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Oswestry Rural Parish Council

NEWSLETTER

For the Parish of Oswestry Rural

Budget 2021/2022

The Parish Council has agreed the budget for the next fiscal year at £36,244 and the precept at £35,114. This is a 29.81% *decrease* on last year. Due to the devastation caused by COVID-19, and with many people losing income, the Council does not feel it necessary to raise local taxes any more than is necessary. We have funds in reserves should we wish to draw on them, some of which are allocated towards certain projects. Details of the budget can be found on our <u>website</u> along with other financial information.

Council Meetings

As lockdown continues due the COVID-19 pandemic we are still not able to hold face-to-face meetings and we continue to hold virtual meetings using Zoom. Many of you have joined us and we hope you will continue to do so. The Zoom link is on our agendas which are published on our website along with meeting details including supporting documents and minutes of meetings.

Future Council Meetings

The present situation for holding virtual Council meetings is only lawful until May this year. As we have no idea how long the current lockdown will continue we are awaiting guidance as to whether the government will extend current legislation to allow virtual meetings to continue. In the meantime our meetings will be held by Zoom although we will begin to make plans for the commencement of face-to-face meetings and ensure that appropriate risk management is in place.

Local Elections 2021

Local elections are taking place on Thursday 6 May this year. This is an opportunity for you to become a parish councillor. We have published an 'Election Special' which has information on how to become a councillor, what councillors do and details about what services Oswestry Rural Parish Council currently provides.

If you want to represent your local community and make a difference now is your chance to stand for election.



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New Care Facilities

Croesoswallt Care Limited is a new domiciliary care company opening up in Oswestry whose services are mainly aimed at the elderly.



Services include; meal preparation,

companionship calls, shopping and personal care (assistance with washing and bathing, dressing, continence needs, application of creams, prompting and administering medication, maintaining personal hygiene etc.).

They also offer respite and palliative care services as well as support packages for adults with learning disabilities and mental health issues.

Dan Valentine is the Director and Registered manager and he says: "Because of the continuing need for 'OUTSTANDING' care within the local area, I wanted to implement by my own vision and values. Being from Oswestry all my life, I wanted to start a domiciliary care company in the town that reflect a more holistic approach to home care. I don't believe in 'one size fits all' this is why I encourage my team to be highly flexible in their approach to care. I want the most vulnerable in our community to live an independent and fulfilled life, whilst promoting our core values - passion, respect, integrity, diversity."

Walking in Shropshire

The Walking in Shropshire website has hundreds of walks to download and print for free. There are also books of walks, contact details for all the walking groups in the county, and much more. There are walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus with details about suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs so that everyone can find a walk to enjoy. Walking in Shropshire is part of the Walking in England suite of websites so that you can find walks when you are away from home.

Parish Council Meetings

Future meeting dates:

30 March 2021,

27 April 2021,

25 May 2021.

All commence at 7 pm.

Meeting links are on our agendas which are published on our website. You are most welcome to join us.

