

# The Leigh & Coombe Hill Newsletter

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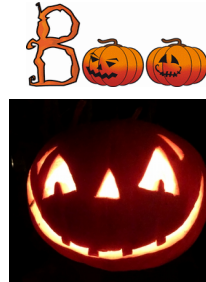
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## FIREWORKS!

If you are planning to set off fireworks, it would be courteous to make your immediate neighbours aware in case extra arrangements need to be made for dogs, cats, horses etc (and sheep!). Thanks. Jo



## Halloween in The Leigh

We have some very creative people in the village – thanks for brightening up the end of October!!!



## Cheltenham Animal Shelter Mission accomplished.....85

Christmas stockings made for the Cheltenham Animal Shelter ... made with love by Sue W, Cindy W, Stella B and Karen B....these stockings will be filled with donated treats for the dogs and cats in the shelter on Christmas Day! The link for the Stocking Filler Appeal is

<https://gawa.org.uk/festive> Sue W



## Parish Council Issues:

Please check the Parish Council website for minutes, planning, newsletters, news and updates: [theleighpc.org.uk](http://theleighpc.org.uk)

I have a separate Facebook Page 'Parish Clerk' and I happy for you to ask me to be a 'friend' The Parish Clerk



## The Leigh Apple Juice



Now on sale at the Coombe Hill Farm Shop – all profits go to The Riding for the Disabled (Hartpury).

Apples picked in The Leigh, juiced and pasteurised in Winchcombe.

## Christmas 2020

**Activities:** there are a few ideas floating about to keep us entertained over the Christmas period - please let me know about further thoughts/ideas, bearing in mind Covid restrictions, for publication in the December edition.



**Charity Santa's Postbox:** we are still planning to have the village postbox hosted outside Little Holborn as usual. This year, Harriet and I will be doing the sorting alone, for obvious reasons, but may need some help with deliveries.



**"Seasons Greetings" in the Newsletter:** if you prefer, as you may not want to go out buying Christmas cards this year, please leave a charity donation in an envelope at Daniels Orchard giving your name and any message (deadline 26 November) and I will publish in the December edition, "Happy Christmas to All – Jo, Martin & Harriet"

Let us have the best Christmas possible despite everything!  
Jo R

JAMES HOPKINS TRUST

Delighted to announce that the sale of masks at Coombe Hill Farm Shop have raised £248 for The James Hopkins Trust. Well done to Cindy W and Karen M for all their sewing and to everyone who bought one. Jo R





**RETIREMENT**: Revd Suzanne has announced that she will be retiring at the end of February. She has been with us just over 7 years. The Diocese will be looking for a new incumbent in the new year.

**THANK YOU** to everyone for the lovely floral tributes that were in the churchyard at St Catherine's on harvest weekend. Despite not being able to celebrate harvest in our usual way we did celebrate the time of year. Many bags of items were donated for the Food Bank and Viv has now kindly delivered. Thank you everyone for your generosity. (separate report and photo)

As well as flowers on graves we want to say a huge thank you to the "boys" who have mown and strimmed all summer long; Chris, Rich and Martin. It has looked well cared for and we have received many compliments about it. Thanks also to Barry and Clive (the retired mowers).

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** We are unable to hold coffee mornings in the Church at the moment but are still making cards in the hope of some income as we still have bills to pay. We have two boxes of mixed Christmas cards that can be browsed through. We are keeping the cost at 8 cards for £1.00. If you would like to buy cards please let Sue or Hazel know and we can arrange to get a box to you.

Sue R 01242 680835 & Hazel C 01452 2857180

## Harvest Contributions 2020

Once again, grateful thanks to everyone who made donations to the Tewkesbury Foodbank.

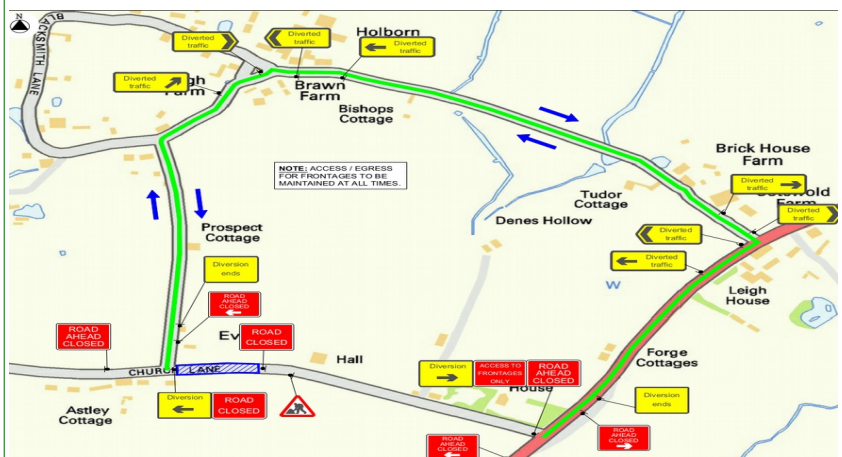


Between 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020, The Trussell Trust's foodbank network distributed more than 1.9 million three days' emergency food supplies to people in crisis in the UK. More than 700,000 of these went to children – an increase of 18% on the previous year.

Since lockdown, Tewkesbury Foodbank alone has provided 7,362 to people in food poverty. **THANK YOU EVERYONE** Viv T



## PARISH COUNCIL NOTICES



## M5 Junction 10 Improvements Scheme (overview)

Gloucestershire County Council is currently consulting on an improvement scheme around M5 Junction 10. The scheme aims to support an increase in local housing supply and economic growth by removing constraints on the highway network and providing an integrated package of transport infrastructure. The scheme elements include an 'all movements' junction at M5 Junction 10, complemented by a new link road to the west of Cheltenham, and improvements along the A4019 and at Coombe Hill junction.

The consultation, to identify the best location for the upgraded motorway junction and seek opinions on the other elements, will be open for 6 weeks from 00:01 on 14 October until 23:59 on 25 November 2020.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in line with social distancing guidelines, all consultation information will be made available online: [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/J10](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/J10). To find out more about the scheme and to complete the survey, search for [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/J10](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/J10). You can also email [M5Junction10@atkinsglobal.com](mailto:M5Junction10@atkinsglobal.com) for more information, to arrange a discussion with technical experts or to request a free consultation pack via post.



Thank you to our Newsletter volunteers – this month's edition will be delivered. Just to say, all undelivered copies between March and October 2020 can be found at [theleighpc.org.uk](http://theleighpc.org.uk)

**ROAD CLOSURE**: Church Lane will be closed, as per map, from 10 Dec (8am) to 14 Dec (5pm) to allow Severn Trent Water to perform a pipe cut-off in the verge. Gloucestershire Highways: 08000 514514.

## Parish Council Meeting

(Remote)  
Wednesday 11 November 2020

## M5 Junction 10 Improvements Scheme (A38/A4019 Junction Improvements at Coombe Hill)

I have extracted the A4019 and Coombe Hill Junction Technical Appraisal Report which provides the most detailed information together with Maps/drawings of the preferred option (Appendix B). It's in the documents section on the parish website. It is still worth the time and effort to read through all the other information on this site as it will all have some level of impact on this Parish.

Kate T (Parish Clerk)

## Covid-safe COBALT Christmas and Greetings Cards Sale in Sandhurst



Sadly we won't be able to hold our usual sociable card sale day this year. However, we have still made lots of lovely cards which we hope you will buy in aid of Cobalt. Please phone 01452 731519 to arrange an individual appointment to come and choose your cards at a time to suit you from mid-October onwards.

The cards will have been "quarantined" for a couple of weeks before being made available for sale, and you are requested to wear a face covering and a new pair of disposable gloves while looking through the boxes of cards. Yvette M