

This is the Parish Council sponsored Newsletter for August 2017, giving details of past and forthcoming events and other items we think will be of interest.

1. **Parish Council Notes:**

- a. As previously mentioned, it is now a legal requirement for every Parish Council to create and maintain a **web site**. Ours is now operational and can be viewed at www.forthamptonparishcouncil.org.uk The site contains a description of the village, has copies of Parish Council meeting minutes etc, copies of Village Newsletters, and details of future and past events being held in and around the village. So take a look and if you have any suggestions for future content or wish to advertise an event, just send the details to: info@forthamptonparishcouncil.org
- b. Some residents may have noticed that **the light in the Defibrillator Kiosk** is now working again. The repairs were undertaken by Tom Barfoot-Saunt of Brakefield LLP and the Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Tom, not only for undertaking the work with speed and efficiency, but also for waiving his fee for the work.
- c. The Rotary Club of Tewkesbury is holding a [Classic Vehicle Festival](#) on Sunday 20 August **from** 11am to 4pm **at Tewkesbury School**. As well as over 700 cars and 200 motorcycles, there will be 100+ market stalls with everything from jewellery to jam. Live music will be provided by The Haywood Sisters and Gloucester Strings. Entry costs £5 for adults; children under 12 are free. Car and motorcycle classics from all ages are welcome and there is free entry for show cars plus drivers. Please note: no dogs allowed on the school playing fields.
- d. As well as the Classic Vehicle Festival, the Rotary Club is offering a nostalgic **1950s American-style Drive-in Movie Experience** on **Saturday 19 August at Tewkesbury School**. The chosen film is the classic 1978 film **Grease**. Gates open at 6pm with the film starting at 8pm. There will be hamburger and hotdog stands as well, for the authentic drive-in dining experience. Tickets are £10 per person and strictly limited so book online go to: www.tewkesburycvf.org/movie.html
- e. From 2nd and 17th of September, the City of Gloucester will be holding **its Annual Festival of History and Heritage**. This historical extravaganza will include:
 - i. Gloucester Day Parades
 - ii. City Voices
 - iii. Heritage Open days
 - iv. Blackfriars TalksThe Blackfriars Talks include appearances from Dan Snow, Janina Ramirez, Tony Robinson, Bridget Kendall, David Olusoga, Alison Weir, Roy Hattersley, Ian Mortimer and Anita Rani amongst many others. For more information go to: www.gloucesterhistoryfestival.co.uk
- f. As part of their Neighbourhood Engagement Activity Gloucester Constabulary are holding their **Annual Police Open day** on Saturday 16th September from 10 am to 3 pm at Gloucestershire Constabulary HQ 1 Waterwell's Drive, Quedgeley, Gloucester, GL2 2AN. The event is set to be bigger and better than ever before, with new attractions and demonstrations to inform and entertain you. Entry is free and more information can be found at: www.gloucestershire.police.uk

2. **Church Notices:**

- a. **Services at St Mary's, Forthampton** for the coming weeks are:
- i. Sunday 20th August at 11 a.m. (Sung Eucharist)
 - ii. Sunday 27th August at 9:30 a.m. (Holy Communion)
 - iii. Sunday 3rd September at 6 p.m. (Evensong)
 - iv. Sunday 10th September at 9:30 a.m. (Morning Worship – complementary coffee served afterwards).

- b. On Saturday 9th September the **Annual Ride & Stride** Event will take place with cyclists and walkers travelling between local historic churches helping to raise money for the Gloucester Historic Churches Trust. For more information on how to get involved contact Glenn Duff on 01451 538271

b. **Village Hall Notices:**

- a. **The monthly fayre** held on 5th August raised a further £80 which will go towards the maintenance and continued refurbishment of the Village Hall. The next Fayre will be held on Saturday 2nd September with all the usual wares, as well as coffee/tea and bacon butties (see attached poster).
- b. To book Forthampton Village Hall for a social event please contact Jean Morgan on 01684 297854.
- c. The members of the **Forthampton WI** have a break during August so the next meeting is Tuesday September 12th at 2.00pm in the Village Hall. The speaker will be a representative of Sue Ryder who will talk about the history of the organisation. Please call Tessa Hadley 01684 297463 for more details.
- d. On Monday 14th August the **Sevenside Walking Group** will start their walk from the Severn Springs pub to walk the Leckhampton Loop, then in September, there will be a local walk starting from Upton-on-Severn. So, if you enjoy walking and meeting friends, simply contact Alan Brown on 01684 291220 or e-mail: skepcott1@gmail.com for full details.