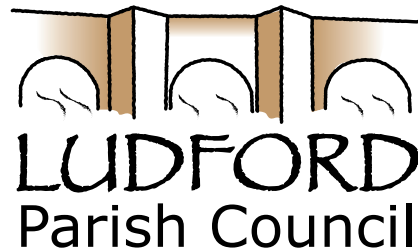


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BULLETIN

Welcome to the first ever Ludford Parish Bulletin. If you are reading it, you are likely to be one of the 670-plus people fortunate enough to live within the Ludford Parish boundary, or maybe you are considering moving here.

Ludford provides much of the local green space that the people of Ludford and adjoining Ludlow enjoy, and it also holds much of the land that may enable the area to expand with new homes and more commercial units. The Parish Council is vital in commenting on and influencing this.

We plan to produce the Bulletin occasionally because we know that not everyone in the parish finds it easy to read about Parish Council matters through our website, www.ludfordshropshire.org.uk, or other internet channels. This first Bulletin outlines some of the matters the Council is involved with; it lets you know who your councillors are; when meetings are; and sets out some interesting facts that you may not know about Ludford Parish.

Important issues tackled

– Imogen Liddle
Chair, Ludford Parish Council

Ludford Parish Council is going through a busy, demanding period.

We have made good progress in dealing with several significant local issues, all touched on in the Bulletin and we have done so at the same time as managing to appoint six new councillors and a new parish clerk.

We have also set priorities for ongoing work, notably: traffic calming at The Sheet; surveying and upgrading street lighting where feasible; assessing and taking part in the Local Plan Review so Ludford's views on future development are fully represented.

Change of personnel

At the Council's previous Annual General Meeting, all councillors resigned, apart from



The busy Rocks Green A49 pedestrian crossing

myself. Six residents stood to replace them, so no election was necessary. We were also able to co-opt Jeff Garraway from Rocks Green when one of the originals resigned, so we have representation from across the parish. We also have a new, permanent, part-time council clerk.

Planning

The Parish Council dealt with 24 planning applications in the year 2017-18. Two large-scale housing schemes were sent to the Parish for

Things you might not know about Ludford...

- The parish covers 875.4 hectares (2163.2 acres)*.
- Its 303 dwellings housed 673 residents in 2011*.
- Ludford, Steventon and The Sheet are all mentioned in the Domesday Book of 1086.
- Ludford has two business parks, the Eco and Lower Barns.
- Ludford has one church, one cemetery and one green burial ground, all in Ludford village.
- Ludford has three public houses, The Squirrel, Nelson and Charlton Arms.
- Ludford parish has two conservation areas, Steventon and Ludford village.
- Ludford Bridge is a Listed Ancient Monument – and the symbol on the Parish Council logo.
- The Battle of Ludford Bridge was fought in 1459, in the Wars of the Roses.
- Ludford has 26 buildings listed for their architectural importance. They include manor houses and a circular barn for hanging game.
- There are two Sites of Special Scientific Interest, legally protected for their natural value – the Ludlow Bone Bed and the River Teme.
- Ludford Corner is a world-famous geological site. Its fossil fish bones, from 400 million-plus years ago, mark the time that the area's shallow sea dried out to form land and rivers.
- The parish has two green energy projects – Ludford Hydro by the Horseshoe Weir at Ludford and Rocks Farm Battery Storage.

* 2011 Shropshire Council census data

This is just a taste of how Ludford Parish Council represents the interests of its residents over the course of a year



Funding to help maintain environmental and amenity features within the Ludford Parish boundary



Consultation with developers Forest Holidays and the Save Mortimer Forest group over a proposed development of forest cabins at nearby High Vinnalls, concerning possible difficulties within Ludford Parish of access to the site and service provision to it



Establishment of Ludford village 30mph limit to make the approach to Ludford Bridge less dangerous, and provide information on when the highway authority may repair a collapsed wall



Querying the planning details and access arrangements of the proposed large housing development at Rocks Green



Pressing for further traffic calming measures on a deceptively busy road at The Sheet



age sign and approach to Ludford pressing for highway authority



Monitoring likely development plans for land off Foldgate Lane to ensure they are as suitable as possible for the area

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comment. Both the Pickstock Homes site at Rocks Green and Crest Nicholson Homes at Foldgate Lane were subject to close scrutiny and debate, local consultation and meetings with the developers. As a result of Parish Council comments, highways issues at Rocks Green have been taken on board by Shropshire Council Highways and the Highways Agency and plans amended.

The Parish Council continues to lobby for a footbridge over the A49 at Rocks Green and a roundabout for traffic entry to the Pickstock site.

Highways

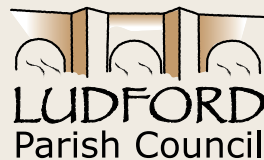
In support of a residents' call for traffic calming at

The Sheet, the Parish Council contacted West Mercia Police who are conducting a traffic survey there this year. When results are known, the Parish will look at ways of helping residents achieve their aims.

Communication

We want local people to know what we're doing. Our new website, www.ludfordshropshire.org.uk, gives latest news. Local craftsman Dan Judd has also replaced parish notice boards at Ludford, opposite the Charlton Arms, and on the Eco Park. A third one outside the Nelson in Rocks Green will be upgraded when necessary.

If there are issues you feel the Parish Council can help you with, please contact the parish



To contact the Council, please email, phone or write to the Parish Clerk:
Email clerk@ludfordshropshire.org.uk; tel 03330 062010; post Mrs Penny Brasenell, Ludford Parish Clerk, 13 Rorrington, Chirbury, Montgomery SY15 6BX.

The Parish Council presently comprises Councillors

Imogen Liddle (Chair)

Paul Knill

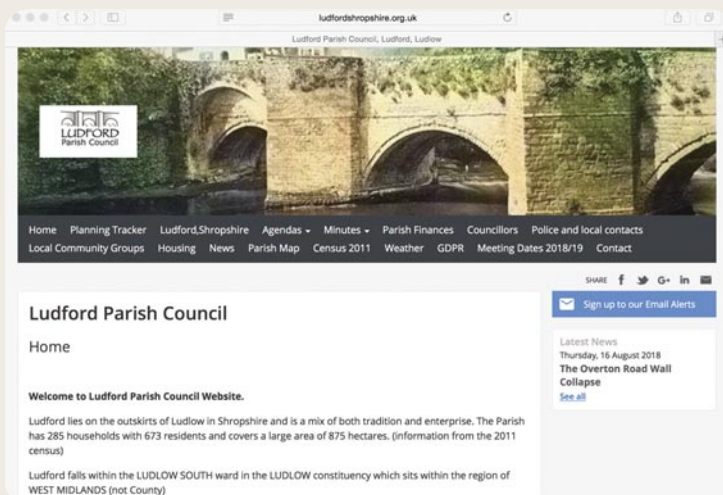
Shirley Salmon

Nick Young (Vice-Chair)

Jeff Garraway

Stephen Liddle

Ludford Parish Council meetings are held on Mondays at the Ludlow Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford, Ludlow. They start at 19.00. Anyone can come along – please do!



Forthcoming scheduled meetings • 19 November 2018

• 21 January 2019

• 18 March 2019

• 13 May 2019 (Annual meeting of the Parish and Annual meeting of the Parish Council)

To check for any amendments to those dates and times and for future meeting dates and other news, please visit the website, www.ludfordshropshire.org.uk, or parish notice boards at the Eco Park, by the Nelson in Rocks Green and opposite the Charlton Arms in Ludford .