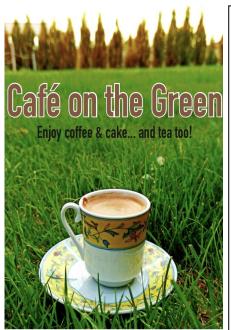
#### LITTLE CHESTER HISTORY GROUP

There will not be a history group meeting during August, so the next meeting will be on Thursday September 21st in the Community Centre at 7.30.

Dave Parry has compiled a varied and interesting programme for the coming season. A big thank you to all the people who have supported the group over the past year. I would appeal, yet again, for somebody to take on the position of Chairperson.

If you are interested, please contact Chris on 01332 360065.



Come and meet your neighbours at Cafe on the Green!

Saturday 12th August 10am - 12pm Chester Green

Help needed to bake and/or serve at the occasional Cafe on the Green. The next one will be August 12th 10.30-12.30.

We serve beautifully baked cakes and biscuits some of which are vegan. We serve good coffeefreshly brewed just before the event, and tea made on the spot. We also have drinks for children. We keep getting rained off otherwise we try and open up once a month.

Why a Cafe on the Green? It is a chance for neighbours to meet, chat and have a laugh. We share the goodies for donation only and the profits go towards buying bulbs and seeds for the Green and paying for lovely events like Mikron Theatre, Sekkou Keita, Lucy the Harpist and coming up next week the Tedesca Quartet, the wonderful Jazz on the Green and the coming Art Trail in September. Chester Green and the whole of Little Chester is a great place to live-people are friendly and welcoming and there is so much going on. There is a great community spirit. So can anyone offer to help at the Cafe on the Green?

Can you bake? Help serve? Text me Caroline 07762264308.

See everyone on 12th August, bring your own mug, a chair and a neighbour. But please don't bring any rain!



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# **Little Chester Newsletter August 2023**

#### **CHESTER GREEN ENTERTAINMENTS TEAM:**

WOW - our first indoor Picnic on the Green was a resounding success! The Community Centre was packed, all the entertainment acts performed brilliantly, lots of youngsters had their faces painted and also enjoyed the outdoor games provided by Derbyshire Cricket Foundation and everyone agreed it had been a fantastic afternoon!

Thanks to local residents and businesses - Richard Smith Newsagent, White Rose Beauty College, Alternative Tiles, Robert Ashley Barbers, Assa's mini market, Eliza's Flower Emporium, Derby Family Chiropractic Clinic, Little Chester Ale House, Coach & Horses, Project D Desserts, Derby Ceilings, CPB Financial Services and Cooper Parry Accountants, who generously contributed raffle prizes and Sunbelt Rentals who generously donated a generator. Over £280 was raised which will be used to fund future entertainment events. Thanks also to everyone who helped to set up and pack away – it's very much appreciated.

Thanks to all our performers: Steve & Chris, Tiptoes School of Performing Arts, Brass Pigeon, Angelika and Fuzz Fing. Did you know every act featured a Little Chester Resident?

[Editors note: Thanks to C.G.E.T. for all their hard work in putting on a fabulous event and not letting the weather get in the way!!!]

SCARECROW FESTIVAL: Scarecrows can crop up almost anywhere around Chester Green during the August bank holiday weekend 26th-28th! Get busy creating a crazy scarecrow to display in your window, climbing a drainpipe or just loitering near your front door!

SAVE THE DATE: Friday 15th September – QUIZ NIGHT AT THE CENTRE

Saturday 21st October – HALLOWEEN DISCO AT THE CENTRE

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CHESTER GREEN COMMUNITY GROUP: Don't forget you can hire your local Community Centre for children's parties, family celebrations, meetings, training events etc at very reasonable rates. Our recently refurbished lounge area is a contemporary, comfortable space ideal for small gatherings.

We also have some daytime slots available to hire for regular activities – see the weekly timetable on our website for activities for all age groups you may like to take part in: https://chestergreencommunitygroup.yolasite.com/ and to enquire about rates and availability email us at chestergreencommunitvgroup@hotmail.com

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# The Second Chester Green Art Trail. Saturday 9th September, 11am - 4pm.

Come and paint coats on the trees with Theresa. There is the Dog Walker's Tree, the Fairy Tree, the Magic Castle Tree, the Travelling in Space Tree, the Roman Tree, the Anglo Saxon Tree, the Pigeon Tree the Magpie Tree, the Valentine Tree.



Come and play with puppets, visit a workshop where an 8 metre dragon is being made, listen to Jazz, eat and drink at the Cafe on the Green, buy ice-cream at our local shop, all stocked up for the occasion! Bring a picnic, have fun with art for the afternoon.

Does anyone play an instrument and would like to busk at the Art Trail? (For money!) Contact Caroline 07762264308

Contact Maggie Roper-Attenborrow if you would like to open up your front window as an exhibition space? Have you got work you would like to exhibit? Have you got a friend who would like to exhibit? Have you got creative children who would like to show their work? Work could be paintings, drawings, collages, embroidery, tatting, lacework, theatre designs, photography. Work can be sold or just shown.

Please text your ideas to 07760425195

#### **CHESTER GREEN BOOK EXCHANGE**



Just a reminder our FREE book exchange/library is open on the 1st Saturday of the month at the Community Room on Old Chester Road (opposite the end of Marcus Street) from 10 to 11am. Pop in and see us, bring any books you've read, take new supplies with you and have a cuppa and a chat while you're there!

# A Huge 'Thank You' from Gill!

On the 28th of June my mother celebrated her 100th birthday with her family, she has lived in Chester Green all her life.

A big thank you to all the residents and councillor Martin Repton who came to wish my mother a happy birthday and were very kind in bringing lovely cards, beautiful flowers and a bottle of champagne.





### Jazz on the Green

Sunday 13th August at 2.00

Wendy Kirkland Quartet

Wendy is a highly acclaimed jazz singer and pianist. She's appeared on national radio and TV and played in venues in Europe and the UK. "Terrific pianist and singer. Assured and full of surprises"

Bring a chair and a picnic and relax to some fantastic music.

The concert is organised by Friends of the Green and Derby Jazz

#### Sad News and Thanks from St. Paul's Road

Bernadette, Hannah and James would like to thank everyone for the kindness, hugs and offers of help following Gerard sadly passing away.

Gerard loved walking around the green chatting to everyone and now it looks beautiful with all the wild flowers.

Our best wishes to you all.

# YOUR FOODBANK NEEDS YOU!

The continued concern and support of our local Chester Green community for people who are experiencing hardship has been shown by the regular donations to local food banks at the collection point in Assa's corner shop on Caesar St. *This has been truly moving!* 

The local food banks who we contribute to are reporting they are getting low on stocks and are concerned about the effect of the cost of living crisis particularly on families with children who rely on free school dinners and who during the school holidays will not be receiving these.

So could we ask people who are able to make a donation to think about putting something into the **Food Bank Donation Box** in Assa's shop.

# Many thanks!