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DATE: WEDNESDAY 17TH AUGUST

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Chester Green Arts Trail: August 20th 10 am—4 pm Small Art Trail in Chester Green. Cafe on the Green. Come and peep at Pop Up Window and Front Room Galleries and see beautiful work for sale. There are activities for children (pay as you feel): A Fun Tree Trail-Paint and Ronnie Le Drew famous for operating Zippy on TV's Rainbow is performing his Brilliant Bag Show (which includes a mini Zippy!) at 3pm. If there is anyone else who has work they would like to exhibit contact me on waxbaby@me.com. Anyone free to volunteer at the Cafe also email me.

LEND A WINDOW for the Art Trail. We have 6 facing the Green which is fantastic for the first year- but if there are any more people interested in LENDING THEIR FRONT WINDOW please contact me. Or if there are others away from the Green that would also be fantastic, we have two at present.



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To contact the Residents' Association please see the website www.littlechester.org.uk

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CHESTER GREEN ENTERTAINMENTS TEAM:

Picnic on the Green! It was great to see so many people on the Green and sheltering under the trees at Chester Green's own 'Picnic on the Green'. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did.

After an anxious few days on the run up we were delighted to put on our annual Picnic on the Green! Thanks to our acts Another You Face Painting, Englefield Recorder Group, Silver Sax, Tiptoes School of Performing Arts, Rock Choir, Brass Pigeon and Fuzz Fing who helped make the event such a success (and the CGET team, of course)!

As always, without the support of our local businesses the Picnic could not happen, and we would like to thank them all. The generous donations of the great raffle prizes were amazing! The funds raised by the raffle all goes towards next year's Picnic, as do the funds raised at our other events during the year. Huge thanks to Sunbelt Rentals for the generator, Arnold Clarke Cars for sponsorship and the generous raffle prizes from: Alternative Tiles, Chester Green Fish Bar, White Rose College, Derby Family Chiropractors. JR Smith Newsagents, Chester Green News, Robert Ashley Barbers, the Barbershop, Little Chester Ale House, Derby Ceilings, CPB Financial Services and local residents!



Over the August Bank Holiday there will be an outbreak of Scarecrows around Chester Green. Will yours be there? The date is the **27th to the 29th August**. Soooo – get busy creating any type of 'Scarecrow' and display it in your window, garden, attached to a drainpipe, tree or seated on a wall near your house or business for everyone to enjoy! As always, there is no theme, so let your imaginations run wild! See https://tinyurl.com/scarecrowideas for inspiration and ideas.

We'll be running our 1st funding event for next year's Picnic; the ever popular **Quiz on the 9th September**, at the Com-

munity Centre.

Another date for your diary is the much anticipated Christmas Market on the **19th November**, again at the Community Centre!

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Our City Our River

Land adjacent to 102 City Road: A number of groups have expressed an interest in developing a community garden on the piece of land adjacent to 102 City Road. We shall be talking to the groups over the coming months. The site has a number of constraints on its use so we are liaising with Historic England, Planning and the Environment Agency to agree what can be done on the site.

Parker's Piece Cricket: Cricket nets are being installed over the next few weeks. We are hoping to complete the lease negotiations over the next couple of months and hand over the pavilion, cricket nets and cricket square to Community One. We have recently obtained planning permission for a small storage unit adjacent to the pavilion which will used to store mowing equipment. The unit will also be embellished with interpretive panels celebrating the industrial heritage of the site. We are aiming to install the basic unit first and then fix the decorative panels on at a later date once the detailed design has been agreed. This is the first piece of the wider Interpretation project as explained below.

Interpretation: As part of the planning approval for the flood defence works we will be undertaking a wider Interpretation project in the Chester Green area to introduce decorative sculptural, written and digital pieces to explain the historic

significance of the site and it's connection with the wider city and the river. The project is in its early stages and an artist will be commissioned to work on the project and carry out public consultation.

Garden Tree Planting Scheme:

The first phase of the OCOR Garden Tree planting scheme in coniunction with Trees for Derby is underway and we are offering residents in the Chester Green area a free tree to plant in their gardens. This is part of a wider tree planting project along the river corridor through the city. Further information is available from Trees for Derby: treesforderby@gmail.com

Free Trees for Gardens







Fancy a front-garden fruit tree for friendly foraging? Back garden blossom? A more verdant view?

by planting a FREE, high-quality garden tree as part of Derby City Council's Our City Our River

If you're interested and you live in the Phase 1 area (inside the red ring on the map), please contact treesforderby@gmail.com for more

We have limited funding and have to order for this phase before October- so please get in touch as soon as possible

Future phases will provide trees to residents



LITTLE CHESTER HISTORY GROUP

A big thank you to all the people who visited Royal Crown Derby on 21st July. It was very interesting and informative, and a great privilege to handle the priceless pieces. This was our last event till September when we have a new programme of events and hope to see many new members.

Don't forget the dates for sorting the archives in St Paul's Church....Saturday 30th July from 10am till midday and Sunday 28th August from 2pm till 4pm.



Digital Inclusion for all in Darley!

As your elected councillor I want to ensure that everyone across Darley Ward, including our elderly, have their 'voices heard'. I have been approached by a resident Maggie Roper-attenborrow who like myself and fellow councillors Alison Martin and Martin Repton are concerned about what's known as the 'grey digital divide'. The internet is an indispensable part of modern society. It facilitates long dis-

tance communication, access to information, health care interventions, as well as multiple opportunities for social participation. But not everyone especially the elderly has access to or understands this new technology.

We know this gap will get bigger and that it already impacts people's daily lives from social exclusion, online shopping, booking a GP appointment, access to timely information, paying bills etc. Maggie and I would like to work on a project together, firstly to understand what challenges our elderly residents face around digital technology. If you would like to take part in this conversation we would love to hear from you.

Please contact myself Carmel Swan at carmel.swan@derby.gov.uk or Maggie Margaret.attenborrow@gmail.com Alternatively you can call 07721121165

CHESTER GREEN BOOK EXCHANGE:

This was started during the main lockdown period in 2020 by several residents of Marcus Street, using 2 paste tables! It provided a lifeline for avid readers who couldn't replenish their supplies, on a completely free basis, whether or not books were exchanged. It continued to be held in the open air, weather permitting, but has recently moved into the Community room on Old Chester Road, opposite the end of Marcus Street.



We are open on the first Saturday of the month, from 10am to approximately 11am, so pop in and see us. there is bound to be something you'd like to read among our large stock of books, and now you can have a cuppa whilst browsing!