



## PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2020

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### **REMEMBRANCE DAY 2020**

St Luke's had planned a church service for Remembrance Day on 8<sup>th</sup> November, however, due to the COVID-19 lockdown the service was cancelled. Fortunately, the laying of the Poppy Wreaths by local groups was permitted with a short reading at the War Memorial in St Luke's Church Yard (all socially distanced and masks worn!).

Representatives of the Royal British Legion Local Branch and Women's Section, Goostrey Scouts, Goostrey Guides, Twemlow and Goostrey Parish Councils met around the War Memorial at 10.45am to lay the Poppy Wreaths to remember those who lost their lives defending Britain. Readings were led by Reverend Heather Buckley, followed by Arthur Lamb (Royal British Legion) and Cllr Craig Brandreth read out the names of those who were lost from Goostrey and Twemlow. A single bell tolled at 11.00am and a two-minute silence was observed.

John Williams filmed the wreath laying for the Goostrey Parish Archive.

### **VILLAGE HALL**

The Parish Council feels that, given the current status of the pandemic, and because the majority of our hirers are social groups, it is unlikely that the Village Hall will open before April 2021. We will work towards re-opening at the beginning of April 2021, but we will obviously be subject to Government Restrictions in force at that time.

### **DONATION TO "THE STOREHOUSE" FOOD BANK, CONGLETON**

Last month we advised residents that we were unable to host the Senior's Lunch due to the COVID-19 Government Restrictions on social gatherings.

At the Parish Council Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> October the Parish Council approved a donation of £1,000 from the budget it provides for the Senior's Lunch, to be made to The Storehouse, Food Bank in Congleton. The charity was chosen to receive the donation as it provides food for local families in need.

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- Parish Council and Planning Committee - 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

All meetings will be held by Zoom Video Conference until further notice (joining instructions for the meetings are listed on the meeting notice on the notice boards and on the website at <https://Goostrey.info>). In the unlikely event that Government Restrictions are relaxed sufficiently for the Parish Council to hold regular meetings in person, this will be indicated on the meeting notice.

### **PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS**

The Parish Office is "open" to receive phone calls three half days a week: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 1.00pm – 4.00pm. **Contact Details:** Phone 01477 535825 (answerphone out of office hours) and in emergencies you can call the Clerk on 07834 230351.