

# Grapevine

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Independent Little Leigh Newspaper

**Welcome** to another edition of GRAPEVINE! More people than ever are contributing articles. We've had to go to 3 pages! THANKS TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO DELIVER GRAPEVINE. **Deadline for next edition: Friday 7th September.** Either email [grapevine@littleleigh.net](mailto:grapevine@littleleigh.net) or call Louise Horton on 891356.

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## CALLING ALL PAST LITTLE LEIGH YOUTH CLUB MEMBERS!

### LLYC REUNION PARTY

Friday 7th September  
8pm Village Hall

Dance, eat, meet up with old friends and celebrate 26 years of Little Leigh Youth Club - and help to formulate the Youth Club of the future.

More recently retired member will receive personal invitations, but *all* past members will be very welcome. We are relying on all members to spread the word so that no one is missed.

For more information, contact Jenny Jones on 891649.

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## Village Vacancies

**Parish Clerk.** To provide part-time administrative support, co-ordination of meetings, distribution of information & financial book-keeping on behalf of Little Leigh Parish Council. Pay in accordance with National Association of Local Councils award for a Small Parish. Core hours of 2 hours per week with additional hours payable when required. Reviewed after 6months. Closing date for applications: 31st July 2007.

**Village Assistant.** Routine maintenance around village such as tidying verges, village hall gardening, simple repairs. 2 hours per week, £7.50 per hour.

**Parish Councillors.** Vacancies for up to 3 councillors to help co-ordinate increased activities in Environment & Village Hall.

**For all the above vacancies,** for more info or to apply in writing, contact: Cllr Bob Screen, HR Sub-committee, Little Leigh Parish Council, c/o The Old Parsonage, Church Road, Little Leigh, CW8 4RR. 891441

**Village Hall Trustees.** To oversee the management of the Village Hall Charity. More info and to apply, contact Louise Butcher, Village Hall Secretary, 43 Church Road, Little Leigh, CW8 4RR. 891541

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## LITTLE LEIGH WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The W.I would like to thank all the children who took part in the May Fair making it a great success, and we'd like to wish Emma & Alice a great time representing us at local fetes during the summer.

July 4th - Annual Strawberry evening and social with strawberries, cream & glass of wine  
Aug 1st - Member's Night - details on noticeboards  
Sept 5th - Magic of Swans - & WI Cookery Show.

Why not come along for a visit - 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Contact Elsie Evans 891291

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## ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

July 8th 10:30am - Confirmation Service at St Mary's Church in GREAT BUDWORTH

July 18th 10am - Family Service  
6:30pm Evensong

July 22nd 10:30am Holy Communion  
& Baptism [Rev.d G Buchan]

July 29th To be announced

### Rev.d David Johnson

On 15th April it was announced that Rev.d David Johnson was leaving the Four Parishes for a new post at St Michael's Church in Crewe. We thank David for his ministry over the past 9 years and pray that he will find his future ministry very rewarding.

### A thank you from David Johnson

David has written to express his thanks for the most generous leaving gift presented to him from us all.

### Christian Aid

The recent collection raised £360. Thank you for all those who delivered and collected the envelopes.

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## LITTLE LEIGH BAPTIST CHURCH

Services each Sunday at 10:45 & 6pm

**Everyone is very welcome to these events**

**Wednesday Fellowship** on 2nd Wed each month 2:30pm

**Youth Games Evenings:** 15th & 29th July, 12th August

**Anniversary Services:** 10:45am and 6pm on Sunday 15th July, led by James Clarke. Weaver Valley W.I. Choir will sing at the evening service.

**Contact: Lis Clarke 891653**

## Little Leigh Pre-School Playgroup

Proprietor: Mrs D.M. Kershaw  
NNEB Diploma in Nursery Nursing

Opening times:

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9:30AM TO 12PM

All enquiries call Debbie  
Kershaw on 01928 733605 or  
07752 354983

## Little Leigh Parent & Toddler Group

We meet every Friday,  
1:30pm to 3pm in the  
Village Hall. Term time only.  
Tel Vicki Marsden on  
891647

## School Term Dates

Summer Holiday

Fri 20th July - Mon 3rd Sept

## Midday Assistant - Little Leigh Primary School

1 hour per day for September.  
5 days, Monday - Friday.

## LITTLE LEIGH YOUTH CLUB

Each Friday in the Village Hall  
(Term time)

**6:45pm - 8:15pm**

For more details contact Jenny  
Jones on 891649

## Roads, Traffic and the Village Environment

Little Leigh Parish Council has written a letter to Cllr Norman Wright asking for his assistance in addressing these priorities. A **Public Meeting** will be held in **September** to keep up the pressure on Borough + County Council.

**Priority 1** The need to reduce the speed of some drivers on many of the roads in Little Leigh. To reduce the speed on Runcorn Road without addressing the consequences for the minor roads in the village would simply transfer the risks of accidents and injuries onto them.

**Priority 2** Slippery road surfaces. The surfaces of Ash House Lane, Smithy Lane, Cogshall Lane and Hall Lane have become slippery which makes them hazardous for horses and as a result for other road users.

**Priority 3** Pedestrian safety. Brakeley Lane, Church Road and Runcorn Road need footpath improvements.

**Priority 4** Lack of Public Transport. Dial a Ride for older and disabled people exists, but the lack of any other public transport does limit choice compared with other small communities.

**Priority 5** Traffic difficulties. A wide ranging discussion on ways to reduce the difficulties for both residents and parents would be beneficial - eg School drop-offs

**Priority 6** Road surfacing. In particular, Runcorn Road, Church Meadows, Leigh Lane and Willow Green Lane.

**Priority 7** Footpaths and traffic flow. At the A49/A533 traffic lights creating left hand lanes for traffic from Warrington to Northwich would improve traffic flow

**Priority 8** Maintaining Cheshire Railings and Fingerposts

## Nurtured Nails

TRACEY

“Laburnum Cottage”

Bio Sculpture: Ultimate Nail Care  
International Health & Beauty Council  
Qualified Advanced Nail Technician  
Tracey Mellor-Savage  
Enquiries Tel: 07931 582 939

## IYENGAR YOGA

Every Thursday at 7:15pm until 8:45pm  
at the Village Hall.  
Tel Susan Rennie on 888324

## BRITAIN IN BLOOM LITTLE LEIGH

The judges are coming to  
the Village on **3rd July**.  
If you can, have a quick  
tidy up!

## POP MOBILITY

Every Monday 8pm in Village Hall.  
£2.00. Anyone Welcome.

## Little Leigh Post Office

Monday to Thursday, 9am to 12:30pm

## Rosemary Hoyle

BSc, MBAcC, ITEC

(Mid-Cheshire Complementary Medicine)  
Practitioner of Complementary Medicine  
Acupuncture Aromatherapy  
Relexology Reiki  
Therapeutic Massage  
For Appointment

Tel: 01606 891 864

## 6 Jul Rubbish (Green)

13 Jul Recycling (Brown)

## 20 Jul Rubbish (Green)

27 Jul Recycling (Brown)

## 3 Aug Rubbish (Green)

10 Aug Recycling (Brown)

## 17 Aug Rubbish (Green)

24 Aug Recycling (Brown)

## 31 Aug Rubbish (Green)

7 Sep Recycling (Brown)

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WALL holiday club presents...

## **waste watchers children's holiday club**

Volunteers from local Churches are arranging a Holiday Club for all children of primary school age. (remember Pyramid Rock?)

**13th to 17th August 10am until 12:30pm  
& Sun 19th August 10:45am (until 12pm)  
At Whitley Village Hall**

Places are limited so please return registration forms as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Details and forms are available from:

Lis Clarke 01606 891653  
Email: [lis@LLBC.org.uk](mailto:lis@LLBC.org.uk)  
Web-site [www.llbc.org.uk](http://www.llbc.org.uk)

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## **Village Design Statement & Landscape Character Statement**

The Parish Council environment group have been working hard to produce a document which describes what elements of Little Leigh give it the character it has. The work on the Landscape Character Statement (LCS) is nearly complete and progress to date was presented at the summer festival on 1st July. This also provided further opportunity for public consultation with people from the village.

The group are now looking for input from people across all village groups and areas with regard to how any development in the village should be managed. By using the LCS as a record of what currently exists, the Village Design Statement will be set of guidelines recognised as needing to be consulted by Local and National Government with regard to planning decisions.

If you'd like more information, contact Ross Cormick on 891626, Debbie Dalby on 891670 or Sue Griffiths on 891562.

## **WANTED!**

### **Toys in good condition**

Any books, interactive toys, games, farm animals, dolls, teddies, inset boards, educational etc for children

Suitable 0-5 years  
Willing to pay for them  
if required

Contact Lisa Highett 891623

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### **Antrobus Cabbage Canter**

annual road-running race  
10k and 5k  
and a 3k primarily for children.

Sunday 30th September  
12 noon

More info:  
Chris Tratalos 07775 710530

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### **Acoustic Slide Guitar**

Local slide guitarist to perform  
house concerts at your property.

Half the proceeds towards  
LLVH refurbishment.

For details contact Tom Doughty on  
891988 or see [www.tomdoughty.com](http://www.tomdoughty.com)  
[www.myspace.com/tomdoughty](http://www.myspace.com/tomdoughty)

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### **Hedge Trimming**

Don't forget, that sometimes hedges can get a bit overgrown and cause problems obstructing footpaths and pavements.

Help make the village safer for pedestrians and other road users. Next time the garden shears are out, spend some time taming any sprouting undergrowth!

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