

## Parish Council Meetings

25th November Ordinary  
6.30pm  
20th Jan 2025 Ordinary  
6.30pm

All Parish Council meetings are held in Coughton C of E Primary School Hall

There is a 15 minute slot at the start of the meeting for you to address any concerns, issues & questions you have. Please come along and let us know what we can do to help you.

Agendas & Minutes of all meetings are available on the Parish Council website and noticeboard by Coughton C of E School

### Village Pass

If you have recently moved into Coughton or do not have a 'Village Pass' for Coughton Court, please contact :

[Claire.hancox@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:Claire.hancox@nationaltrust.org.uk)

If you have anything you wish to add to the newsletter, please contact Lynne



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## Sambourne Village Notices

### Coughton with Sambourne Church Services

6th October, Sambourne, Holy Communion 4pm  
20th October St Peter's Coughton, Harvest Service 11.00am  
11th November, Sambourne, Armistice Day Service on The Green @ 10.50am  
17th November, St Peter's Coughton, Holy Communion 11am

Flowers @ St Peter's Coughton, Joy Hawthorne

All are welcome to our friendly informal services. Refreshments served afterwards.

### 100 Club

August's Winner of £100 was won by Stuart Dyson from Sambourne

Septembers Winner of £100 was won again by Rachael Shearer, Lucky Lady!

Draws are made on the first Sunday each month at 5.00pm in Sambourne Church Hall. The October draw will be a jackpot of £450 & the November draw will be for £100

Please give some thought to joining the 100 Club to have a chance of winning a cash prize each month. Should you wish to join.

Contact Peter Laband (01527 893879) or John McTavish (01789 764703)



### Coughton Past & Present

The River Arrow at Coughton

#### Coughton Parish Councillors

Sarah Whittaker: Clerk

Roy Piddington: Chair

Christine Lewington: Vice Chair

Len Carter: Cllr

Lynne Stanton: Cllr

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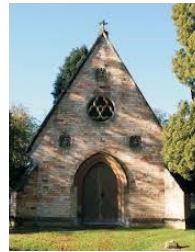
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# COUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2024

## Coughton & Sambourne's Chapel Restoration Project

Approval has now been received from the Diocese for some restoration work to be undertaken. Therefore, we can now apply for grants etc. to raise money to complete each phase. If anyone wishes to help with this project, please contact Christine.



### Coughton Ford

We are still awaiting the fitting of a new bin to replace the one lost in the floods. A litter pick was recently completed at the ford and we are aiming to do another as soon as we can. Volunteers will also be doing a general tidy of the area, all help welcomed.

### Coughton Coffee Mornings

The next Coughton Coffee Mornings are in 'Coughton Mews Gardens'. The dates are October 22th & November 16th, 10am to 12pm. Any sign of rain, coffee or Tea will be in The Post Office Kitchen. Please join us for a cuppa, a chat and CAKE! This is a free event!



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## Dates for your Diary

Coughton Community Choir practice every Thursday @ Kings Court Hotel  
6.30pm

Bi Monthly Parish Council Meetings (details on back page)

October Litter Picking Day

12th October Coffee Morning in The Mews 10am—12pm

12th & 13th October Cemetery Tidy Weekend

31st October Halloween

10th November Remembrance Sunday laying a wreath at  
the Cross on A435 11am

16th November Coffee Morning in The Mews 10am—12pm

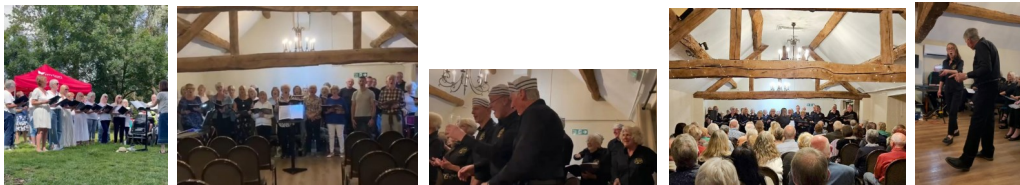
7th December Hog Roast @ Coughton Court

December Carol Service

Coughton Community Choir

The most recent concert, performed by Coughton Community Choir on 21st September at Kings Court Hotel, was in aid of local charities and entitled 'The Best Of Three with the CCC'. The concert was a combination of songs chosen from our last three concerts and performed to a very enthusiastic audience. We managed to raise £800 for local charities.

Coughton Community Choir also recently sang at Coughton Court & Myton Hospice's 'Butterfly Effect' on a lovely sunny day, to a superb crowd of onlookers.



## Annual Scarecrow Competition

As we have had little response for the scarecrow competition this year, I have decided to change the date to October & combine this with Halloween. It will be judged on 31st of October at spooky o'clock!!! Let's see if we can fill Coughton with wonderfully creative scarecrows. Contact Lynne and let her know you are entering.

## Sunflower Competition

There were quite a few entries for the sunflower competition this year. All shapes, sizes and some unusual colours. The certificates will be handed out shortly and thank you to all who entered.



## Coughton Parish Council Meeting 23rd September 2024.

This meeting was attended by our MP, a representatives from our local Police, County & District Councillors. It was held to discuss the worries of villagers and parents on the dangers of speeding and accidents on the A435 and local lanes, and also the parking issues we are constantly having which never seem to abate. A very powerful presentation entitled 'Is This A Fatality Waiting To Happen?' was given by Cllr Lewington, emphasizing the accidents over the past 12 months and the dangers with the speed of the A435 and adjoining lanes. There was a discussion with many villagers asking questions. We found out that there is a cost of £6k to survey the area with the hope of speed reductions. Other options were discussed and as and when we know more we will inform you immediately. It was proposed that a joint concert between the school and Coughton Community Choirs was held as a fundraiser towards the costs. Please contact the PC if you have any comments.



We have had numerous accidents in the village recently Bob Turners wall was demolished by a car going through it, (now restored). The listed phone box was severely damaged by a car, whose driver did not stop at the scene, but drove off! The most recent incident occurred when a trailer became unhitched from a truck. The trailer mounted the pavement (which is 6 feet wide at most) ploughing through the useless plastic bollards, into The bake house & tearing down the bus stop. This could have caused unspeakable damage if someone had been standing at the bus stop or the children had been going to or from school. As it happens there was a crocodile of school children passing that spot less than 10 minutes later—this is unimaginable! Things need to be done and the sooner the better. For a start, the cameras need to be recording vigilantly as cars, motorbikes and articulated lorries are speeding through the village at ridiculous speeds, all times of the day and night. The vibrations are intense. The plastic bollards need to be replaced by black cast iron ones, as in other villages with narrow pavements. The zig zags & double yellow lines need repainting again as they have worn off in a very short time. The school needs to monitor parking even if just once a week. We also need occasional traffic wardens in the area at school finishing time. Whilst we appreciate that we all pay our road tax and can park where we wish —NO YOU CAN'T— you need to be mindful of villagers and others with THEIR CHILDREN and mindful of YOUR CHILDREN. There are few pathways in Coughton Lane so please be aware of children in the road and look where you are driving, & not at the child you have

just dropped off! When crossing the A435 USE THE CROSSING, don't just run and hope as this could be the

**'DEATH OF YOUR CHILD'**

Can we kindly ask again that you do not park opposite or too close to driveways, on zig zags or double yellow lines, UNLESS YOU DISPLAY A BLUE BADGE. Please also be mindful of farm machinery and not block their access. Whilst we love the children at the school, a few people are spoiling it for the majority.



All we ask is for thoughtfulness and courtesy on all sides. Thank you