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## Morville Parish Council

The Planning Inspectors who are scrutinising the Shropshire Council Draft Local Plan have invited the Parish Council to submit comments. As this includes the proposals for 'Tasley Garden Village', we have submitted the following comments on the aspects of the 'Updated Housing and Employment Topic Paper' that concern us:

### Comments in response to DLP Consultation

Morville Parish Council reiterates its strong objections to the inclusion of the proposed, so-called, 'Tasley Garden Village' in the Draft Local Plan. We suggest that it is ill-conceived and carelessly planned. Please refer again to our Reg.19 Pre-Submission Consultation responses from February 2021 – they are still very relevant.

A housing development of this size, on hundreds of acres of good quality agricultural land, would increase the population of Bridgnorth by 35%, and will completely destroy the character of Bridgnorth and the surrounding countryside.

Traffic on the A458 will increase, and the residents of these new houses will be separated from the town by the road. The proposed footbridge will not provide adequate access - people will drive to the town, where there is already inadequate parking. Commuters from Tasley to existing centres of employment will be forced to drive through Bridgnorth and Much Wenlock, exacerbating the current serious congestion.

This updated Topic Paper acknowledges, in its Employment section, that the roads to and from the west side of Bridgnorth are unsuitable to service any new employment development. Despite this, the Draft Local Plan has earmarked a total of 40 hectares for employment land. We would submit that both the proposed housing development and the employment land are inappropriate, because of the huge increase in road traffic that they would inevitably generate.

**Shropshire Council has not submitted a funded plan** for improving the infrastructure – roads, water, sewage, medical, dental, utilities - required to support the proposed development. Instead such vital matters are being left to the building contractors.

Local housing need could easily be satisfied by the separate 'Tasley Gateway' project, for 560 houses on the other side of the A458, which has now been granted planning consent - we must hope that it contains an adequate percentage of 'affordable' housing.

However, there are no proposed new medical facilities in the Tasley Gateway plans – existing NHS services in Bridgnorth (as well as in Telford and Shrewsbury) are already desperately stretched. 'Tasley Garden Village', with 1050 houses in Phase 1 (and potentially another 700 in the future) will add to this very serious problem.

It is doubtful that vague promises of 'Health Facilities' will materialise before a lot of the houses are occupied.

## **FAREWELL AND ALL GOOD WISHES TO:**

Mrs Lucy Thompson, as she leaves Morville at the end of August, to settle in Hungerford, Berkshire.

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### **St Peter's, Monkhoppton**

July 7th Lay Service 10am

Canev Clayton, Church Warden Highley, who has recently visited Uganda, will tell us about the valuable work Sarah and Simon Cawdell are doing there. All welcome.

### **Morville WI**

Morville WI's June meeting was an outing to Farlow Farm Nursery at Oreton, Cleobury Mortimer.

The family run nursery, headed by Mark was established in 1974 and our members were treated to a tractor tour to see the extensive range of plants and trees that they grow there. The weather was kind and the rendition of Jerusalem sang in the open air looking towards the Clee Hill felt really special.

We then retired to one of the poly tunnels for a delicious fish and chip supper and a natter and to sing Happy Birthday to the lovely Jo Roper and share some Caterpillar cake.

The WI is a wonderful organisation providing a place for all women to get together and enjoy interesting talks, outings and much more. You can find out about the history of the organisation and what we stand for on the WI website using the following link: <https://www.thewi.org.uk>

Next month as it's Olympic Year and Much Wenlock was the birth place of the modern Olympics, we are planning to do a treasure hunt in and around Much Wenlock. There will be more details on our Facebook page soon.

Morville WI are always delighted to welcome visitors why not come along and see what we are all about? The next meeting at Morville Village Hall, will be on Wednesday 11 September from 7.15pm if you are unable to make the treasure hunt on Wednesday 10 July.

If you would like further information we can be contacted by e mail at [morvillewomensinstitute@gmail.com](mailto:morvillewomensinstitute@gmail.com) or check us out on Facebook.

## Morville School News

Hello from the Morville school family.

Our vision for the school is rooted in the Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matthew 13 31-32):  
A mustard seed ... *“The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.”*

We are a small school – but we believe like the mustard seed that education can have far-reaching impact and that our children will grow into those who bless others through their careers, caring and vocations. One tiny seed just like one small child carries a world of potential.

Each one of our pupils, like the small mustard seed, is tended so that they grow and flourish in its broadest sense—academically, socially, morally, physically and spiritually. As part of school life in helping the children to flourish morally and socially, as well as spiritually and academically, the children have the chance to be part of our school council. The school council members are selected from each year group across the three classes and work alongside staff to set goals they want to achieve for the whole school.

Our school council team have been very busy in school too with our different committees working hard together to achieve some of our school goals for the year.

The worship and wellbeing committees wanted to create more spaces for children to share their prayers in school and possibly with Reverend Boxall so they can be shared at St Gregory’s church in the future too. The children in the committee have got the boxes to go in each classroom and are now busy designing the front cover of these to be added to boxes before giving them to each class.

The worship and wellbeing committees also wanted to be able to share our vision and create a space outside for children to have a chance to reflect during different times of the day. So, we have ordered an outside board with our school vision parable on and have asked for donations of pots and plants from our families and community. We will then repurpose the school benches and hope to get a potted tree to help create this area.

Our culture and curriculum committees for the school have worked together to plan a musical themed film night this half term to raise funds for 15 new chromatic glockenspiels to enhance our music curriculum. The children have chosen a date and are currently making posters to promote the film night to our families.

Our courageous advocacy and finance committee has also been busy moving forward with their plans to support the Bridgnorth Food Bank. The children have fundraised for a box here in school so that our families can make donations easily all year round. The staff will then work with the committees to check the box and drop off the food regularly to the foodbank. The children are busy making posters to go on the box to help promote it with our families.

These committees also wanted to develop the whole school's knowledge of what a courageous advocate is and to raise awareness of the work of some famous advocates. They plan to do this by creating courageous advocate posters of the half term for each classroom, where each class will then get to research. The class will then present what they have found out about them in a collective worship with the whole school.

I look forward to sharing more news from both the school and the school council with you next time

Miss Docherty

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### Morville Baby and Toddler Group

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## Dean's Letter

Oh Lord. It is election time again...Many years ago I attended a girl's grammar school. Most of the young ladies of this excellent institution wore a smart navy blue uniform right down to the nether garments (by which I mean socks). The rebellious girls wore their ties fat-knotted and at half mast, daringly adapted the standard pleated skirt in a way that endangered the morality of the entire town and sported (Quelle horreur!) pierced ears and wedge shoes. The scruffy oiks, of which I was one, technically wore all the right things but in a manner that was at least as subversive of the dignity of the school and its policies. The rebels rebelled. We just didn't care.

In the 6th form despite my total disregard for matters sartorial I was elected Head Girl. Clearly my peers and staff were not voting on external appearances! The day my head girliness was announced I was surprised to have abuse shouted at me from the top of the tower block. Confused, I climbed 6 flights of stairs to face an enraged 4th form mob. When I besought the reason for their hatred it emerged that they had heard that I was going to change the school uniform policy so that everyone would have to wear white knee socks with ankle frills. Anyone less likely to care what sort of socks anyone wore could not be imagined. I disabused them of this heinous untruth and went on my way.

I am reminded of this as we endure our current National and local electioneering. Slander is justified by allegedly righteous anger; winning arguments are valued more than truthful ones; soundbites trump nuance; personal attacks abound and dissension and vitriol are stirred up by people who want to destabilise rather than work for unity. So here are a few thoughts about how Christians might engage better in all this.

Media owners get rich when headlines instil fear. Check the facts. Take the ideology with more than a pinch of salt and make decisions based on fact not gossip and opinion. There may be no white socks conspiracy at all.

We are called to love our neighbours, even if they have poor taste in hosiery. This is not justification to vilify and hate them.

Thinking your party's platform is unflawed is folly. Manifestos are made by ambitious people feeding tribal fears and things change. White socks might be the right way to go these days.

Scripture tells us to pray for our leaders and respect those in authority. Deriding them on Facebook is wrong. Pray for their wisdom and that their hearts may be right and perhaps they will see the light and abandon the white socks manifesto.

Do not be paranoid. The world will not end if your candidate loses and white socks are temporarily back in fashion.

Whatever your preferred sock colour in this election may you know that you are for Him before party and be filled with God's peace.

Dean Sarah

## **SERVICES MORVILLE**

### **JULY**

Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (JP) Refreshments
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Morville School Leavers' Service
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Holy Communion (JS) Refreshments

### **AUGUST**

Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (JP) Refreshments
Sun	18 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
Sun	25 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	To join Aston Eyre

## **ASTON EYRE**

### **JULY**

Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Morning Prayer(JP)
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	To join Morville

### **AUGUST**

Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Morning Prayer (JP)
Sun	25 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Holy Communion (JS)

## **MONKHOPTON**

### **JULY**

Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Morning Prayer (Lay) during which Highley Churchwarden will talk about his visit to Uganda
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### **AUGUST**

Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
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## **ACTON ROUND**

### **JULY**

Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion (SB)
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### **AUGUST**

Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Holy Communion (SB)
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## **Morville Readers and Readings for July**

	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10 (Alison Foxall)	Mark 6: 1-13 (Helen Smith)
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 1: 3-14 (Louise Shropshire)	Mark 6 :14-29 (Tim Heatley)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	Ephesians 2: 11-end (Tim Morris)	Mark 6: 30-34, 53-end (Elaine Crisp)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 3: 14-end ( Hilary Evans)	John 6: 1-21 (Mike Skinner)



## Morville Readers and Readings for August

	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 4: 1-16 (Alison Foxall)	John 6:24-35 (Helen Smith)
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (Louise Shropshire)	John 6: 35, 41- 51 (Tim Heatley)
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 5: 15-20 (Tim Morris )	John 6: 51-58 (Elaine Crisp)
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Ephesians 6: 10-20 (Hilary Evans )	John 6: 56-69 (Mike Skinner )

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