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- All opening times given are correct as of 1st July 2024, but please check before travelling or making special arrangements, as opening hours and days may change at short notice.
- It is recommended that you always check with providers that their service or organisation meets your requirements.
- The inclusion of any business, service or organization in this Directory does not imply a recommendation or endorsement.
- Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information provided in this directory, but we do not accept any responsibility or liability for any errors that may have occurred.
- If you discover any mistakes, please contact us at the email address below, so that these can be corrected in future editions.

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Information provided in this directory is intended to provide a guide to local organisations and services available to residents in the parish of Acton Burnell. The information contained is not exhaustive, and the listing of any group, club, organisation, business or establishment should not be taken as an endorsement or recommendation. While every effort has been made to ensure that the information included is accurate, users of this directory should not rely on the information provided and must make their own enquiries, inspections and assessments as to suitability and quality of services.

DEFIBRILLATORS

Defibrillators for public use can be found at:

- **Acton Burnell:** on the side wall of the Post Office
- **Frodesley:** in the telephone kiosk at the Frodesley crossroads
- **Pitchford:** at the village hall, to the left of the main door
- **Ruckley:** on the front wall of Ruckley Home Farm

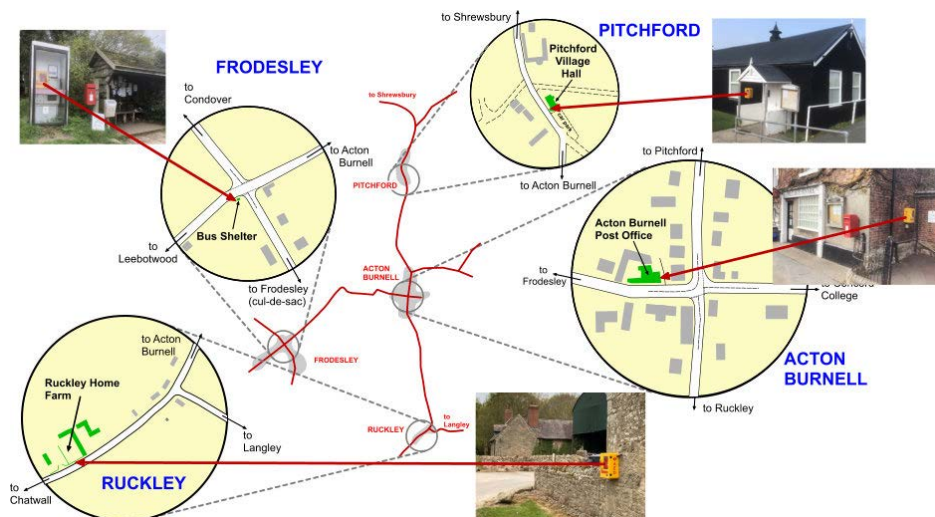
The defibrillator can be used by any member of the public. It can be used if someone is unconscious and you think, or suspect, that they may have had a cardiac arrest or heart attack.

If you think someone has had a heart attack:

1. Before you do anything else - dial **999** to alert the ambulance service.
2. Go immediately to the defibrillator and unlock the cabinet door by entering the code which you will find on the door of the cabinet.
3. Picture guides and verbal instructions will lead you through the process to follow.
4. The defibrillator runs checks on the patient's heart rhythm, and only allows you to go ahead if defibrillation is needed – the defibrillator will not work on someone who is not in cardiac arrest.
5. The defibrillator may also instruct you to carry out CPR (chest compressions). The unit gives clear instructions on how to do this

This information has been provided by the defibrillator suppliers and is meant for guidance only.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, ALWAYS FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED BY THE DEFIBRILLATOR UNIT.



THE PARISH COUNCIL

A QUICK GUIDE

- Covers Acton Burnell (including Acton Pigott), Frodesley, Pitchford, Ruckley & Langley.
- Has a range of responsibilities, including looking after community buildings, street lighting, bus shelters and traffic calming measures.
- Comments on local planning applications to Shropshire Council (but does not make decisions).
- Responsible for producing a 'Community Led Plan' every 3-5 years, which identifies the main areas of concerns of the local community and helps to guide future improvements, developments and financial investment.
- Funded by the County Council (via Council Tax). It also receives annual 'Community Benefit' payments from local solar power farms. This money is used to support local groups and projects.
- Parish Councillors are unpaid. They must either: live in (or within three miles of) the parish; or work there; or own property/land there.
- Councillors serve for 4 years, after which they must stand for re-election. If only one candidate comes forward, then no election takes place. If there are no candidates for a vacancy, then the Parish Council can co-opt someone to fill the place.
- Parish Council meetings take place once every two months. See the Parish Council website (www.actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk) for details of upcoming meetings and minutes of previous meetings.
- Members of the public can attend any Parish Council meeting, but may be asked to leave if the Council is discussing confidential matters.
- To contact the Parish Council, please call or email one of the councillors (contact details are shown on the 'Your Parish Councillors' page).
- To speak on any subject at a PC meeting or to request an item be discussed at one, please email the Parish Clerk, Anna Morris, beforehand, on clerk@actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk or call her on **07842 324809**.
- You can also write to the Parish Council c/o 2 Frodesley House Farm Barns, Frodesley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY5 7HD.

MEET YOUR COUNCILLORS



Paul Harrison Chair of the Parish Council

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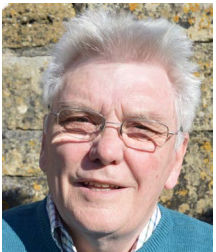
I am a retired mechanical engineer and worked in the oil industry since leaving school in Kidderminster. Following UK and overseas postings we moved to Shropshire in 1992 and set up our own business and smallholding. After a period in France we returned to Shropshire in 2012 and were lucky to find a home in Acton Burnell. Chris and I have two children (son and daughter) and two grandchildren. My interests are wildlife, dog walking, photography and keeping up with current affairs. I am committed to preserving and developing our community and improving the quality of life for local residents.



John Long

johnlong@actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk | 01694 731517

After 25 years travelling the world with the RAF, I moved into business and, finally, set up my own minuscule management consultancy. Jo and I, together with our two daughters, moved to Shropshire over 20 years ago and have no intention of ever moving away. Apart from being on the Parish Council, I also volunteer with the NT at Attingham Park and as a guide at Pitchford Hall.



Gareth Ball

rgball@actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk | 01694 731636

I have lived locally for over 40 years, teaching in Telford and latterly Bridgnorth until retirement. I have always participated in community affairs of all kinds, also serving on a number of governing bodies of local schools including Acton Burnell before its closure. In addition I am a Church Warden at St Mary's Acton Burnell. I feel strongly that we all need to be involved with our communities to ensure a healthy future and I continually seek to promote this principle as a parish councillor.



Carmen Culliss

carmenculliss@actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk | 01694 731679

I have lived in the village of Frodesley for the past 35 years with my husband Stuart and now grown up children (two children and 5 grandchildren). My interests include walking in our beautiful countryside we are lucky to live in and I am also a school governor at Church Stretton school and a trustee of the south Shropshire Academy trust. I enjoy being an active member of our community and supporting our schools and parish council.



Graham Davies

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I was born in Frodesley village in 1950 and have lived and farmed here ever since. Kathryn and I married 40 years ago and have two daughters, Jaci and Clare, who are both married to farmers, and we have four grandchildren. On our farm we have beef cattle and sheep. For many years I have been a churchwarden at St. Mark's Church and together with John Davies Snr. have looked after the Frodesley village borehole supply. I am proud of the history of Frodesley and proud to be a part of it.

MEET YOUR COUNCILLORS



Keith Faulkner

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I have lived at Langley all my life, where we have a mixed farm of arable, beef and sheep. I am married to my wife Jill and we have two children. As well as being a member of the Parish Council I am also Chairman of the West Midlands Area for the Tenant Farmers Association, and believe that if you want to see changes made you need to take part and engage with people.



Alan Hotchkiss

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I have had the pleasure of living in Pitchford for most of my life, I am married with two sons and have been self employed as a Garage Proprietor for thirty years. My interests are motorsports. I raced cars for over twenty years and I am currently competing in classic motorcycle trials. I also throw in the occasional round of golf. I do not waste time worrying about things that are outside of my control but I will endeavour to get involved with all matters arising concerning the stability of Pitchford and surrounding areas.



Tracy Johnson

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It have lived in this area all my life as my family farmed in Pitchford, and when I married Paul in 1993 we made our home here with our two boys. For the past 10 years I have run a holiday letting business here in Pitchford. My main hobby is horse riding, which I compete at British Dressage competitions currently up to Advanced Medium level. I love the countryside and am passionate about ensuring we keep access to it for us all to use.



Robert Morgan

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I have lived at Home Farm, Acton Burnell all my life and my family have farmed at Home Farm for the last 100 years. I am the third generation to see how the village has altered over the years. I have been a part of Acton Burnell Parish Council for a number of years and happy to help. My interest are sports, motorsport and shooting.



SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR FOR WARD OF BURNELL

Dan Morris dan.morris@shropshire.gov.uk | 07902 408400

I live on the family beef farm in Church Pulverbatch with my wife Iona and three children, and have been there for most of my life. I was first elected to Shropshire Council for our ward of Burnell in May 2017 and re-elected in May 2021. My main goal as Shropshire Councillor for Burnell is to ensure that rural communities like ours get their fair share of council funding and services. Outside of farming and being a Councillor, I am a school governor and you can find me either playing cricket or acting as a taxi service for my children!

POLICING AND SAFETY

EMERGENCY SERVICES

For all emergencies, and to report a crime taking place, please call **999**. For non emergencies, please call **101**, or use the 'contact us' form at www.westmercia.police.uk/a/your-area/local-policing-team-contact/contact-your-local-policing-team/

POLICE

Pitchford, Ruckley and Langley, Frodesley and Acton Burnell are covered by the Shrewsbury Rural East Neighbourhood Team. They can be contacted regarding local incidents or concerns by calling **101** or emailing shrewsburyre.snt@westmercia.police.uk.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) works to identify, tackle and solve local issues, including day-to-day crime and anti-social behaviour. The SNT members for the Burnell area are Police Constable Support Office (PCSO) Lynn Birch; PCSO Stuart Roberts; Inspector Nicola Roberts; Inspector Ben Tanfield and Constable Simon Lewis.

PCSO Lynn Birch has particular responsibility for Burnell Parish and can be contacted by phone on **07890 545343**.

The Neighbourhood Matters website (www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk) provides a community messaging service where you can sign up to receive alerts on ongoing incidents, crime alerts and witness appeals. You can also take part in surveys and provide feedback on local initiatives and developments.

Our nearest police station is at Clive Road, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury SY2 5RW, which is open on Monday to Saturday from *8.00am to 6.30pm* and on Sunday from *10.00am to 4.00pm*.

The West Mercia Police website (www.westmercia.police.uk/crime-and-safety) has information leaflets to download on a wide range of issues, from dealing with cold calling and distraction crimes, online safety, and domestic violence to preventing farm theft and poaching. Follow the links to find information to help keep you safe.

USEFUL NUMBERS

To report concerns about a child's safety to Shropshire Council:
0345 678 9021 (0345 678 9040 outside office hours)

To report concerns about a vulnerable adult to Shropshire Council:
0345 678 9044 (0345 678 9040 outside office hours)

For people at risk of homelessness: **0345 678 9005**

To report antisocial behaviour: **0345 678 9020**

Crimestoppers (to report crime anonymously): **0800 555111**

Domestic Violence helpline (24 hours): **0808 2000 247**

HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency services: **999**

Call **999** if you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency. This includes signs of a heart attack or stroke, loss of consciousness, sudden confusion, a suicide attempt, severe breathing difficulties or choking, heavy bleeding that cannot be stopped, injuries as a result of a serious accident or assault, a prolonged seizure (or fit), severe burns or scalds, or a severe allergic reaction. If you are experiencing any of these you can also choose to go direct to the Accident and Emergency Department of your nearest hospital if you can do so safely and quickly. A&E departments can be found at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford.

For urgent medical concerns which cannot wait until you can contact your own GP, call **111** or go to **111.nhs.uk**. You will receive advice on what action you need to take for your symptoms, injury or dental problem. If they decide you need to go to A&E, an ambulance will be called for you.

Urgent Treatment Centres can also help with things like broken bones, abdominal pain, severe headaches, painful infections and also high temperatures in children. Urgent Treatment Centres are available at both the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and the Princess Royal Hospital, and are open from *9.00am to 9.00pm*. Appointments at these centres are made via a referral from the 111 service or by a GP.

Minor Injury Centres can help deal with things like animal bites, cuts, minor burns and scalds, bruises and sprains, and some broken bones. These is a walk-in service and you do not need to be referred or have an appointment. The service is available at Bridgnorth Community Hospital (**01746 762641**) from *8.00am to 9.30pm*, and at Ludlow Community Hospital (**01584 872201**) from *8.00am to 8.00pm*, but please note that these centres do not have an x-ray service at weekends.

Pharmacies can also be consulted for issues including headaches, stomach upsets, bites and stings, coughs and colds, flu and cystitis. Many pharmacists can also help with the morning after pill, pregnancy tests and needle exchanges.

LOCAL MEDICAL PRACTICES

Local medical practices all request that patients always telephone or use their on-line Patient Access system to make an appointment. Practices also now offer an 'eConsult' service to enable patients to get non-urgent advice and information from their GP. Details are available on the practice websites.

THE BEECHES MEDICAL PRACTICE (Bayston Hill and Dorrington)

Bayston Hill Surgery

1 Beeches Road, Bayston Hill, Shrewsbury SY3 0PF

Telephone: **01743 874565**

Website: www.thebeechesmedicalpractice.co.uk

Opening times: Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6.00pm

Dorrington Surgery

The Maitlands, Dorrington, Shrewsbury SY5 7LD

Telephone: **01743 874565**

Website: www.thebeechesmedicalpractice.co.uk

Opening times: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8.30am to 1.00pm

Wednesday 8.30am to 1.00pm and 2.00pm to 6.00pm

MUCH WENLOCK MEDICAL PRACTICE (Much Wenlock and Cressage)

Much Wenlock Surgery

Kingsway Lodge, King Street, Much Wenlock TF13 6BL

Telephone: **01952 726011**

Website: www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk

Opening times: Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6.00pm

Cressage Surgery

Clifton Lodge, Sheinton Road, Cressage SY5 6DH

Telephone: **01952 726011**

Website: www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk

Opening times: Monday to Friday 08.30am to 12.30pm and 2.00pm to 6.00pm

CHURCH STRETTON MEDICAL PRACTICE

Easthope Road, Church Stretton SY6 6BL

Telephone: **01694 722127**

Website: www.churchstrettonmedicalpractice.co.uk

Opening times: Monday to Friday 8.30am to 1.00pm and 2.00pm to 6.00pm

LOCAL HOSPITALS

VISITING PATIENTS IN SHREWSBURY AND TELFORD HOSPITALS

From January 2023, patients at both hospitals can have two visitors between the hours of 11.30am and 8pm, but visitors must confirm their visit with the ward beforehand.

Go to www.sath.nhs.uk/wards-services/az-wards/ to find contact details for individual wards. Special arrangements are in place for the children's ward, maternity ward and for patients receiving end of life care, or requiring support. Please see www.sath.nhs.uk/patients-visitors/visiting-a-patient/ for more information.

ROYAL SHREWSBURY HOSPITAL

Mytton Oak Rd, Shrewsbury, SY3 8XQ | **01743 261000** | www.sath.nhs.uk

Bus routes from Shrewsbury Bus Station

No. 74 Shrewsbury-Ford

No. 553 Shrewsbury-Bishop's Castle via Hanwood

No. 558 Shrewsbury-Montgomery via Chirbury, Worthen and Yockleton

No. X75 Shrewsbury-Rhayadar via Ford

Travelling by car

The Royal Shrewsbury Hospital is conveniently located near the A5-B4386 junction on the west of Shrewsbury. From this roundabout follow signs to Shrewsbury and the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. The hospital is located 0.8 miles ahead on your left via a small roundabout.

THE PRINCESS ROYAL HOSPITAL

Apley Castle, Apley, Telford TF1 6TF | **01952 641222** | www.sath.nhs.uk

Public transport

No. X5 Ten return journeys per day between Shrewsbury Bus Station and Telford Bus Station taking 30 minutes.

No. 15 Telford to Arleston and No. 16 Telford to High Ercall both stop at The Princess Royal.

Travelling by car

The hospital is signposted from the A5223.

Car parking charges apply at both hospitals. The first 20 minutes is free; up to 2 hours will cost £3.50; up to 3 hours £4.50; up to 4 hours £5.50; up to 5 hours £6.50; and up to 24 hours £8.50. Payment can be made by cash or credit card, or online on the day of the visit at www.groupnexus.co.uk/shrewsbury-parking-payment.

Concessions are available for patients receiving frequent or long term care, and parking is free for patients receiving renal dialysis, receiving treatment in the O'Connor Oncology Unit, for people visiting in connection with a bereavement and for parents of children staying in hospital overnight. Registered disabled persons with a blue badge may park for free but you need to report to the Car Park Attendants who will register your vehicle details on their system.

If you need to unexpectedly leave your car for more than 24 hours, please speak to a member of staff to avoid additional charges.

RUBBISH COLLECTION AND RECYCLING

Kerbside collection is on Fridays (there may be a change of day around bank holidays). General household rubbish (darker coloured or grey wheelie bin) is collected once a fortnight and recycling boxes and garden waste (green bins) are collected on alternate fortnights.

Go to www.shropshire.gov.uk/recycling-and-rubbish/when-is-my-bin-collected/ to find a collection calendar.

Cans, plastics and glass can all be placed in one box, and cardboard and paper placed in the blue bag. Garden and food waste (including fruit, veg peelings, coffee grounds, tea bags and meat, fish and cheese waste) should be placed in the green wheelie bin. Batteries can be placed in a clear plastic bag and put out next to your recycling boxes on recycling day.

The darker coloured or grey wheelie bin is for all items not included above and for all items which cannot be recycled.

Additional or replacement bins and blue cardboard bags can be obtained by calling **0345 678 9007**.

Larger items or items not included in the list above (such as unused paint, oils, metal waste etc) can be taken to Shrewsbury Household Recycling Centre Vanguard Way, Battlefield Enterprise Park, Shrewsbury SY1 3TG. The centre is open daily (except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day) from *9.00am to 5.00pm*. It is open to all householders, but if you are visiting the site with a pick-up truck, van or trailer, you may need to apply for a permit. Bulky items can be collected for a fee by telephoning **0345 678 9007**.

Some items (such as furniture) can be donated to a local recycling charity or scheme. Please note that since Covid there may be limitations on what can be accepted, and you may need to book an appointment before dropping off any items. Please call the charity or scheme to check in advance.

Some local schemes include:

Home Essentials (Shrewsbury Furniture Scheme): **01743 246688**
or email furniturescheme@outlook.com

British Heart Foundation: **08082 500030**

www.bhf.org.uk/shop/donating-goods/book-furniture-collection-near-me

Wrekin Reviive: **01743 588458** | www.reviive.co.uk

Severn Hospice: **01743 211092**

www.severnhospice.org.uk/support-us/our-shops/furniture-store/

Other charities may also be prepared to collect your good quality used items – please contact them direct to enquire.

You can also use the Freecycle and Freegle websites, and the Trash Nothing app to offer items free to local people or to find re-used things you need:

Freecycle: <https://groups.freecycle.org/group/ShrewsburyUK>

Freegle: www.ilovefreegle.org

BUS ROUTES AND TIMES

Please note that these are subject to change, so if in doubt, please check before travelling by calling the service provider, Lakeside of Ellesmere, on **01743 297029** or emailing mailbox@lakesidecoaches.co.uk. The bus route serving our villages is the 540.

WEEKDAY BUSES (term time only)

Cardington to Shrewsbury

Calling at:	Frodesley (opposite crossroads)	8.05am
	Acton Burnell (near Post Office)	8.09am
	Pitchford (opposite the Old Rectory)	8.12am
	Cantlop (opposite the crossroads)	8.15am
	Arrives at Shrewsbury Bus Station	8.35am

Shrewsbury to Cardington:

Leaves Shrewsbury Bus Station (Stand N)	4.30pm	
Calls at:	Cantlop (opposite the crossroads)	4.51pm
	Pitchford (opposite the Old Rectory)	4.55pm
	Acton Burnell (near Post Office)	4.59pm
	Frodesley (opposite crossroads)	5.03pm

SATURDAY BUSES (no Sunday service)

Wall under Heywood to Shrewsbury:

Calling at:	Frodesley (opposite crossroads)	9.24am
	Acton Burnell (near Post Office)	9.28am
	Pitchford (opposite the Old Rectory)	9.31am
	Cantlop (opposite the crossroads)	9.34am
	Arrives at Shrewsbury Bus Station	9.56am

Shrewsbury to Cardington:

Leaves Shrewsbury Bus Station (Stand N)	12 noon	
Calling at:	Cantlop (opposite the crossroads)	12.24pm
	Pitchford (opposite the Old Rectory)	12.28pm
	Acton Burnell (near Post Office)	12.32pm
	Frodesley (opposite crossroads)	12.36pm
	Arrives Cardington	12.55pm

PLACES OF WORSHIP

This is a guide to some local places of worship and is not exhaustive.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St Mary's, Acton Burnell, Shrewsbury SY5 7PE

St Mark's, Frodesley SY5 7GA

St Michael and All Angels, Pitchford SY5 7DN

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Shrewsbury Cathedral, Town Walls,
Shrewsbury SY1 1UE | **01743 290000**

St Winefride's Church, 187 Crowmere Rd,
Shrewsbury SY2 5LA

Our Lady of Pity Church, 3 Meadow Cl,
Shrewsbury SY1 4PU

St Milburga, Watling St North,
Church Stretton SY6 7AR | **01694 658091**

METHODIST

Belle Vue Methodist Church, Belle Vue Rd,
Shrewsbury SY3 7NL | **01743 260939**

Methodist Centre, Lansdowne Rd,
Bayston Hill SY3 0HZ | **01743 874923**

Methodist Church, Watling St South,
Church Stretton SY6 7BG | **01588 674984**

Methodist Church, King St,
Much Wenlock TF13 6BL | **01952 275844**

BAPTIST

Shrewsbury Baptist Church, Crowmere Rd,
Shrewsbury SY2 5JJ | **01743 232331**

QUAKERS

Quaker Meeting House, Corporation Ln,
Shrewsbury SY1 2NU

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Kingdom Hall, Crowmere Rd,
Shrewsbury SY2 5QZ | **01743 361643**

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

35A Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury SY2 6BL
07825 135143

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS (Mormon)

Mount Pleasant Rd, Shrewsbury SY1 3HX
07800 614469

ISLAM

Shrewsbury Muslim Centre, 2 Preston St,
Shrewsbury SY2 5NY | **01743 296140**

Shropshire Islamic Foundation,
88-90 King St, Wellington, Telford TF1 1NZ
07814 611332

Craven Arms Islamic Centre, Noor House,
Newton St, Craven Arms SY7 9PQ
01588 676319

HINDUISM

Shri Radha Krishna Temple, 20-22 Bank Rd,
Telford TF4 2AZ | **07378 400427**

SIKHISM

Guru Nanak Gurdwara, 1 Hadley Park Rd,
Hadley, Telford TF1 6PW | **01952 411730**

Sangat Parchar Sabha Gurdwara
Community Cohesion Centre,
19a Stafford Rd, Telford TF2 6JN

BUDDHISM

Shrewsbury Triratna Buddhist Centre,
Castlefields, Queen St, Shrewsbury SY1 2JU

JUDAISM

Stoke on Trent Synagogue, 100 London Rd,
Newcastle under Lyme ST5 1LZ
01782 616417

Solihull Synagogue, 3 Monastery Dr,
Solihull B91 1DW | **01217 068736**

LIBRARIES

Library membership is free to anyone who works, lives or studies in Shropshire. You can apply for membership on-line www.shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/join-the-library/ or in person at one of the libraries. You will need to provide proof of your address.

Borrowing books is free, but there is a charge if you do not return your books on time you will have to pay a fine of 25p per day, up to a maximum of £5 per book. There are no charges for overdue children's books or books taken out on a concessionary ticket (available for people who have a disability, including dyslexia, or who is a carer, a Skills For Life student, or housebound).

In addition to books, the library service can offer audiobooks, DVDs, CDs and E-books to borrow. Access is also available to a range of research sources, including family history website, the British Newspaper Archive and Which Online.

There are libraries at the following locations. Please telephone to check for opening times, as these may change, or check on the library website at <https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/find-a-library/>, where you can also find the services offered by individual libraries.

Shrewsbury (Castle Gates)

Telephone: **01743 255308**

Bayston Hill (Lythwood Road)

Telephone: **01743 872412**

Much Wenlock (The Corn Exchange, High Street)

Telephone: **01952 728293**

Church Stretton (Church Street)

Telephone: **01694 722535**

The mobile library van calls at Acton Burnell every other Thursday (on the same week as the recycling bins are collected) and parks across the crossroads from the village shop. It arrives at around *10.35am* and stays for approximately 15 minutes. From Acton Burnell, the van heads to Ruckley Hall Farm. For more information on the mobile library, please call **01743 255924**. Please note that we are on route 11.

PITCHFORD VILLAGE HALL



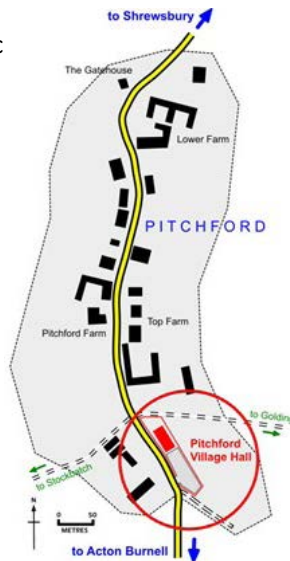
Pitchford Village Hall is a charitable organisation and the only social facility available to all within our parish. Hosting regular events, it is at the centre of our community. Located in the north of our area, it is available for hire for both public and private events.

- The Management Committee organise several events over the year. It hosts a 'Pub night' open to all in our parish and beyond on the second Friday of each month. Starting at 7.30pm we often have outside caterers offering food in addition to a well-stocked bar. This is probably the only regular event which allows everyone living in the area to meet socially and enjoy a cheap drink! It is well-attended and jovial and all are welcome including children and dogs!
- We run regular "Breakfast Butty" mornings on a number of Saturdays throughout the year along with an associated circular walk open to all and starting and ending at the Hall, is popular and very affordable.
- We run a Christmas Fayre held early each December along with other events such as Plant Fayres.
- The Committee also runs a monthly tote to raise funds towards the running costs of the Hall. This costs £12 per year and gives a chance of winning prizes of either £50, £25, £15 or £10 per month. All are welcome to join.

Various other fund-raising and community events also occur throughout the year and these can be viewed on our Facebook page ([pitchfordvillagehall](https://www.facebook.com/pitchfordvillagehall)), our Instagram account ([@pitchfordvillagehall](https://www.instagram.com/pitchfordvillagehall)) or via the Acton Burnell Community Facebook page.

More importantly, it is available to anyone in the area to hire for their own use. Previous 'hires' have included children's parties, birthday parties, wakes, group meetings and other similar uses. Recent renovations have modernised the facility making it a superb location for private occasions. **It is your facility to use!** The costs are very competitive and are all inclusive.

VILLAGE HALL LOCATION



HIRE COSTS

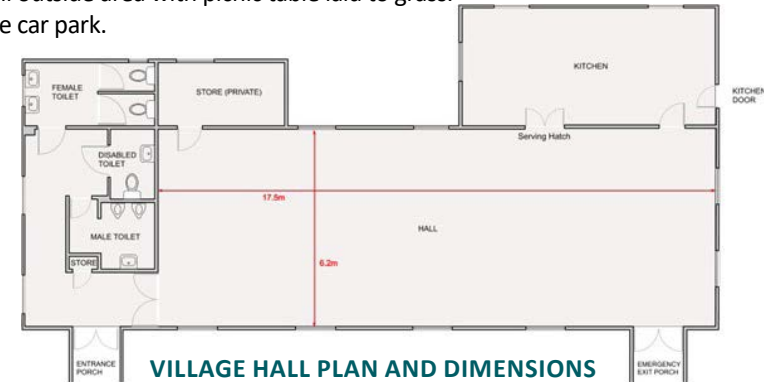
Meetings from £20
Children's parties from £30
Other events from £40

PITCHFORD VILLAGE HALL



FACILITIES:

- Large multi-use hall with tables and chairs, seating up to 100, or up to 150 non-seated.
- Recently upgraded modern kitchen area with cutlery, plates, glasses and cups, cooker, fridge, microwave, dishwasher and hot cabinet.
- New heating system installed 2021.
- Projector and screen with HiFi sound system for laptops allowing photos and videos to be played.
- Bluetooth receiver to allow you to bring and play your own music through our HiFi system.
- Toilets, including disabled facilities.
- Small outside area with picnic table laid to grass.
- Large car park.



VILLAGE HALL PLAN AND DIMENSIONS

Contact details regarding joining the tote, bookings and indeed any other queries, are as follows:

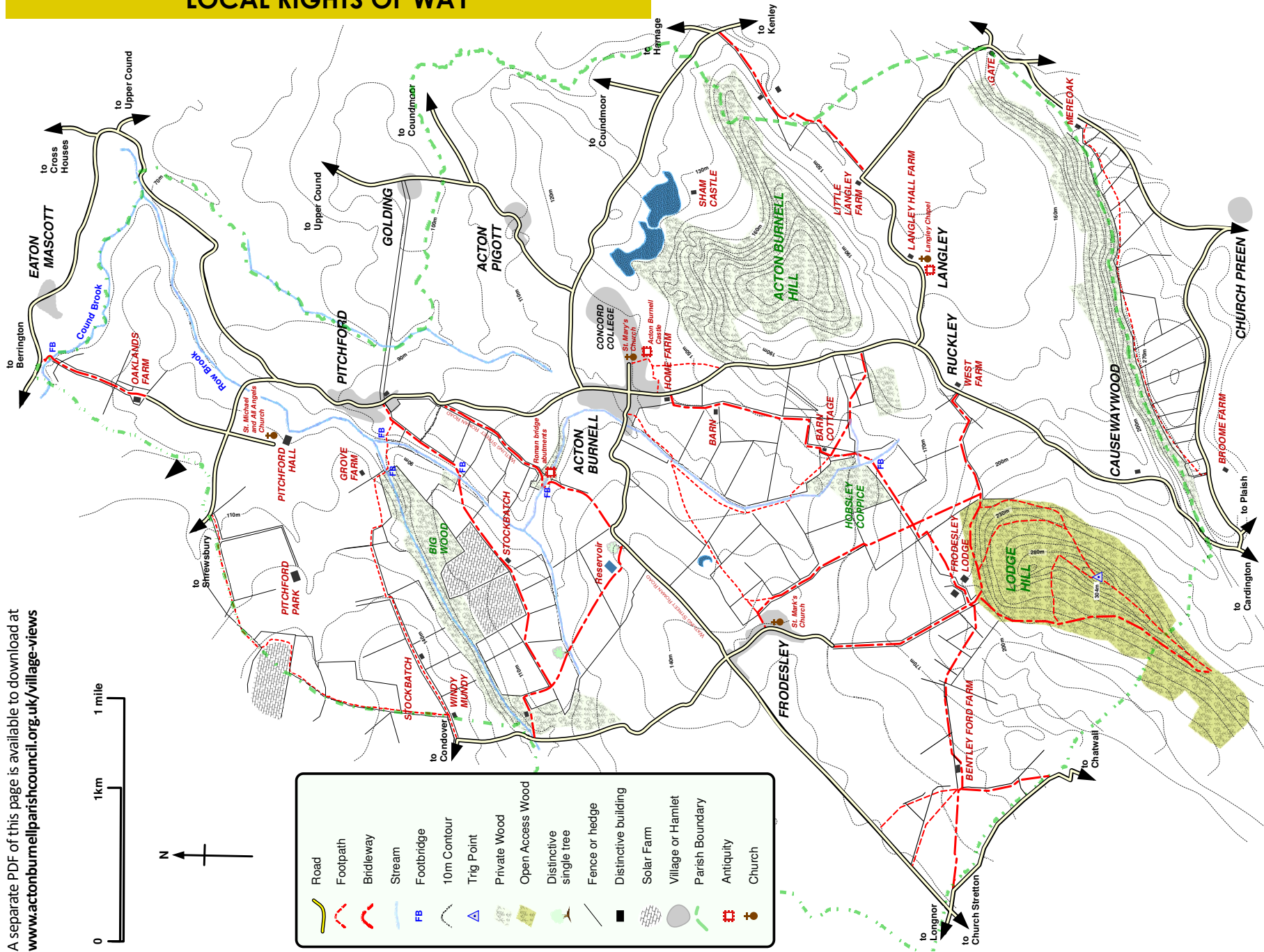
Mike Price (Chairman, Pitchford Village Hall Management Committee):
Email: price622@btinternet.com | mobile: **07740 067955**

Chris Jones (Secretary, Pitchford Village Hall Management Committee):
Email: csjay@btinternet.com | mobile: **07538 744807**

Jeanette Reaney (Tote Organiser, Pitchford Village Hall Management Committee):
Email: jeanettereaney@hotmail.com | mobile: **07971 780963**

While the facility is run by volunteers, we are always looking for new folk to help us by either spreading the load, or by refreshing us with new ideas and innovations. If you can spare a bit of time and wish to contribute to your community, please do contact one of the above for an informal, non-committal chat! We don't bite and are genuinely welcoming and friendly and appreciative of whatever time you can give!

LOCAL RIGHTS OF WAY



	Road
	Footpath
	Bridleway
	Stream
	Footbridge
	10m Contour
	Trig Point
	Private Wood
	Open Access Wood
	Distinctive single tree
	Fence or hedge
	Distinctive building
	Solar Farm
	Village or Hamlet
	Parish Boundary
	Antiquity
	Church

As is the case in many areas in the UK, public rights of way in our area run across private land. As such, we ask that you give due care and attention to this by keeping to the footpaths or tracks, taking any litter home with you, keeping dogs under control around farm animals and leaving any gates which you pass as they were found.

Accessibility of the ground which you walk over is the responsibility of Shropshire Council while the maintenance of the hedges and other boundaries of the paths, allowing good access, are the responsibility of the landowner.

If you find that any of the rights of way coloured red on this map are severely blocked to the point that the route is inaccessible or accessible only with significant difficulty, you are allowed to make a reasonable detour to get around the obstruction. We would also ask that you contact the Acton Burnell Parish Council who will raise the matter with Shropshire Council (details page 5).

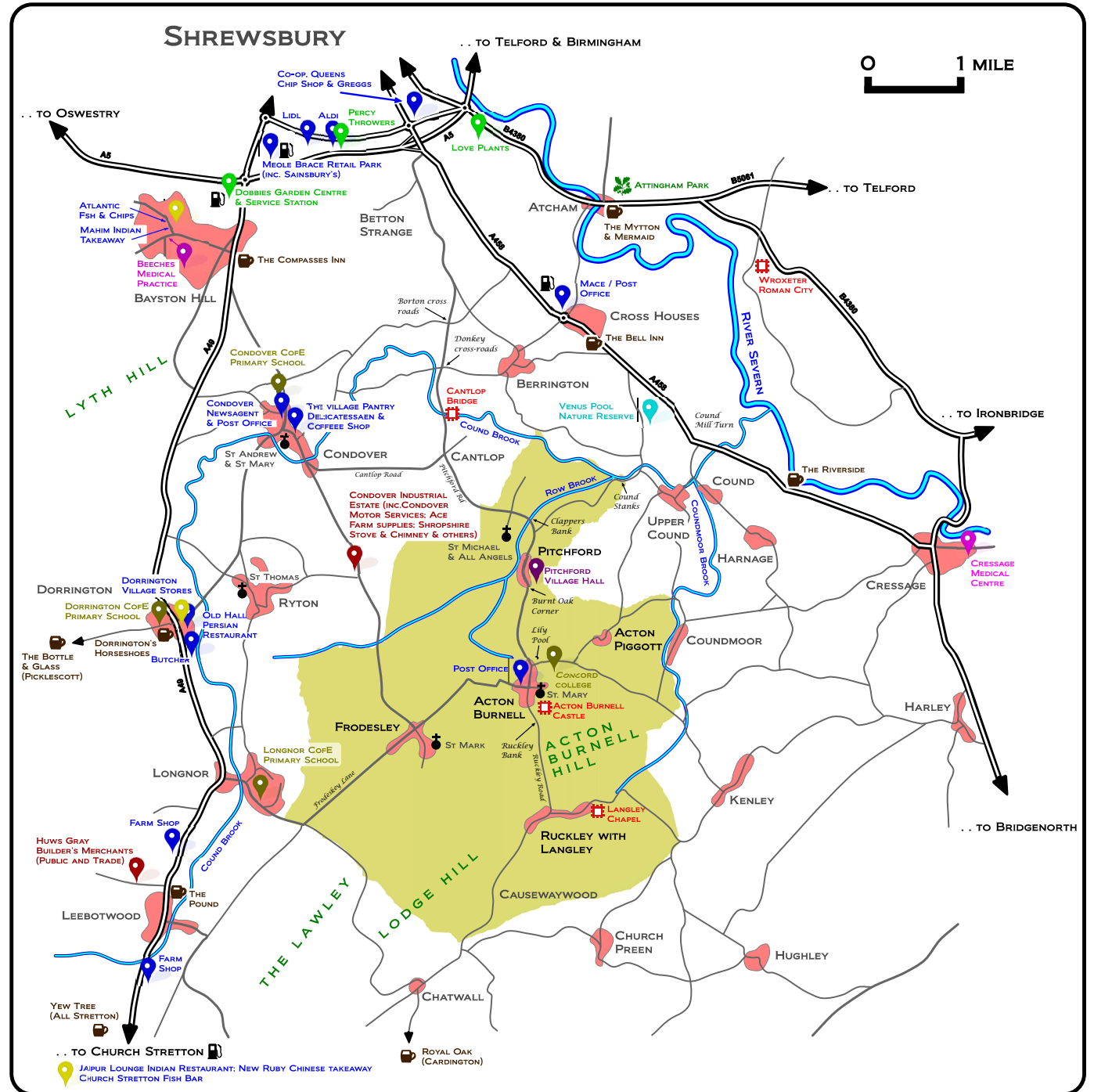
Access to the wonderful countryside in which we are extremely fortunate to live, is a two way process and we must all play our part in respecting our countryside, the people who work in it and the recreational users of it.

PLEASE NOTE: Some footpaths are omitted from this map for clarity and because in some cases, they are unclear to the point of being non-existent. Other features, eg hedges, are only shown near to paths. Where routes pass through e.g. farm buildings, the detail of the farm layout is not shown and users need to negotiate sensibly through these and use more detailed maps such as those produced by the Ordnance Survey. Shropshire Council does provide a DefinitiveMap which is updated regularly and shows the current status of the legal locations of public rights of way.

SERVICES AND FACILITIES IN AND AROUND ACTON BURNELL, FRODESLEY, PITCHFORD, RUCKLEY & LANGLEY PARISH

KEY

-  PUBLIC HOUSE
-  TAKEAWAY FOOD
-  CHURCH (MEMBER OF THE BENEFICE OF CONDOVER)
-  SHOP
-  SCHOOL
-  GARDEN CENTRE
-  OUTDOOR FACILITY
-  OTHER FACILITY
-  MEDICAL
-  PETROL STATION
-  OTHER SERVICES
-  ENGLISH HERITAGE
-  NATIONAL TRUST
-  SETTLEMENT
-  PARISH OF ACTON BURNELL, FRODESLEY, PITCHFORD AND RUCKLEY & LANGLEY



SHOPS AND POST OFFICES

Please note that opening hours and days for some shops and post offices may be subject to change at short notice.

Acton Burnell Stores and Post Office

Opening hours and days may be subject to change at short notice. Please look out for notices on the Acton Burnell Community Facebook page.

Condover Newsagent and Post Office

Monday to Friday: 9.00am to 5.30pm
Saturday and Sunday: Closed all day

Dorrington Village Stores

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 6.30am to 7.30pm
Saturday: 7.30am to 6.00pm
Sunday: 7.30 to 12 noon

Sainsbury's

Meole Brace Retail Park, Hereford Road, Shrewsbury, SY3 9NB
Monday to Friday: 7.00am to 11.00pm
Saturday: 7.00am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 4.00pm

Sainsbury's Local

Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury
Every day: 7.00am to 11.00pm

ASDA

Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury, SY3 7ET
Monday to Saturday: 7.30am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 4.00pm

CO-OP

Wenlock Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6LG
Every day: 7.00am to 10.00pm

LIDL

Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST
Monday to Saturday: 8.00am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 4.00pm

ALDI

Oteley Road, Maxwell Drive, Shrewsbury, SY2 6QZ
Monday to Saturday: 8.00am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 4.00pm

PETROL STATIONS

Thieves Lane (Shell)

Thieves Lane, Shrewsbury SY2 6GF
Open 24 hours every day

Wheatland Services (Shell)

Bridgnorth Road, Much Wenlock TF13 6AG
Open every day: 6.00am to 10.00pm

EG Shrewsbury (Esso)

Hereford Road/A5 (Dobbie's services), Shrewsbury, SY3 ODA
Open 24 hours every day

Sainsbury's

Meole Brace Retail Park, Hereford Rd, Shrewsbury SY3 9NB
Monday to Friday: 5.00am to 11.00pm
Saturday: 5.00am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 7.00am to 10.00pm

Asda

Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury, SY3 7ET
Monday to Saturday: 7.30am to 10.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 4.00pm

PHARMACIES AND CHEMISTS

Please note that some local medical practices are able to dispense prescriptions for their patients – please contact your local surgery for more information. Listed below are the chemist shops and pharmacies nearest to our community. Please telephone the chemists listed to check opening hours.

The NHS website also has a search option to allow you to find details of local pharmacies, including contact details and opening hours. Please go to www.nhs.uk/service-search/pharmacy/find-a-pharmacy

SHREWSBURY

Rowlands Pharmacy

7 Lansdowne Road, Bayston Hill, Shrewsbury SY3 0HT | 01743 872154

Boots Pharmacies

Meole Brace Retail Park, Hereford Rd, Shrewsbury SY3 9NB | 01743 236973

Asda Pharmacy

Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury SY3 7ET
01743 276810

Lunts Pharmacy

1 Hereford Road, Shrewsbury SY3 7QT
01743 351918

MUCH WENLOCK

Wenlock Pharmacy

14 High Street, Much Wenlock TF13 6AA
01952 727253

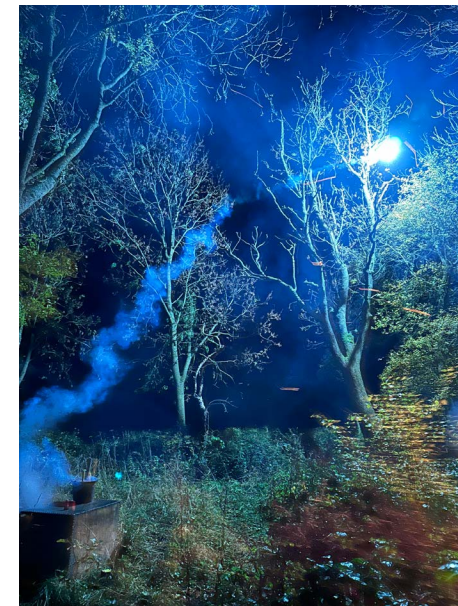
CHURCH STRETTON

Hillside Pharmacy

18 Sandford Avenue, Church Stretton SY6 6BW
01694 722799

Rowlands Pharmacy

40 Sandford Avenue Church Stretton SY6 6BH
01694 722806



Gun Powder Lit Woods Jeanette Reaney

PUBS, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS

The Compasses Inn Bayston Hill
01743 632587
www.facebook.com/compassesinn/

The Mytton and Mermaid Atcham
01743 293600
www.brunningandprice.co.uk/myttonandmermaid

The Bell Inn Cross Houses
Open Tuesday to Saturday and Sunday lunchtime
01743 761264
www.facebook.com/thebellinncrosshouses/

The Riverside Inn Cound
01743 296613
www.chefandbrewer.com/pubs/shropshire/riverside-inn/

The Bottle and Glass Picklescott
Open Wednesday to Sunday
01694 751252
www.bottleandglasspicklescott.co.uk

Horseshoes Dorrington
Closed Mondays
01743 718395
www.dorringtonshorseshoes.co.uk

The Pound Leebotwood
01694 751477
www.thepoundinnpub.co.uk

The Yew Tree All Stretton
01694 328953
www.yewtree-allstretton.co.uk

The Royal Oak Cardington
Closed Mondays
01694 771266
www.at-the-oak.com

Old Hall Persian Restaurant Dorrington
Closed Mondays
01743 719100 | www.oldhallpersian.com

The Fox Inn Ryton
Currently closed, but hoping to re-open as a community venture.

TAKEAWAYS

Included are details of some of the closest takeaway restaurants, but please note that many others are available in Shrewsbury.

Old Hall Persian Restaurant
Dorrington, SY5 7JD
01743 719100 | www.oldhallpersian.com

Tim Tim Chinese Takeaway
33 Monkmoor Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 5AH
01743 357045

Eatwise Chinese Takeaway
119 Longden Coleham, Shrewsbury, SY3 7DU
01743 236966

Shalimar Indian Takeaway
131 Hereford Road, Shrewsbury, SY3 7QZ
01743 231231
www.orbititech.com/shalimar/onlineorder.php

Pizza Hut
Meole Brace Retail Park Shrewsbury, SY3 6NB
01743 231887 | www.pizzahut.co.uk

MacDonald's
Meole Brace Retail Park, Shrewsbury, SY3 6NB
01743 353259 | www.mcdonalds.com

Shire Fryer
3 London Road, Shrewsbury SY2 6NN
01743 641331 | www.theshirefryer.co.uk

Queen's Fish and Chips
Shrewsbury Business Park, Shrewsbury, SY2 6FG
01743 341186
www.queensfishandchips.co.uk

Burger King
A5 Services (Dobbie's), Shrewsbury, SY3 0DA
01743 588020 | www.burgerking.co.uk

Mahim Indian Takeaway
9 Landsdowne Road, Bayston Hill, SY3 0HT
01743 873434
www.mahimindiantakeaway.co.uk

Hong Kong City
10a Hereford Road, Shrewsbury, SY3 0DB
01743 874553

Jaipur Lounge
6 Sandford Ave, Church Stretton, SY6 6BW
01694 724667 | www.jaipurlounge.co.uk

Bilash
14a High Street, Much Wenlock, TF13 6AA
01952 728888
www.www.bilashrestaurant.wordpress.com

VETERINARY PRACTICES

Abbey Veterinary Centre
16 Holywell St., Abbey Foregate,
Shrewsbury SY2 5DB | 01743 232713

Animal Health Centre
105 Longden Road, Shrewsbury SY3 9DZ
01743 369999

Animal Trust Not for Profit Vets
Coleham Head, Shrewsbury SY3 7BJ
01743 296246

Malthouse Surgery
1 Shrewsbury Road,
Church Stretton SY6 6JA | 01743 791246

Market Town Vet
Tilstock Crescent, Shrewsbury SY2 6HW
01743 816288

Medivet Sutton Farm
Unit 5, Maxfield Drive,
Otley Road, Shrewsbury SY2 6QZ
01743 352274

Medivet 24 Hour
2 Longbow Close, Harlescott,
Shrewsbury SY1 3GZ | 01743 403691

Severn Edge Vets
Victoria Road, Much Wenlock TF13 6AH
01952 726007
6 The Square, Church Stretton SY6 6DA
01694 722546

Quarry Vets
Main Surgery, Brassey Road,
Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury SY3 7FA
01743 362556

Vets4Pets (Pets at Home)
Meole Brace Retail Park,
Shrewsbury SY3 9NB
01743 264040

BOARDING KENNELS AND CATTERIES

Lower Mill Boarding Kennels and Cattery
Pontesford
www.lowermillkennels.co.uk
01743 790160

Moorlands Cattery
The Moorlands, Condover SY5 7BS
www.moorlandscattery.co.uk
07932 034341

Netley Boarding Kennels and Cattery
Lower Netley Farm, Dorrington SY5 7JY
01743 718264
www.netleykennelsandcattery.com

LOCAL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

COUND AND DISTRICT CRAFTERS

Meets on the first Monday of each month except for August. The club meets at the Guildhall, Cound at *10.00am* for two hours and the cost is £5.00 per session to include tea/coffee. Try a new craft or share your skills.
Contact Sue on **01743 761355** or sueshedden52@gmail.com for more information.

COUND TENNIS CLUB

Friendly, thriving tennis club with floodlit courts and year-round playing opportunities. Two club sessions a week (on Wednesdays *6.30pm to 9.30pm* and Saturdays *2.00pm to 4.00pm*) plus adult and junior coaching sessions, cardio tennis, and competition matches. More information at <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CoundAndDistrictTennisClub>

DORRINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Hosts a range of clubs and activities throughout the week, including yoga, dance classes for adults and children, badminton, tabletop gardening, short mat bowls, WI, Brownies, Young Farmers and a Youth Club.

Go to www.dorringtonvillagehall.co.uk for more information and contact details for clubs and classes.

RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GIRL GUIDES

Information on local opportunities for membership and volunteering at www.girlguidingshropshire.org.uk

SQUIRRELS, BEAVERS, CUBS, SCOUTS AND EXPLORERS

Groups for all ages, from 4 to 25 years old, and opportunities for adult volunteers. Go to www.shropshirescouts.org.uk for information and further details.

YOUNG FARMERS

Local groups in Dorrington, Cardington and Much Wenlock. Open to anyone aged 10 to 26 who is interested in the countryside and enjoys rural life. Contact details for local groups at www.sfyfc.org.uk/clubs/.

THE RAMBLERS (SOUTH SHROPSHIRE)

Regular Sunday walks in the South Shropshire countryside. Most walks are around 7 to 10 miles, and start at *10.00am*. Please note that dogs are not allowed on these walks. Telephone **01588 672437** for more information on membership and planned walks. More information by following links on Ramblers website at www.ramblers.org.uk/go-walking/ramblers-groups/south-shropshire-group

SHROPSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST

Membership supports the work of the Trust, and gives members free access to all 40 Trust reserves, a magazine three times a year, and exclusive entry to members-only events. Family membership also provides extras for children, including stickers, a poster and access to special family-friendly events. For more information go to www.shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk, telephone **01743 284280**, or call in at the Trust headquarters at Abbey Foregate.

LOCAL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS (SOUTH SHROPSHIRE)

Regular meetings and talks held at Diddlebury Village Hall (SY7 9DH). There are also regular walks and visits to local nature reserves. Membership is £10 per year. For more information and a news of upcoming events, please go to <https://group.rspb.org.uk/southshropshire/about-us/>

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE (U3A)

No qualifications needed for this university – a self-help organisation for people no longer in full time employment, providing educational, creative and leisure opportunities in a friendly environment. The U3A offers learning for pleasure and enjoyment. Branches in Church Stretton and in Shrewsbury. For more information on the activities available, and membership fees, please go to www.churchstretton.u3asite.uk for the Church Stretton group, and www.shrewsburyu3a.org.uk for the Shrewsbury group.

SHROPSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

For anyone researching their family history and ancestors. For more information on membership and planned events, please go to www.sfhs.org.uk.

WE ARE VETERANS SHREWSBURY

We Are Veterans (Formerly known as Shrewsbury Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club) is a veterans social club in Shrewsbury, recognised as a support group by the Armed Forces Covenant and we are supported by our local AFC team for more information visit <https://shrewsbury.weareveterans.co.uk/> or email shrewsbury@weareveterans.co.uk

SHROPSHIRE SHUFFLERS

Inclusive running club that caters for everyone from beginner runners to marathon runners. Runs on most days of the week led by experienced coaches. Welcomes social runners as well as those who enjoy competing in road races and cross-country. Go to www.shropshire-shufflers.org for more information.

SHROPSHIRE ART SOCIETY

Welcomes anyone with an interest in making art. Regular painting workshops and short courses plus meetings for printmakers and outdoor sketchers. Two exhibitions held each year, in addition to lectures, gallery trips and painting holidays. More details and membership form at www.shropshireartsociety.org.uk.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

The schools and colleges closest to our community are listed below. For more information on state schools and colleges further afield, please go to www.shropshire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-term-dates/shropshire-council-maintained-schools-and-academies/ and click on 'Schools List.' A link to information on independent schools and colleges can be found on the same webpage by clicking on 'Independent schools in Shropshire'.

NURSERY SCHOOLS

Little Owls Longnor CE Primary School

Frodesley Road, Longnor SY5 7PP
For ages 3 to 4; term time only
Telephone: **01743 718493**

Church Preen Pre-School

Church Preen Village Hall, Church Preen SY6 7LH

For ages 2 to school age. Open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday only, *9.00am to 3.00pm* – maximum of 20 children per session. Closed during school summer holidays. Pre-school children are now able to attend Church Preen Primary school's before and after school provision.
Telephone: **01694 771797**

Condover Pre-School

Condover, SY5 7AA
For ages 2 to 4; term time only, *9.00am to 3.30pm* (early bird service available from *8.45am*)
Telephone: **01743 873518**

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Longnor CE School

Frodesley Road, Longnor SY5 7PP
Telephone: **01743 718493**
Website: www.longnorschool.org.uk
Headteacher: Mrs L Edgerton (head@longnorschool.co.uk)
Administrator: Mrs R Reynolds (admin@longnorschool.co.uk)

Church Preen Primary School

Church Preen SY6 7LH
Telephone: **01694 771359**
Website: www.churchpreenschool.org.uk
Email: admin@churchpreenschool.co.uk
Headteacher: Mr Dave Tinker
Acting Headteacher: Ms Marilyn Hunt

Condover CE Primary School

Condover SY5 7AA
Telephone: **01743 872108**
Email: admin@condoverschool.co.uk
Website: www.condoverschool.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Kerrie Lewis

St Edward's CE Primary School

Church Road, Dorrington SY5 7JL
Telephone: **01743 718462**
Email: admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk
Website: www.stedwards.shropshire.sch.uk
Executive Headteacher: Mrs Kerrie Lewis

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

William Brookes School and Sixth Form

Farley Road, Much Wenlock TF13 6NB
For ages 11 to 18 years.
Telephone: **01952 728900**
Email: info@williambrookes.com
Website: www.williambrookes.com
Headteacher: Mr Stephen Richards

Church Stretton School

63A Shrewsbury Road, Church Stretton SY6 6EX
For ages 11 to 16 years.
Telephone: **01694 722209**
www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mr J Parr

Concord College

Acton Burnell Hall, Acton Burnell SY5 7PF
International independent co-educational college for ages 13-19. Boarding and day pupils welcomed. Means-tested bursaries available to support gifted local students.
Telephone: **01694 731631**
Email: enquiries@concordcollege.org.uk
Website: www.concordcollegeuk.com
Principal: Dr Michael Truss

POST-16 EDUCATION

Shrewsbury Colleges Group

London Road Campus **01743 342342**
English and Welsh Bridge Campus, Telephone: **01743 235491**
Email: info@scg.ac.uk
Website: www.scg.ac.uk
Principal & CEO: Mr James Staniforth

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

ACTON BURNELL CASTLE

In the heart of Acton Burnell, the remains of this 13th century sandstone castle are free to visit and enjoy. Also check out the neighbouring St Mary's Church, also constructed in the 13th century, which contains fascinating memorials to local dignitaries, including a portrayal of Sir Richard Lee as a knight with his wife beside him and his 3 sons and 9 daughters around him. Follow signs for Acton Burnell Castle from the village crossroads. Parking available.

LANGLEY CHAPEL

Tucked away in Langley is a 14th century chapel set in a peaceful field, and featuring 17th century pews. Free to visit. Follow the road from Acton Burnell to Ruckley, turning left at the Langley Chapel sign. Limited parking.

PITCHFORD HALL

Occasional tours and events are held at this Tudor country house at Pitchford, the grounds of which houses a picturesque treehouse where Queen Victoria once played. For details of events, please go to their Facebook page (search for Pitchford Hall).

ATTINGHAM PARK

National Trust owned estate featuring a Regency mansion and 200 acres of parkland, including woods, open parkland, a walled garden and children's play field Resident herd of fallow deer. Dogs welcome on leads in grounds, and off lead in some designated areas. Go to www.nationaltrust.org.uk/attingham-park for more information and admission prices.

ATTINGHAM FARM

Home Farm at Attingham welcomes visitors to their traditional farm. Open daily during the summer, there is a charge of £5 for adults, £4 for OAPs and children over 3. Tea room and refreshments available. Access from the B4380 at Atcham. Go to www.homefarmattingham.co.uk for more information.

CARDING MILL VALLEY AND THE LONG MYND

A National Trust area of wildlife-rich heathland, offering everything from gentle strolls to challenging hikes. Mountain biking allowed on some routes. Parking available, but please note that this can become very crowded on sunny weekends and bank holidays. Tearoom and toilets available. More information at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/shropshire-staffordshire/carding-mill-valley-and-the-long-mynd.

WENLOCK PRIORY

The picturesque remains of a medieval priory, built on the site of an Anglo-Saxon monastery, and also featuring a cloister garden, filled with topiary. Parking, toilets and picnic area on site, and dogs on leads welcome. Follow signs from Much Wenlock centre. Go to www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/wenlock-priory/ for additional information.

WENLOCK EDGE

Owned by the National Trust, this 18 mile escarpment offers two circular walks – the 3.5 mile Major's Leap walk and the gentler 2.2 miles Jenny Lind walk. Car parking available at Much Wenlock, Presthope and Wilderhope Manor. Free entry and dogs very welcome. Information at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wenlock-edge.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

SHROPSHIRE HILLS DISCOVERY CENTRE

On the A49 at Craven Arms, the Centre offers 30 acres of riverside meadows with accessible paths, a 'Shropshire Hills Through Time' exhibition (including a replica of the famous mammoth skeleton discovered in Condover), and a café. Admission free to the outside spaces and café, but there is a charge for entry to the exhibition. Dogs on leads welcome in outside areas. Information at www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk.

STOKESAY CASTLE

A 13th century fortified manor house with a fairy-tale tower to climb. Tearoom serving lunches and cakes with a view over the Shropshire countryside. For opening hours and admission prices please go to www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stokesay-castle/. Parking, picnic area and toilets available. Dogs on leads welcome in the grounds.

QUARRY PARK, SHREWSBURY

Twenty-nine acres of parkland along the River Severn, offering opportunities for strolling, running, fishing and cycling. Also features the Dingle gardens, designed and cultivated by Percy Thrower. Dogs welcome on and off the lead. Handy parking at St Julians car park (parking charges apply). Public toilets available. A riverside path also runs from the Quarry towards the Monkmoor area of Shrewsbury and then on to Uffington.

LYTH HILL COUNTRY PARK

Spectacular views of the Shropshire countryside from this site, which features open grassland and oak woodland. Popular with ramblers, joggers and dog walkers. Also forms part of a long-distance bridleway for horse riders. Two car parks available, accessed from Lyth Hill Road in Bayston Hill (postcode SY3 0BT). Free entry and open all year round.

IRONBRIDGE GORGE MUSEUMS

Something for all the family, from living history at the Blists Hill Victorian Museum to examples of the best china of the era at Coalport China Museum. This collection of 10 museums, centred around the town of Ironbridge, offers an insight into different aspects of the Industrial Revolution. For information on the different museums, please take a look at www.ironbridge.org.uk.

LOCAL WALKS

If you fancy a walk in the immediate neighbourhood, check out the Local Strolls featured in past editions of Village Views, courtesy of our local stroller, John Glover. Past copies of Village Views can be accessed from www.actonburnellparishcouncil.org.uk/village-views – most editions include a walk for you to enjoy, complete with map, photos and handy information on the history, geology and wildlife of the area.

CINEMAS AND THEATRES

Shrewsbury can offer both a multiplex cinema, Cineworld on Old Potts Way, Shrewsbury SY3 7ET, and a single screen cinema at The Old Market Hall, The Square, Shrewsbury SY1 1LH (www.oldmarkethall.co.uk), which also has a café and bar on site. Shrewsbury is also the home of Theatre Severn at Frankwell Quay, Shrewsbury SY3 8FT (www.theatresevern.co.uk), which features drama, comedy, music and dance performances throughout the year. Further afield, Telford has an Odeon Luxe in the Town Centre (www.odeon.co.uk/cinemas/telford/).

HELP AND SUPPORT

GENERAL SOURCES OF HELP AND SUPPORT

Citizens Advice (Advice and support across a wide range of issues
Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm)

Website: www.cabshropshire.org.uk

Telephone: **0808 278 7894** (calls free from landlines and mobiles)

Red Cross (Emotional support, links to local support services, wheelchair access and help when returning from hospital)

Website: www.redcross.org.uk/get-help

Telephone for support and assistance: **0808 196 3651**

Telephone for general enquiries: **0344 871 11 11**

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

NHS Every Mind Matters

Website: www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/

Mental Health Social Work Team

Website: www.shropshire.gov.uk/disability-information/mental-health/

Telephone: **01743 255895**

Shropshire/Telford & Wrekin ACCESS service (Available 24/7 to provide information, advice and guidance)

Telephone: **0808 196 4501**

Shropshire Mental Health Support (Offers a wide range of services for people affected by emotional and mental distress and their families, including those living in rural areas at risk of isolation)

Website: www.shropshiremhs.com/about/ | Telephone: **01743 368 647**

Samaritans (Telephone support 24 hours a day, 365 days a year)

Telephone: **116 123**

FINANCIAL AND DEBT ADVICE

Citizen's Advice Bureau (Specialist debt team *Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm*)

Website: www.cabshropshire.org.uk | Telephone: **01743 280019**

National Debtline (Free, independent advice over the phone and via webchat)

Website: www.nationaldebtline.org | Telephone: **0808 808 4000**

StepChange Debt Charity (Free confidential advice on handling debt and financial issues)

Website: www.stepchange.org | Telephone: **0800 138 1111**

OLDER PEOPLE

Age UK (Information and support on a wide range of issues affecting older people)

Website: www.ageuk.org.uk/shropshireandtelford/

Telephone: **01743 233 123** for general enquiries

Telephone: **01743 233788** for their 'help at home' service

Silverline (Free 24 hour confidential helpline for older people)

Telephone: **0800 470 8090**

HELP AND SUPPORT

FOOD BANKS

Shropshire Larder (Emergency food supplies for people in crisis (please note: a referral may be needed from a health professional, social worker, advice worker, housing association or Shropshire Council to access some services)

Website: www.shropshirelarder.org.uk/emergencyfood

Food banks available at:

Church Stretton (*Friday 2.30pm to 4.00pm*) No referral needed.

Telephone: **07561 693870**

Shrewsbury Food Bank, The Lantern, Meadow Farm Drive
(*Mondays 11.00am to 12 noon*). Referral needed.

Shrewsbury, Barnabas Centre, Longden Coleham
(*Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.30am to 12.00pm*)

Telephone: **0742 174 5857**

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES

Shropshire Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) (Information on a range of issues and services relating to children and young people with additional or special needs and disabilities)

Website: www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/

Telephone: **0345 678 9063**

Shropshire Council Special Educational Needs Team (Point of contact for enquiries regarding provision for individual children.

Website: www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/education/education-services/special-educational-needs-sen-team/contact-the-sen-team/

Telephone: **01743 254267** | Email: senteam@shropshire.gov.uk

Shropshire IASS (Information, Advice and Support Service) (Independent information, advice and support to parents and carers of children aged 0 to 25, and young people aged 16 to 25 who have, or may have, special educational needs or disabilities (SEND)

Website: www.cabshropshire.org.uk/shropshire-iass/ | Telephone: **01743 280019**

CLAIMING BENEFITS

Shropshire Council (Information on Council tax support, housing benefit and housing payments)

Website: www.shropshire.gov.uk/benefits/

Telephone: **0345 678 9002**

Citizens Advice (Information and advice on benefits.

Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm)

Website: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/benefits/

Telephone: **0808 278 7894**

Turn2Us (An online benefit entitlement check or to search for grants)

Website: www.turn2us.org.uk

HELP AND SUPPORT

ANIMAL WELFARE

RSPCA

Website: www.rspca.org.uk/local/aboutus/contactus/-/rspca/shropshire-branch

Telephone: **0300 1234 999** to report cruelty or an animal in distress

Telephone: **07703 567 935** all other enquiries

Cats Protection (Help and advice on all aspects of cat ownership)

Website: www.cats.org.uk/about-cp | Telephone: **01584 878606**

Shropshire Cat Rescue (Cares for and rehomes unwanted cats and kittens)

Website: www.cats.org.uk/help-and-advice | Telephone: **01743 872857**

Dog's Trust (Cares for and rehomes unwanted and abandoned dogs. Also provides help and advice on dog care and training)

Website: www.dogstrust.org.uk/our-centres/shrewsbury/

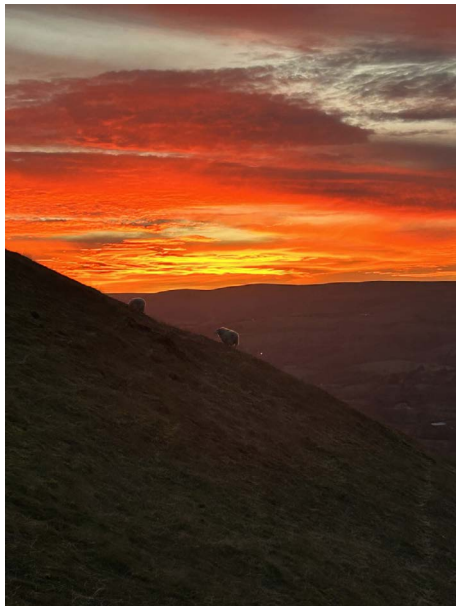
Telephone: **01952 770225**

Grinshill Dog Rescue (Family run rescue kennels for dogs and cats)

Telephone: **07740 103393**

Cuan Wildlife Rescue (Wildlife rescue centre, open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

Website: www.cuanwildliferescue.org.uk/ | Telephone: **01952 728070**



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