PARISH COUNCIL CONTACTS

If you wish to enquire about anything in the Parish or raise an issue at a future meeting, please contact:

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All parishioners are welcome to sit in on Parish Council meetings which take place in the Village Hall, usually at 7.30 pm on the second Monday of each month except August. There is a regular agenda item at the start of each meeting when members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda.

The date and agenda for the next meeting are always placed on the parish notice boards in the bus shelters at Little Wenlock and at New Works the week prior to the meeting. Minutes, once approved, are on the notice boards and on the community website. Parish Email—clerklwpc@gmail.com

The Community Newsletter is published and funded by Little Wenlock Parish Council. The next issue is due out in Spring of 2017, and articles are welcome no later than April 8th 2017.

QUIET LANES

The “Quiet Lane” designation for Spout Lane has been subject to initial consultations. Two objections have been lodged, and were overruled by Telford & Wrekin Highways Dept. The final consultation will be via an advert in the local press, and if no further objections are received by November 4th 2016, the project will proceed with all legal obligations completed.

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Leave the papers in the porch at “The Wilderness” on Church Lane by 9.00 am

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Games, stalls, teas, cakes, bottle tombola, bookstall etc

Free entry.

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FLICKS IN THE STICKS

At Little Wenlock Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
Films for the 2017 season are as follows
Friday 13th January 2017 “A walk in the woods”
Friday 10th February 2017 “Love and friendship”
Friday 10th March 2017 “Bridge of spies”
Friday 7th April 2017 “Ab Fab – The Movie”

Entrance £4.00. Tea & Coffee available in the interval.
Contact Sue on 01952 505888

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