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an information service from the Presteigne Area Community Development Group PACDG

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The Information Bulletin reborn! If you have any questions on what's happening – or not happening – in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction – simply email pacdg@icloud.com – or collar one of the Steering Committee in the street and tell us what's on your mind. You can also leave a written message at the Library for us – remember to include your name and a contact telephone number ! We're happy to help publicise community and charity activities and events (but only for events in the immediate Presteigne area) – email pacdg@icloud.com

Feel free to pass this on to friends in the area and ask them to let us know their email address so we can add them to the distribution. And if you can help spread the word and publicise this on Facebook or by Twitter that would be brilliant !

DID YOU KNOW.....anyone can attend Town Council meetings (to listen only unless invited to speak) which are held in the back room of the Judges Lodging on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Full details of the Town Council - members, minutes, contacts etc - are on the town website <u>www.presteigne.org.uk</u> and if you have any questions you can contact the Town Clerk, Tracey Price. Disabled access is via the back entrance to the Judges Lodging. Agendas & minutes are also kept in the Library.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED..... Sally asked how much PCC is paying to the Chamber of Trade to look after the Bring Site, and what that money will be used for ? we're told by CoT that the amount varies in relation to PCC's income from Bring Site recycling and is not guaranteed but may be in excess of £3000 p.a. and will be used to help pay for creating a green Presteigne as well as development of the Bring Site.....John asked about the new housing development on the Knighton road - apart from being critical about the appearance of the houses, he wanted to know how many houses were planned, and what type? The Town Clerk says that the current development is for eleven dwellings only - six 2 bed and one 4 bed houses, and four 1 bed flats -MWHA have a planning option on the rest of the field but plans were scaled down from 28 dwellings because of Welsh Water concerns. There's no timetable for further development. For further information contact the Town Clerk or visit the PCC planning portal for full details.

COMMUNITY SERVICES.....

Presteigne Baptist Church holds a Mother & Tots Group in the church hall every Tuesday 10am - 12noon. Toys, tea, coffee and chat in a welcoming, friendly and relaxing environment. all welcome, contact Sam Price on 01547 560476.

CONGRATULATIONS..... to the Judges Lodging, which came second (behind Bletchley Park) in the Hudson Heritage Awards 2016 - a brilliant place to visit, fun for kids as well..... and to Presteigne Young Farmers & Owen Davies who took overall 2nd place, taking two out of four gold medals, at the All-Wales YFC 2016 English Language Drama finals in Wrexham.

If you have any questions, or some information to pass on, or a local event or activity to publicise, email us at <u>pacdg@icloud.com</u>. To be removed from this mailing list, email us with subject REMOVE ALL CHANGE ON OUR HIGH STREET... it's thanks and goodby to Deb & Paul who return to Australia shortly and a warm welcome to Paul & Sarah who've taken over Winnies, to Vikki who's opened Rose Cottage Floral Creations this month, and Boran & Farid at the wonderful Moroccan Deli. We'll miss Silver Lining but the new flower shop looks great ! Zany Lady is closing as well unfortunately but Sue is holding a pop-up shop party with new stock from France this Saturday 19th March 2 to 5pm.

CAN YOU HELP ???.... in the recent residents survey, several people asked that more benches be provided around the town. There's also a crying need for a large public noticeboard to advertise local events. A donation 'in memoriam' or sponsorship by a local trader or business would be welcomed with open arms ! Just let us know and we'll point the way.....

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.....

Tonight Presteigne Screen "A Girl Walks Home at Night", The Assembly Rooms 8pm

Come-and-Sing choruses from "Elijah", Sat 19/3 in The Assembly Rooms. Registration 9.30 - 4.30pm. Pay on the door.

Presteigne Bowling Club Easter Bingo, Sat 19/3 at the Memorial Hall. Prizes and cash. Doors open 6.30 for 7.45pm start

Daffodil Sunday, 20/3, Kinsham Court, 2-5pm with tea/cakes

Presteigne Football Club Quiz Night, Thurs 24/3 7.30 for 8pm start. To book call 01544 267091 or 07799 268007

Good Friday - Stainer's "Crucifixion", St. Andrews Church 7.30pm

Balladeers & Chancers, Saturday 26/3 Dukes Arms, 8.30pm

Velvet Violin, Sunday 27/3 at The Assembly Rooms. Return of Nuola Honan plus UberLoon, and John Hymas & Dave Luke

Presteigne Bowling Club Quiz Night, Wed 30/3 at the Bowls Social Club on Hereford Street. 7.30 for 8pm start. Text 07766 097600 or email presteignedogman@icloud.com to reserve

AND RESERVE THESE DAYS IN YOUR DIARIES - MORE INFO LATER Saturday 11th June - Street Party for The Queen's 90th Birthday Sunday 16th July - Presteigne Carnival on Wente's Meadow