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Editor's comment

AS the local parish councillor for the ward affected by plans for a huge distribution centre on Green Belt land at Appleton Thorn, I would like to place on record my outrage that the QC appointed by Eddie Stobart put on record at the recent public inquiry that democratically elected representatives of the area "have arrived at the conclusion" that this development is acceptable.

This is a complete distortion of the facts with not a single elected representative in the area affected being in support of it!

Yes members of the planning committee voted for it - but not one of them represents the area - in fact one of them didn't even know the site in question!

Meanwhile Eddie Stobart say they have no "plan B" if their controversial plans to build a £75m National Distribution Centre on Green Belt land at Appleton Thorn is rejected by the Secretary of State.

This certainly wasn't their attitude when the first planning application

was rejected as I heard members of their planning team saying they had other sites in mind.

In reality this is the most convenient site next to their existing HQ and it appears to matter little that not only will it involve destroying our Green Belt but also open up the way for the even bigger and more daunting Six 56 proposal by Langtree on nearby land.

I found it particularly disappointing that Warrington Borough Council not only withdrew their objections but stated that the appeal should be allowed and planning permission be granted.

Whatever Planning Inspector David Wildsmith recommends after hearing all the arguments for and against, the final decision will rest with the Secretary of State due to the site being a "significant green belt development."

As this appeal was heard taking into account the slightly revised second planning application, which was approved by the planning committee, instead of the original application which was rejected, let



us hope that the secretary of state, on seeing all the submissions, will make the right decision for the local community - and ensure this area of Green Belt is protected for the benefit of future generations.

Warrington already suffers from far too much gridlock and pollution and transforming farmland into lorry parks and warehousing will not help the situation.

Meanwhile we continue to all suffer from the ongoing nightmare of the outdated swing bridges breaking down on a regular basis creating traffic chaos right across Warrington.

Talks have been going on with Peel for years now in a bid to resolve the problems and update and paint the bridges.

We now need actions not words!

Laura wins a top award in the Cheshire tourism awards

LAURA Callaghan, from Warrington's Park Royal Hotel, won a top award in the 15th Marketing Cheshire Annual Tourism Awards at a glittering ceremony at Knutsford.

The event was hosted by TV presenter Lucy Nichols and was attended by 300 guests and aimed to recognise excellence and outstanding achievement by local businesses and individuals working in Cheshire's visitor economy, now worth over £3.5 billion.

Laura, wedding and special events

co-ordinator, won the Rising Star in the Tourism Industry award.

Winners came from all over the county

Mark Livesey, chief executive, Marketing Cheshire, said: "The glittering Annual Tourism Awards Evening is a fantastic way of celebrating all that is best about Cheshire. The county has a wealth of extraordinary sites, accommodation and attractions and extraordinary individuals and teams that are continually innovating to remain at

the 'top of their game'. It is inspiring to publicly recognise the exceptional contribution that they make to both residents and visitors, from both home and abroad.

"A highlight for everyone in Cheshire this year is Jodrell Bank being awarded UNESCO World Heritage status in recognition of its internationally significant heritage, science and cultural impact. For this astounding achievement, Jodrell Bank also wins this year's Special Contribution to Tourism."



Laura Callaghan accepting the Marketing Cheshire's Annual Award for: 'Rising Star in the Tourism Industry'.



New era for historic glasshouses at Walton Hall

ONE of Warrington's best-loved historical assets – the Walton Hall conservatory range has officially re-opened following its £2m restoration.

A special opening ceremony brought together a range of people who have helped bring the magnificent conservatories back to life, from the labourers to the design specialists – all with their own passion for heritage.

Also celebrating the re-opening were a number of people who have supported the project during development and delivery, including Tiffany Hunt MBE, Chair of The National Lottery Heritage Fund in the North of England; the Friends of Walton Estate; and former conservatories staff from the past 50 years, who have given their time for the creation of a new audio social history of the estate.

It is the start of an exciting new era for the conservatories, which had fallen into disrepair for almost 25 years after closing to the public in September 1993.

In 2016, Warrington Borough Council was successful in securing £2m in funding from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, paving the way to the restoration of the conservatories, working with a team of heritage specialists.

After three years of partnership working with Rosslee Construction, the conservatories are shining once more and ready to re-take their proud place part of a vibrant Walton Hall estate.

The conservatories now have a bright future as an educational hub and a place of accessible learning, with a sustainable partnership formed with Myerscough College and Walton Lea Project to deliver apprenticeships, qualifications and opportunities for

social enterprise.

This collaboration will also lead to the development of other areas of the estate, such as the historic formal gardens, conservatory planting and zoo, all of which will further increase public participation and learning.

Education will be at the heart of the opening ceremony, with entertainment provided by children from Stockton Heath Primary School and classical music quartet Flutiful, and certificates presented to learners and staff from Walton Lea Partnership who have gained a qualification with Myerscough College. The students will be conducting tours and talking about their plans for the future in the Conservatory Range and Shippion.

The restoration of the conservatories is entirely in keeping with the original, containing thousands of pieces of slender, elegant timber. During the renovation, each piece of this timber was removed and tagged before being assessed for rot.

Pictures: *Andy Gilbert*

This original timber was then used internally with new timber being used for the external beams.

The original ironwork has been repaired and reused throughout the conservatories, and with over 90% of the bricks dating back to 1899-1910 in excellent condition, this project has been true to its original construction; guaranteeing the significant heritage history of the site for future generations.

Warrington Borough Council's Cabinet Member for Leisure and Community, Cllr Tony Higgins, said: "The journey of progress to reinstate the Walton Hall conservatories to their former glory has been a long one.

"There have been many people involved in its transformation all playing a vital role in ensuring its rightful place on the Walton Estate.

"Supported by the National heritage lottery fund, the council and armed by a strong friends group Walton

Hall and its glass conservatories is a destination to be proud of.

"Walton Hall may have its roots set in the past but it's now looking towards the future with the partnership of Myerscough College and the Walton Lea Project all firmly positioned to deliver educational and supportive activities.

"I'm immensely proud to be the cabinet member responsible, partnership working is vital for success and this is a fine example of that."

Find out more about the Conservatory Range Project and the rich cultural heritage of Walton Hall estate at waltonhallgardens.co.uk/the-gardens/glasshouses/



Our Conquest Of Paradise

Our lovely clients have been very patient waiting for this article to go to print (thank you). A lovely travel diary from their trip in June this year.

Sail date: 22 June 2019
Destination: The Gili Islands incorporating Komodo Island, Indonesia

'Clipper Ships are the nearest things to dreams that hands have ever made'

A bold statement from Star Clipper, but as we sail away from Bali in the warm evening breeze, cocktail in hand and 'Conquest of Paradise' by Vangelis pounding from the speakers you just cannot help becoming part of this dream. Many of our fellow passengers were wiping away tears of joy and excitement



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for the days ahead.

The Tall Ship 'Star Clipper' has 82 cabins and carries a maximum of 170 passengers making a very intimate ambience and after a couple of days you are like one big family. My partner and I flew to Bali via Dubai and enjoyed an overnight stay in The Seminyak Beach Resort before embarking on our week long cruise. We sailed from and returned to Bali; visiting five islands in the Indonesian region of Lombok. The climate in June was idyllic hovering around 30c and not too humid with evenings only dropping a couple of degrees.

Accommodation on board is more than adequate for sleeping and changing. It was complete with porthole, TV and hair-dryer, but time should not be spent in your cabin as you risk missing out on all the action!

The ships lively Tropical Bar was the place to be for socialising with fellow guests and drinks prices are very reasonable, plus the level of service was exceptionally high. After a cocktail (or three) the A La Carte dinner was fantastic with casual elegance. Seating is informal encouraging new friendships, the only request being the gentlemen wear long trousers during the evening.

After dinner the nights can be as 'sensible' or 'silly' as you prefer (we went for the silly option) with nightly

educational talks, or more drinking and dancing in the Tropical Bar.

Days were spent cruising to paradise islands for exploring, swimming, snorkelling and sunbathing. Only one day was completely at sea when we got chance to climb the rigging to the Crows Nest, assist the crew in hoisting the sails and pop up to the bridge to assist our Captain. Attend a variety of talks and demonstrations, or simply sunbathe and swim in one of the two pools! Before you know it of course it is 'gin o'clock'.

On remote islands our wonderful crew would install a pop-up bar to keep us refreshed and one day a delicious beach barbecue was prepared for us. However, the highlight of our cruise was to visit Komodo Island to see the famous inhabitants, The Komodo



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Dragons. These beasts are certainly a sight to behold, potential man eaters growing up to three meters in length. The other side of Komodo Island is The Pink Beach, which we sailed to in the afternoon and relaxed in the cool, clear waters.

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College celebrates a year of success

PRIESTLEY College has celebrated the record-breaking success of its Class of 2019 as well as 40 years of excellence in the town.

Students and their parents were joined by tutors, award sponsors and local dignitaries at St Elphin's Church for the college's annual awards.

Addressing the students, Principal Matthew Grant complimented them on achieving Priestley's best ever A-Level results and an excellent set of vocational marks.

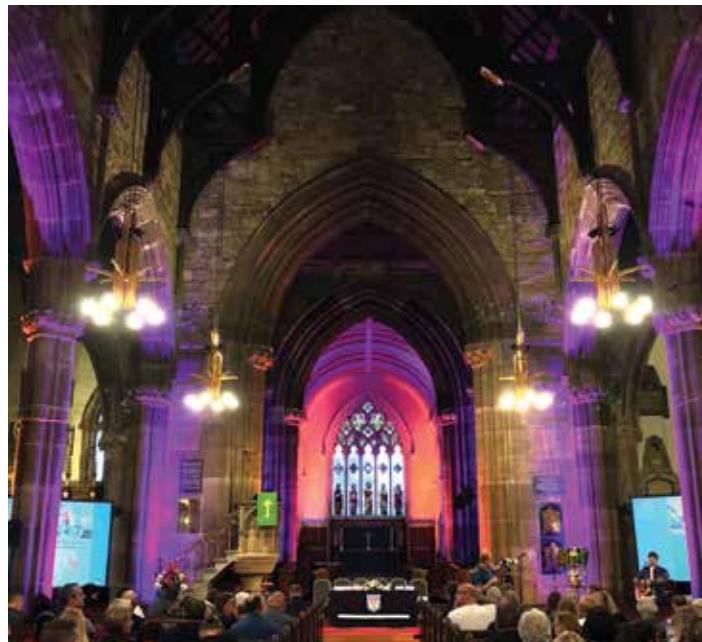
"I thank you for being a wonderful group of young adults who make my job, and that of my colleagues, such a rewarding one," he said.

"I, and everyone here tonight, are proud of your achievements and I wish you every success as you continue your journey."

Those who received awards represented all Priestley students who; achieved in exams and coursework, competed on sports fields, shone in performances, overcame personal challenges, completed the Duke of Edinburgh Award and tackled science and Maths Olympiads.

Congratulations also went to the football team who won the Cheshire Cup and got to the national final as well as artists who produced work that was displayed in the town's indoor market and at Alexandra Palace, London.

Others secured places at university, apprenticeships or employment, and



St Elphin's Church provided a memorable venue for the annual awards.

there was recognition for those who won the Barclays Tech Challenge, took part in Mooting competitions and represented Priestley in Parliament and at the Ministry of Defence.

Guest speaker Mark Henderson,

a former Priestley student and son of the college's second principal, acknowledged the institution's role over four decades.

"40 years of developing, nurturing and enabling tens of thousands of

students to become well rounded successful people is a legacy every member of staff should be proud of," he said.

Warrington Wolves - who run a rugby academy at the college - brought the Challenge Cup to the event in recognition of the fact three former Priestley students played a part in their winning run.

Also in attendance was the Mayor of Warrington Wendy Johnson, former student Laura Harrison, Reverend Stewart McTaggart as well as other distinguished guests and governors.

"The college was named after that famed trailblazing scientist and free thinking philosopher Joseph Priestley," said Matthew Grant.

"I'd like to think that the Priestley we know today is built on the solid foundations that were laid 40 years ago by David Henderson and his fellow trailblazers, work that continued under the stewardship of my predecessor Mike Southworth.

"In many respects we remain trailblazers and we dare to be different and take risks. We continue to innovate and to look forward, we continue to be inclusive offering students a comprehensive range of courses and, if need be, a second chance whilst ensuring every student is supported, challenged and inspired to reach their full potential."



Mayor of Warrington Wendy Johnson presents her award for politics to student Sophie Johnson.



Warrington Wolves' Lee Mitchell with Principal Matthew Grant next to the Challenge Cup.

Council to monitor air quality in village

STOCKTON Heath Parish Council has taken delivery of an air quality monitor to enable it to measure air pollution in the village.

The £4,000 device will be installed in London Road near the swing bridge - thought to be the area which suffers most from pollution created by road traffic.

But for the time being it is being tested at Great Sankey - next to the official DEFRA air quality monitor for the Warrington area.

Cllr Peter Walker explained: "By comparing the readings with the official DEFRA readings we will be able to check if it is giving accurate readings. Once we are assured about that we will be using the device in

Stockton Heath.

"It is a mobile device so we will be able to move it around the village to monitor the air in various places. But London Road is the obvious place to start."

Road traffic causes various types of air pollution harmful to health, including carbon monoxides, hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxide and particulate matter. Once the machine is operational, residents will be able to check the level of pollution at any given time, either via the parish council's website or via a direct link.

Cllr Walker said: "We are particularly concerned about any increase in pollution that might arise following the construction of thousands of

new houses to the south of Stockton Heath. It could lead to up to 4,000 additional vehicles coming through the village.

"Even if they are electric cars they still cause pollution from tyres, brakes, etc., so we are keen to be able to check particulate matter."



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Church hosts floral blooming extravaganza

ST Wilfrid's church at Grappenhall brought the community and local businesses together for a special floral blooming extravaganza.

The team at St Wilfrid's were a hive of activity organising a unique flower festival at the church.

Taking place over four days, the church brought together local businesses, organisations and community groups to transform the stunning church into a floral celebration.

From professional florists from surrounding communities of Lymm, Grappenhall and Stockton Heath to community groups such as the brownies, WI, scouts and local

nurseries the church was brimmed with a range of displays.

Local florists Karl Walsh, 2lips and living colour provided displays to wow the locals whilst the church also hosted a floral craft stall for those wishing to try out some floral arrangement skills of their own.

The event helped raise money for a much needed extension to the church.

Anne Young, head of the St Wilfrid's flower team commented 'We had been working on this event for months and are overwhelmed with the amount of support we received from local businesses and community groups, its lovely to see the community spirit in action.'



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Money Column

By Margaret Black

Don't ignore the taxman

It is never wise to ignore the taxman. If you do then they have substantial powers to determine the amount of tax that is owed and to pursue it. Those powers, however, are not unlimited and this was illustrated in a recent case that was appealed by the taxpayer to the First Tier Tribunal ("FTT").

It appears that HMRC received information from World Pay that the taxpayer, Cussons ("C") had received payments in respect of the buying and selling of used cars. They approached C about this but he failed to reply to HMRC both at the start of the enquiry and at every stage thereafter. Therefore, HMRC were compelled to use "best judgements" to arrive at the tax due from the limited information available to them. They issued determinations for the years 2004/5 to 2015/16 which totalled a staggering £342,943.11 in tax and penalties. This was based on receipts for 2015/16 from which they deducted 50% in expenses. This "profit" was then worked back over the previous 11 years using the Retail Prices Index to allow for inflation.

Not surprisingly, this caused C to lift his head from out of the sand and to appeal the determinations to the FTT. At that appeal he stated that he was in receipt of enhanced employment and support allowance, which is paid to people unable to work due to physical or mental impairments, and had no income that took him above the personal allowance. At the hearing C was accompanied by his 81 year old father who stated both that the vehicles were actually traded through his company and that the average profit was £200 per vehicle.

In cases such as this the FTT must follow a two-stage process. Firstly, did HMRC use their best judgement in making their assessments based on the information available. If not, the assessments fail. If (and only if) they did does the FTT then consider whether the assessments should be reduced on the basis of any additional evidence available. In doing so, the FTT must assume as its starting point that HMRC made an honest and genuine attempt to arrive at a fair assessment. Also, it is not sufficient for the FTT to disagree with HMRC's conclusions. They can only overturn the assessments if those conclusions are unreasonable.

In this instance the taxpayer was lucky. The FTT agreed with the taxpayer that it was unreasonable for HMRC to use a 50% profit margin which seemed to be a figure "just plucked from the air" and seemed to be designed to frighten the taxpayer into providing the information requested. The assessments therefore failed and were overturned. They added that it was not their duty to rework the assessment but said that HMRC could start again if they wished based on the additional information now available.

No doubt HMRC will learn their own lessons from this case. From the perspective of taxpayers the lesson to be learnt is simple. They should not bury heads in sand but should cooperate at all times with HMRC in arriving at a fair result.

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Dr Ramiah has also had experience working with traumatised patients at the world-renowned International centre for well-being "The Art of Living Centre, India".

Using a patient centred approach, Dr Ramiah prides himself in his ability to support patients with the right information to allow them to make the best choices for themselves along their healthcare journey.

Health, as defined by the World Health Organisation (WHO), is "a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity" and this is the philosophy Dr Ramiah strives to live by and share with his patients in a way that works for them.

With an open minded and enthusiastic approach and personal experience of many complementary therapies, Dr Ramiah is keen to offer the best advice for clients at Cheshire Natural Health. As a private practitioner Dr Ramiah embraces the opportunity to use his medical skills integrated with a holistic approach to patient care. He is also a qualified Reiki practitioner and has a special interest in the health benefits of meditation, acupressure and grounding. He also has experience in adopting a root cause analysis approach to chronic pain.

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Family's tribute to "beautiful, kind, generous" Helen

THE family of Stockton Heath mum Helen O'Brien have issued a tribute to the "beautiful, kind and generous person that she was."

They say that although heartbroken, they take some comfort from knowing she is back in the arms of her soulmate, Kevin, who died of a heart attack last year.

Helen, aged 34, was found in the Mersey at Seacombe, Wirral, on October 2 after last being seen in Lime Tree Avenue, Stockton Heath, on September 25.

Police had mounted a major search for her after her disappearance.

In their statement, Helen's family said: "We will always remember our Helen as the beautiful, kind and generous person that she was; a brilliant mother to her two sons, and a shining light in all of our lives.

"Since Helen lost Kevin so suddenly last year, she has done her best to cope for the sake of her boys. She fought so hard to get the boys to where they are now, through everything that life threw their way. She was so brave to the end, and we are very proud of her.

"The pain of Helen's passing is hard to put into words. We are lost, we are down, and we are weakened, but we won't stay that way for long. We now have the most important job of all; to be pillars of strength, love and courage for the boys as they grow into strong men. Men that will always know how much they are truly loved, by their mum and dad, and the rest of their family.

"While we are heartbroken, we take some comfort in knowing that Helen is back in the arms of her soulmate, and that they are together for all eternity. Not a day will ever pass where we won't think of both of them. We will miss them always."

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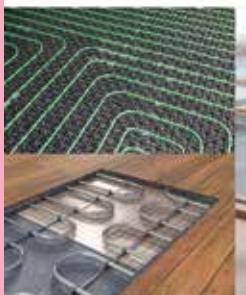
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Team Jones is back on track!

GRAPPENHALL runner Nick Jones – currently undergoing aggressive chemotherapy treatment – returned to competitive running after a six-month lay-off.

He completed Knowsley Harriers’ monthly Willowbrook Halewood 5k race with a time of 25 minutes, 55 seconds, placing him sixth in the Over 45 age group and 43rd overall.

Nick last ran in April when he won the Silver Medal in the British Masters Over 40 10k

He has a fastest time for the Halewood course of 15 minutes 50 seconds so he was delighted with his comeback performance

But he also had the pleasure of seeing his son, Jordan and daughter Jasmine turn in great performances in the same race.

Jordan won the race in 16 minutes 33 seconds and was also first under 17.

Jasmine finished 24th with a time of 20 minutes 38 seconds to place third female to finish and was first under 17 – actually first under 15 as

she is only 14.

She has improved her time for the distance by almost seven minutes in the last year.

Team Jones is certainly back together in style!



Art exhibition

AN exhibition of paintings by members of Sue Cartwright’s weekly art classes at the pavilion in Stockton Heath’s Alexandra Park will take place at Picturesque, in Knutsford Road, Latchford Village from November 14-28.

About 30 works will be on show and for sale and Sue is donating a framed print. All proceeds will be for St Rocco’s Hospice.

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November 2
EVENING OF SONG
Warrington Male Voice Choir
St Wilfrid's Church, Grappenhall
In aid of new church annexe fund
7.30pm

November 12
STOCKTON HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
Stockton Heath Library
7.30pm

November 14
LIVE AT ST WILFRID'S
St Wilfrid's Church, Grappenhall
The Swingshift Band, with vocalist Corrine Andrew tell the Big Band Story – the history of swing from the 1930s to the present day.
7.30pm

November 19
APPLETON PARISH COUNCIL
Appleton Parish Hall, Dudlow Green Road
7.30pm

November 21
GRAPPENHALL & THELWALL PARISH COUNCIL
Council Offices, Bellhouse Lane. 7.30pm

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Every Monday
COUNTRY DANCING CLUB
St Thomas' Primary School, Parkgate Road, Stockton Heath.
8-10pm. Details: 01925 262356

BRIDGE CLUB
Belong Warrington, Loushers Lane 7.20pm.
Details 01925 262534

HIGH LEGH BRIDGE CLUB
Village Hall, 7-10pm. Rubber, Duplicate and Chicago played. Details: Audrey Greaves 0161 904 0120

Every second Monday
PARK (APPLETON) WI
Appleton Parish Hall, Dudlow Green Road. 7.30pm

PHILOSOPHY IN PUBS DISCUSSION GROUP
Red Lion pub, Stockton Heath 7-9pm
Contact Bill Cooke cwncooke@gmail.com

Second and fourth Monday
WARRINGTON ART GROUP
Bellhouse Community Centre, Bellhouse Lane, Grappenhall.
7-9pm.

Every third Monday
NATIONAL VEGETABLE SOCIETY
Cheshire District meeting
Grappenhall Ex-Servicemen's Club, Chester Road, Grappenhall.
8pm. Details: 01925 265773.

Every fourth Monday
MARLFIELD WI
Grappenhall Community Library, Albert Road, Grappenhall. 7.30pm

Every Tuesday
COFFEE MORNING
St Cross Church, Appleton Thorn. All welcome. 10am-12 noon

COFFEE MORNING
Appleton Independent Methodist Church
Appleton Parish Hall, 10am-12 noon

Every first Tuesday
STOCKTON HEATH FLOWER CLUB
Appleton Parish Hall, 7.15pm
Details: 01925 602016

Every second Tuesday
STOCKTON HEATH LIONS CLUB
London Bridge Inn, 8pm
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BOOK CLUB
Bizzie Beans Coffee House, Bridge Lane, Appleton
11am-12 noon

Every Wednesday
APPLETON HALL BADMINTON CLUB
Sept to Easter at Hall Drive, Appleton.
7.45-9.45pm.
Details: 01925 262356

THELWALL MORRIS MEN
Thelwall Parish Hall, Bell Lane, 8.15pm. Details: 01925 767151

Every first Wednesday
WALTON WI
St John's Church Community Hall. 7.30pm
Details: 01925 604384

STOCKTON HEATH PROBUS CLUB
Warrington Sports Club, Walton Lea Road, Higher Walton.
Details: 01925 268540

Every third Wednesday
HIGHER WALTON WI, Sandy Lane Community Centre, Stockton Heath, 7.30pm. Details 01925 602486.

Every fourth Wednesday
ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY
Support Group, Brampton Lodge Day Centre, Bridge Lane, Appleton. 6.30-8.30pm

BRIDGE CLUB
Belong Warrington, Loushers Lane 7.20pm.
Details 01925 262534

Every second Thursday
STRETTON WI
Appleton Parish Hall, Dudlow Green Road. 2.30pm.

GRAPPENHALL PROBUS CLUB
Grappenhall Community Centre, Bellhouse Lane, 10am. Details: 01925 264427.

Every third Thursday
APPLETON AFTERNOON FLOWER CLUB
Appleton Parish Hall, Dudlow Green Road 2pm. Details: 01925 740419

BOARD GAME NIGHT
Stockton Heath Library. 7.30pm
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GRAPPENHALL WI
Grappenhall Community Centre, Bellhouse Lane 2.15pm

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Every Friday
APPLETOTS TODDLER GROUP
Appleton Parish Hall, Dudlow Green Road. 9.45-11.30am. Details: 01925 268153.

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Fireworks spectacular

A FIREWORKS spectacular and funfair will be held at Broomfields Junior School, Bridge Lane, Appleton on Saturday November 9.

The event starts at 6pm and continues until 9pm, although the gates will close at 7.25 for the start of the aerial firework display at 7.30pm.

There will be fairground rides, a bar, hot food, sweet treats and much more.

Advance tickets are available from the school at £4 per person until Friday, November 8 or you can pay on the gate on the night at £5 per person.

The event is in aid of the school's parent teacher association.

Autumn litter pick

STOCKTON Heath Parish Council has joined forces with local Scouts to organise an Autumn Litter Pick on Saturday, November 9.

The event will start from the Scout Hut on Parkgate Road, Stockton Heath at 10.30am and continue until 12.30pm. Afterwards light refreshments will be served and there will be a chance to chat to fellow litter-pickers.

Litter picking sticks and bags will be provided but volunteers are asked to wear appropriate clothing for the weather on the day and to provide their own gloves.

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