

Insight Supplement 3

Welcome to our third and final edition aimed at keeping the residents of Church Minshull parish informed. We are very grateful to all those who have created and deliver it. St Bart's and the Parish Council have worked together to supply you with help and information to help you through the Coronavirus (Covid 19) pandemic and to tell you where to find it. Locally, the village website www.villagearena.org and the church websites www.stbartschurchminshull.org.uk and www.facebook.com/stbartschurchminshull will all keep you up to date with news, ideas and information, going forward. If you have anything to share with us please let us know by emailing insight2churches@gmail.com and we can add it to the websites.



We, at St Bart's, are delighted to say that the contractors have been able to return to work and the interior of the church is now finished. Those who saw the work almost completed at our last service in March, were unanimous in their praise for the difference it had made. All have commented on how big the church now looks; the flexible open space at the West end has great potential; the welcome table is a great addition; the new heating system is very effective and efficient; the panelled walls, which are a return to the Georgian design of the church, look like they have always been there and the replacement of the Victorian pews with Georgian ones, again returning to the original design of the church, look fantastic. We also have improved access to the organ with the space behind it and the big surprise is that the seating capacity has risen by 100 not the originally planned 60. All will have a clear view of the church front and at weddings, the bride's family can now watch the service from the front left pew, previously obstructed by the pulpit. Our only outstanding part of the remodelling is the delivery of the new wooden chairs, which will follow when circumstances allow.

The vicar and churchwardens have met to plan for the reopening of the church, initially for private prayer, as soon as we are allowed. Please watch the website for further imminent information: www.stbartschurchminshull.org.uk



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We remain closed for now but are planning on how to safely reopen in July with a limited service. Watch our notice boards and website www.badgerinn.co.uk for further information.

CHURCH MINSHULL COVID-19 HELP GROUP UPDATE TELEPHONE 07730765770

We are continuing to run the helpline for now.

We also have the added resource from Cheshire East,
'People Helping People Group' and a contact name and number for people
needing assistance with major "man with a van" jobs which can't easily be
solved at a village level.

Please call us....WE CAN HELP !



Keep washing your hands and spread only kindness!



The Parish Council



Since the lock down twelve weeks ago, the Parish Council started having virtual meetings, initially to see what help we could provide to those in difficulty in the parish. Using some of our budget, we have provided some food for those in urgent need and we have also provided financial support to anyone fetching prescriptions for those unable to get them for themselves. The responses that we have had, have shown gratitude for what we have done and we have tried to keep our ears and eyes open for any others that needed help. We have also had a virtual meeting with our local MP, Ed Timpson, and as well as discussing the help that we have provided against the impact of CORVID-19, we also discussed our concerns over flooding in the village, the state of our roads, and our desire to provide social developments within the parish. Ed was happy to try and help and we hope to have a further meeting with him next month.

From The Aqueduct



11th June, 2020.

Aqueduct Marina has now got most of its staff back in work, and is operating more normally, with boat owners able to visit their boats, but not stay overnight. The boat sales have also restarted with strong interest from buyers. and the Chandlery/shop is operating on a call and collect basis. The cafe and Caravan site remain closed awaiting further relaxing of the regulations. We have also delayed our boat show in July until September.

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