

# Parish News

December 2022

**A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New  
Year to all our readers**

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**Aley Green  
Slip End**

**Pepperstock  
Woodside**

## Editors' Notes

Where does the time go? December rolls around again and another New Year is on the horizon. I have come to the conclusion that the notation of time must change the older we get.

I recall, back when I was a child, a year would feel like forever! The excitement of Christmas was something that seemed a long way off each year. Although, these days it feels more like the blink of an eye.

2022 has certainly been a busy year, having seen 3 Prime Ministers, the joy of a Nation with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee (who could forget the delightful Paddington piece) and the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II in September.

Now onto more positive local news! Santa will be visiting the Parish again this year on 15th and 16th December (details on pages 6 and 7) with his army of elves and chocolate treats for all, so if you look out on those nights you may well get a glimpse of Santa upon his sleigh.

The Good Neighbour Scheme, St Andrew's Church and the Rising Sun have combined to launch the "Soup and Sandwich" weekly event each Tuesday for our senior citizens and has been a tremendous success, as you can read on page 26 of this edition. A big thank you to all involved in making this happen and a special mention to Laura Clark at the Rising Sun for hosting these events each week.

By the time this reaches you, we should also have had the Christmas lights switch on at the crossroads, lighting up the Village Hall and giving some added "Christmas Sparkle" to Slip End!

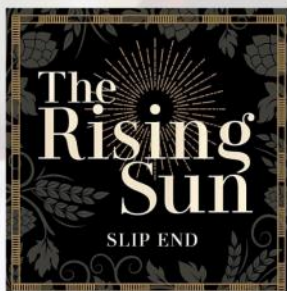
All that is left for me to do is to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year with your family, friends and loved ones. Enjoy the festive period and, honestly, scrap the diet until New Year there is far too much Christmas temptation to deny yourself. Plus gym memberships for January make easy Christmas presents!

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15th	20th	24th	21st
22nd			28th
29th			

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**For further information, please contact the  
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# PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The latest Parish Council Meeting was held on Monday 7th November in the Village Hall.

One Planning Application was discussed this month:

**CB/22/04133/FULL – Hillview, Luton Road, Markyate** – Extension to existing building to create an aftersales reception.

After a short discussion it was agreed not to comment on this Application.

## **Good Neighbour Scheme**

The GNS Christmas party will be on Wednesday 30th November in the Village Hall.

This year the Parish Council is funding the purchase of 226 tins of biscuits for older residents, which will be distributed by volunteers. The Soup and a Sandwich project for residents is going ahead at the Rising Sun. The Parish Council approved an interim £500 grant to cover a £2 per person cost. Residents who attend pay the balance of £3 per person. A further grant of £74.50 for disposables was also agreed.

## **Community Improvement Fund**

The Slip End Village Parish name signs have now been re-attached to the newly replaced plastic and wooden gates. The replacement gates at Church Road, Markyate Road & Grove Road were funded by Central Bedfordshire Council.

## Report by Ward Councillors

Cllr. Collins has discussed the 231 bus service cuts with the CBC Transport team, but a resolution does not look likely. The CaSE Community Trust is reviewing the 230 Bus Service timetable for a possible implementation early in the New Year.

A final decision has yet to be made, but the current proposal is to run the 230 service in a one-way loop, on an hourly basis, throughout the day.

Therefore Slip End to Luton Airport Parkway/ Luton Interchange would be fairly quick but Luton Airport Parkway/ Luton Interchange to Slip End would run via the hospital and Caddington before reaching Slip End, therefore taking longer. It is also proposed that this would remain a free service for residents.

Cllr. Collins has also spent some time visiting Grove Road with the Highways Custodian for the southern area of CBC. He is aware it flooded again during the recent heavy rains, so the next step is likely to be a scheme to introduce a new soak-away to try and increase the volume of water that can be handled and hopefully an engineer will be taking a look to get some proposals on the list for capital spend schemes.

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for 5th December



# SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN!



Plans are well in hand for Santa to visit Slip End, Pepperstock and Woodside on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December..** You will find his expected route and times on the advert in this magazine and on posters around the village

We are always on the lookout for extra elves to help give out the treats and collect any cash people are able to give. If you could help on one or both nights please call us or leave a message on **07958 587595**.

As usual money collected will go to **Keech Hospice** and to **Slip End Village Day** account to be used for projects within the village. This year some of the money from Village Day has gone to update the Santa Float and provide the chocolate treats.

Some of this money has also been used to purchase the Christmas lights on the Village Hall and Rising Sun. We hope you are enjoying them and that you were able to come to the switch on and the Christmas market stalls in the Rising Sun garden. It would be good if this could become an annual event.

*Happy Christmas everyone .*





**SANTA CLAUS IS ON HIS WAY TO  
SLIP END, PEPPERSTOCK AND WOODSIDE**

**THURSDAY 15TH AND FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER**

**THURSDAY**

**SUMMER STREET - 17.15  
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MARKYATE ROAD - 17.50  
CLAYDOWN WAY - 18.10  
FRONT STREET - 18.35  
CRAWLEY CLOSE - 18.50  
PEPPERSTOCK - 19.00**

**FRIDAY**

**NEW STREET - 17.15  
ROSSWAY/ST ANDREWS CLOSE - 17.20  
PREBENDAL DRIVE - 17.40  
FARMERS VIEW - 17:55  
THE PLOUGH WOODSIDE - 18.10  
WOODSIDE RD/ELAINE GDNS - 18.20  
THE GROVE - 18:45**

**ALL TIMES LISTED ARE APPROXIMATE**

**SANTA WILL BE DRIVING TO EACH STREET AND STOPPING TO WISH  
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YOUR ADDRESS AS YOU MAY GET A REPLY FROM SANTA HIMSELF!**

## A busy term at Slip End Pre-School!

Here at Pre-School our term in September started with a visit from OFSTED 48 hours after the Summer holidays finished. We were delighted the Inspector found us to be a 'Good' setting. This was a fantastic start to the Autumn term for us but there was not much time for celebrations as we are sure many parents/carers/grandparents understand children need entertaining! It was time to look forward to the term ahead and continue developing new initiatives and activities for our Pre-schoolers.



At the start of this term we opened our doors to parents and children for our new baby and toddler group. This has proved to be popular and it is great to have a space where parents and children can meet to have a cup of tea and use our facilities. We will continue to run this every Monday morning from 10:00-11:30.



This term we have welcomed back Tiffany Reed School of Dance who visits us every Tuesday afternoon. All our children love to see Tiffany (who brings huge amounts of energy with her!) and really enjoy their hour of dance with props, music and each other.



Wednesday mornings have seen us return to join 'Little Stars' at St Andrew's Church each week, it is great to be able to walk our children to church and back whilst giving them the opportunity to experience our wonderful community. A big thank you to Julie Taylor for always making us feel so welcome.



In amongst our existing activities and visits we

have held a great coffee morning for our parents, visited St Andrews Church for a Harvest Festival service (Thank you again to all of our parents who donated items.), held a very spooky Halloween party and enjoyed our Autumn walk around Slip End.

We are very much looking forward to our Christmas events such as a visit from Glaze time to make pottery with the children, our Christmas party, a performance of Christmas songs by our children for their parents and not forgetting of course Slip End Village's light switch on! We look forward to seeing lots of members of the community and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year- here's to a fantastic 2023 for everyone!

Hayley Bolton and Jenny Neale, Slip End Pre-School

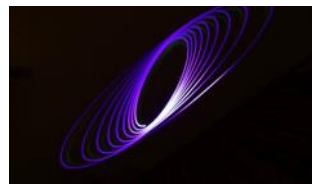
## Photography Club



The photo club members met at the Heathfield Centre in October to do some light painting.

There were very few of us there but it was a successful evening, making patterns with rotating lights on strings. It reminded me of the spirograph I had as a child. The topic for the month was leaves - appropriate for Autumn. Our next topic will be Churches (inside and out) plenty of scope there! We try to select only recent photos where we can. These will be shown on the 6th December at the Social Club.

We hope to hold an AGM and planning meeting in the New Year. Please contact [countrygardensAP@outlook.com](mailto:countrygardensAP@outlook.com) for more information about us.



# GARDENING CLUB

We are a small friendly Club which meets five times a year, Monday evenings 8pm at the Village Hall and would welcome new members. The annual membership is very good value at only £5 per person. Visitors and Guests are welcome at meetings at a charge of £2.

We have Guest Speakers on gardening topics at meetings and organise the Village Open Gardens Day and Plant Sale, alternate years. Any enquiries to Rosemary Wickens 01582 423622

At our last meeting of the year, the speaker, Russell Bowes, gave an interesting talk on "The Tales of the Tulip". The talk was followed by the annual social finger buffet, provided by members, along with drinks to finish off the year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

PN Gardening Correspondent



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## CHRISTMAS DINGBATS

Just say what you see (answers on page 24)

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## PLANNING



**Planning applications submitted within the Parish since October 2022**

**Application CB/22/04133/FULL Submitted 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

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Extension to existing building to create an after sales reception.

Decision: Not yet decided

For further information on applications visit [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk)  
>view planning applications. If you wish to comment on an application  
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### Friends of Slip End Club Jason Cunningham

Congratulations Jason and Becky for the happy news of a new addition to their family in daughter Talia.

Jason has asked to thank everyone who has supported him through this year and to wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

### Lest we Forget

The Remembrance service was held at St Andrew's Church. Several members of the Parish Council attended, as did a number of members of the uniformed groups.

The names of those on the War Memorial were read aloud prior to the 2 minute silence and wreaths were laid (photo to the left).



**FoSELS** (PTA to Slip End Village School) has been chosen to be part of the next round of the Co-op's Local Community Fund, from now until October 2023. Whenever members buy selected Co-op branded products and services, the Co-op will give local causes a helping hand.

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To date, local Co-op members have helped FoSELS raise over **£12,000** for the school, which has been used to help fund indoor and outdoor PE equipment, interactive whiteboards and outdoor educational resources. Please also ask friends and family to designate us as their chosen local cause too - this really is a brilliant opportunity to potentially raise a **LOT** of money for minimal effort. Your support is invaluable – thank you so much!

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## Slip End Parish Christmas Biscuits 2022

### List of qualifying residents.

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To help us keep the list up to date, **if you are newly qualified for both the above criteria**, please contact Simon Patterson on 01582 419 487 or email: [s.patterson@slipendparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:s.patterson@slipendparishcouncil.co.uk)



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# Aley Green Methodist Church



## Dates for December and January

Sat 3rd 10am Prayer Breakfast led by Liz Higgens

Sun 4th 10:30am Morning Service led by Rev. Claudia Lupi & Sunday School

Sun 11th 10:30am Morning Service with Communion led by Rev. Seung-Wook Jung

Fri 16th 2:30pm Christmas "Take Time" with refreshments

Sat 17th 10:30am – 3pm "Charitree" Festival –Join us to see the trees and for Refreshments

Sun 18th 10:30am Morning Service led by Fiona Arscott-Smith

Mon 19th 7:30pm Ecumenical Fellowship led by Jo Prowse

Tues 20th 7:30pm Carol Service - join us and the choir for carols and readings in an early celebration of Christmas.

Sun 25th 9:30am Christmas Morning Service (Half hour) led by Rev Nigel Bibbings

January:- Sun 1st 10:30 Morning Service led by Peter Baker

Tues 3rd 10:00—12:00 Cakes and Company and Little Lambs Club (story time 10:30)

Sat 7th 10am Prayer Breakfast led by Liz Higgens

Sun 8th 10:30am Morning Service led by Chris Berry

Sun 15th 10:30am Morning Service led by Martin Wallis

Mon 16th 7:30pm Ecumenical Fellowship led by Jo Prowse

Sun 22nd 4pm Ecumenical Service at All Saints, Caddington

Sun 29th 10:30am Morning Service (Covenant) led by Rev Nigel Bibbings

Wed 26th 7:30 Coffee Evening (Action for Children)

We would like to thank everyone who has supported our events and activities this year.

There is always a warm welcome for all and we wish everyone a Joyful and Happy Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year!

*With every blessing from all at Aley Green.*



## Charitree Festival Events on...

Friday 16th, Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th December at Aley Green Church

Please support us and our chosen charities!

## Message from St Andrew's

I was thinking about Christmas traditions and how they can be such a source of happiness. Even though my boys are grown up and they enjoy rolling their eyes at me, we still have traditional stockings from Santa first thing on Christmas Morning. Clever Santa tends to shop in charity shops so it doesn't break the bank. Getting out the Christmas decorations is full of nostalgia as we look at hand-made decorations from nursery days.

Sometimes traditions mutate into onerous sources of pressure, for example trying to manage on a tight budget. No chestnuts roasting on an open fire if you can't afford the fuel. Other times traditions cannot be maintained, e.g. due to illness or bereavement. I am wondering how it will be for those who have enjoyed watching the Queen's speech on Christmas Day over the years. King Charles has a hard act to follow. If Christmas is likely to be hard for you this year, perhaps you would like to come along to the Bereavement Service at 3pm on 11<sup>th</sup> December. These last few years have made grief complicated for a lot of people. Other people might be struggling with other kinds of loss, such as relationship breakdown, redundancy, miscarriage or infertility. This service might be an opportunity to work through some of those difficult emotions.

At St Andrew's we have our own traditions. The lead up to Christmas is the season of Advent which begins with our Christingle Service. We also have a couple of Carol Services: the Family Carol Service on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30 am, which as the name suggests is particularly child friendly; and Carols by Candlelight on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. I'm slightly worried about the impact of the World Cup Final on the latter. If the men's team are as successful as the Lionesses were at the Euros then maybe the church will be empty? Or maybe it will be full of people hiding from the footie, or praying for a good result?

Whether or not it is your tradition to come to church regularly or for holidays and high days, or you've never thought about it before, please know that you will be very welcome.

Julie Taylor (Reader)



PS If you want cannot come to church but you are interested in reflecting on what the Christmas story is about then we can give you a booklet of reflections or you can sign up for emails via <https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/resources-advent-and-christmas>

# St. Andrew's Church - Dates for December / January



We are pleased to confirm that the church building continues to be open! Most aspects are back to normal but we continue to designate an area at the back of church for those wishing to socially distance, and there are Covid security measures around the sharing of bread and wine at Communion services.

However if you would prefer to join the live service virtually, Nick has set up a Zoom link which is open to all. You can join by putting in the number 878 5926 2657 and the passcode 664663 to Zoom or by clicking the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?pwd=dTdada291VDk2anA5aGtmdnFCN3kzQT09>.

Services held at St Andrew's:

**December 4<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Informal Communion – Preparing the way

**December 11<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Morning Praise – Family Carol Service

**December 11<sup>th</sup> 3.00pm:** Bereavement Service

**December 18<sup>th</sup>** - We will be joining St Paul's Luton service at **10am** – no service at St Andrew's

**December 18<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm:** Carols by Candlelight – service of carols and lessons

**December 24<sup>th</sup> 11.30pm** for Midnight Holy Communion – Zechariah's Song

**December 25<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Morning Praise – Christmas Praise – The Birth of Jesus

**January 1<sup>st</sup>** - We will be joining St Paul's Luton service at **10am** – no service at St Andrew's

**January 8<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Morning Praise – Epiphany – The Magi Visit

**January 15<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Informal Communion – Jesus The Lamb of God

**January 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30am:** Morning Praise – Calling the First Disciples

**January 29<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:** Family Service

We are continuing with a monthly Family Service on the last Sunday of each month, with the exception of December. Of course all ages are welcome to every service, but the service content will be especially accessible to all generations at the Family Service.



  
**Little Stars**



Little Stars starts at 10.30am each Wednesday. Sessions will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December and 11<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January. Kettle goes on at 10am – turn up whenever suits your little one's routine.

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# St Andrew's Woodside Autumn Half-term Holiday Fun Day

Although our fun day was smaller than in previous years, we still had a wonderful time learning about Jesus' friend, Peter. The children engaged well with the stories and were thrilled to learn to sing along to songs. The parachute was popular and there was even a chance to limbo. Highlight of the day were the craft sessions, where children made an amazing catch of fish, spectacular spectacles to help focus on Jesus, a rooster to remind them of when Peter denied Jesus, and a paper bag puppet of the Roman centurion, Cornelius.

Thank you to the parents for entrusting your little ones to us, and a huge thank you to all the volunteers who made this possible.

*Julie Taylor, Reader at St Andrew's*



# Caddington Women's Institute



Our ladies had a really fun night in November when we made felt animals also Christmas items. We were each given a small bag with the felt already cut out; There were sequins to decorate and a length of cotton together with a needle. It was a very happy evening and many a laugh was had trying to thread the needle! Terri provided the tea and coffee for us which was well-needed. A big thank you to the two Carols, Jones and Hardy for preparing for us.

We have started to collect worn and new bras so these can be sent to African Countries to help prevent sexual assault. It's surprising how many are in ladies' drawers and never used.

On 6th December our Christmas Party will be a busy evening. Games and a Home Made Christmas Card for the Competition. One of the games is items under the chairs and we swap about until a gift is won. We all bring a gift to give to each other and all bring a plate of food for a buffet later in the evening. The postbox will be available for cards.

Friday 9th December is Group Meeting Night. This will be held at Heathfield Community Centre as Caddington Club may have the World Cup football games on. We will be joined by Studham, Houghton Regis, Dunstable, and Eaton Bray W.I. As it's our Christmas Meeting all the Groups will provide some sort of entertainment. Supper will be provided later.

Our meeting in January 2023 is on the 10th at the Caddington Sports and Social Club starting at 7.30 pm. Do join us for a fun evening.

We would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

By Linda Edwards

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## **Warm Place To Be at The Rising Sun**

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It's a chance to get together through these difficult times and meet old friends and new, whilst having some lunch at the pub. It was difficult to know how many people would come along to the first session but we were pleased to see several friendly faces from around the Parish. The cost is £3.00 for some lovely home-made soup and fresh assorted sandwiches which were very tasty.



*Laura from the pub with the soup and Julie chatting to some villagers.*



The pub is open from 12 to 2pm every Tuesday. Tea and coffee is available for £1. and you can have as many cups as you like.



*Carol & Lyn from the Good Neighbour Scheme enjoy a cup of tea.*

On the second week, 8th November with a lot more villagers turning up, we were lucky enough to be entertained by Liz Higgins on the piano, with lots of favourite memorable songs.



Well done Liz that was great, and look forward to more like that.

By Sue Briggs

## Shoeboxes via Blythswood

Shoebox time is upon us and once again we are involved with sending boxes through Blythswood Care, to be distributed to Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine. People in these countries have so little that small gifts of shampoo, hats and gloves, toothbrush, socks, small toy, bag of sweets etc that we all take for granted, are like luxuries to men, women and children living in poverty.

Slip End Village School joined in with the appeal and we collected 20+ boxes from them and 6 from Pre-school Well done to all the children who made up the special gifts to be sent abroad. Some are below.

boy, girl, Pre-school, Adult or an elderly person, so there was plenty of choice. On Sunday 30th October, Shoebox Sunday was held at St Andrew's Church and a chance to make up more boxes for anyone in the congregation. The children who helped took the new shoeboxes up to the front, along with all the boxes that had been previously collected. A special prayer was led by Julie Taylor, our Reader at St Andrew's, to send our total of 70 boxes on their way.



Elizabeth , Ted and Tommy with some of the boxes



Elizabeth Cowell  
from Year 4



Ted England from  
Year 1



By Sue Briggs

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## Memories of Slip End Christmas Past

Revelers may have thought they were seeing treble on Christmas Eve when not one but three Santas turned up to rattle the tin for charity. Pete Ray, Roy Napton and Wilf Fleckney with driver Michael Plummer were continuing a Christmas tradition going back 15 years when they made their fund raising tour of Slip End and other local pubs for the fifth year, taking in the Harrow, the Plough, Minneghans, the Frog and Rhubarb and finally the Slip End Social Club. It took them from 6pm till 11.30pm and they raised over £200. The money was divided between the Slip End District Association for the Elderly, the Senior Citizens Thursday Club and the Brownies and a donation was made towards the Children's Christmas presents at Slip End Social Club.



Local resident Babs Ray has found this newspaper cutting of Christmas past that she has kindly shared with the Parish News.

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## Harpers Food (almost last day)

Such sad news when the village heard that Harpers was to close at the end of October. We had been visiting the coffee shop regularly for many years



and went along on the last day. It has been a welcome place to go for birthdays, celebrations, anniversaries etc. Old customers from Studham continued to visit and people came from miles around. Always a friendly welcome from the Harper family and the friendly staff, and upsetting when the news was announced of the closure.

Mr Harper was his usual welcoming self on the final day, chatting to as many folk as possible and even clearing tables.



One of Harpers long serving members of staff, Jane who had worked at Studham, celebrated her birthday that day, and staff gave her a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday along with card and cakes.



Today, 14th November, Harpers released a statement to say how overwhelmed they were with messages and cards when Harpers closed, and wanted to thank all their customers for support and loyalty over the years.

They have decided to keep the coffee shop open on **Tuesdays to Saturdays from 19th November** for drinks and snacks, until the site is sold next year. They will also be selling a selection of frozen goods, including sausage rolls, frozen sausages and quiches. So very good news for a change.

*Report by Sue Briggs*



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## Aley Green

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## Pepperstock

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## Slip End

Assault with injury – 2

Sexual – 1

Total - 3

## Woodside

None

## Caddington

Assault without injury – 2

Assault with injury – 2

Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle – 2

Public fear alarm or distress – 1

Shoplifting – 1

Sexual – 1

Theft from a motor vehicle – 1

Criminal damage – residential – 1

Burglary – residential – 1

Malicious Communications – 1

Other criminal damage – 1

Total - 14



*Diary - If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor*

## What's going on in 2022 and 2023

- Weekly** Nov—Feb **Tuesday** GNS Soup & Sandwich Rising Sun  
See poster on page 3
- Weekly** Chatty Club every Wednesday 2pm—4pm Rising Sun
- December**
- Mon 5th** Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
- 15th/16th** Santa's float to visit
- 16th/17th** Charitree Festival Events Aley Green Church see information

### January

- Mon 9th** Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
- Mon 16th** Gardening Club, Village Hall, 8pm
- Sat 28th** St Andrews Community Coffee Morning, 10am

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