

# Your *Quarterly* Newsletter



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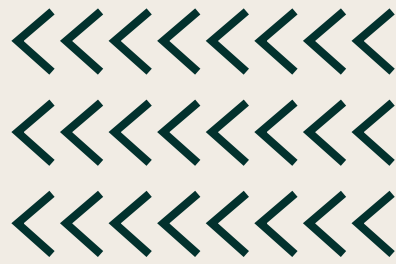
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**2024**

*'Lest we Forget'*

*Carols at  
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# Parish Council Meeting Reports

The Parish Council meets regularly each month to discuss matters of importance in the parish. Under delegated power, the committees meet to receive and consider updates and requests that fall under their jurisdiction. They focus on the specific actions in the terms of reference for each of the committees.

The terms of reference for each committee can be found online at [shavingtononline.co.uk/governance-documents](http://shavingtononline.co.uk/governance-documents) and the minutes from each meeting can be found at [shavingtononline.co.uk/meetings](http://shavingtononline.co.uk/meetings).

An update from each of the committees is summarised below.

## Parish Council Update

- The Council has begun recruiting for a new Clerk/RFO, appointing a locum Clerk to guide the Council through this transitional period.
- We're also pleased to report recent successful funding bids:
  - £4,700 from the Flourish Fund to expand the Wellbeing Wednesday program.
  - £2,000 from the Flourish Fund to support the design, printing, and distribution of an updated Parish Walk booklet, created in collaboration with the Women's Institute.
  - £4,212 from the Greener, Community, and Facilities Fund to enhance Wi-Fi and screen facilities in the Village Hall.

## Finance & Strategy Committee

- The Committee is currently preparing the draft budget for the 2025/26 fiscal year.

## Community Engagement Committee

- The Committee has reviewed grant applications under the Council's Grant Scheme and collaborated with local schools to support student applications.
- October marked the first gathering of the Shavington-cum-Gresty Heritage Working Group, with 30 community members attending.
- Members were briefed that plans were underway for the annual Remembrance service and Carols at Christmas event.

## Environment & Recreation Committee

- The Committee is actively working to address issues raised by tenants at the Gresty Lane Allotments.

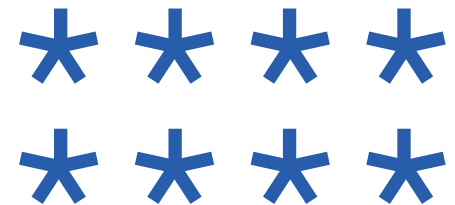
## Planning Committee

- The Committee has reviewed and provided feedback on recent planning applications.

## Staffing Committee

- Annual staff appraisals have been completed to support ongoing performance and development.

For further information about any of the above or other Parish Council matters please contact the Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Clerk via email [clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk)



# Map of the Parish

## Churches

- 1 The New Life Community Church
- 2 Shavington Methodist Church
- 3 St Mark's Shavington

## Medical






- 4 Rope Green Medical Centre (not in Parish)

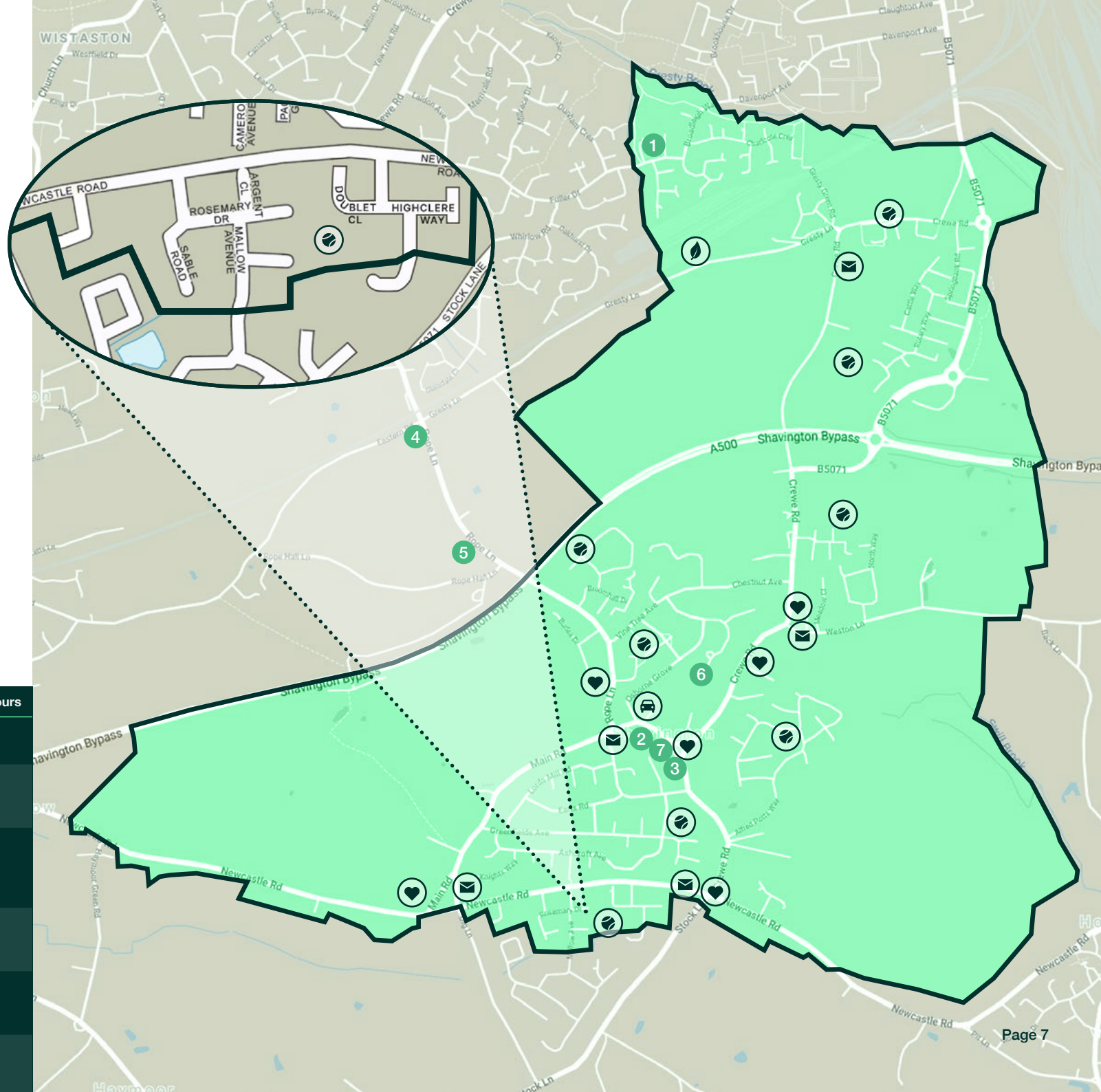
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-  Allotments
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-  Post Boxes
-  Defibrillators



| Defib Location                           | Position                           | What Three Words         | 24 Hours |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Co-op, Rope Lane                         | Inside store                       | regaining.bashed.adverbs | No       |
| Elephant Pub, 289 Newcastle Road         | Outside wall                       | digital.cycled.depth     | Yes      |
| EPG Security Systems, 417 Newcastle Road | Outside wall, adjacent to postbox  | flaunting.dorm.quiet     | Yes      |
| Nisa, 2 Weston Court, Crewe Road         | Outside wall, adjacent to entrance | smarter.motor.replayed   | Yes      |
| Shavington Social Club, Crewe Road       | Outside wall                       | repaid.plod.glides       | Yes      |
| Village Hall, Main Road                  | Outside wall                       | cheater.bind.growl       | Yes      |



# Thank You to Our Clean Team Volunteers

Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Clean Team has had a busy year. We are grateful to each and every one of the volunteers who have supported the team led by Councillor Rene Hancock.

During the winter months the Clean Team does not have a scheduled meeting, but we would like to encourage residents to look after their own area and help to make a difference to our Parish.



# Carols at Christmas

**SATURDAY 21 DECEMBER: 4pm**

**Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall**

We warmly invite you to our special event, 'Carols at Christmas,' a celebration of community and Christmas spirit that's absolutely free of charge!

Join us for an entertaining evening of family-friendly Yuletide cheer at Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall. For an evening full of song, celebration, and genuine community Christmas cheer.

Immerse yourself with Crewe Brass, performing a selection of beloved carols such as "Jingle Bells," "Silent Night," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," and "The Holly and the Ivy."

To add a dash of traditional Christmas, we'll be serving delicious mince pies and mulled wine.

**\*\*Please note: Our merry gathering is limited to 100 participants, with entry on a 'first come, first served' basis.\*\***

We can't wait to celebrate this special time of year with you! See you at Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall - let's jingle all the way to Christmas!

## Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Receives Prestigious Foundation Award

In December 2023 Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council was awarded the Foundation Award under the Local Council Award Scheme (LCAS). This scheme celebrates the achievements of top-performing parish and town councils across the nation, providing a structured framework to support local councils in enhancing their governance, community engagement, and service delivery.

Receiving the Foundation Award is a notable accomplishment that highlights our council's dedication to good governance, active involvement with the community, and ongoing improvement. This recognition means we go above and beyond basic legal requirements, demonstrating a strong leadership role within our community while continually seeking new ways to enhance our operations. The Foundation Award remains valid for four years, at which point councils may apply for re-accreditation to maintain their recognized standards.

In October 2023 our clerk, Simona Garner, was honoured with an invitation to attend the Annual Meeting of the Cheshire Association of Local Councils (ChALC). During the event, ChALC recognised selected Clerks for their outstanding contributions. Simona's dedication and hard work in supporting our council's success were celebrated, alongside the achievements of other Clerks who reached this significant milestone. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Simona and her fellow Clerks for their dedication and diligence, which continues to drive our community forward.



Local Council Award

LOCAL COUNCIL  
AWARD SCHEME  
FOUNDATION

# Parish Textile Map Update: Ready for Display!

In 1992, all Cheshire Women's Institutes (WIs) were tasked with creating textile maps of their villages. On October 21, 1992, the two local WIs, Woodnoth and Shavington, decided to collaborate on producing the Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Textile Map. Members began planning the project, gathering photos of key landmarks, and distributed them among WI members to be reproduced through embroidery, cross-stitch, or other textile crafts.

By 1993, the map was completed and showcased in Chester alongside other Cheshire WI maps. It was later displayed at The Cheshire Show.

In June 1995, the Shavington-cum-Gresty Textile Map was presented to Kevin Gibbs, then Chairman of the Parish Council, and proudly hung in the Village Hall, where it has been displayed for the past 30 years.

To commemorate the Coronation Year of King Charles III, Benjamin Gibbs, the current Chairman of Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council, invited the WI to update the wall hanging.

The WI embraced the challenge and transformed it into a community project, encouraging participation from various village organisations.



In July 2023, the first meeting was held with representatives from the WI, the Parish Council, the Shavington Village Festival Committee, St. Mark's Craft and Chatter, and members of the public. A new map was drawn up, reflecting changes within the parish, especially the significant housing developments.

Over the course of the project, 27 members of the community contributed their skills and creativity to help bring the map to life. After months of collaborative effort, the updated Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Textile Map is now complete. It is ready to be officially handed over to the Parish Council for display in the Village Hall, where it will continue to celebrate the village's heritage and ongoing growth.

# Join Us for the Unveiling of the updated Parish Textile Map!

Woodnoth-cum-Shavington WI and Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council invite you to the official unveiling of the updated Shavington Parish Textile Map. This community-driven project, with contributions from 27 local residents, beautifully captures the evolving landscape of our village.



**Sunday  
26 January**  
Shavington-cum-Gresty  
Village Hall  
Drop in from  
3.00-6.00 pm

Come and celebrate this remarkable achievement, enjoy refreshments, and view the stunning new map that reflects the heart of our community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Planning Applications

The Parish Council was consulted on the following planning applications in September and October 2024.

Whilst the Parish Council can comment on planning applications, it is for Cheshire East Council to make the decision on whether they should be approved.

All planning applications can be viewed on the Cheshire East Council website at [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk)

If residents are concerned about any planning applications, we encourage you to submit your comments directly to Cheshire East Council.

### September 2024

**Number:** 24/2800N  
**Address:** 272 Newcastle Road, Blakelow, Cheshire, CW5 7ET  
**Description:** Variation of condition 2 on 22/0443N – Remove the rear porch wall, extend the wall of the utility room and the kitchen diner, existing flat roof of the utility room will be replaced by a double hipped sloping roof, which will extend over to the newly extended kitchen.  
**Outcome:** No comments.

**Number:** 24/2928N  
**Address:** The Lodge, Main Road, Shavington, CW2 5DY  
**Description:** Single storey rear extension.  
**Outcome:** No comments.

**Number:** 24/2643N  
**Address:** This is an Anwyl Homes site, Queens Meadow  
**Description:** Deed of variation of S106 on approved application 21/4136N: Particulars of Development Hybrid planning application comprising (i) A full planning application for residential dwellings (Use Class C3) with access, public open space and associated infrastructure; and (ii) An outline planning application (with all matters reserved except for means of access) for up to 700sqm of commercial development (Use Classes E and Sui Generis).  
**Outcome:** No comments.

**Number:** 24/2960N  
**Address:** 349 Crewe Road, Shavington, Cheshire, CW2 5AD  
**Description:** Demolition of existing outbuilding, erection of extensions and garages, associated parking and landscaping.  
**Outcome:** No comments.

**Number:** 24/3033N  
**Address:** Crewe Logistics Park, Jack Mills Way, Shavington, Cheshire East, CW2 5XF  
**Description:** Amendment to the front elevation of AFC 1 with the addition of 2nr. Fixed windows to give light to the logistics warehouse with ancillary offices.  
**Outcome:** No comments.

### October 2024

**Number:** 24/3123N  
**Address:** 105a Crewe Road, Shavington, Crewe, CW2 5DW  
**Description:** Proposed front & rear extension with first floor addition and new roof.  
**Outcome:** No comments.

# A message from your PCSO

## PCSO Update for Shavington-cum-Gresty Residents: Parking Patrols, Community Engagement, and Community Visits.

Your local Police Community Support Officer, PCSO Dan Walley has been actively engaging with our community to address local concerns and enhance safety. Recent parking patrols have focused on high-traffic areas, such as Southbank and the Main Road school entrance, following feedback from residents. Additionally, the PCSO has worked with Cheshire East Parking Enforcement Officers around the Crewe Alex Soccer Centre to develop long-term plans to alleviate parking issues in the area.

Community engagement has been a priority, with PCSO Walley visiting **Shavington Primary School** to talk with students about safety and community awareness. They have also attended **local toddler groups** and frequently drop by **St. Mark's Café** on Fridays whenever possible. These visits allow the PCSO to connect with residents of all ages, fostering strong community relationships.

In addition, drop-in clinics at the local Co-op have provided residents with a direct opportunity to speak with officers and share any concerns or suggestions. If you're unable to attend in person, remember there's a post box outside the village hall where you can leave notes or report non-emergency concerns. You can also reach out by dialing 101 for any non-emergency situations.



PCSO Walley is also encouraging residents to participate in the **Community Speedwatch** program, which allows community members to volunteer in monitoring vehicle speeds to promote safer driving. Interested residents can drop a note with their details in the village hall post box.

Lastly, don't miss out on **Residents' Voice**, a platform that ensures your input is heard in local policing decisions. Learn more about how to get involved at <https://orlo.uk/VYbna>

**Thank you for your ongoing support in making Shavington-cum-Gresty a safer and more connected community!**

This report is a general overview of what we have been doing these months and gives crime prevention advice.

To keep residents informed we have a data log of the incidents dealt with over each month:

| Incident                             | Aug '24                                    | Sep '24                                       | Oct '24     |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|-------------|
| Assault                              | 0  | 2   | 1           |
| Neighbour Dispute                    | 2  | 3   | 3           |
| Theft/Burglary                       | 3  | 3   | 2           |
| Road Traffic Offences/<br>Collisions | 9  | 4   | 5           |
| Criminal Damage                      | 2  | 1   | 3           |
| Suspicious Activities                | 0  | 2   | 1           |
| Anti-Social Behaviour                | 0  | 0   | 1           |
| Other                                | Fly Tipping: 1<br>e-Scooter: 1<br>Arson: 1 | Drugs: 1<br>Drink Driving: 2<br>Harassment: 1 | Hoax 999: 1 |

**If you need to get in touch with the PCSO you can contact them by ringing 101 (this is the number for non-emergencies). You can also leave a message for them in the post-box outside Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall or you can be involved in the online Police Surgeries (details and dates for this are posted on the Facebook page Shavington, Rope, Willaston and Wistaston Police @ShavRopeWillWistPol)**

Please note: our detailed report goes out to each Parish Council meeting, and you can find it on the Meeting Agenda Pack published on [www.shavingtononline.co.uk](http://www.shavingtononline.co.uk)

We continue to respond to requests from residents.



# SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY VILLAGE HALL

## Community Access Program

The Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council is excited to announce the Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall Community Access Program, dedicated to supporting local community groups and not-for-profit organisations. This initiative aims to foster community engagement by providing free access to the village hall for eligible groups.

### Free use of Village Hall for Community Group

Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall Community Access Program offers free use of the village hall to eligible groups. Running on a trial basis from **1 September 2024 to 31 March 2025**, this program provides a valuable opportunity for community activities and events.

#### Eligibility Criteria

The program is open to:

- Community groups based in Shavington-cum-Gresty
- Not-for-profit organisations serving the residents of Shavington-cum-Gresty

#### Access Regulation

- **Session Limit:** Each eligible group can access the village hall for up to two sessions during the trial period.
- **Time Slot:** Sessions are limited to Sunday afternoons to ensure the availability of the hall for other users and existing reservations.
- **Booking Management:** The Booking Volunteers will oversee the booking process to ensure fair and orderly access.

Community groups are encouraged to make the most of this fantastic opportunity to engage with the Shavington-cum-Gresty community! Apply now and bring your events and activities to life in our welcoming village hall. For more information and to download the application form, visit [www.shavingtononline.co.uk](http://www.shavingtononline.co.uk). Or contact the Clerk by email [clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk), or by phone on 01270 42 11 25.

**Let's build a stronger community together!**



## Updated 1914-1918 Roll of Honour: A New Parish Memorial

The Roll of Honour is located in the Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall memorial garden, standing as a symbol of the village's gratitude and respect. Historically, the Roll of Honour stood as the only main village memorial in the Crewe and Nantwich area dedicated to school members, meaning that Shavington-cum-Gresty has long lacked a dedicated Parish war memorial. Thanks to the dedicated research of local historian Mark Potts, we are proud to announce an updated Roll of Honour that now serves as a Village Memorial.

This update adds the names of four local heroes—Charles Baker, James Gresty, William Hughes, and Charles King—who made the ultimate sacrifice. Additionally, several corrections have been made to the original 1914-1918 Roll of Honour to ensure accuracy and respect for their memory.

The revised Roll reflects a more complete history of Shavington's contributions, preserving the legacy, of those from our community who served, for generations to come.

# REMEMBRANCE 2024



On November 10, 2024, Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council, St. Mark's Church and Shavington Methodist Church joined together to lead the annual parish Remembrance Sunday service. A large crowd of almost 300 gathered outdoors at the war memorial, while those preferring to watch from home were able to do so via live streaming.

The service began with an opening address by Councillor Benjamin Gibbs, Chairman of Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council, who introduced the first hymn. Following the hymn, Rev. Sarah Butcher of Shavington Methodist Church and Rev. Rachael Griffiths of St. Mark's led the service, introducing representatives from local organizations who contributed throughout:

- Scout leaders Chris Wood and Jen Wilkinson organised the parade of Veterans, 12th South West Cheshire (Shavington) Scouts, Cubs and Beavers, Girl Guides, 2nd Shavington Brownies and community members.
- Councillor Rene Hancock from the Shavington Village Festival Committee led the hymns.
- Amy Brock, Deputy Headteacher at Shavington Primary School, recited the poem "The Inquisitive Mind of a Child."
- Cheshire East Councillor Linda Buchanan read "Flanders Fields."

Wreaths were laid by representatives from Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council, Cheshire East Council, The Royal British Legion, Ton Class Association, Cheshire Police, Scouts, Cubs & Beavers, Brownies, Shavington Academy, Shavington Primary School, St. Mark's Church, Shavington Village Festival Committee, Hickory's Smokehouse and Alexandra Mill Care Home.

John Clark from Shavington Academy played the Last Post, after which the congregation observed a two-minute silence. The village came together to sing the National Anthem, uniting in remembrance. The live streaming was well-received, allowing many to join in the service remotely.

After the service, refreshments were kindly served by members of the WI, providing a warm conclusion to a respectful and heartfelt community gathering.







## Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Wellbeing Wednesday & Monthly Events

*with Flourish Fund Support*

Thanks to funding from Cheshire East Council's Flourish Fund, Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council continues to offer free weekly and monthly wellbeing activities that promote fitness, social connections, and community spirit.

### Monthly Community Sessions - third Wednesday evening of each month

Monthly Evening Wellbeing Events. On the third Wednesday of each month, Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall hosts free evening wellbeing sessions from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, covering a range of engaging topics. Upcoming events include:

**15 January**

#### **Defibrillator Training**

Learn basic CPR and defibrillator skills with One Stop Clinical to boost your emergency response confidence.

**19 February**

#### **Low Impact Fitness**

Start the year with a fun, low-impact fitness session led by AJT Dance to stay active and warm this winter.

**19 March**

#### **Craft Session**

Join Nonna Glass for an inspirational crafting session.

### Weekly Cardio Fitness Sessions every Wednesday

Weekly Wellbeing Wednesday Sessions. Residents are invited to join us every Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 11:30 am at Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall for low-impact, music-based fitness sessions led by AJT Dance, designed for older adults of all abilities. Sessions are free and no booking is required. After the class, participants can enjoy refreshments, fostering both health and social connections.

Stay updated on these activities through our Facebook page, ShavingtonOnline, village noticeboards, or our website at [shavingtononline.co.uk](http://shavingtononline.co.uk). Join us for a healthy and enjoyable start to your Wednesdays and connect with your community!



### Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Awarded Funding to Support Community Wellbeing Initiatives

We are thrilled to announce that Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council has been awarded a total of £6,700 from the Cheshire East Flourish Fund. This funding will help sustain and expand two key community initiatives aimed at enhancing residents' wellbeing and enjoyment of our Parish.

The Parish Council has received £4,700 to continue our popular Wellbeing Wednesday Cardio Morning sessions and monthly community events held at Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall. These sessions have provided an invaluable space for residents to come together, stay active, and support one another's health and wellbeing, and we are

delighted to ensure they can continue well into the future.

In addition, we are excited to share that we have been awarded £2,000 to create a new map of walking routes throughout the Parish, in collaboration with local community members Helen Lea and Woodnoth-cum-Shavington WI. This funding will allow us to produce a beautifully printed booklet of detailed walking routes, which will be distributed to every household in the Parish. We hope this project will inspire residents to explore the scenic paths of Shavington-cum-Gresty and discover new areas of our Parish to enjoy.



# Unlock Funding for Your Community Projects with Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Grants

Are you part of a community group or an individual with a project idea that could benefit Shavington-cum-Gresty? Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council is excited to announce the availability of community grants designed to support projects that align with the strategic themes of our 2024-2029 Parish Council Strategy.

## Types of Grants Available

### 1. Micro Grants: Up to £250

Perfect for individuals or informal groups, Micro Grants are available for small-scale projects that make a big impact. Your project must benefit the residents of Shavington-cum-Gresty and fit into one of our strategic themes:

- Building a United Community
- Protecting Our Environment
- Celebrating Our Heritage
- Improving Health and Wellbeing

#### Eligibility:

- Individuals or informal groups of residents
- Projects that directly benefit the Shavington-cum-Gresty community

### 2. Community Grants: Up to £1,000

Ideal for larger projects or established organisations, Community Grants can significantly enhance your initiatives. Match funding is preferred but not essential. Projects must demonstrate a clear benefit to the community and align with our strategic objectives.

#### Eligibility:

- Shavington-cum-Gresty based charities
- Organisations serving local residents
- Clubs, associations, or organisations within the community

### 3. Young Person Scheme: Up to £250

Empowering the next generation, this grant supports projects led by young residents or students. Projects should align with the strategic themes and benefit local schools or the wider community.

#### Eligibility:

- Students from Shavington Primary School or Shavington Academy
- Residents under 18

## Application & Decision Process

Applying for a grant is simple! Complete the relevant application form available on our website. The decision-making process is designed to be quick and straightforward, with responses typically provided within one month.

**Monitoring and Evaluation:** We keep it light-touch! We require a brief summary of your project's outcomes, a few photos if appropriate, and quotes from beneficiaries. Successful projects will be featured in our Community & Engagement Committee updates.

## What We Don't Fund

- Staffing costs
- Retrospective projects or events
- Non-community-focused initiatives

## How to Apply:

Visit our website, [www.shavingtononline.co.uk](http://www.shavingtononline.co.uk), for detailed guidelines and application forms. Contact the Clerk on [clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:clerk@shavingtononline.co.uk) or phone 01270 42 11 25. Stay updated via our Facebook page, ShavingtonOnline, and village noticeboards.

**Take advantage of these funding opportunities to bring your community-enhancing ideas to life! Together, let's build a stronger, healthier, and more united Shavington-cum-Gresty.**



## Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council Awards Community Grants to Local Initiatives

We are pleased to announce that Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council has awarded two community grants to support local projects that make a positive impact within our community. The first grant was awarded to Crewe Alex Soccer in the Community for the purchase of cones to help manage parking, ensuring a smoother and safer experience for attendees. The second grant was awarded to the Shavington Village Festival Committee to fund the road closure for the Village Festival, scheduled for July, allowing the festival to take place safely and enjoyably.

These grants are part of our ongoing commitment to funding projects that align with our strategic themes of building a united community, protecting our environment, celebrating our heritage, and improving health and wellbeing. We continue to receive and welcome applications for our Micro, Community, and Young Person grant schemes. For more details on how to apply and bring your community-enhancing ideas to life, visit our website or contact the Parish Clerk.

## Shavington-cum-Gresty Heritage Group

Join our efforts to preserve our village history!

Wednesday  
11 December  
6:00-8:00pm

We are excited to announce that the Shavington-cum-Gresty Heritage Group held its first meeting in October, with a fantastic turnout and inspiring enthusiasm from the community. Together, we discussed the importance of gathering and preserving local heritage to keep our village's history alive for future generations. The meeting generated many great ideas for future projects and ways to engage residents in exploring our shared past.

Councillor Susan Jones shared insights into the Parish Council's strategic focus on preserving our heritage, emphasizing the council's commitment to safeguarding the rich history of Shavington-cum-Gresty. Local historian, Mark Potts, also offered a fascinating personal perspective, recounting his own family history and connection to the Shavington School Roll of Honour, where his uncle Alfred is proudly remembered.



As our first step, we're calling on you to help build our archive by sharing any historical photographs or documents you may have. Join us at our Drop-In Scanning Session on Wednesday 11 December, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Village Hall. Bring along any photos or documents you would like us to scan and include in our growing collection. There's still time to be part of this exciting project!

# HISTORICAL



## SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY

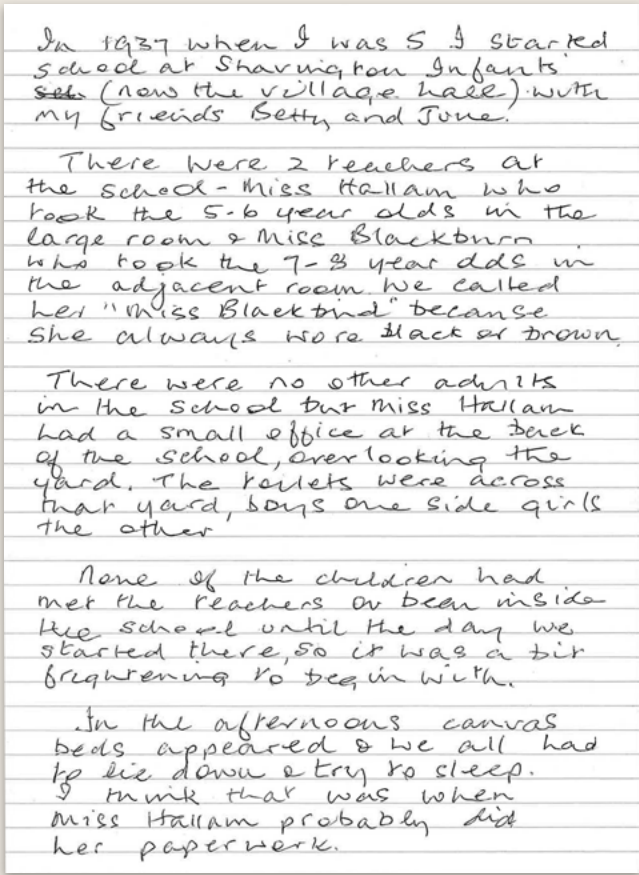
This edition of our newsletter continues our 'Historical Shavington-cum-Gresty' Series, in which we would like to share the history of Shavington-cum-Gresty with the parish.

In this quarter's edition of our newsletter, we are thrilled to share a special piece of local history: a handwritten account by the late Sheila Cheshire, a beloved member of our village. Sheila lived in the village her whole life and was heavily involved in multiple organisations including the WI, Parish Council and Shavington Village Festival Committee. Sheila's reflections take us back to her school days in Shavington in 1937, providing a rare, firsthand look into village life during that era. Her words paint a vivid picture of the classrooms, teachers, and day-to-day experiences that shaped the childhood of many in our community. Through Sheila's eyes, we'll explore how life in Shavington was so different from today—yet, in many ways, so much the same.

We hope you enjoy this heartfelt journey through time.

**We would welcome any images or stories from residents to contribute to this section.**

If you have any information or photographs that you would like to share in our next editions, please email our Community Manager [communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk)



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## Spotlight on... Singers at St Mark's

Singers at St. Mark's (otherwise known as SAS) are a community choir based at St. Mark's church in Shavington.

The choir was founded in 2012 by our original Musical Director, Nicola Moss, and we were joined shortly thereafter by Chris Neufeld who was our accompanist until Nicola left in 2014, when he also became MD. Chris sadly died in 2023 but we now have a new accompanist, Scott Austin.

Although we are not a "church choir" in the traditional sense, we do perform occasionally at special services in St. Mark's church (such as the Carol Service in December). SAS hold concerts periodically at St Mark's and we have also sung in a wide variety of other venues such as the opening of the Cheshire Show, care homes and pubs.

We have an upcoming Christmas concert at 3.00 pm on Saturday 7 December.

The choir comprises all voices from Soprano to Bass; we sing a wide selection of music from religious to (relatively) modern pop and our membership has a range of musical ability.



New members are always welcome - we rehearse most Tuesday evenings in St. Mark's church from 7.30 to 9.00 pm and we do not hold auditions. Rehearsal sessions are relaxed and fun with laughter accompanying song.

Our membership secretary, Elizabeth Davies-Allman would be pleased to provide further information to potential new members.

Tel: 01270 662536

Email: [elizdavies115@btinternet.com](mailto:elizdavies115@btinternet.com)

# Hire

## SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY VILLAGE HALL

for your *Family Event/Party*

### Facilities include:

- Flexible space to fit bouncy castle and party area to eat
- Tables and chairs
- Free Wi-Fi
- Entertainment licence
- Kitchen Area
- Car Park
- Accessible for all

### Book now

Email [villagehall@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:villagehall@shavingtononline.co.uk) or phone **01270 42 11 25** to book the hall.

Visit [shavingtononline.co.uk/village-hall-hire](http://shavingtononline.co.uk/village-hall-hire) for pricing and further information.



'The village hall was perfect for our daughter's birthday party. We had a bouncy castle in the main hall, with tables set out for the party food. In the small room we had the area for our magician so all the children could sit on the carpet to watch him perform - Just perfect'

Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall is available for group bookings.

The hall is suitable for regular meetings and classes as well as family events and parties.

### Cost to Hire

The cost to hire the village hall is from £30 for a 4-hour session.

#### Monday-Friday

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 8.00 am – 12 noon  | £33 |
| 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm  | £33 |
| 6.00 pm – 10.00 pm | £33 |

#### Saturday

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| 9.00 am – 1.00 pm  | £50  |
| 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm  | £50  |
| 7.00 pm – 11.00 pm | £140 |

#### Sunday

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| 9.00 am – 1.00 pm  | £50 |
| 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm  | £50 |
| 7.00 pm – 11.00 pm | £50 |

Prices apply from 1st April 2023.



### Offers Available

- Weekend session £35 for those who live in the Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish (weekend booking only. Excluding Saturday 7.00pm – 11.00pm.)
- 16 weeks consecutive booking block at the cost of 12 weeks for regular users.



**“The Village Hall was an ideal location for our community fair. There was plenty of space for stalls and we welcomed a large number of people through the door. We shall definitely use this venue again.”**

*Local charity group*

**“The Village Hall was an ideal location for our birthday celebrations. A great space with kitchen facilities and ample parking for all our guests.”**

*Louise - village resident*

**“We are a local group that uses the Village Hall for our weekly club. The facilities are great for us and we benefit from the regular user discount.”**

*Paul - community group organiser*



# Winter Walk

Sunday 2 February 2025

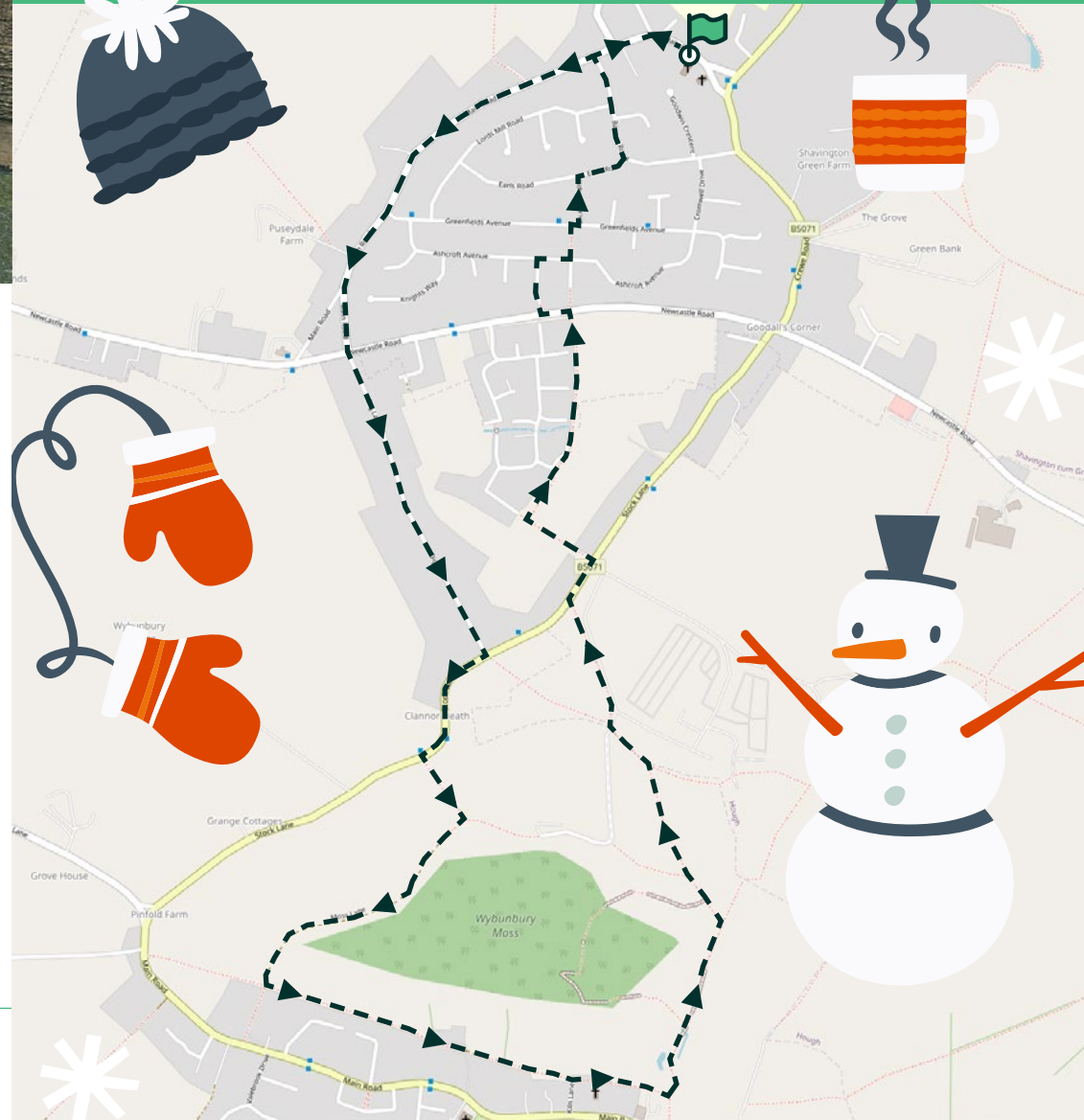
Due to the success of the previous seasonal walks, Helen has kindly agreed to lead a 'Winter Walk' on Sunday 2 February.

Meeting at 1pm in the School car park opposite the Village Hall, the walk is 3.5 miles and will take just over an hour. All community members are invited to join.

On a slightly wet Sunday in early October, meeting outside Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall, Helen Lea led one of our Parish Council newsletter featured walks around the local area.

A number of community members, including a four-legged friend, joined us and it was great to see all ages enjoying the afternoon.

The walk was around 3.75 miles and took approximately one and a half hours, taking people around the Parish and over the Moss at Wybunbury.



# Meet Your Parish Councillors



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## Parish Council Committees

### Parish Council

| Meeting Dates             | What It Does?   | Chair   |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| 4 December 2024 – 7:30 pm | Parish Council is the first level of local government. Its aim is to provide communities with a democratic voice and a structure for taking community action.<br><br>Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council sets the annual budget of the Council, comments on planning applications, establishes committee and working groups, delegates powers to committees, discusses strategic plans for the Parish. | <b>Benjamin Gibbs</b><br>07845 290192<br>BenjaminGibbs@shavingtononline.co.uk |
| 5 February 2025 – 7:30 pm |   |   |
| 5 March 2025 – 7:30 pm    |   |   |
| 2 April 2025 – 7:30 pm    |   |   |
| 7 May 2025 – 7:30 pm      |   |   |

### Community & Engagement Committee

| Meeting Dates           | What It Does?  | Chair   |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| 12 March 2025 – 7:30 pm | Its principal role is to develop and maintain a plan to improve communication between the Parish Council and its residents and to enable greater engagement with the community via this newsletter, website and social media accounts. | <b>Kevin Gibbs</b><br>01270 666786<br>KevinGibbs@shavingtononline.co.uk |

### Environment & Recreation Committee

| Meeting Dates           | What It Does?   | Chair   |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| 26 March 2025 – 7:30 pm | The Committee is responsible for the allotments, Vine Tree Play Area and any other issues relating to the environs of the area. | <b>Katie Cruickshank</b><br>07480 104636<br>KatieCruickshank@shavingtononline.co.uk |

### Staffing Committee

| Meeting Dates | What It Does?  | Chair   |
|---------------|--|---|
| -             | The Committee is responsible for all staffing matters. | <b>Linda Buchanan</b><br>07913 846981<br>LindaBuchanan@shavingtononline.co.uk |

### Village Hall Committee

| Meeting Dates             | What It Does?   | Chair   |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| 22 January 2025 – 7:30 pm | The Committee has a strategic role in managing the Village Hall as an asset to ensure optimum occupancy and income. | <b>Gordon McIntyre</b><br>07726 963584<br>GordonMcIntyre@shavingtononline.co.uk |

## Finance & Strategy Committee

| Meeting Dates              | What It Does?  | Chair   |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| 26 February 2025 – 7:30 pm | The Committee takes a strategic overview of Council operations and ensures that strategy is coordinated across all committees in line with the strategic agenda set by members. The Committee oversees the general operations of the Council in areas such as finance, policy review, budget management, audit, risk management. | <b>Kevin Gibbs</b><br>01270 666786<br>KevinGibbs@shavingtononline.co.uk |

## Planning Committee

| Meeting Dates             | What It Does?   | Chair                                  |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| 4 December 2024 – 7.00 pm | The Committee meets to discuss and review planning applications within the Parish boundaries. | <b>Gordon McIntyre</b><br>07726 963584 |
| 8 January 2025 – 7:00 pm  |   |  |
| 5 February 2025 – 7:00 pm |   | GordonMcIntyre@shavingtononline.co.uk  |
| 5 March 2025 – 7:00 pm    |   |  |
| 2 April 2025 – 7:00 pm    |   |  |
| 7 May 2025 - 7:00 pm      |   |  |

Complaints committee meets only when necessary.

## Committee Memberships

|                    | Full Parish Council | Community Engagement Committee | Finance & Strategy Committee | Environment & Recreation Committee | Staffing Committee | Village Hall Committee | Complaints Committee | Planning Committee |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Cllr L Buchanan    | ●                   |                                |                              |                                    | ●                  |                        | ●                    |                    |
| Cllr K Cruickshank | ●                   | ●                              |                              | ●                                  | ●                  | ●                      |                      |                    |
| Cllr M Ferguson    | ●                   |                                | ●                            | ●                                  |                    |                        |                      | ●                  |
| Cllr B Gibbs       | ●                   | ●                              | ●                            |                                    | ●                  |                        | ●                    |                    |
| Cllr K Gibbs       | ●                   | ●                              | ●                            | ●                                  |                    | ●                      |                      | ●                  |
| Cllr R Hancock     | ●                   |                                |                              |                                    |                    | ●                      |                      |                    |
| Cllr R Jones       | ●                   | ●                              |                              |                                    | ●                  |                        |                      |                    |
| Cllr S Jones       | ●                   | ●                              | ●                            | ●                                  |                    | ●                      |                      |                    |
| Cllr P McHugh      | ●                   | ●                              | ●                            | ●                                  | ●                  |                        | ●                    | ●                  |
| Cllr G McIntyre    | ●                   | ●                              |                              |                                    |                    | ●                      |                      | ●                  |
| Cllr S Randle      | ●                   |                                | ●                            | ●                                  |                    |                        | ●                    |                    |
| Cllr C Wain        | ●                   |                                |                              |                                    |                    |                        | ●                    | ●                  |

● Chair ● Vice Chair ● Member

Parish Council meetings will be held at Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall.

All meeting agendas and minutes can be found online at <https://shavingtononline.co.uk/meetings/>  
A printed copy of meeting agendas will also be placed in the Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council noticeboard opposite Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall.

# Weekly What's On

+ Event suitable for adults \* Event suitable for children

## Monday

### \* Rhythm Time

A fun, developmental music class for children aged 0-5 years.

Time: 10.00 am – Toddler Class  
10.45 am – Baby Class  
11.00 am – Baby Class

Location: Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall  
Contact: Gemma - 07511 208160  
gemma.c@rhythmtime.org

### + AJT Dance: Gentle Stretch & Tone

Gentle stretch & tone class for adults, followed by refreshments.

Time: 10.00 am–11.15 am

Location: Crewe Alexandra Soccer Centre

Contact: Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### + Fit as a Fiddle

Low impact keep fit.

Time: 10.15 am–11.00 am

Location: Shavington Methodist Church Hall

Contact: Lynne Scott - 07738 117566  
cw2pol@aol.com

### \* AJT Dance: Toddler/Preschool Dance & Sing

For children who are walking up to preschool age.

Come and move to the music and meet other children and parents. The class is designed to develop motor skills, help coordination and balance, improve special awareness and to have fun! Followed by refreshments.

Time: 11.15 am–12.00 am

Location: Crewe Alexandra Soccer Centre

Contact: Faye - 07579 022988  
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### + U3a Bridge

A weekly daytime session where people gather to play and enjoy the strategic card game of bridge.

Time: 1.00 pm–3.45 pm

Location: Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

Contact: Enquiries@candnu3a.org.uk

### + Monday Fellowship

This is a faith based meeting that discusses the bible.

Time: 2.00 pm–4.00 pm (Fortnightly)

Location: Shavington Methodist Church Hall

Contact: Averil George - 07908 558358  
sarah.butcher@methodist.org.uk

### + Pilates

Beginners and intermediate level fitness group.

Time: 6.30 pm–7.30 pm

Location: Shavington Methodist Church Hall

Contact: Lynne Scott - 07738 117566  
cw2pol@aol.com

### \* 12th South West Cheshire Scouts

Scouts is a global youth organisation that empowers young people with skills for life through outdoor adventures, community service, and personal development in a supportive, fun environment.

Time: 7.00 pm–8.30 pm

Location: Shavington Scout Hut

Contact: shavingtonscouts.org.uk/Sections/Scouts

### + Knit & Natter

We welcome everybody who wants to share knitting, crochet and other forms of crafting, and of course want to have a good natter. You don't need to do any crafting but are welcome to come along just for the natter. It's a social group!

Time: 7.00 pm–9.00 pm

(Second & fourth Monday of the month)

Location: The Vine Pub

Contact: Ali Peake - 07989 171918

## + Nantwich Bridge Club

Nantwich Bridge Club meets weekly, when Duplicate Bridge is played. The Club is one of the well-established clubs in the Crewe and Nantwich area and is always pleased to welcome new members.

**Time:** 7.00 pm–9.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Janet Furber -

01270 811598 or 07889 128524

## Tuesday

### + AJT Dance: Adult Dancefit

A fitness class incorporating Ballroom and Latin moves, can be taken low or high impact.

**Time:** 1.30 pm–2.15 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* St Mark's Toddlers

A weekly toddler group with play, craft, stories, snacks and songs. Suitable for babies and toddlers.

**Time:** 1.30 pm–3.00 pm (weekly)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Sara Randle

CFW@allsaintsandstmarks.co.uk

### \* GLOW (God Loves Our World)

Story, Craft and games with a focus on Christian faith. An afterschool group for primary aged children.

**Time:** 3.30 pm–5.00 pm (fortnightly in term time)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Sara Randle

CFW@allsaintsandstmarks.co.uk

### \* AJT Dance: Ballet, Tap & Modern (Movement to Music) (Ages 4-5)

**Time:** 4.00 pm–4.45 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* AJT Dance: Ballet, Tap & Modern (Ages 6-8)

**Time:** 4.45 pm–5.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* AJT Drama (Ages 6+)

For children who want to perform on stage, express their emotion and engage their audience!

**Time:** 4.45 pm–5.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* AJT Dance: Musical Theatre (Singing, Dancing & Acting) (Ages 5+)

In this class we look at songs from musicals like Wonka, Matilda, School of Rock, Hairspray, Les Misérables, learning lyrics, dance routines and develop acting skills.

**Time:** 5.30 pm–6.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* Brownies

Brownies is a youth group for girls that encourages fun, friendship, and new skills through activities, adventure, and community involvement.

**Time:** 6.15 pm–7.45 pm (Weekly in term times)

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Madeleine Shackleton

2ndshavingtonbrownies@gmail.com

### + AJT Dance: LAMDA Acting or Musical Theatre

One to one sessions for any age. Build on communication through acting and singing. Improve self-confidence, self-expression and have fun!

**Time:** 6.30 pm–7.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

### + SAS (Singers at St Mark's) Community Choir

A community choir, with no audition required.

**Time:** 7.30 pm–9.00 pm

**Location:** St Mark's Church

**Contact:** Elizabeth Davies-Allman

elizdavies115@btinternet.com

### \* AJT Dance: Boys Only Musical Theatre (Ages 6 +)

In this class we look at songs from musicals like Wonka, Matilda, School of Rock, Hairspray, Les Misérables, learning lyrics, dance routines and develop acting skills.

**Time:** 7.30 pm–8.15 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

ajtevents@gmail.com

## Wednesday

### + Wellbeing Wednesday Cardio

Low-impact, music-based fitness sessions led by AJT Dance, designed for older adults of all abilities. Sessions are free and no booking is required. After the class, participants can enjoy refreshments, fostering both health and social connections.

**Time:** 10.00 am–11.30 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** 01270 42 11 25

Communitymanager@

shavingtononline.co.uk

### + St Mark's Bingo

£5 for 12 games of bingo with tea/coffee and biscuits. All are welcome.

**Time:** 2.00 pm (2nd Wednesday of each month)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Elizabeth Davies-Allman - 01270 662536

elizdavies115@btinternet.com

### + Stepz, Street Dance

Weekly taught dancing session with a range of street dance styles.

**Time:** 4.45 pm–6.15 pm (Weekly)

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Kerry Gillick - 07598 169692

### + \* Boogie Bounce

Exercise to music, for all ages.

**Time:** 6.45 pm–7.45 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Lynne Scott - 07738 117566

cw2pol@aol.com

### \* 12th South West Cheshire Cubs

Cubs is a section of Scouting for young children, offering fun, adventure, and skill-building activities that encourage teamwork, personal growth, and community involvement.

**Time:** 6.30 pm–8.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington Scout Hut

**Contact:** shavingtonscouts.org.uk/Sections/Cubs

### + \* Wellbeing Wednesday Evening Social

Monthly wellbeing activities that promote fitness, social connections, and community spirit.

Look at our program on Facebook, Shavington Online website or on Parish noticeboard.

Activities include art, fitness, craft and social games.

**Time:** 7.00 pm–8.30 pm

(3rd Wednesday of each month)

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** 01270 42 11 25

Communitymanager@

shavingtononline.co.uk

## Thursday

### + AJT Dance: Beginners Adult Contemporary & Musical Theatre

The Contemporary class encourages you to express emotion through movement and breath. Whereas the Musical Theatre class combines dancing, acting and singing and learning a routine to a popular Musical Theatre song.

**Time:** 9.30 am–10.30 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

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### + AJT Dance: Beginners Adult Ballet

A ballet class for adult beginner to learn simple graceful classical movements.

**Time:** 10.30 am–11.15 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988

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### + AJT Dance: Beginners Adult Tap

Learn to tap your feet to the rhythm of the music, working on short routines and dances.

**Time:** 11.15 am–12.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### + Craft & Chatter

A social group who knit, crochet and share ideas on other forms of crafting. Join us for a hot drink and some friendly company.

**Time:** 1.30 pm–3.00 pm

(First & third Thursday of the month)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Margaret Hodgkinson - 01270 841577

### \* AJT Dance: Mini Street Dance (Ages 5-7)

An energetic class for little ones to move to the beat and interpret rhythms.

**Time:** 4.00 pm–4.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* AJT Dance: Street Dance

A high energy class, move to the music and express individually and originality.

**Time:** 4.30 pm–5.15 pm – ages 8-10

5.15 pm–6.00 pm – ages 11+

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### \* AJT Dance: Musical Theatre (Singing, Dancing & Acting) (Ages 6+)

In this class we look at songs from musicals like Wonka, Matilda, School of Rock, Hairspray, Les Misérables, learning lyrics, dance routines and develop acting skills.

**Time:** 6.00 pm–6.45 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
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### \* 12th South West Cheshire Beavers

Beavers is the youngest section in Scouting, where children enjoy fun activities, make friends, and learn new skills through games and outdoor adventures.

**Time:** 6.30 pm–7.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington Scout Hut

**Contact:** shavingtonscouts.org.uk/Sections/Beavers

### + AJT Dance: Beginners Adult Ballet

A ballet class for adult beginner to learn simple graceful classical movements.

**Time:** 6.45 pm–7.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### + Shavington Bridge Club

A weekly evening session where people gather to play and enjoy the strategic card game of bridge.

**Time:** 7.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Secretary - 01270 627019  
biddlehelen@gmail.com

### + Woodnoth cum Shavington WI

A longstanding social group for women of all ages. Members can also join our walking group, diners' group as well as our darts and quiz teams.

**Time:** 7.30 pm (First Thursday of each month)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** 01270 664063 or 01270 651598  
woodnothcumshavingtonwi@gmail.com

### + AJT Dance: Beginners Adult Tap

Learn to tap your feet to the rhythm of the music, working on short routines and dances.

**Time:** 7.30 pm–8.15 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### + St Luke's Hospice Support Group

Shavington St. Luke's Hospice Support Group is a community group dedicated to raising funds and providing support for St. Luke's Hospice, helping to enhance care for those with life-limiting illnesses.

This is done through community activities, talks and social activities.

**Time:** 7.30 pm (Third Thursday of each month)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Elizabeth Davies-Allman - 01270 662536  
elizdavies115@btinternet.com

### + Village Festival Committee

Whether it be an enquiry into participating at our festival, joining our organisation or taking part in our Pantomime! We welcome new members on or off stage, all you need is enthusiasm and the rest will follow!

**Time:** 7.30 pm–9.30 pm

(Second Thursday of the month)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** Angela Snell - 07969 127026

### + AJT Dance: Intermediate Adult Tap

For adults tappers who have some experience and are looking to improve their skills.

**Time:** 8.15 pm–9.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

### + AJT Dance: Intermediate Adult Ballet

For adult ballet dancers who have some experience and are looking to improve their skills.

**Time:** 9.00 pm–9.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
ajtevents@gmail.com

## Friday

### + \* Café @St Mark's

A café for everyone to enjoy.

**Time:** 9.00 am–3.00 pm (weekly)

**Location:** St Mark's Church Hall

**Contact:** 01270 582585  
admin@allsaintsandstmarks.com

### \* Little Mess

Messy play classes, events and birthday parties with a mixture of wet and dry materials, plus a water, play dough AND paint area! It's all about exploring the touch and feel of their world and enjoying sensory experiences in a secure and welcoming environment. Suitable from around 6 months or sitting unaided to 5 years with a craft table available on request for older, paying siblings.

**Time:** 9.45 am–10.45am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Lara - 07882 590197  
eastcheshire@thelittlesensory.co

### \* Street Dance Academy (SDA)

Weekly dance classes in the Village Hall every Friday evening. We teach from 3 years to adults a range of street dance styles including hip hop, breaking, waacking, house and many more. We work towards competitions, shows and exams.

**Time:** 4.15 pm–5.00 pm (ages 3-6)

5.00 pm–6.00 pm (ages 7-11)

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Julie Harris - 07931 451801  
www.streetdanceacademyuk.com

## Saturday

### \* AJT Dance: Preschool Dance & Movement (Ages 3-4)

Come and move to the music and meet other children. The class is designed to develop motor skills, help coordination and balance, improve special awareness and to have fun!

**Time:** 9.00 am–9.45 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
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### \* AJT Dance: Ballet, Tap & Modern (Movement to Music) (Ages 4-5)

**Time:** 9.45 am–10.30 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
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### \* Messy Church

Activity workshops for young children.

**Time:** 10.30 am–12.30 pm  
(First Saturday of each month)

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church Hall

**Contact:** Malcolm crook - m.h.crook@keele.ac.uk

### \* AJT Dance: Ballet, Tap & Modern (Ages 6-8)

**Time:** 10.30 am–11.30 am

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
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### \* AJT Dance: Ballet, Tap & Modern (Ages 9+)

**Time:** 11.30 am–1.00 pm

**Location:** Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall

**Contact:** Faye - 07579 022988  
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If you would like to be included in our Weekly What's On Guide please email our community manager at:

[communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk](mailto:communitymanager@shavingtononline.co.uk)

## Sunday

### +\* Sunday Service

A weekly Sunday worship, with Holy Communion.

The first Sunday of each month, Sunday Celebration family service with breakfast served. All are welcome.

**Time:** 9.30 am–10.15 am

**Location:** St Mark's Church

**Contact:** 01270 582585  
admin@allsaintsandstmarks.com

### +\* Sunday Service

A weekly Sunday worship, with Holy Communion.

All are welcome.

**Time:** 10.30 am–11.30 am (Now weekly)

**Location:** Shavington Methodist Church

**Contact:** sarah.butcher@methodist.org.uk

### + Bingo

Weekly bingo with prizes.

**Time:** 8.30 pm

**Location:** Shavington Club

**Contact:** 01270 569066

# Local Contact Information

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## Ward Councillors

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## Useful Contacts

### Waste



Who should I ring to...

**Report my bin hasn't been collected**

0871 200 2233

**Request a bin or report a damaged or lost bin**

0871 200 2233

**Report fly tipping**

0300 123 5500

### Crime



How do I...

**Contact the PCSO**

101  
**Report a non-urgent crime**

101  
**Report an urgent crime**

999

### Housing



Who do I contact for...

**Planning issues**

0300 123 5500  
**Council tax or housing benefit queries**

0300 123 5013

### Travel



What is the number to find out...

**Bus times**

0871 2002233

**Train times**

0871 2002233

### Street



Who do I report the following to deal with...

**Potholes**

0300 123 5020

**Street lighting issues**

0300 123 5020

**Overgrown hedges**

0300 123 5020

### Schools



What is the contact number for...

**Shavington Primary School**

01270 661527

**Shavington Academy**

01270 260717

### Medical Care



What is the contact number for...

**Rope Green Medical Centre**

01270 275990

**Leighton Hospital**

01270 255141

Join Us for the Unveiling of the updated Parish Textile Map!



**Sunday 26 January**  
Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall  
Drop in from 3.00-6.00 pm

# Carols at Christmas

**SATURDAY 21 DECEMBER: 4pm**

Shavington-cum-Gresty Village Hall



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