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SHOPS IN STUDLEY 'Use them or lose them'

Sadly, over the last two years at any one time there are about 14 empty shops in Studley.

As individual residents we can solve this problem by taking responsibility to use our local shops. By doing so, it will contribute to the vitality and energy of our Community.

Studley is our village. Please use the shops whenever you can. Help keep the centre vibrant and our Community will thrive.

Hazel Wright, Chairman, Studley Improvement Partnership

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CLIMATE CHANGE (Saving Electricity at home)



Switch it Off Don't just standby and waste money

Five things that cost you nothing but can save a lot

Try these at home and save £100* a year

(If everyone in Warwickshire, Worcestershire and Coventry did these it would save £1m a week)

All Rooms

Switch the Light off when you leave a room.

Energy Fact: Each 60w bulb that's left on 4 hours a day will waste £9 a vear.

Kitchen

When you make a drink, only put as much water in the kettle as you need. It will boil quicker and save energy.

Energy Fact: Boiling one cup of water instead of a full kettle 5 times a day can save £30 per year.

Study

If you are not going to watch your computer monitor for a while, switch off. It only takes a few seconds to come back on when you want it again. **Energy Fact:** A 7" CRT monitor left in sleep mode for 8 hours a day when it could be off wastes £9 per year.

Living Room

When you are not watching television, switch off at the set or the wall, not the remote.

Energy Fact: A television left on stand by can use more electricity when it's off than when it's on. Switching off can save up to £11 per year for each set you have.

Bedroom

In a teenager's room a computer, games console, television, battery chargers, video/DVD, CD player and modem could be using around 75W just on standby.

Energy Fact: Switching these off instead of leaving them on standby for 15 hrs a day could save you £41 per year.

BULKY WASTE COLLECTION



It is with some disappointment that some residents still ignore the notices put up in Pool Road car park asking them not to leave their bulky waste before 10am and 12 noon when it is collected the 1st Saturday in each month.

THIS SERVICE IS <u>NOT</u> SUPPLIED BY SDC, IT IS PAID FOR BY STUDLEY PARISH COUNCIL.

By dumping rubbish outside the specified times will mean that we have to pay extra for it to be collected.

We have caught some offenders on CCTV.

IF RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO ABUSE THE COLLECTION WE WILL HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO DISCONTINUE THE SERVICE

'A BIG THANKYOU'

STUDLEY PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE THANK EVERYONE WHO TOOK THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE AIR QUALITY QUESTIONNAIRE IN THE LAST ISSUE OF STUDLEY VOICE. STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL RECEIVED OVER 170. THE RESULTS HAVE NOW BEEN FORWARDED TO WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL. WE HOPE THERE WILL BE SOME FUNDING IN PLACE TO IMPROVE THE A435.

PARKING IN THE VILLAGE



Parking along the pavement in the village especially those on the Alcester Road has been a concern for some time for the Police, Parish Council and residents themselves.

On advice from Warwickshire Police it is an offence for a person, without lawful authority or excuse, in any way wilfully to obstruct the free passage along the highway of whatever type. This applies to vehicles obstructing pavements and would normally be dealt with by Fixed Penalty Notice or if parked in a dangerous manner the vehicle being removed.

Pavements are constructed and provided for pedestrian use. Vehicles parked on pavements are:

- A hazard to pedestrians causing an obstruction which may result in them
 having to step off the pavement onto the highway thus putting themselves in
 danger.
- A hazard by restricting the width of the pavement making it difficult for someone with a pushchair or wheelchair to pass safely again this person may have to step into the highway to avoid the obstruction.
- A hazard due to the damage caused by driving on and off the pavement eg; broken paving slabs.

As a responsible homeowner please can you take a few minutes when parking your own vehicle or when visitors arrive at your home address to make sure the pavement is not obstructed, in many cases this will just involve moving your vehicle onto the roadside by a small amount to avoid causing an obstruction.



STUDLEY FRIDAY SHOPPER COACH TO REDDITCH

Studley Parish Council organise a Shopper Coach every Friday morning from Studley to Redditch. It leaves the Royal Oak on the Alcester Road at 10am with various pick up points around the village, returning from Redditch at 1pm.

The service is subsidised by the Council and the cost to any resident over 50 years of age is £1 return.

It has proved a very popular service by all those who use it.



Judging will be taking place in early July for the Studley Parish Council Best Kept Garden Competition.

All gardens are automatically entered

There are a number of categories so we urge all residents to make an effort to make their gardens look good, which also enhances the look of the village overall.

Presentation of the awards usually takes place at our Parish Council meeting in early September.

FAMILY FUN FAMILY SPORTS



For Children & Parents

(Children need to be aged 6 – 12 years No younger Children please. Parents need to participate)

Sunday 12th July Studley High School & Leisure Centre Sports Hall

Opt in for a morning - 9.30am - 12.00pm Opt in for an afternoon 1.00pm - 3.30pm Or bring a picnic and stay the whole day.

An opportunity to be coached on skills. Activities range from





Trampoline, Tennis, Shoot outs Badminton,
Field Events/Athletics, Fun BALL Games, Golf.
(Please note any activity is subject to change)

Prizes to be won for Sporting Events.

All families will automatically be put into our free prize draw. The family's name that is drawn out wins some Pizza Hut Vouchers for a family meal out!!

THIS EVENT REQUIRES A BOOKING

For more information contact Rachel Bird Extended Service Co-ordinator on Mob 07842 160 519 or bird.rachel@gmail.com



Extended Services Warwickshire

Creative Workshops in Studley

Studley High School is wanting to open up it's facilities for the Community, working in partnership with Adult and Community Learning. Are you an adult interested in Art, Photography, Drama or Music or want to get some basic skills in IT.

To know more contact Rachel Bird – Extended Services Co-ordinator on 07842 160 519 or bird.rachel@gmail.com

STUDLEY IN BLOOM

'Judgement Day Tuesday 28th July 2009'

Justin Sayers, Chairman of Studley in Bloom is asking all residents and businesses in the Village to make an effort to tidy up outside their properties ready for the Britain in Bloom Competition.

Please give Studley in Bloom your support, they do a fantastic job with only a few volunteers in making the village look great with planters and tubs.

Action Studley is organising a Litter Pick on Saturday 4th July and again on Saturday 25th July between 10am and 11am. On Monday 27th July between 5pm and 7pm a final litter pick before judging will take place.

PLEASE BRING BROOMS, DUSTPANS AND BRUSHES ETC. BAGS AND LITTER PICKERS AVAILABLE. GLOVES ADVISABLE.

ASSEMBLY POINT IS THE YOUTH CENTRE CAR PARK.

Last year Studley won a Silver medal. Let us make sure it is 'Gold' this year.

Why not help!! Studley in Bloom are in desperate need of new volunteers. Are you interested in making Studley a better place to live Join Studley in Bloom. Contact Justin on 01527 853985.

Enterprising Warwickshire

Enterprising Warwickshire is an exciting new initiative to support businesses and individuals in Warwickshire, helping you to develop your existing or potential business.

RUNNING A SMALL BUSINESS AND EFFECTED BY THE CURRENT ECONOMIC DOWNTURN

FACING DIFFICULT TIMES AND WORRIED THAT YOU MIGHT MAKE REDUNDANCIES

OR ARE YOU AT RISK OF REDUNDANCY AND LOOKING TO START UP YOUR OWN BUSINESS

ARE YOU UNEMPLOYED AND WANT TO USE THIS TIME AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO VENTURE OUT ON YOUR OWN

Enterprising Individuals

Enterprise coaches will work with you on a one-to-one basis, helping you to turn your ideas into a successful business. There is a wealth of support and guidance available, including:

- Information on Legal and financial issues
- Guidance on researching and marketing your business
- Help to prepare a business plan
- Generating new ideas and enabling you to problem solve and overcome challenges.
- Inspiring, motivating and helping you to discover the opportunities of becoming your own boss.
- Referrals to other professional and business support agencies.

Existing Businesses

Accredited Business Coaches will be on hand to support small businesses including:

- Developing Action Plans in response to the economic downturn
- Analysing costs and offering solutions to become more efficient
- Help to formulate and present proposals for re-financing or expanding the business
- Finding possible sources of finance
- Developing and reviewing business plans
- Referrals to other professional and business support organizations

Who can receive help

- Individuals who live in a Warwickshire post coded area
- Businesses that employ more than 5 (FTE) employees located in Warwickshire

If you would like FREE support and advice please call 02476 654321