

October 2021 Newsletter

Forthcoming Events

October

2 nd	Barn Dance
3 rd	Harvest Festival - 5pm
7 th	Parish Council Meeting
7 th	RBL Club Quiz Night
9 th	Muve-On at RBL Club
13 th	Mobile Library - 9.15 - 9.35am
12 th	Baginton Walkers
18 th	Copy Date for November Newsletter
21 st	RBL Club Quiz Night
29 th	Film Night - 23 Walks
31 st	Halloween at Bagot's Castle

November

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4 th	Parish Council Meeting
7 th	Village Service

Information on local attractions, services and events
can also be found on the Baginton village website at
www.baginton-village.org.uk

Regular Village Activities

Yoga for the Young at Heart (over 60's & everybody welcome): Village Hall Monday 10am - 11.30am. Contact Maureen 07507 636623

Kaisho Karate: Village Hall Monday from 5.30pm, Tues/Wed from 5.30 & 6.30pm, Friday from 5.30, 6.30 and 7.30pm

Contact: Jane Hemmings 07581 126279 or email janebooth1@hotmail.com

Baginton Gardeners: generally a Monday every other month 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Contact: Robert & Anne Taylor 024 7630 1104

Baginton Dog's Club: Village Hall Monday from 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Contact: Dawn Richardson 024 7630 2667

Art Group: Village Hall – Tuesday 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Contact: Avril 07837 785921

Children's Swimming Club: Tuesday 6.00pm @ Kenilworth Pool

Contact: Tom Duckham email tomduckham@hotmail.com

Baginton Ladies Friendship Circle: first Tuesday every other month 7.30pm

Contact: Dawn Richardson 024 7630 2667 & Rosemary Sowter 024 7667 3381

Village Hall Committee: second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm

Contact: email baginton.vh@gmail.com

Baginton Walkers: group walk – second Tuesday of each month 9.45am

Contact: Alan & Brenda Brown 024 7630 5509

Card-making Club: Village Hall Wednesday 9.00am – 11.00am

Contact: Olwynne Frankton 024 7641 0268

Dance and Fitness: Village Hall Wednesday 4.00pm – 8.00pm

Contact: Charlotte 07891 565983

Parish Council: Village Hall first Thursday of each month 7.30pm

Contact: Phil Clark 07746 521087 or email bagintonpc@gmail.com

Glo-Babies - Village Hall Friday 1.00pm – 1.40pm.

Contact 07956 355729

Sunpower Yoga - Village Hall Friday 3.30pm - 5.00pm.

Contact Maureen 07507 636623

Church - St John the Baptist: Sunday Service 10.00am

Contact: Reverend David Wintle 024 7630 1283

Churchwardens: Sue Williams 024 7630 7255 & Dawn Richardson 024 76302667

Village Hall, Frances Road

Contact Della Thomas for bookings email baginton.vh@gmail.com

St John the Baptist Church

Services for October

October 3 18 th Sunday after Trinity	5.00pm Harvest Festival
October 10 19 th Sunday after Trinity	10.00am Holy Communion
October 17 20 th Sunday after Trinity	10.00 am Holy Communion
October 24 21 st Sunday after Trinity	10.00 am Holy Communion

Treasurer Needed Urgently!

Your local church desperately needs a treasurer
...please, please can **you** help?

The current treasurer has been in post for many years and is retiring
at the end of December.

There is no one within the congregation who is able to take on the
role, and without a treasurer your local church will not be allowed to
continue.

The current treasurer will be happy to talk through the role, we have
a meeting approx. every 6 weeks
and you do **NOT** need to attend church.

PLEASE think whether **you** could fill this rewarding role and get in
touch!

Sue Williams 76307255



Harvest Barn Dance

to raise funds for
Baginton church

Saturday 2nd October 7.30pm
in the Village Hall

£7.50 to include hot supper
Bring your own drink

😊 Come on.... grab yourself a pardna....

and show us your best dosido 😊

Ring Sue to reserve your tickets 76307255

St. John the Baptist Churchyard

The PCC are aware that some villagers are not happy with the way we try to manage the churchyard.... please will you allow us to try to explain what we are trying to do?

We are bound by the “Coventry Diocesan Rules and Guidelines for the Care and Maintenance of Churchyards”. This states what is and isn’t acceptable in ALL the churchyards, and it states that: -

** artificial flowers are **not** permitted in churchyards except for poppies around Armistice Day and Christmas wreaths (but they should be removed after a couple of months)*

** Vases are not allowed in the cremation area.*

** Chimes and solar lights are not allowed.*

**The churchyard maintenance team may remove flowers from the cremation area when cutting the grass.*

**The PCC have the legal authority to remove any unauthorised or unsightly items from the churchyard.*

These are the rules that we **have** to work within.

Here in Baginton, we have a fabulous team of *volunteers* who work tirelessly to maintain our churchyard to such a high standard and make it a beautiful place for anyone to come and visit, sit and enjoy. The volunteers and the PCC try to show leniency and sensitivity to individuals who tend graves and cremation plots, whilst also trying to stay within our given guidelines.

When mowing round the cremation plots, we will need to remove items to prevent them from being broken or damaged... the volunteers may put all these items together away from the plots and do not have time to replace these. It is not anyone’s intention to offend or upset – we are trying to maintain the churchyard for everyone to enjoy.

I hope that everyone can work together to keep our churchyard the peaceful and beautiful area that we can all enjoy.

Sue Williams (76307255)

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Baginton Bike Ride - August 29th

I am pleased to report that the 5th Baginton Bike Ride was a great success once again, with over 120 riders taking part (the most we have ever had) including some from the village. The Ride, organised by Coventry Olympic Group Sportive better known as C.O.G.S., which is the none competitive section of Team M.I.Racing, raised several £1,000 for Local Charities. It is hoped that the event will be continued again next year. A big thanks to Chris and Gayle at the Baginton Oak, for their assistance.

Banners advertising the event were placed around the village, but some one clearly objected to the event and cut the large one on the Country Park fence down, and it was later placed elsewhere in the village. If anyone has any information who was responsible and why, I would like to know.

Mick Ives.
mickivesbikeking@gmail.com

Baginton Parish Council

Dear Residents,

I hope you are all well.

Gigafactory on the Airport Site

This item was discussed at length at our September meeting. The Council was split on this matter. It was highlighted that the airport was failing and that this prime piece of land would ultimately be used for a different purpose. Whilst the Gigafactory is not our preferred choice, it was highlighted that alternatives may be more disruptive to residents and provide fewer employment opportunities. Several Councillors suggested that a well regulated factory would be a better option for Baginton than a quarry or overspill housing from Coventry. Others highlighted potential health issues associated with a battery factory this close to a populated area. After due consideration, we have objected to the application.

Baginton Bridge

The restoration has been postponed until next Spring. The Environment Agency has intervened as work on the Bridge at this time of year will interrupt breeding and spawning activities. The Bridge will be closed for a short time later this year whilst a trench is dug across the top so engineers can better understand how the Bridge was built, which will help them with the restoration.

Road Closures

Some closures are to accommodate works required for Gateway South, but the majority are for long awaited resurfacing works. All should be advertised in advance. If you want to see current planned closures, try the Current and planned roadworks section of the Warwickshire County Council website at

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/roadworksmap>

Locate Baginton on the map, zoom in and click on the red dots to get details of planned dates and duration of closures.

Rowley Road and Bubbenhall Road Developments

Most of the work is being undertaken by Buckingham Group.

If you have any complaints, queries or observations you wish to raise with them, their contact details are: -

e-mail: gsc@buckinghamgroup.co.uk

24-hour phone line 07817 054346

You might also wish to follow updates on the website set up by the developers, SEGRO. Go to <https://www.segro.com/property-search/estates/united-kingdom/> Then scroll down and select “National” and then “SEGRO Park Coventry Gateway”.

Lucy Price Playground

The team continue to meet with suppliers to discuss options to buy new playground equipment. An order for restoration of some equipment has been placed, and tree work has been completed. Grant applications have been drafted and can be submitted now sufficient quotations have been received. Our playground is well used, but is 20 years old and in need of some improvement. We thank the team for their efforts.

Next Parish Council Meeting: - Thursday 7th October, 7:30pm at the Village Hall.

Phil Clark - Clerk to Baginton Parish Council.

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Proposed South Warwickshire Council

There is a public consultation underway on whether Stratford-on-Avon District Council and Warwick District Council should merge and become one combined new District Council.

The consultation runs until 24th October 2021 and responses will be considered by Councillors when they debate and resolve how best to proceed in December 2021. This is when they decide whether to make a submission to the Government for permission to merge and create a new District Council serving South Warwickshire.

Both Councils face significant financial challenges. The impact of dealing with the pandemic, when combined with the increased costs of delivering existing services, such as waste management, as well as responding to the climate emergency, present a challenge not seen since the Councils were formed in 1974. They believe that merging the Councils will give the new combined District Council a sustainable financial basis for delivering the services we all value without significant cost increases to council taxpayers.

For more information or to share your views on the future of the District Councils, visit the website at <https://www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swc/>

Burns Night Celebration - Save the Date!

Plans are under way to arrange an event to celebrate Burns Night. The village hall has been booked for Saturday 29th January 2022, so save the date and watch this space for more information.

Yoga Classes

There are two more sessions of Sound Bath and Meditation this year on Saturday 16th October and Sunday 21st November from 7pm-8pm. Contact Maureen 07507 636623 if you are interested in attending.

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Film Night

The next film is 23 Walks on 29th October at 7.30pm at the Baginton Royal British Legion Club.

Tickets cost £3 and are available from Baginton Village Stores, The Baginton Oak and the British Legion Club

We hope to see you there.

Baginton Village RBL Club

BT Sport at the Club - watch live all the Champions League matches and selected Premiership matches, Premiership Rugby and Heineken Champions Cup, MotoGP and more.

Club opening hours are to be amended so please check our Facebook page.

England v Andorra 7.45pm Sat 9th October.

England v Hungary 7.45pm Tues 12th October

Quiz Night - Every other Thursday 7th & 21st October 8pm start

Film Night last Friday of every month, 7.30pm start

Live Music. - Muve-On, Saturday 9th October 8.30pm. Playing classic covers, Eagles, Queen

Club Book Exchange - in partnership with Finham Library. There is a large selection of books and jigsaws available at the Club. You can borrow, exchange or purchase. All donations will be shared with the Club refurbish fund and the library. Pop in and have a browse.

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Editorial

If you would like to advertise in the Newsletter, you can email bagintonnews@btinternet.com

Costs are £12 per page per issue or £6 per half page per issue, with 10 issues of the Newsletter a year.

The copy date for the November Newsletter is Monday 18th October. Should you wish to have something included in the newsletter but you are unable to send your contribution electronically, please drop it off at Baginton Village Store FAO Anne or Julie and it can easily be written up. Please note that views expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the editors.

Julie Keightley (7621 0163) and Ann Bush (7630 3515)

Bagot's Castle – October 2021

We are near to the end of our Season for Bagot's Castle and we close our gates to visitors on Sunday 31st October, which is Halloween. Halloween at Bagot's Castle will from 1030 – 1900 hours with last admissions at 1800 hours.

Our normal entry fees will apply on the day which as a reminder is:

Adults:	£5.00
Child:	£2.50 (5-16 years)
Under 5's free	
Concessions:	£2.50 (60 plus)
Historic England Members:	£2.50
Students:	£2.50

Included in the admission charge – each child will receive a Halloween Goodie Bag We will have a Halloween Tombola at £1 a go with a prize every time. Soup will be served at £1 a cup.

We look forward to welcoming you at the castle for Halloween, which will be fun for all.

Again this year, we participated in Heritage Open Days opening free to the public on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the two weeks, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18 & 19 September.

We have had an excellent turn out of visitors this year, with the Rock Choir singing on the plateau alongside the castle ruins. One of our volunteers had a craft stall, which proved popular and demonstrations were given on crocheting and how to make some of the items on sale.

Our bric-a-brac still raised donations for the partial rebuilding of the Summer House, which it is hoped to start work on next spring. Our tombola as always was a great success, with contributions given to us for the Tombola from Irvine Commercial, Buildbase and our volunteers.

Our biggest attraction was our homemade cake stall and the cakes were baked for you by our dedicated Trustees and volunteers.

I would like to thank my Trustees and volunteers who work so very hard to make Heritage Open Days a great success and for all their support, time and effort helping me to achieve what we have at Bagot's Castle today - a place of beauty, peacefulness and history for all to enjoy. Thank you to all of you.

David Hewer, Custodian - Bagot's Castle

Baginton Walkers

The rendezvous point for our next walk, Tuesday 12th October at 9.45am, to be David Grimsey, is the layby on the Leamington Road, Bubbenhall by the Out Nursery, CV8 3BL, returning for at The Oak, Baginton. New walkers welcome and if you need more information, please contact Brenda Brown 76305509.



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Reporting Incidents / Crime

Dial 101 to report non-emergencies. You can also report non-emergency incidents/crime via the Warwickshire Police website <https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/> - select the report tab.

In an emergency and/or if a crime is in progress always dial 999.

Alternatively, call CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555111

Report online

- Non-emergency offences
- Anti-social behaviour
- Identity theft, scams and fraud



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Mobile Library Service

The Mobile unit visits Holly Walk in Baginton each month from 09:15 to 09:35am. We are on the "Kenilworth C" route, which will operate on the following dates: -

13th October, 3rd November, 24th November, 15th December

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Platinum Success for Local Businesses at BBC Gardeners' World!

Two local nurseries scooped a trio of awards at the BBC Gardeners' World 2021 at the NEC in August. Neil and Cath Kenney of Larchfield Trees and David Cheshire of David Cheshire Nurseries Ltd were presented with a Platinum Award and the prestigious Geoff Hamilton Best in Show award for their outstanding display. David Cheshire was also delighted to receive the Plant of the Year award for his *Taxus cuspidate* Niwaki. The awards were presented by David Hurron, Associate Editor for BBC Gardeners' World Magazine.



Neil Kenney of Larchfield Trees said: "We've waited 25 years for this award after being pipped to the post at previous shows. We are absolutely delighted that all our hard work and achievements have been recognised. After this show and Chelsea, we are retiring, so we are very pleased to finish on such a high. We spotted Dave's Niwaki at his nursery in Baginton, Coventry, and we knew it would open up our display - and it really has made all the difference. Dave has helped us with three shows and, at his third, he's picked up an award! We waited 25 years!"

Since the pandemic, David has started working closely with Neil and Cath Kenney and now stocks Japanese Maples from Larchfield Trees at his nursery, which is situated in Russells Garden Centre, Baginton, making the beautiful trees more accessible to the public. In fact, David is proud to say that Neil and Cath have agreed for him to continue exhibiting at shows under the Larchfield Trees name.

<https://www.davidcheshirebonsai.co.uk/>

<https://larchfieldtrees.co.uk/>

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Warwickshire County Council – Council Plan Consultation

Warwickshire County Council (WCC) has a five-year Council Plan that tells people what they want to do to make Warwickshire a great place to live or work in. They need to look at the plan again because the COVID-19 pandemic has caused so many changes for people and organisations and want to know what you think of their proposals

The Council Plan public engagement survey went live on 18th September 2021 and can be found on the WCC website at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ask

The survey is open to anyone who lives, works or studies in Warwickshire and feedback will be used to help inform the development of a refreshed Council Plan.

While WCC want to encourage as much participation as possible through the online route, paper copies are available through their library network and can be requested on 01926 410410, by emailing askwarwickshire@warwickshire.gov.uk or by writing to Warwickshire County Council - Council Plan, Shire Hall, Market Place, Warwick, CV34 4RL

The survey closes on 17th October 2021.

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Baginton Gardeners

David Cheshire Bonsai. Many congratulations to David and his team on winning a Platinum Award at the recent Gardeners' World event at the NEC for their wonderful display.

Many Thanks to Luciole of Mill Piece Gardens, Bubbenhall for donating seeds to BG's which were sold to raise funds and to Brenda for selling them.

September Meeting. I will report on Darren Rudge's thoughts on tea bags, bras and tights in the garden in the November Newsletter.

November Meeting. This is our bi-annual Gardeners Question Time. We are currently lining up an expert panel so will members please submit any questions they have to Anne (e-mail below) to give the panel a heads up on at least some of the topics. It is always useful if the question is supported by a photo.

Annual Christmas Dinner. We have not decided whether we should go ahead with this event this year because of the uncertainty around the health situation this winter.

2021 Membership. Membership remains at £10 for the year. At time of writing, we have 44 members which is the highest number we've had since we started in 2012. A membership card entitles you to 10% off qualifying gardening purchases at all the Baginton retail nurseries. Present your card at the till and the staff will advise on which items qualify.

We meet at the British Legion in Kimberley Road at 7.30pm.

2021 Programme

Date	Speaker	Topic
22 nd Nov	Panel TBA	Baginton Gardeners Question Time

For more information call Anne or Robert Taylor on 02476 301104 or e-mail anne@taylorhousehold.f9.co.uk

Baginton Ladies Friendship Circle

I read very recently that September is "Friendship Month" and our Friendship Circle, I am glad to say, got off to a good start with our first official meeting on 7th September and our evening of "Fun with Antiques". This was very well attended and we all had fun guessing the "worth" of the antiques that our speaker had selected.

On September 15th, members are meeting informally at the "Old Mill" for lunch and we thank Jane Carroll for organising this.

There is no formal meeting in the village hall in October, but we are going to the Botanical Gardens in Birmingham on Tuesday 26th October - something to look forward to. Catterall coaches are responsible for organising this outing and will kindly pick us up from Baginton village at 10am. We shall return late in the afternoon.

The Summer months have gone by so quickly and the mellow months of Autumn are just around the corner. These can be equally enjoyed with different activities and, of course, it is the season for thoughts and preparations for (yes, you've guessed) Christmas.

A warm welcome is extended to all who are thinking of joining our Circle and being part of a group that fosters fun and friendship.

Prue Aubrey

"Have You Seen?"

Twice recently I have seen Black Squirrels in our area, one crossing the road that leads to Stareton by the entrance to the Business Park, the other was crossing the road, nr the top of Oakey Hill, on the Baginton - Bubbenhall road.

I would be interested if anyone can tell me more about the specie.

Mick Ives.