ask and to inform of relevant events.

If you would like to be involved, contact us at travfam42@gmail.com, or drop a note off at Tilston Shop with your contact details, preferably including an email address. For joining the WhatsApp group, we will need a mobile telephone number.

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April 2022

The sun is beginning to shine, and we are making the most of our beautiful, rural setting at Shocklach, enjoying the great outdoors at every opportunity as Spring blossoms all around us. We also strive for the highest academic, artistic, sporting and social successes for all of our pupils, recognising and celebrating the individuality and achievements of all. There is always such a lot to celebrate which makes my job as Headteacher a wonderful one.



The empathy and courageous advocacy shown by Shocklach children is exemplary. A movie night and non-uniform day was organised to raise money to donate to the Polish Integration Support Centre which is based in Chester, Wrexham and Merseyside. These centres have been arranging to transport lorryloads of donations to Poland to help those fleeing the war in Ukraine. The £200 that school raised will contribute to fuel costs as well as vital supplies. Those affected by the war remain in our prayers.

We are proud to be one of the first schools in CWAC to become a Milk and water only school. Give Up Loving Pop (GULP) is a campaign from Food Active which aims to help people cut back on sugary drinks by raising awareness of the health harms of over consumption of Sugar Sweetened Beverages and by informing people of the benefits of drinking alternatives such as water and milk.

Consuming too many foods and drinks high in sugar leads to weight gain and related health problems, such as type 2 diabetes and heart disease as well as tooth decay. Switching from sugary drinks and promoting milk and water as alternatives, leads to numerous benefits: promoting children's health; increased concentration and cognitive performance; improved sporting performance; and a positive impact on the environment by reducing single use plastics.

Shocklach has adopted this philosophy as part of a wider whole school approach to promoting health and well-being. As part of the project, all children have received a GULP (Give Up Loving Pop) water bottle which they LOVE filling up from our chilled water dispenser! Badgers class recently designed and made their own healthy flatbread snacks, trying new, healthy foods.



Instead of Science Week, at Shocklach we have enjoyed 'Science month' completing many fascinating science activities.

The standard of work on display at Bishop Heber Science Fair was phenomenal. We are incredibly proud of our Shocklach scientists who showcased their interests ranging from making bread, to hamsters to grass growing. The whole school thoroughly enjoyed a session with Fun Science West Lancs involving a whole range of spectacular science!

A secret scientist visited Squirrels class to teach them all about acids and alkalis – there were lots of gasps of wonder!

There are certainly some inspiring, budding scientists in our midst.



Our weekly 'Buddy day' provides countless precious moments where older children nurture the younger ones and younger children learn to become more confident. Observing and facilitating these relationships is priceless and never ceases to raise a smile.

Ronnie – our school dog – is earning his crust with his canine therapy sessions which the children benefit from hugely.



We are always proud to read about the achievements of our former pupils. A massive well done to Sam Chaloner for representing North Wales Rugby League in his first senior game of rugby. And huge congratulations to Matilda Walker who achieved silver at the 2021-22 British Physics Olympiad Round 1.

Amazing achievements.



There has been the return of the Residential! Squirrels class basked in glorious weather during their residential at Fox Howl. This trip is best described as children living their best lives! They tested the velocity of the river, jumped in the river, built a dam, did some orienteering and made dens (amongst other things!). The benefit that children gain from residential cannot be underestimated, not least in terms of wellbeing. Everyone had a **WONDERFUL** time.



The Easter service on the last day of school reflected on the message in the story of 'The Three Little Trees' – a message of aspiration, cherishing what we are, and hope and love. St Edith's was adorned with beautiful Easter gardens for the service on Easter Day.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that Shocklach CE Primary is now offering full days for nursery children. Please contact the school office if you would like to come and see our nurturing and welcoming provision and consider joining our friendly, vibrant school community. Or why not attend one of our Toddler sessions on Friday mornings 9.30-11am which is a great opportunity to meet other children and parents. I look forward to meeting you there.

More of our news and information is available on our website:

<https://www.shocklachoviatt.cheshire.sch.uk/> and school facebook page: ShocklachOviatt Primary.

I never tire of enabling children to become the fullest version of themselves – each and every one of them being remarkable in their own unique way.

Mrs Davies Executive Headteacher

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The spring term was filled with many exciting learning opportunities.

School Committee

The School Committee worked hard to plan an exciting and fun Red Nose Day and made over £100 for Comic Relief.



Chester Cricket

We once again welcomed Tom from Cheshire Cricket Board to run a weekly curriculum session and an after-school club. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning new skills and had great fun.



Spring Brass Concert

The House Martins have enjoyed learning how to play a brass instrument this term and have made outstanding progress over the 10 weeks. They put on a spring concert which was enjoyed by all.



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Easter Service

The highlight of the term was sharing the Easter story in St Mary's Church with friends and families after three long years. A special thank you to Reverend Tim for leading the service. The children read Bible readings, shared poems and prayers, played recorders and sang beautifully; it was the perfect end to a very enjoyable and successful term.

Easter Bingo

We rounded off the term with a lovely family Easter Bingo. A special thank you to the TSA for organising the event and raising over £400. Thank you for all your support; it was a great night!



Best wishes

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Rogation Service	St Edith's Church, Tom's Filed opposite thje Church	15/5/22 10am
Musical Evening at St Mary's Tilston	St Mary's	20/5/22
80's Disco Night	Tilston War Memorial Hall	21/5/22
St Edith's Platinum Jubilee cake and pudding competition	Shocklach Schools Jubilee May-fayre.	21/5/22
Tilston and Stretton Garden Trail		11 th and 12 th June
Jubilee Big Lunch Picnic on the Playing Fields	Tilston Playing Fields	15/6/22
Musical Evening	St Mary's Church	20/5/22 7.30
Shocklach Oviatt Parish Council Village Meeting	Shocklach Primary School	26/5/22 7.30
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