

# Lightmoor Village



# Flyer



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## LIGHTMOOR OPEN MORNING

## RESIDENT CONSULTATION FOR HOLYWELL MEADOW

Almost forty residents including family members came to our first village consultation event on Saturday 12th July. The purpose of the morning held at the village office was to seek your views on the first planned amenity area known as the Holy well Meadow. Scott Wilson, consultants to the joint venture were in attendance to listen to your views and explain, using schematic maps, diagrams and photographs what could be possible in that area. The Resident Involvement officer was also on hand to collate views and comments which will be fed into a formal consultation Document and fed back directly to all residents of the village.

Some of the views expressed include a desire for a community orchard and arboretum including seating and quiet spaces. The area is not designated as a children's play area and it became clear that some residents had received conflicting information on that theme. Children's activities were organised by Emma Phillips of the Lightmoor Wildlife Group and their views were also sought. The Gorge Parish Council were in attendance, not only to meet their "parishioners" but also to give a view as community stakeholders on this very important green space. Some of the views included a desire to see native species only planted, a children's planted area and some safety measures around the balancing pool to exclude small children. These measures were requested to be as unobtrusive as possible in order to preserve the uninterrupted views. Any resident who wants to record a view should contact Kath on **01952 504390**



**NEW**

**BVT WEBSITE**

Take a tour of our new look website at [www.bvt.org.uk/shropshire](http://www.bvt.org.uk/shropshire)

Includes resident information, downloads, news, events & MORE

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## RECORDING MEMORIES



Hazel Galt is a mature University student who is currently studying communities and has visited the Bournville Village in Birmingham where she has interviewed and photographed residents there to record their memories and experiences of the Trust. Hazel has visited us once but is returning on 14th August. She would like the opportunity to interview about 5 of you, recording your personal views of living at Lightmoor. She is contrasting old with new and would be most interested to find out why you have been drawn to the Village, and also what is important to you in terms of the new community. If you can give a few minutes of your time please call Kath on 01952 504390 to make an appointment to speak with Hazel.

## ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR VILLAGE RESIDENTS

Bournville Village Trust is considering the idea of offering additional services to village residents. We would like your feedback on services that you would like to see provided in the village.

These services could include grass cutting, general garden maintenance, window cleaning and a whole range of other services, but we want to know what you want, together with an idea of what you would be willing to pay for such services.



Please forward your ideas and comments to our office or E-mail them to us, all contact details can be found on the front page.



### BINS



All properties are provided with various types of bins by the Borough of Telford & Wrekin, for refuse, recycling and garden waste.

Currently a number of residents are storing these bins in the communal courtyards and other areas of the estate.

Can all bins please be stored within the limits of each residents property boundaries, out of view.

Storing the bins out of sight, for example in the garden, ensures a more pleasant and clutter free appearance of the communal areas and the estate as a whole.

### ALTERATION GUIDANCE

More and more of you have been contacting the office to discuss property alterations and additions.

We are pleased that you feel you can come and talk to us about these considerations and would like to commend you for taking time to discuss these matters with the Trust.

Please use the Lightmoor Property Alteration Design Guide as guidance on these issues. For all future alteration proposals, we invite all of you to continue to discuss them with us.

## CAR PARKING

A reminder to all residents and visitors regarding car parking.

In order to utilise space in the courtyard areas and the development as a whole, please be courteous to other residents and road users by ensuring that all vehicles are parked correctly within the designated parking bays or garages only. Each property has been allocated provision for parking at least one vehicle.

Please remember that co-operation and consideration are the keys to good parking practices. We are asking residents to be reasonable and tolerant.



## FIRST RESIDENT TO RECEIVE REDUCED WATER CHARGES

We are pleased to announce that the first resident in the village has now received a reduction in their water charges from Severn Trent, due to the villages' Sustainable Urban Drainage System.

Since our previous Flyer, further discussions with Severn Trent have concluded that village residents are no longer required to complete an application form (as previously requested), the reduction will automatically be applied to your account via the postcodes we have provided Severn Trent.

Please let us know if you do not receive this reduction so we can follow up with Severn Trent.

## WILDLIFE GROUP

The Lightmoor Wildlife group has now held its first meeting at the village office. All of you should have received the first copy of the Lightmoor Wildlife News.

The group is very keen to attract new members and would like to restate that it is a "doing" group and not a talking group. They are very keen to initiate and lead walks around the village that attract all residents including children. They have recently been contacted by the Lawley Green space group who have been very active locally for some time and are willing to join in with the Lightmoor group to help stage green themed events and give advice on how to protect the flora and fauna found locally.

If you want to support their aims you could simply become a "walking" member. Please contact Emma Phillips on **01952 502878**

The photographs reproduced below are from a recent Teddy Bears Picnic staged by the Green Space group locally, This is the sort of event we would like to see in the Village. If you have any ideas or initiatives you would like to see please let us know.



# GREEN

## ISSUES



### HOME COMPOSTING

As well as using your green wheelie bin for recycling green garden waste, you might also like a home composting bin which is provided by the Telford Home Composting Scheme.

A home composting bin helps to reduce the amount of garden waste you produce and, over time, creates a soil improver that can be used to enhance your garden.

They are available in a variety of sizes and styles and make an attractive addition to most gardens. Prices start at £17 including free delivery. To order a bin contact 0845 073 2001. For more information contact the Home Composting helpline 0845 600 0323.

### YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT

Do you know how to measure your carbon footprint as an individual, or as a group?



We are working with Telford and Wrekin Council to reduce our footprint as an Organisation. They have produced a Local Strategy which can be accessed through [www.Telford.gov.uk/climatechange](http://www.Telford.gov.uk/climatechange).

They have also produced an on line tool kit to help you calculate your personal carbon footprint, it can be accessed by logging onto

<http://actonco2.direct.gov.uk>

Act now and find out what you can do to help the environment as an individual and by working with us and the Lightmoor Wildlife Group.

### GREEN CONES TRIAL

Green cones are food waste digesters for the garden. Telford and Wrekin Council are currently running a pilot project and providing 100 cones free of charge to participating households. The Resident Involvement officer would like to trial one of the cones to test their effectiveness and identify any possible issues before making any recommendations to the Village Estate Management Committee in September.

