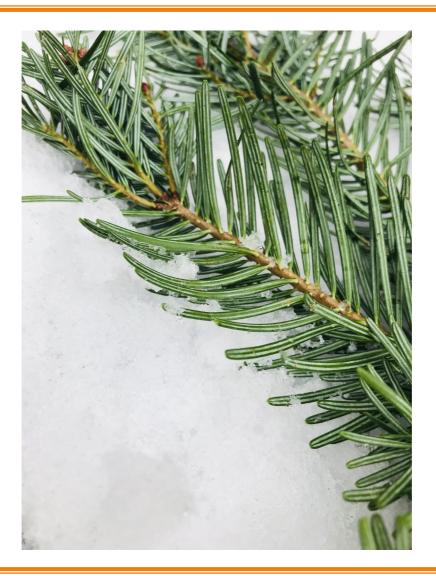
# Mobberley News

A magazine with news and events for the village of Mobberley

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Front cover image provided by Cameron Baines of the first Mobberley snow of the season on 3 December.

Please forward any articles/photographs for inclusion in the March edition to clerk@mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk

# 2023 Parish Council Review



The Parish Council has been hard at work in 2023. Listed below are some of the highlights of the work that has taken place for the residents of Mobberley.

A Community Resilience Plan has been completed and circulated to the relevant authorities.



Progress has been made on the Mobberley Neighbourhood Plan. The aim is to have this completed in 2024.

Refurbishment of the main hall at the Rajar Building has led to an increase in its use.

More than 45 planning applications have been reviewed, with comments sent to Cheshire East Council.

Grants were made to various local organisations to enable them to continue with their activities.

The Mobberley Station Volunteer Group made huge progress with the upkeep of and gardening at the village station.



Ten newsletters were distributed to all properties in the village over the course of the year. The Parish Council commissioned a beautiful memorial sculpture to Queen Elizabeth II. This was funded by local residents and businesses.



The Parish Council has been working in conjunction with Manchester Airport to help improve the bus service connectivity between Mobberley and the Airport.



Wildflowers were planted at the junction of Town Lane and Broadoak Lane.

Regular litter picking has taken place in the area and on the Community Meadow.

The Village Events team organised celebrations for the King's

Coronation, held the first Mobberley Festival, and weekly bingo sessions and lunches for the senior citizens in the village.



A fundraising event for Prevent Breast Cancer was organised, with £1,500 being raised for the charity.

**What next?** The Parish Council has just published its Action Plan for 2024 and would appreciate residents taking the time to read it and provide feedback. The Plan can be viewed at https://www.mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk/policies

If you don't have internet access, a paper copy of the Action Plan is available in the reception at the Rajar Building for viewing there.



# Pie, Pint and Quiz Night Thursday 7 March

Memorial Club at the Victory Hall

Come and join us to celebrate British Pie Week with a pie and chips from Charlie's, a drink from the bar, and a night of quizzing.

£2 from each ticket will go into a grand draw where one lucky ticket-holder will win the pot!

### Pie options are:

Steak pie, meat and potato pie, chicken and mushroom pie, cheese and onion pie.

Ticket are £12. This includes your pie and chips, a drink from the bar and £2 added to the 'win the pot'.

Please book online at mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk/events

#### **Mobberley Parish Council Update**

Mobberley Parish Council meetings and Council Committee meetings take place at the Rajar Building. All the meeting agendas can be found on two noticeboards (one outside the Rajar Building and the other in Knolls Green), and on the Council's website at www.mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk

Full council meetings are held on the first Monday of the month, except August, at 7pm.

The February meeting will be held on Monday 5 February.

Committee meetings in February are:

12 February, 7pm, Rajar Committee.

19 February, 7pm, Planning Committee.

The meetings are open to the public and Mobberley Parish Council welcomes the interaction with its residents. If you wish to raise a question, please notify the Clerk three clear days prior to the meeting.



Alan Temple has sent in this photograph of a parakeet that he spotted in his garden.

#### **Speedwatch Training**

Speedwatch training is being organised by the Knutsford PCSO team. Please contact Kate via email at clerk@mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk if you are interested in completing the training and being part of the group to tackle speeding in Mobberley.

# Councillor Hannah Moss Update

### Winter Surgeries

Saturday 2 March - 10am - Rajar Building, Mobberley





Happy New Year to all residents.

This time of year brings a whole host of highways issues. Wet weather combined with sub-zero temperatures leads to severe road deterioration. I have been working closely with Chair of Highways Cllr Craig Browne to get the best results as quickly as possible for the village and the ward.



I have been busy around the village photographing potholes and submitting requests for them to be repaired. The repairs can be quite unsightly and basic, but these are temporary repairs. More permanent repairs will be completed once the winter weather lifts. I have also been putting in requests to have our roads and pavements swept to help reduce slippery pavements for walkers, including those walking to school.



I am pleased to confirm the speed indicators in the village have been replaced, and we now have flashing 30mph signs when entering and leaving the village.

Speed watch in the village will also soon be back up and running now we have been given the go-ahead by Cheshire Police to resume these activities.

Report an issue, concern or simply raise a query by contacting me using one of the below methods:



Hannah.moss@cheshireeast.gov.uk



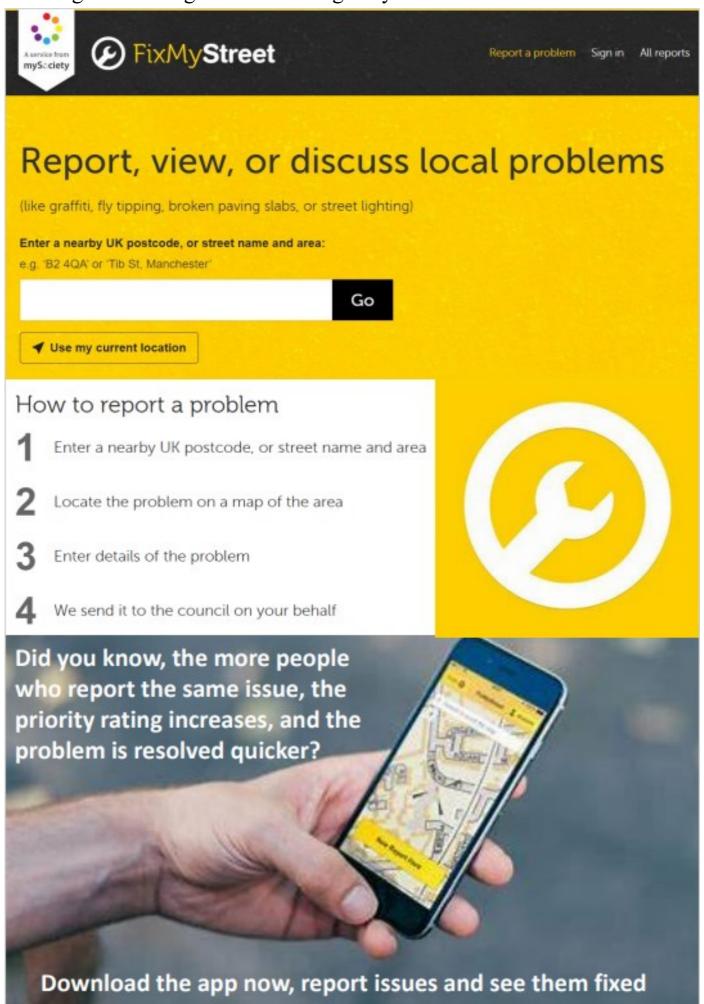
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I would like to encourage everyone to download the app Fix My Street. Let's work together to wage war on our highways issues.



# YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Are you passionate about the Mobber-ley community? Then put yourself forward to be elected to sit on the Parish Council as a councillor. There are 10,000 local councils in England, with 100,000 councillors. They are the heroes of their communities and give residents a voice on the decisions a council makes. They can improve the lives of fellow residents and make a real difference to their community.

Mobberley currently has three vacancies on the Parish Council. Please contact Kate, our clerk, for more information

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#### **Ringheye Morris of Mobberley**

Thanks to all those who came and enjoyed the colourful spectacle of the different Morris dancing sides at our Christmas event at the Railway Inn. We were very lucky with the weather.



Ringheye practice every Wednesday evening for an hour at 8.30pm in the Victory Hall. We always welcome new dancers and musicians, so please come along and join us - even if you want to just watch and see if you fancy having a go!

For more information, call Bridget on 01565 873061.



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The schedule of maintenance work for Runway 1 has been released. This is when Runway 2 is used at night. The dates can be viewed at manchesterairport.co.uk/runwayclosures

#### Good Neighbours Scheme - Get to the Doctor on Time

Do you have difficulty getting to the doctor's or hospital for appointments?

There is a scheme designed for neighbours to help neighbours in this area, set up in Knutsford to cater for the residents who attend the three medical practices, including Annandale.

This is a shout out to those residents who have their own transport and wouldn't mind giving a lift to someone in need.

If you would like to volunteer, please use the contact details below. If you would like to make use of this service, please call the number below to make arrangements. It runs Monday to Thursday between 11am and 3pm.

Cost – donation to cover mileage.

You will need to be referred to use this service. Please call your local doctor's surgery or contact Douglas Baker on 01565 631262 or at bakerdoug@btinternet.com



### St. Wilfrid CofE, Church Lane, Mobberley

Rector: Revd Canon Ian Blay 01565 873218; ianblay@btinternet.com Website: mobberleychurch.co.uk



#### Annual Pet Service



This very popular service now takes place on the 2nd Sunday of February and we have great pleasure in welcoming all things hairy, scaly, smelly... and their pets as well! At this service we give thanks for the animals with which we share our lives, we commit ourselves to

their care, and we bring them before God to receive his blessing.

Although this service is for all pets, we do normally have a large number of dogs present so please be aware of this when bringing pets of a more nervous disposition.

#### Family Pet Service

Sunday 11th February 10.00 a.m.

#### Lent



Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, falls on **Wednesday 14**<sup>th</sup> **February**. Every weekday there is a service of Morning Prayer at The Beacon at 9.00 a.m. and every Wednesday evening (from the 21<sup>st</sup>

February) a service of Compline in church at 7.00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday itself will be marked by a service of Holy Communion incorporating the rite of ashing at 7.30 p.m. Do come and join us, everybody welcome.

#### Messy Church



Our Messy Church takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 10.00 a.m. at The Rajar, combining arts and crafts, songs and worship. Our February meeting will take place on the 10<sup>th</sup> with the very relevant theme of 'Learning to Live Together'.

#### **Graveyard Maintenance**



Over Christmas lots of people have left wreathes and other displays in the graveyard and I want to take this opportunity to ask you to remove them please. The new graveyard is a lawn cemetery and for reasons of maintenance there should be nothing standing on the grass so

please remove all pots, planters and vases. Where possible these can be placed on the headstone plinth but please note there should be no ceramics or glass.

> More about our various services and events can be found on our website www.mobberleychurch.co.uk

### FEBRUARY @ "THE BEACON"

#### "PARENTS AND TOTS" every Monday, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Toddlers bring along their parents to play, chat and have a brew in a safe and warm environment. Mums with bumps also welcome.

# "DROP-IN CAFE" Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10.00am 'til 2.00pm.

You'll be warmly welcomed. Why not drop in for a chat and hot drink, with a biscuit or toast.

"COMMUNION SERVICE" every Wednesday at 10.00am followed by Tea or Coffee at 10.30am.

"ALTERNATIVE EVENING SERVICE" on Wednesday 7th at 7.00pm.
A short 30 minute service of Celtic style Evensong.

#### "KNIT & NATTER" meets Wednesdays 7th & 21st at 2.00pm.

If you're of a Knitting and Nattering disposition you'll be made most welcome.

"MOVIE MATINÉE" meets Wednesdays 14th & 28th at 1.30pm for 2.00pm.

On February 14<sup>th</sup> the film is the musical "The Greatest Showman" & on February 28<sup>th</sup> the musical "Calamity Jane"

"DOORWAY", our study group, meets every Thursday at 7.45pm
We're continuing our journey through St. John's Gospel with Bruce Gore.

#### "YOUTH CLUB" meets every Friday from 6.00pm - 8.00pm.

Lots of activities, board games, TV, Video games, Xbox etc. and don't forget the Tuck shop. Great fun for all youngsters age nine and upwards.

# "MEN'S BREAKFAST" meet on the first Saturday of every month at 9.00am (Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>).

There's a misconception that men are reluctant to speak about themselves and/or "sensitive" issues. That doesn't happen here, try shutting us up! Perhaps it's the brew and the sausage/bacon baps!

If you need more information on any of the above activities speak to either John Grainger or John and Jo-Ann Hennerley.



## MOBBERLEY METHODIST CHURCH

FAULKNERS LANE – WA16 7AL Minister: Rev. Nick Thompson: 01625 253313

It is hard to believe that shortly we will be starting Lent. It doesn't seem but five minutes since taking down the Christmas decorations and wishing everyone a Happy New Year. Still, it is good to think that Spring, maybe, might be just around the corner.

Someone once told me that instead of giving up things for Lent, it might be better to take up something new, like giving up negative thoughts and replacing them with positive ones. Easier said than done? But with a little help, possible.

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Café Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month unless otherwise stated.

#### SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

4th February – 10.00am - Mr. Tony Judd – Communications Sunday

11th February – 10.00am – Rev. Nick Thompson – Sunday before Lent Café Church with Holy Communion

18th February - 10.00am - Mrs Pam Ward - Lent 1

25th - 10.00am - Rev. Alan Bradley - Café Church

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#### PRAYER MEETING:

On Wednesdays at 7.00pm in the Schoolroom – led by Rev. Nick Thompson, Nick Eadie or Ray Barker. This will also include input from the 'Talking Jesus' series when appropriate.

This is in addition to the popular Thursday night private prayers at 7.00pm on What's App for the future of our church.

Please do support both these opportunities. We so desire peace in our world, and it is good to meet together to pray for all those places and people who need as much support as possible.

#### INFORMATION FOR VISITORS:

- LARGE PRINT VERSIONS OF 'SINGING THE FAITH' HYMN BOOK AND PRAYER BOOK ARE AVAILABLE.
- After our services coffee is served in the schoolroom. Do try to stay awhile.
- Two 'kidzboxes' are situated one on each of the rear pews. These are for any child who might need something to occupy them during the service. If this seems appropriate do borrow them



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December was a very busy time at our school. Each class had a Nativity performance and made us extremely proud with their acting and beautiful singing.

Our Christmas fair was a great success! Thank you to the PTA for organising such a fun event. The children were delighted to see Santa making an appearance and the choir sang wonderfully.

Mobberley School Choir have made us very proud with all their performances recently. They sang at the Rajar Building for the Mobberley Christmas lights switch on, at the Candlelight Carol Service at the Methodist Church and performed beautifully for the residents at Cranford Grange Care Home, which was gratefully received.

The Year 3 and 4 children have been making butterflies and gratitude spirals using books in afterschool Art Club.

We all went on a whole school trip to Altrincham Ice Rink to watch The Wizard of Oz on ice. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching the performance and were impressed by the incredible ice-skaters.

The school year started with a fabulous Epiphany service led by Father Ian in St Wilfrid's Church.

Year 2 are excited to have started their forest school sessions, where they will learn to make fires, use outdoor tools, create natural art and build shelters.

Year 4 are looking forward to starting their swimming lessons and learning vital water safety skills. Year 4 have also been practising their times tables through active maths. The girls' football team achieved a bronze medal at the Macclesfield and Poynton District tournament, narrowly missing out on silver. A big congratulations to them!







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#### **Mobile library**

The mobile library is in Mobberley every three weeks, on a Friday. Route details can be found at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/libraries/nearest\_library/ mobile library routes.aspx

- 2pm-3pm Edenfield Road
- 3.15pm-4pm Bernisdale Road



#### Message from Cheshire East regarding its Budget Consultation Survey 2024

We know that costs and demand for council services will significantly exceed the levels of income we had planned for in the Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) 2023–27, agreed in February 2023. Many of the pressures we have seen through 2023/24 still apply and are set to escalate further.

These include the impacts of high inflation and high interest rates on loan payments seen throughout the year, the high level of demand for council services, and increasing costs and complexity of needs for those children and older people who most need the Council's help.

There is also financial uncertainty following the Government's announcement, in October, of the cancellation of HS2 north of Birmingham, and the potential impacts on Crewe, Cheshire East and the wider region. This is on top of a reduction in government funding for day-to-day services — the funding for Cheshire East Council has been cut by 63% in real terms since 2010.

The budget consultation survey is for residents and other stakeholders to provide feedback on a range of budget proposals, which will be considered by councillors as part of the decision-making process to set a balanced budget for the Council in 2024/25.

Following publication of the draft financial strategy and budget consultation, the Council's service committees will consider the budget proposals at public meetings in January and February.

The decision to approve and adopt the budget will be taken at a full council meeting on 27 February.

The consultation is open until 23:59 on 28 January 2024. After this date, members of the public and other stakeholders can still contact their local ward members about the proposals ahead of the full Council decision on 27 February 2024.

The survey can be accessed at

https://surveys.cheshireeast.gov.uk/s/Budget Consultation 2024 2025/

#### **Mobberley WI**

Meeting on 15 February at Methodist Church Rooms, Faulkeners Lane, Mobberley WA16 7AL, for 2pm.



Speaker is Jane Thomas 'Pearly King & Queens'. Visitors welcome. Refreshments afterwards.

#### **Book Club**

The book club welcomes new members to meet and have a chat over a book and a drink.

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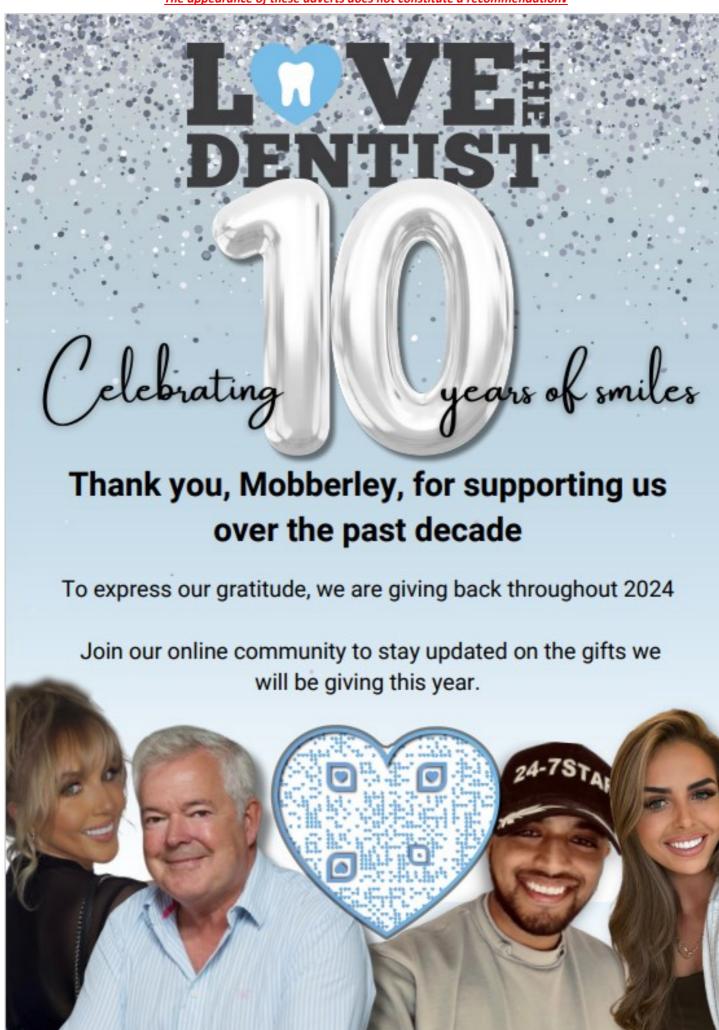
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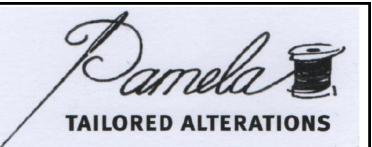
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Fire Dept. (non-urgent) – 633369

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Please let us know what you think of this newsletter by contacting the Clerk.

#### Your views are important.

Copy for the March edition to be with the Clerk by 15 February 2024.

Please feel free to contact the Clerk/ editor with any pictures or news you would like to see included in the Mobberley Newsletter.

clerk@mobberleyparishcouncil.co.uk