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A MESSAGE FROM REVD. TIM WATSON

We are delighted to bring you the first regular letter from our new vicar.



And we're off!

It feels like 2021 has only just begun and yet we have already gone through so much! After the positive and exciting

news about Covid-19 vaccines at the end of 2020, January 2021 has seen us step back into lockdown as cases of Covid-19 spiral out of control. We've got a more contagious variant that emerged in the south of the country, and then we have news of a new variant emerging in South America. It seems like some of the joy of news about the vaccines has lost some of its sparkle. There is good news, there are things to be hopeful about and yet...

We know people who've had to go back into isolation. We know people who have been infected with this new strain. We know children who had gone back to school who are now back taking lessons online.

Every week seems to bring a new news conference, new statistics, new hopes, new worries, threats, hope, fear, hope, worry, fear, hope, worry, fear, hope and on and on and on in a seemingly never-ending cycle. These changeable times can feel unnerving, the sands shift continually beneath our feet. For some in our communities where folk once felt secure they may now feel a lack of security. For some in our communities where folk once felt insecure, they may

now feel positively at risk of falling.

Our natural instinct may be to stand together with our neighbours and form stronger bonds of support and encouragement, and yet here is where the Covid-19 pandemic has cut very deeply. In this crisis we may well be feeling disempowered from being able to be there with and for our neighbours. Covid-19 has torn at the hearts of community and those threads of connection feel stretched and tattered.

As we journey on through this phase of the pandemic we need to keep thinking of safe ways that we can support and care for our neighbours and community. But more than just this, as the pandemic continues we need to guard our hearts against a general denigration of our care and support for our neighbours and community once this pandemic is over. While we may have had to withdraw somewhat at this time we must endeavour to keep our hearts open in love and care for our neighbours and community for such a time when we can more easily walk with one another and share life together again.

In the meantime, stay safe!

Blessings,

Revd Tim

IN THIS MONTH'S BETLEY PARISH NEWS ...

The big news in the village this month is the arrival of our new Vicar, Revd. Tim Watson who was formally appointed on 24th January (see page 6). We all look forward to meeting him in the near future, at least online, and as soon as possible in person. For now church services will be online (see opposite) and St Margaret's is open each day for private prayer during daylight hours. All are welcome to use this peaceful space when you need a break from the noise of the wider world. See page 13 for details of church for children and young people.

Meanwhile *Betley Parish News* will be online only until the Covid-19 guidelines change. It's feeling like a long haul but it's still critical to follow the advice to *stay home*, except for essential journeys, *wash hands* frequently, *wear a mask* when required and *keep your distance* from others. In other words: *'Act like you've got it'*.

The arrival of vaccinations is a step in the right direction, and some of our older and more vulnerable residents have already had theirs. For now we are told it's important to continue to follow the rules, even once you've had the jab. When your turn comes, you will be notified. Staffordshire Action Fraud are alerting residents to vaccine-related scams. For more information see page 22. Pauline Smith, Head of Action Fraud, has said:

"Remember, the vaccine is only available on the NHS and is free of charge. The NHS will never ask you for details about your bank account or to pay for the vaccine. If you receive an email, text message or phone call purporting to be from the NHS and you are asked to provide financial details, this is a scam."



While you wait for your vaccination, and especially once you've had it, you can help the scientists who are working hard to combat this pandemic. Over 4.5 million people are already using the 'COVID symptom study' phone app, making it one of the biggest ever citizen science projects. It's run by King's College London and it's easy to use. There's a daily reminder to report in (which you do whether or not you have any symptoms), and this takes about 30 seconds. You can find out more here <https://covid.joinzoe.com/> and the app is available through the usual Android and Apple sources.

And don't miss our February Quiz on page 16!

The Editors

**ST MARGARET'S BETLEY... SERVICES IN FEBRUARY**

As the national lockdown continues the following services will be on Zoom, serving both Betley and Madeley.

Everyone is welcome and you will need login details to join. Please sign up to our mailing list at www.tiny.cc/weeklymail to receive this, or contact John or one of the churchwardens.

Tuesday 2 nd February	9:15am	Morning Prayers
Sunday 7th February	9:30am	Family Worship
Tuesday 9 th February	9:15am	Morning Prayers
Sunday 14th February	9:30am	Family Worship
Tuesday 16 th February	9:15am	Morning Prayers
Wednesday 17th February Ash Wednesday	7:30pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 21st February	9:30am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 23 rd February	9:15am	Morning Prayers
Sunday 28th February	9:30am	Holy Communion



St. Margaret's continues to be open for individual private prayer between 9.00am and 5.00pm daily

You are welcome to enter but please follow the guidelines posted on the church door and close the door when you leave.

World Day of Prayer Service

This service (prepared in 2021 by women from Vanatu) would normally be held on 5th March. It has been postponed until later in the year. Details to follow in due course.

Revd Tim Watson Licensing Service 2pm Sunday 24 January 2021



Given the snowy scene across the country from Gosport (in Hampshire, Revd. Tim's last parish) to Lichfield, as well as in Betley and Madeley, perhaps it was just as well that Revd. Tim's formal appointment had always been planned to be an online service due to the Covid-19 lockdown. So it was thanks to the technology that 140 of Tim's friends and colleagues from far and wide were able to join in.

The service was a mix of formality, prayer, music and celebration. The Bishop of Lichfield the Right Revd. Dr. Michael Igrave formally licensed Revd. Tim as Vicar of Madeley and of Betley, in accordance with the Church of England's traditional and legal requirements. Then all the participants greeted Revd. Tim with a wave and very warm, if distanced, applause in 'gallery view', before he was officially welcomed by the Newcastle-under-Lyme Deanery of local churches, the Methodists and, on behalf of all the schools in the parishes, the headteacher from Betley School.

Revd. Tim will be well supported in his work by Ministry Teams from both parishes, and they too were commissioned by the Bishop for this next era in the lives of the churches which have been at the heart of our villages since the 12th and 13th centuries.

In normal circumstances the service would have been followed by hearty refreshments and especially cake, but these will have to wait until another day. Still, the service was a glad occasion giving an opportunity for so many friends to wish Revd. Tim, his wife Clare and their children Evie, Lucie and Joshua all the best as they begin their new lives here.

Sadie Blankley



The Bishop of Lichfield presents Revd. Tim's formal License



The parish Ministry teams were also commissioned



Warm wishes from Betley, Madeley and beyond

BETLEY, BALTERLEY & WRINEHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Christmas Lighting

The original intention was to remove the illuminated animals from the Memorial Garden at the start of on Twelfth Night. However in these dark, dank Covid times a number of residents asked if the animals could remain for longer. Accordingly the Parish Council has agreed that the animals will now remain on the Memorial Garden until early February (the end of the season of Epiphany). The lights in the trees at the back will remain for longer but a date has not been agreed for their removal. With the current restrictions on leaving home, the schools being closed, and travel being restricted *families, particularly with youngsters, visiting the Memorial Garden to see the display are asked to ensure compliance with Government guidelines.*

Parking Issues

With more people taking exercise within the village and the extremely muddy conditions on the fields there is a need to ensure that parking is done in an appropriate manner. By this we mean that if you are parking on a pavement, or partially on a pavement please allow space for a wheelchair, buggy or assisted walker to pass. The Parish Council has received a number of representations on this issue and councilors have noticed that some residents could park to better advantage to all.

Covid 19

As this issue goes to print we are in our third lockdown, with the new variant of Covid-19 causing particular concern. Vaccination is under way and we can only hope that will offer protection to the most vulnerable in our community. **it remains vital that we all continue to follow health guidelines:**

Do not leave your home unless necessary

Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly (or use hand sanitiser);

Maintain social distancing;

Wear face coverings where appropriate or required.

If you have symptoms you should arrange a test as soon as possible either via the website www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by phone on 119. We know that the system has been working well locally with same-day testing and results within 24 hours. While you are awaiting your test appointment or the test results *you must self-isolate, and if you have a positive test result you and your household must self-isolate for the necessary period.*

Our community has always had a reputation for looking after each other and by taking these measures we can protect each other's health. To this extent, residents may feel that the availability of community testing in Staffordshire for those not showing symptoms is a very helpful development particularly for those who come into contact with others through employment or voluntary activities. Current information suggests that a significant number of people have the virus without displaying symptoms. As we go to print this testing is available for Staffordshire residents *without* symptoms at staffordshire.zipporah.co.uk/TrackAndTrace but please note this must *not* be used if you have any symptoms.



Tree Planting

The Parish Council has been approached by a local group interested in assisting with tree planting in the area. The Parish Council itself controls relatively little land suitable for planting, though at Sandy Croft we maintain both the wildlife area woodland and the community orchard. However the Council would be very happy to co-ordinate any planting on other sites in the area and to provide information on the group offering their assistance. So if there's a piece of land on which you feel tree planting would be appropriate please contact the Clerk, as below.

Neighbourhood Plan

The formal consultation on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan closed at the end of November and the Working Group has now reviewed all the responses, both from local residents and from statutory consultees (such as the Borough and County Councils, utility companies etc.) which ran to a total of over 160 pages! The Working Group and the Parish Council will be meeting to sign off any necessary changes to the Draft Plan, which will then be submitted to Newcastle Borough Council. It will then be subject to a further consultation and will be reviewed by an expert independent examiner before final approval.

The Plan will then be put before residents for approval in a local referendum. The original intention was for this to take place in May 2021, but the impact of Covid-19 may mean that this has to be put back. However, our understanding is that the policies within the Plan - which are designed to strengthen our community while protecting the area from inappropriate development - will take effect even if the local referendum has to be delayed. The Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan team are very grateful to all those who responded.

Parish Council Website

The Parish Council recently moved its website to a new provider (largely as it offered a significant financial saving to the Council - and thus the community) and this has not been entirely straightforward, but now typing www.betley-balterley-wrinehill.org.uk into your search engine will take you directly to the website. We are starting to load information on local facilities and organisations to the website - *please contact the Clerk if you would like to see details of your organisation included.*

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Thursday 25th February**. Again it will be a virtual meeting on Zoom. There is a fairly straightforward way for any interested residents to view the meeting, and to raise matters during the Public Participation part of the meeting. For details of how to view the meeting or on any other matter relating to the Council please contact the Clerk (as below). Details of all meetings are posted on the local noticeboards and on the Council's website at www.betley-balterley-wrinehill.org.uk.

The recent snow has encouraged people to take some great atmospheric photos. If you'd like us to include one of your village photos in a future edition send it in to BetleyParishMag@gmail.com



Main Road Betley taken by
Will McLaughlin last month



SIMPLE CONVERSATIONS ON FOOD

Thursday 4 February at 2pm on Zoom

This month's topic: ***Lentils - a great source of nutrition, versatile, cheap and delicious.***

Also ... let's do a clear out of our cupboards, bring our out-of-date tins and packets and decide how they can be (safely!) used.

Contact Jo Thomas, as below, for details.

Jo Thomas

Thomas.Johanne@gmail.com



BETLEY AND WRINEHILL W.I.



WI membership booklets are in my house. If anyone wishes to collect one, please contact me.

Pam Clarke (01270 820039)

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READING **ZOOM** TASTERS

Short Talks For Everyone

Zoom in at 11.00am with Meeting ID: 899 2027 8608 (no passcode required)



WHO DO I THINK I AM?

presented by
Jo Thomas

Saturday 13th February at 11.00am

www.tiny.cc/ReadingRoomTasters



CHURCH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Praise and Play

The toddler group is online-only which is certainly better than *not* meeting! Please see our Facebook page for news.

Early Birds/Kids' Church

On Sunday mornings there's *Kids' Church* which you can join online and do at home.

School assemblies

School assemblies will be recorded videos until it is safe to meet again.

Youth Group

Our youth group will continue on Zoom for the time being. Please pass on the message about this group, and let John know of anyone who might like to join. **The Youth Group will be meeting on 14th and 28th February**

For information about any of these activities, contact John, as below.

Rev John Beswick Pallister

johnbpallister@gmail.com (07428 342808)



This lovely photo of St Margaret's in the snow was taken by Stuart Jennings last month.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH - HOW TO ARRANGE...

Baptisms - Please contact the Parish Office 01782 750205.

Confirmations - Adults and young people who would like to prepare to begin receiving communion are encouraged to speak to one of the clergy about being confirmed.

Weddings - Please contact the Parish Office 01782 750205.

Funerals - Arrangements are made through the funeral director

Visiting - Please let the clergy know of anyone who is ill and who would appreciate a call.

BETLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nursery Admission

If your child's fourth birthday is between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 it's time to apply for Nursery. Applications are now open! We would love you to join our school. Please follow the link to make an application:

[Admissions | Betley CE Primary School](#)

We have also created a Betley Tour video. Have a look at what we offer:

<https://betley-ce-primary-school.primarysite.media/playlist/reception-admissions-2021-tour>

Welcoming the new Vicar

As Headteacher of Betley C.E. Primary School I was honoured to welcome Revd Tim on behalf of all the schools in the Betley and Madeley parishes. I know that the families of our schools are very much looking forward to welcoming Tim and his family Clare, Evie, Lucie and Joshua. We hope it won't be too long before we are able to greet Revd Tim in person to meet our school communities and share in songs of praise and prayers together. We are looking forward to continuing with the strong links with our schools. In the meantime we will pray for Tim and his family at the start of their new adventure.

Marvellous Minibeasts (Class One)

Christmas Nativity

The year 2020 was one in which many of us had to find ways to adapt and do things differently and for the Marvellous Minibeasts, it was no different. Sadly, we were unable to act in front of an audience this year. Instead, the play (which is usually performed to a live audience at the end of term) was filmed and then viewed by the parents online, in the comfort of their own homes.

Although we were very disappointed not to perform in church, as we usually do, it was an opportunity for the children to experience something new and exciting. The children were told that – for the first time ever – Class One were all going to be movie stars! Curate John kindly agreed that we could use the church for all our practices and for the filming itself. St Margaret's provides the perfect stage for our Nativity Play every year and it would not have been the same if it had been filmed elsewhere. One of our parents kindly organised a team of students from Newcastle College to film, edit and oversee the whole production.

On the day of filming, the children were somewhat overwhelmed by the presence of the students and their cameras, causing some of them to forget their lines, their props and when to come on stage. Luckily, we were able to



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redo the scenes where things went wrong, leading to an almost seamless production and an amusing number of outtakes to be included in the 'bloopers' section at the end of the film. As always, the children looked wonderful in their fabulous costumes and made us very proud with their acting and singing, spreading a little happiness at a time when we all needed it most.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and students who played their part in supporting the making of our Nativity. We hope that next year, things will be different again and we can go back to performing in church in front of all our parents, grandparents and friends.

To view our Nativities please see the link below:

[Christmas 2020 | Betley CE Primary School \(primarysite.media\)](https://www.betleyceprimaryschool.co.uk/primarysite/media/Christmas%2020)

January 2021



In the last two weeks, the Marvellous Minibeasts have read Aesop's fable *The Ant and the Grasshopper*. Children at school and home learners have practised their comprehension skills by discussing the story with their friends, family and teachers. The children have enjoyed making models and pictures of ants, using play dough and fingerprints. We have also found out information about ants by looking at non-fiction books and doing research on the internet. The children wrote a

sentence and drew pictures of ants (we learned that there is one queen in each nest and that she has thousands of ants working for her!). In Maths, we have been learning to count in 10s and we have used this knowledge to solve real-life problems. Well done to all the children and parents who are working so hard!

Sam Ray

Executive Headteacher
www.betley.staffs.sch.uk



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February 14

A quiz about things that happened in February

(Answers page 18)

1. In 1709, which sailor, who provided the inspiration for Robinson Crusoe, was rescued after spending 4 years as a castaway on an uninhabited island?
2. Which American heiress was kidnapped by the Simbionese Liberation Army in 1974?
3. President of Haiti, Jean-Claude Duvalier, fled the country after a popular uprising in 1986, ending 28 years of one-family rule in the nation. What was his nick name?
4. The Boeing 747 'Jumbo Jet' made its first test flight in February of which year?
a) 1959 b) 1969 c) 1979
5. In 1858 a 14 year old peasant girl reported visions that led to her town becoming a major site for pilgrimages by Catholics. What was her name?
6. Nelson Mandela was released in 1990 after how many years as a political prisoner? a) 27 b) 32 c) 37
7. Chile declared its independence in 1818, from which country?
8. In 1909, Belgian chemist Leo Baekeland, announced the creation of what synthetic material?
9. Which sportsman born in Macclesfield in 1977 has become the most successful sailor in Olympic history?
10. In 1919 Charlie Chaplin, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, and D. W. Griffith launched which film and television entertainment studio?
11. The Third Punic war was officially brought to an end in 1985 when the Mayor of Rome and the Mayor of Carthage met to sign a treaty of friendship. How long had the war officially lasted a) 931 years b) 1531 years c) 2131 years
12. Which Welsh actor born in Newport in February 1969 is famous for Bafta nominated roles as Tony Blair, and as Brian Clough in the film The Damned United?
13. In 1819, Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles founded which colonial state?
14. British women over the age of 30 who met minimum property qualifications could do what from February 1918?



BETLEY READING ZOOM

**Why not Zoom into the Reading
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between 11.00 and 11.40am
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**Just enter the Meeting ID:
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Kevin Hamer 820704

U3A

Madeley & District U3A is an independent charity run by volunteers to serve the communities of Madeley, Betley, Keele, Whitmore, Baldwins Gate, Woore, Onneley and the surrounding area. It provides a wide range of activities and interest groups. These mainly take place on weekdays during daylight hours, and adults of any age are welcome, with the motto 'learn, laugh, live'. Many of the outdoor activities have continued during the lockdown, while other groups meet via Zoom. For details see <https://madeleydistrictu3a.wordpress.com>.

The tree planting group will be glad to hear from anyone who would like to join us or to suggest possible sites for planting. For further information please contact the group co-ordinator, Ruth Eagle [01782 750917](tel:01782750917) or email ruthefgh@gmail.com

DO YOU NEED PRAYER?



Would you, or someone you know, appreciate a private conversation with clergy and the chance for some personal prayer for yourself or someone you know?

Clergy from St Margaret's and All Saints' churches will be available by phone after the online Sunday services.

Please phone or send a message to Revd. John Beswick Pallister, or Revd. Pamela Lane to find out who is on duty on a particular Sunday.

Sanctus, St Mark's Supporting Asylum Seekers and Refugees



Sanitary products and toiletries can be deemed a luxury that is unaffordable for many. Sanctus relies on the generosity of supporters to collect these items for them, through collection boxes in local churches.

St Margaret's is one such church. If you would like to donate, please leave your contribution in the church porch.

www.sanctusstmarks.co.uk.

Answers to February quiz

1 Alexander Selkirk 2. Patty Hearst 3. Baby Doc 4. b) 1969 5. Bernadette Soubirous 6. a) 27 7. Spain 8. Bakelite 9. Ben Ainslie 10. United Artists 11. c) 2131 years 12. Michael Sheen 13. Singapore 14. Vote



BETLEY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Here we are in Lockdown 3 with no prospect of meeting together in the foreseeable future. As you read this, some of us will have received the vaccine, and, hopefully, by Easter, most of our members will have done so which gives us just a little hope of a return to normality later in the year.

In the meantime, owing to the endeavours of our Newsletter Editor, Mavis Smith and the kind contributions of two of our readers, we have been able to add a *Pandemic Issue 4* Newsletter, which is free for all to read, on our Website. It is good to read of life in Betley in 1960s as it is remembered by Peter and of even more recent events described by Laura of a childhood in Betley in the early 1990s. We are the only ones who can keep a record of recent decades for the benefit of those who come behind us.

You may have seen on our Facebook page that I have been attempting to write about the Gardens of Ted and Mary Fernihough and what was happening between the big Sale of Betley Hall Estate in 1925 and the Sale of 1947 when six major Lots were sold and Fernihoughs bought the walled gardens, glasshouses, stables etc. What do we remember of Ted Fernihough? ... or of Cyril Ball who purchased Old Wood and The Lodge, part of which, in 1965/66 he donated as the present Memorial Garden in memory of his wife who had died aged 55. Who was Hugh Woolf who died in a plane crash on 16th May 1947 and caused the Sale of 13th September 1947 which was set up by instruction of his Executors? As always, too many questions and too few answers, but I hope to be able to place some of this information in a file in our Archives.

Perhaps *you* could send us one or two unrelated paragraphs of little memories ... or a piece which could be formed into the next Pandemic Newsletter. Using this 'Stay at Home' time to record more of Betley's recent history would be good.

Rhoda Farrington



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www.blhs.co.uk

COUNTRY FOOTPATH WALKS

Please join us for one of our walks – Try one for free and then you can decide to pay our annual subscription of £5.00 (normally due annually in November after the AGM).

Walks are usually on the first Sunday of each month starting at 10:00am and finishing around 12:00 /12:30

Distance around 4 to 5 miles.

For more information, please contact our Chair, Jon, on 07976 814023.

**We hope to begin walks again in April so
look out for more news nearer the date.**

The Betley Trust

A local organisation dating from the 18th Century, seeking to assist in the development or improvement of the individual or group with education, health or social needs.



Do you know any young people who could benefit from help to buy books or equipment?

Would a few hundred pounds help with your local project or idea to benefit the local community?

Do you need some help with aids or adaptations (that you can't fund from elsewhere) to make your daily life easier?

MAYBE WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP

Contact us for an informal chat or in writing to either:

Steven Ball 07920 096987

skb1@hotmail.co.uk

Or Jenny Johnson 01270 820604

rogerjohnson604@btinternet.com



BETLEY METHODIST CHURCH

It is increasingly difficult to write news, month by month, when there *is* no news!

The Chapel remains closed. 'Conference call' Sunday Services at 6:00pm and Night prayers at 8:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30pm continue with Rev Den and members of Shavington, Wells Green and Willaston Chapels. On Sunday 10th January, we topped 100 worshippers in all, with 73 in the morning (9.45am) and 28 at 6:00pm. To join in just phone 0330 336 0036 and give the PIN number 117868 when asked.

We offer our welcome to Rev Tim Watson and family.

God bless,

Rhoda Farrington
and Betley Methodists



Betley and District Village Hall Bowling Club

Why not try crown green bowling this year?

We are a club which positively welcomes new members of all ages and abilities. We will open this year when the government and the British Crown Green Bowling Association advise it is safe to do so. Meantime if you would like to find out a bit more about the club and crown green bowling in general then please get in touch.

Wondering where we are?

We are tucked away behind the village hall, the tennis court, and the children's play area. In its lovely village setting, it is now well established with a wide cross section of members. During normal times we have social activities, regular friendly events with other clubs, and opportunities to play in local leagues.

For more information contact -

Rachel Alcock 01270 820136 or email paulrach121@gmail.com

Tony Turner 07721 939501 or email arturner.uk@gmail.com



Bus services

From 16 January 2021 Service 85 (D&G Bus, Newcastle - Nantwich) will operate a reduced service on Saturdays and will not operate on Sundays. Revised timetables will be available on the [D&G Bus website](#)

Covid-19 Vaccination Scams

Action Fraud has received reports from members of the public who have been sent text messages claiming to be from the NHS, offering them the opportunity to sign up for coronavirus vaccinations. The texts ask the recipient to click on a link which takes them to an online form where they are prompted to input personal and financial details. In some cases the online form has looked very similar to the real NHS website.

In the UK, coronavirus vaccinations will only be available via the National Health Services of England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland. You can be contacted by the NHS, your employer, a local GP surgery or pharmacy, to receive your vaccination. Remember, the vaccinations are free of charge and you will not be asked for a payment.

The NHS will never:

- ask for your bank account or card details
- ask for your PIN or banking passwords
- arrive unannounced at your home to administer the vaccine
- ask for documentation to prove your identity, such as a passport or utility bills

If you receive a call you believe to be fraudulent, hang up. If you are suspicious about an email you have received, forward it to report@phishing.gov.uk. Suspicious text messages should be forwarded to the number 7726, which is free of charge.

If you believe you are the victim of a fraud, please report this to Action Fraud as soon as possible by calling 0300 123 2040 or visiting www.actionfraud.police.uk.

Have Your Say ... on Local Policing

Staffordshire Police are keen to understand the issues that matter most to our communities, and your feedback will enable us to get a better understanding of these issues to ensure that services and resources are being delivered in the best way to address any concerns. Ultimately this will help us to achieve our vision of a safer Staffordshire. The survey is anonymous and should take less than ten minutes to complete. You can access it online until noon Monday February 8th 2021 [here](#).

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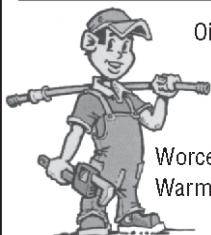
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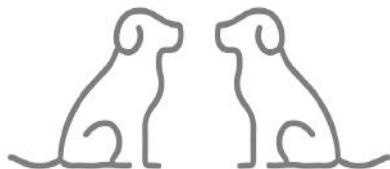
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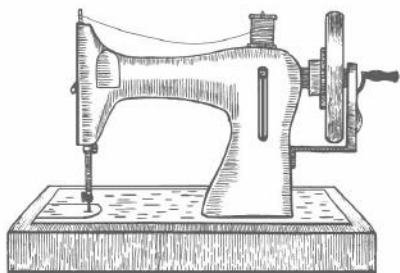
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