



# Burbage Parish Council Newsletter

July 2024

## Meetings for the month ahead

**Council meetings** are usually held on Mondays at Burbage Millennium Hall and members of the public are welcome to attend. Agendas are published three working days ahead of each meeting and can be viewed on the Council website. At the time of printing, the following meetings, starting at 6.30pm unless otherwise indicated, were scheduled:

- **Planning Committee**  
July 8 & 22, August 5
- **Environment Committee**  
July 29
- **Administration & Finance Committee**  
July 15

## Contact us ...

The parish office is usually open from 9am to midday, Monday to Friday.

The best way to make contact is to email [info@burbage-council.co.uk](mailto:info@burbage-council.co.uk) or to call **01455 637533**.

## Follow us ...

For more news, updates, and links to useful sites, please visit:



[www.burbage-council.co.uk](http://www.burbage-council.co.uk)



Burbage Parish Council



@burbage\_pc

## Summer Sports Club

The National Lottery Community Fund has awarded the Parish Council £1,250 towards the provision of a school summer holiday sports club at Millennium Hall. Spaces are extremely limited. At the time of printing, there was some availability for **July 29 to July 31**. Please contact [liz.causon@tigers.co.uk](mailto:liz.causon@tigers.co.uk) to find out more.



## Burbage Carnival support

The Parish Council was pleased to support Burbage Carnival on **June 23**, by securing a road closure for the parade and allowing use of Britannia Road recreation ground, as well as helping with road signage and loaning chairs, tables and gazebos for use on the day.

## Help for hedgehogs

Making a small opening in your garden fence or wall can help create vital highways for



vulnerable hedgehogs to roam safely at night. The Parish Council is offering some Hedgehogs R Us plastic hog-shaped hole surrounds and information leaflets for a suggested donation of £3 each (cash or card only please). They are available from the Parish Office between 9am and 3pm weekdays.

## A Helping Hand

Burbage Helping Hand pop-up shop will next be at Millennium Hall on **Wednesday July 17 from 2pm**. To donate food or funds, please call Teresa on **07785 246086**

## Farmers' Market

The next Burbage Farmers' Market will be held on **Saturday August 3** on Burbage Methodist Church car park on Windsor Street.

## Emergency kits could be life-savers

Six potentially life-saving bleed control kits have been purchased by the Parish Council for public use in an emergency.

The kits, which contain dressings, basic first aid equipment and protective gloves, allow someone to stem or stop serious bleeding, after, for example, a car accident or work injury, to reduce critical blood loss until emergency services arrive.

They can be found together with each of the Parish's public-use emergency defibrillators, inside the cabinets on the outside of the following buildings:

- **Millennium Hall, Britannia Road**
- **Castle Court, Brookside**
- **WPD electricity substation, Hinckley Road**
- **Burbage Community Library, Church Street**
- **Three Pots Post Office, Wolvey Road**
- **Herford Way Community Centre, Herford Way**



The kits have been created by the Daniel Baird Foundation, set up in memory of a 26-year-old who died from catastrophic blood loss after being stabbed on a night out.

A spokesman for the Foundation said: *"When it comes to blood loss, time is paramount. Having an emergency bleed control kit on the scene can help provide immediate care to an injured individual, which could provide potentially life-saving treatment before emergency services arrive."*

The kits are logged with 999 call operators, who will be able to tell a caller where the nearest one is in an emergency.

## New name on war memorial

The name of a Burbage soldier who died in the Second World War has been added to the village war memorial nearly 80 years after his death.

**Sergeant George Henry Smith**, of Flamville Road, who served with the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Berkshire Regiment in Burma (now Myanmar), was reported presumed dead in March 1945, aged 36.

Although listed on a memorial in Rangoon, he had not been commemorated in the UK until the Parish Council



paid for his name to be added to the Church Street cenotaph.

His daughter, Burbage resident Ann Smith, who he never met, is pictured by the updated war memorial, with members of Burbage Heritage Group who researched Sgt Smith's story, which can be read on the group's website along with biographies of other Burbage service personnel who died in both World Wars.