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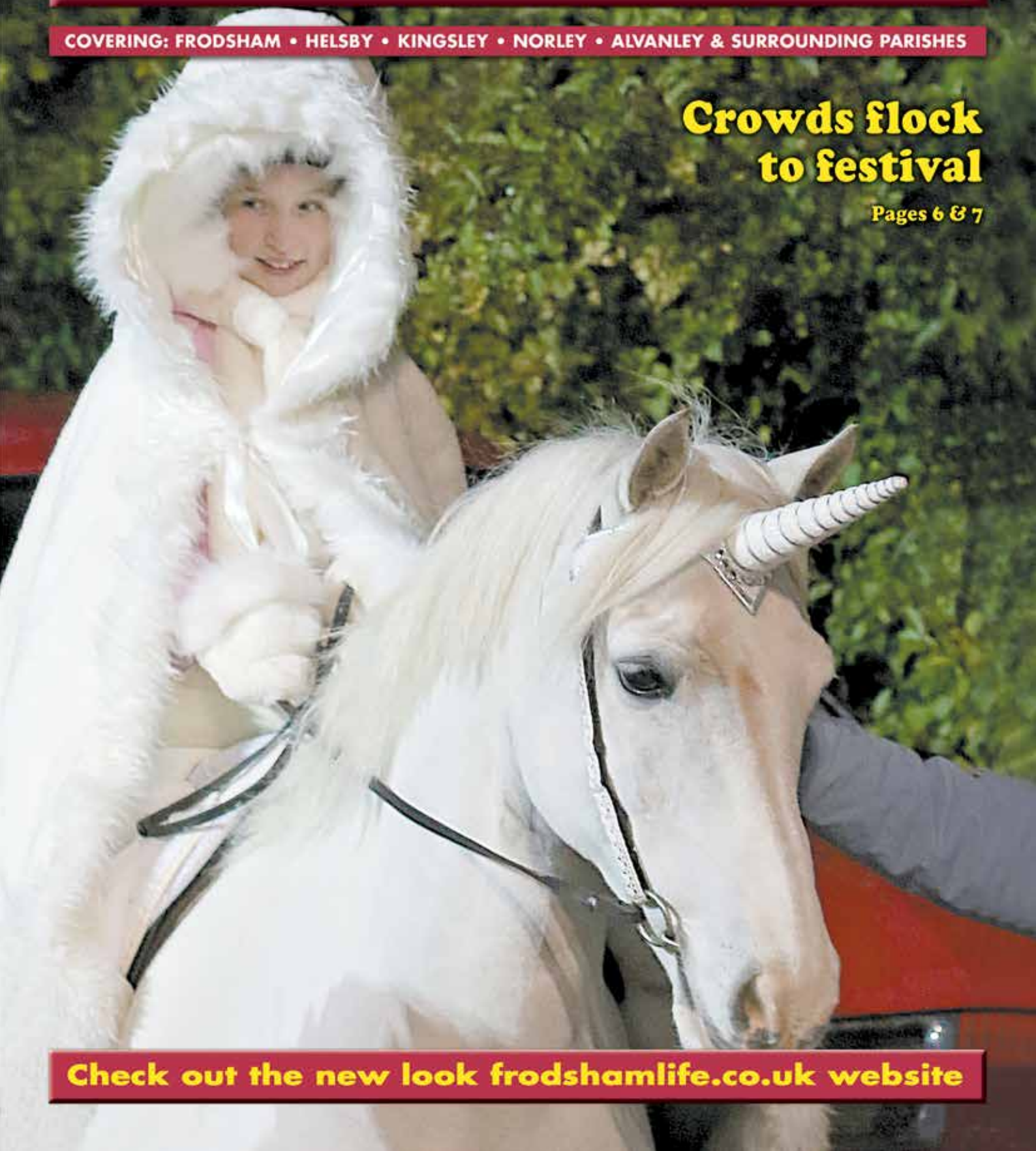
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Editor's Comment



WHETHER we like it or not, Frodsham's evening economy is important to the town. But unfortunately it also brings problems – as it does anywhere else with a thriving pub, club or restaurant trade. It brings anti-social behaviour.

So it is good to see the Town Council looking seriously at the possibility of installing CCTV cameras in the town.

It was looked at previously a couple of years ago when it received a mixed greeting, with some councillors expressing concern at the cost. But since then, new technologies have brought costs tumbling down and there now seems to be no difference of opinion on the issue.

Now is the time for Frodsham to

be pushing for CCTV, Cllr Mallie Poulton told the Town Council, and he was right.

Cameras already have a proven track record of enabling police to arrest those responsible for anti-social behaviour and, perhaps even more importantly, giving them the ability to reach hotspots quickly enough to stop trouble before it even starts. Live cameras, that is. They may be more expensive than the ones that simply record the street scene, but they are worth the extra cost. Just ask the police in Chester or Warrington.

It is a pity that Frodsham is beginning to suffer the same

evening economy problems as its larger neighbours but it is no good pretending it doesn't happen.

The Town Council is to seek a roundtable meeting with the police, Cheshire West and Chester, Pubwatch and other interested parties. There is an indication that Castle Park Trust would be prepared to put some money into a scheme, subject to a quite reasonable request that the cameras covered the park as well as the town centre. There have been some encouraging noises from the police.

So, yes, the time is right.

Deadline for the February issue of Frodsham Life is January 23

Poppy Cascade

PLANS are in hand to give people another chance to see the Poppy Cascade that was on show at Frodsham Community Centre last month.

The Town Council's World War One Commemoration Working Group plan to put it on show again next year at Castle Park Arts Centre.

The cascade has been stored away safely at Frodsham Health Centre.

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Panto group all set for Cinderella

REHEARSALS are well underway for Frodsham Panto group's 2018 production of 'Cinderella'.

The panto tells the story of a beautiful girl named Cinderella, who lived with her father Baron Hardup who was kind but weak, her two ugly sisters Fifi and Fru-Fru and also her stepmother the Baroness.

Her sisters and stepmother were cruel to Cinderella making her do all the work and never letting her leave the kitchen at Hardup Hall.

At the King's palace, the King, Prince Charming and his best friend Dandini, are trying to find a girl for the Prince to marry. Not able to decide, they agree to hold a Grand Ball inviting all eligible girls to attend.

The ugly sisters were very excited and each was sure that they would win the Prince but poor Cinderella could not go as she had no fine clothes to wear.

All alone, Cinderella is visited by Kindheart her Fairy Godmother who declares that she shall go to the Grand Ball. She then waves her magic wand transforming Cinderella's rags into a beautiful ball gown.

So Cinderella can go to the ball in a grand coach with a warning from the Fairy Godmother that she must leave by midnight.

At the ball Cinderella meets the Prince who falls in love with her and they dance together. Suddenly midnight strikes and Cinderella rushes from the ball but in her hurry leaves behind a glass slipper.

The Prince demands that every woman in the land must try on the slipper until he finds to whom it belongs. After a long search he and Cinderella are reunited and they live happily every after.

Performances as follows :-

Sunday 7th January 2018
Matinee at 2.00pm
Monday 8th January 2018
Evening at 7.00pm
Tuesday 9th January 2018
Evening at 7.00pm
No performance on
Wednesday 10th January 2018
Thursday 11th January 2018
Evening at 7.00pm
Friday 12th January 2018
Evening at 7.00pm
Saturday 13th January 2018
Matinee at 2.00pm
Saturday 13th January 2018
Evening at 7.30pm

All performances are being held at Frodsham Community Centre, Fluin Lane, Frodsham, WA6 7QN, from Sunday 7th January to Saturday 13th January 2018.

Ticket prices are £9 Adults and £7 Children

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Council looking at starting new events

FRODSHAM Town Council's Events Committee has been considering the programme for the coming year – and the possibility of introducing some new events.

All the familiar, annual events will be repeated and councillors discussed the potential for additional events.

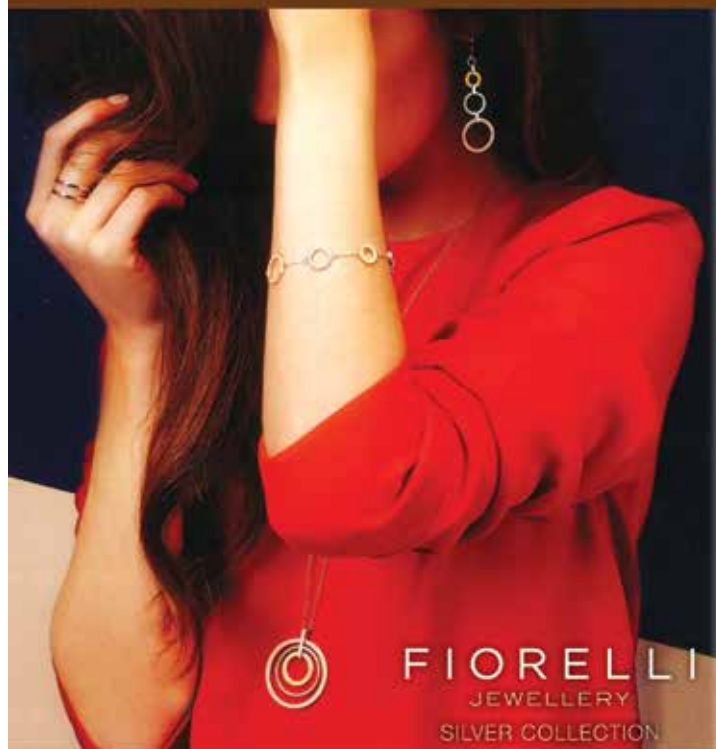
These included repeating the St George's Day Parade held for the first time this year and a Halloween event, probably held at the Community Centre and involving young people and children.

Another possibility is getting involved in the Great British High Street – an event to highlight local shops. But it was decided there was a need to meet with local retailers to check if there was any appetite for getting involved.

Judges would assess the town three times during the year for energy, enthusiasm and excitement. But some councillors were concerned that there could be issues involving the number of empty shops and former bank premises.

The possibility of reinstating the Frodsham Carnival is also being considered.

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The Post Office: use it or lose it, says pensioner

A FRODSHAM man is urging fellow pensioners who have their pensions paid into a Post Office card account to carry on doing so.

Nick Rolfe was concerned when he received a letter from the Department for Work and Pensions asking him to switch to a bank, building society or credit union.

"Most people use one of these accounts," the letter stated.

Mr Rolfe, who had only recently suffered the inconvenience of his bank closing its Frodsham branch, decided to do some research.

He discovered that letters had

been sent to pensioners all over the country, some on a Department for Work and Pensions letterhead but others on a HM Government letterhead. Both were signed, simply, "Office Manager" and the confusing wording led some people to believe it was a scam.

Some were worded more bluntly than others. While the one he received "asked" him to use a bank, building society or credit

union, others "expected" the recipient to make the change and claimed most people had already done so.

In fact, Mr Rolfe discovered, almost two million people still have pensions paid into a Post Office card account and under a seven year deal signed in 2014 can continue to do so until 2021. Many of them are older people who don't want to make a change.

There was no mention of this in the letter, however.

In fact, most current accounts

can be accessed via a post office branch, so most people would still be able to draw their pensions at a post office.

But Mr Rolfe is concerned that the changes may result in some people stopping using the post office – and that any decline could result in closures.

"Frodsham now has only one bank so we don't want to be losing any post offices. They bring people into town so if we lose any we could eventually lose shops as well."

Town council put off decision on new home

FRODSHAM Town Council has put off a decision on moving to a new home – probably until the New Year.

The council went into private sessions to consider four possible locations – with a recommendation from the Policy and Process Committee that the council should move to Halpin House, on Frodsham Station car park.

Three other options had been considered by the Policy and Process Committee – staying on the first floor at Castle Park House, renting the former HSBC bank building or purchasing the former Nat West Bank building.

But after a lengthy debate, it was decided to defer a decision. A number of councillors expressed a preference for remaining at Castle

Park House

Earlier, a member of the public, Mr Terence Dillon, had addressed the council on the issue.

He said he had been a resident of Frodsham for 68 years and was not happy at the recommendation that the council should move to Halpin House, nor that the matter was to be discussed at a closed session of the council.

Castle Park had been left to the people of Frodsham and had always been the home of the Town Council, he said.

Halpin House was unsuitable because many people would not be able to get to it without a steep climb. There were also parking difficulties – would people be expected to pay to use the station car park when visiting the council

offices?

Parking at Castle Park would always be free, he said.

He criticised the council for going into private sessions – "like a secret society" – to discuss the matter.

The people of Frodsham were

entitled to know the cost of the options to be considered, he said.

Chairman Cllr Judith Critchley explained it was necessary to discuss the matter in private because some of the information was commercially sensitive.



Halpin House under construction.

High school readers are among the best in the North West

TWO teams of Helsby High School's best Year 7 and 8 readers out-performed some of the top schools in the North West in the regional heats of the international "Kids Lit Quiz".

The two teams were asked 100 questions over 10 rounds and consistently scored excellent points in every round, working well together to produce outstanding performances.

One team scored 79 out of 100 to clinch third place while the other

were just two points shy of a win, scoring 80 out of 100.

Both teams out-performed many competitors including Kings' Chester, Wirral Grammar and Merchant Taylors to make it into the top three teams from the North West.

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Police move into fire station

FRODSHAM Police Station is now located at the fire station on Ship Street.

The facility was officially opened by Police and Crime Commissioner David Keane, in the presence of Cllr Stef Nelson, deputy chairman of Cheshire Fire Authority, Chief Fire Officer Paul Hancock and Acting Chief Constable Janette McCormick.

Members of the public were consulted before the decision to move the police station into the fire station and of 358 Frodsham residents surveyed, 95 per cent agreed the relocation was

appropriate.

Mr Keane said: "I am delighted with this shared base for police and fire in Frodsham. Working together will reduce operating costs for both organisations and most definitely improve joint working between police officers and firefighters."

Frodsham Fire Station is staffed by on-call firefighters who respond to emergencies by an alerter system. It was identified as a suitable location for a joint police and fire

base with the space and facilities to accommodate the same services for officers, staff and members of the public that were previously delivered at the police station.

Mr Hancock said: "This collaboration will not change the way that Frodsham firefighters or police officers respond to emergencies. This cost-effective move brings operational staff together under one roof and will allow for savings to be made by both organisations without affecting the level of service we currently provide."



Council to hold fewer meetings

FRODSHAM Town Council is to again cut the number of meetings it holds to try and reduce the work load for councillors and staff.

The full council is to continue to meet once every two months – and now committees will follow suit.

Back in April, members decided the full council should meet every other month instead of monthly as in the past. But committees were to continue meeting monthly.

The idea was to improve the work/life balance of councillors and reduce the heavy administrative work load for staff. But six months on, it has become clear the change has not had the desired impact. In fact, it has made things more complicated.

Faced with the choice of reverting to the old system of holding both full council and committee meetings monthly, or holding all meetings once every other month, councillors – after liaising with staff – have decided to trial the latter.

The decision means full council will not meet again until January 8 and only two committees – Policy and Process and Community – will meet again this year, on December 11 and 19 respectively.

But in the event of urgent business, additional meetings of either the council or its committees can be called.

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DESPITE bad weather and brisk winds, huge crowds turned out for the annual Frodsham Christmas Festival and Parade.

Market stalls did a brisk trade throughout the afternoon and festival goers were entertained in the station car park by Choirs from local schools including St Luke's RC School, Weaver Vale School, Kingsley CP School and Frodsham C of E School.

Mayor Alan Oulton switched on the lights as the Parade made it's way through the streets which were

packed with excited onlookers.

As well as the Festival Market other attractions included Santa's Grotto, Christmas Fayre in the Parish Hall and the fairground behind the Bear's Paw pub.

Highlights of the parade included reindeer and a Unicorn and the parade concluded with a firework display.



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You should keep all relevant documentation, you may not think they will help with the case but they can be crucial, so it is important that you discuss with your legal team. We recently dealt with a claim by our client's brother. Before the dispute ever arose, they were on good terms and he had sent her emails which totally contradicted the terms of the case he sought to present to the court.

We do recommend that mediation is considered an early stage, this can help avoid the risk and worry of a protracted court case.

...And above all, we ask that you are patient. When we are instructed by clients we do take steps to resolve your case as quickly as possible, however there are often factors outside our control which can delay the pace of progress. For example;

- the "Pre-Action Protocols" will often allow a party receiving a claim in the region of 3 months to decide whether or not to defend it.
- sometimes it is necessary to obtain the medical records relating to the person who has died, and the process can be slow, in one case it took almost a year.
- there can be long delays with courts

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Frodsham jobs boost following bed retailer's expansion

IT'S exciting times for Frodsham-based retailer Land of Beds, with the award-winning company announcing its recent expansion across the North West.

Following the official opening of a new store in the Pemberton area of Wigan recently more support staff are now required at Land of Beds' headquarters in Church Street, Frodsham – meaning more job opportunities will be created within the local community.

"Ever since my grandad founded the company almost 50 years ago, it has always been our aim to look after our valued local customers and to boost Frodsham's economy wherever possible," says Mike Murray, Managing Director at Land of Beds.

"With our third store now open, we are delighted that we have been able to expand our business this year and create a presence in Greater Manchester, but we are especially pleased to be in a position to increase the number of staff we have based at our Frodsham office, which will continue to be our company HQ.

"We'd love to hear from anyone in the local community who is ready for a fresh professional challenge, where the emphasis is on delivering the highest standards of customer care and being a committed team player."

This year has proven to be another successful chapter in the family-run business' ongoing story, with Black Friday sales breaking company records on the eve of a third store opening, as well as being crowned Britain's 'Retail Family Business of the Year' at a prestigious awards ceremony this summer.

November saw Land of Beds being recognised for their online business excellence, where they were finalists in the 'Online Retailer of the Year' category of the Digital Entrepreneur Awards (North) – an occasion that celebrated not only the high-profile websites and leaders driving online commerce, but also the silent heroes who

develop the systems that change the online landscape and shape our digital future.

"With Christmas and New Year now on the horizon, I hope that news of local jobs being created will be warmly welcomed," adds Mike.

"As part of our ongoing commitment to be at the cutting edge of retail, we have no intention of resting on our laurels and look forward to an exciting start to 2018!"

For more information on job opportunities at Land of Beds, email Sales Manager Maria Jones at maria.jones@landofbeds.co.uk or visit www.landofbeds.co.uk/careers

Choral society's Christmas concert

FRODSHAM and district Choral Society will present "What Child is This?" at St Laurence's Church, Frodsham, on Saturday, December 16.

A concert of traditional and modern carols, the choir will be conducted by Howard Kane with Robert Woods as accompanist.

The concert will include "Old wine in new bottles", "A Christmas Garland", "Light and Joy", and "Yule Love This", topped off by a new take on "The 12 Days of Christmas."

Vale Royal Concert Band, directed by Mairead Bushnell-Wye, will also accompany the choir.

On Saturday, November 18, the society is presenting Haydn's "Creation", again at St Laurence's Church, with Heather Heighway, Tim Kennedy, Peter Edge and Robert Woods, again conducted by Howard Kane.

Both concerts begin at 7.30pm.



Safe parking charter launched at primary school

A "PARKING charter" to ensure that all children and adults are safe during drop-off and pick-up time has been launched at Frodsham CE Primary School.

The Parents' Safer Parking Charter was launched by school councillors, junior road safety officers and representatives of Cheshire West and Chester Council.

It has been developed in response to feedback from the local community, the School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers, with support from representatives of Cheshire West and Chester (CW&C).

The aim is to help to keep all children and adults safe during drop-off and pick-up times, while also showing respect and considerations for those in the local

community.

The charter has been written by the School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers and is in the children's own words and is what they would like to see happen to keep everyone safe.

A competition to design a poster charter was won by Lily (Y6) and runner up Jessica (Y1).

Parents and carers were asked to sign the charter to agree to abide by its guidelines. The school received a banner and the children took reflective items home, all donated by CW&C.

Headteacher Simon Jones said "Our 'Parents' Safer Parking Charter' launch has been a real success and our School Council have enjoyed making such a major difference for our community."



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The story followed an immortal being from the year 1605 to 2010

- Johann.

He jumps to new places in times and in the world if his emotional equilibrium becomes upset or disrupted.

When he jumps he also changes

his appearance and often his gender - becoming Joanne - depending on what time period he/she has jumped into. The story is fictional but is woven into moments from factual history and teaches the audience about truth, love, loss and growing old.

Johann ultimately wants the privilege of growing old with the person he loves but stops himself from falling in love because he knows that this can never happen.

He loses his first ever love to illness in 1605 and regrets never having uttered the words “I love

you”.

Unbeknown to Johann these three words will trigger an alignment of occurrences, which offer him a release from his eternity, but he can't trust anyone enough to say them.

After losing his first love he vows to never love again until he meets Eva in 2010, a young woman that looks exactly like the Love he lost in 1605. In time Eva changes him and for the first time he learns to say “I love you” - but tragically it is too late.

Rare spiders found in Delamere Forest



TWO rare spiders have been found in Delamere Forest following a recent survey.

The survey, carried out by the Tanyptera Trust, revealed the presence of the jumping spider, *Sitticus floricola* at two sites, bringing the total number of sites in Cheshire to 10 and the money spider, *Glyptesis cottonae*, at four sites, almost doubling the number of sites in Cheshire.

Sitticus floricola, measuring 3.5mm and 7.5mm across, is a small day-hunting spider which uses its big eyes to judge its impressive jumps.

The British Arachnological Society recently published their Spider Status Review in which *Glyptesis cottonae* was listed as vulnerable (nationally rare), and *Sitticus floricola* as near threatened (nationally rare).

Both species live on sphagnum found in the boggy areas of Delamere Forest.

Extensive restoration work carried out over the last four years, through a partnership between Cheshire Wildlife Trust and the

Forestry Commission, has involved re-wetting areas of the forest to bring them back to their natural state.

Katie Piercy, Delamere Mossland officer at Cheshire Wildlife Trust has been involved in the project to re-wet areas of the forest.

She said: “Species such as these rare spiders thrive in bog habitats and that's exactly what we have been working hard to create in Delamere. The fact that the number of sites where these species are being recorded has increased mean that our work is achieving its aim of re-establishing this habitat. Dragonflies and plant species have also benefited and we have been able to record significant differences in the variety of species now using the sites.”

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Prestigious award for Helsby High students

TEACHERS and students from the history department at Helsby High School were presented with a prestigious award at the House of Lords in recognition of their work for the Legacy 110 First World War commemorative project.

Helsby was one of six schools to receive an award, out of more than a thousand nationwide which had taken part in the project.

Led by history teacher Katie Jones, the students had organised a community project based on their visit to the historic battlefields of Northern France.

The commemorative programme was organised by the Department for Education and University College London and its aim was to encourage students to visit key battlefield sites and share their findings with their wider school community on their return.

Helsby students made a remembrance tree, and set up a research club to show younger children how to use data bases to find relatives who died in the First World War.

The Helsby students received their awards in the impressive River Room at the House of Lords following presentations from MPs Neil Carmichael and Dr Andrew Murrison.



Anti-bullying week at high school

STUDENTS from Helsby High School took part in a range of activities during Anti-Bullying Week with the theme of "All Different, All Equal."

There was a non-uniform day, when children and staff had to wear something blue to support the cause and raise awareness of Anti-Bullying Week.

A total of £1,200 was raised in donations which will go to the charity Bullying UK.

Year 11 student leaders produced a video clip, which is hosted on the school's You Tube channel, which was played in assemblies and in form time.

Form classes held discussions on four main questions: What is

bullying? Who can you go to for help? Why is it important to stop bullying? Is there anything we can do at Helsby High School to help prevent bullying?

Each form class was then given the opportunity to contribute to an Anti-Bullying board. The next step was for this information to be collated and shared with student and pastoral leaders for a set of action points to be created.

Helsby High has a policy of taking any reports of alleged bullying very seriously. No form of bullying will be tolerated – and every effort is made to enable concerns to be voiced without fear or prejudice.



Application to delete footpath

A PUBLIC consultation has started on an application to delete a public footpath from the definitive map and statement of public rights of way at Frodsham.

Footpath 26 runs from Manley Road and runs in a westerly direction along the drive to Warrenhouse and then in a northerly direction to terminate at the location of an old well. The consultation closes on February 9 although it can be extended if necessary.

Anyone with information or representations should let Cheshire West and Chester Council's public rights of way officer, Adele Mayer, know if they are not able to send in information by the deadline.

Wind farm windfalls for nine groups

NINE local organisations who will benefit from grants totalling £45,000 distributed by the Marshes Community Benefit Fund panel have been named.

They are the second group of organisations to benefit from grants by Frodsham Windfarm Ltd.

The independent panel of local residents agreed to award just over £45,000 to nine projects which in their view were in accordance with the requirements of the Community Benefit Fund constitution.

The successful applicants, and their projects, were:

Overton Memorial Hall for an upgrade to the toilet block and lighting, £977.

Frodsham Literature Festival towards publication of the festival booklet, £2,600.

Helsby Rugby Union Football Club for connection to mains electricity, £1,800.

The 4th Frodsham Scouts for a new minibus, £10,000.

Frodsham Youth Association for building improvements, £9,717.

Alvanley Parochial Church Council for wall repairs, £500.

The 3rd Frodsham Sea Scouts for camping equipment, £1,882.

Frodsham Community Centre for a dance and wellbeing room, £11,000.

Kingsley and Newton Village Institute for upgrade of car park, £7,500.

Panel chairman Dianne Walker said members were looking forward to seeing the successful projects being developed, to benefit the residents in the areas surrounding the Marshes Wind Farm.

The remainder of the money available in this round but not allocated to projects will be carried forward to the next round.

Details of the Fund and information on the application process can be found at www.marshescbf.uk.

Applications for the next round of funds will close at the end of February. Eligible schemes that were unsuccessful in this round can reapply for future rounds.

Frodsham remembers

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FRODSHAM'S Mayor Alan Oulton and his Junior Mayors attended Remembrance services at the Memorial on Frodsham Hill and at St Laurence Church.

On the Saturday he was joined by Weaver Vale MP Mike Amesbury and the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes and his Junior Mayors Katy Thompson and Michael Astle. Then on Sunday he was joined by various organisations and local councillors, including councillors

Lynn Riley and Andrew Dawson from CW&C, Cheshire Fire Service, Guides and Brownies, Army cadets and various primary schools, for a special church service at St Laurence, which included the sounding of the last Post and the lowering of the Standards.



Pupils learn about democracy

CHILDREN at Frodsham CE Primary School took part in "Parliament Week" to learn about the democratic process.

They also enjoyed voting on a different subject in the school polling station every day – for example, "Would you like 10 minutes extra break time or lunch time?" and "Would you like your Friday 'Golden Time' inside or outside this week?"

The School Council also welcomed local MP Mike Amesbury to take part in their votes and answer lots of interesting questions about the parliamentary system.

Mr S. Jones, headteacher said: "The children thoroughly enjoyed exercising their right to vote in school this week and they learnt a lot about democracy."



Invitation to high school's carol concert

HELSBY High School's annual Christmas Carol Concert is to be held at Chester Cathedral on Thursday, December 14 – and all members of the school's wider community are invited.

The concert will begin at 7.30pm and will end at approximately 9.30pm.

The Senior, Junior and Jazz Bands will be taking part together with the Senior, Chamber and Junior Choirs, and the Guitar, Strings, Folk, Saxophone and Flute ensembles.

There will also be traditional Christmas carols and readings.

Discover 12 days of Christmas in Castle Park

COME and enjoy the 12 days of Christmas with a free interactive mobile adventure game in Castle Park, right in the heart of Frodsham.

The initiative funded by Andrew and Lynn, local CWAC Councillors, aims to encourage everyone to explore and enjoy the park, have fun

with friends and family and start their New Years resolutions to get more active more often.

The game involves unlocking 12

questions, tasks or challenges around the park and the three players who score the highest will win a prize.

The interactive game is free, easy to use and runs from now until 8th January 2018

Have fun, get fit and enjoy your local park!

Council hands out grants totalling £8,060

FRODSHAM Town Council has awarded grants totalling £8,060 to eight local organisations.

The Mayor, Cllr Alan Oulton, presented cheques to representatives of the groups at a meeting of the council.

He told them: "There were another three groups who applied

for grants who were unsuccessful because they did not meet the criteria – but that means there was a success rate of about 90 per cent.

"A lot of hard work went into awarding the grants because they were all worthy causes."

The eight successful groups were: Weavervale and Sandstone

Cycle Forum: £510; Frodsham Community Centre: £1,000; The Zodiac Operatic Society: £1,000; Frodsham History Society: £150; Castle Park Arts: £500; Frodsham Parish Hall: £1,100; 4th Frodsham Scouts: £3,500; Weaver Words Literature Festival: £300.



Town Council's £8,000 grant to Youth Association

MAYOR of Frodsham Cllr Alan Oulton has handed over a cheque for £8,000 to Frodsham Youth Association – this year's Town Council grant to the association.

He made the presentation at the association's annual general meeting and Duke of Edinburgh's award presentation evening.

Youth Association chairman Sian

Day said: "We're so grateful for the continued support of Frodsham Town Council.

"This money helps to cover our core costs which means we can focus our fundraising efforts to support a wide range of engaging and supportive activities.

"This currently includes a music group, Duke of Edinburgh, a monthly teenage market, an LGBT

group as well as giving young people a safe place to come and have fun with their friends.

"Against a background of cuts to the youth sector, Frodsham Youth Association continues to grow and we have lots more plans for the future. As a charity, we rely on the support of the local community and donations like this one to make this happen."



WW1 presentation

A PRESENTATION on World War One was given at Frodsham Library by author Paul Knight, a Major in the Army Reserve who has written a number of books on the Great War.

Afterwards he stayed on to chat with local people, some of who had brought WW1 documents and photographs for scanning for preservation. The event was organised by the Town Council's WW1 Commemoration Working Group.

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