

## Concerns About Public Safety

Last November residents of the Parish were shocked and saddened to hear about the violent manner in which the life of Liam Smith, a resident of Kilburn Drive, had been brought to an end. Immediately after the incident there was an increased police presence in the area. Since then things have returned to normality, but some residents have written to the Parish Council to express their concerns about public safety following the incident.

The Parish Council wrote to Greater Manchester Police on behalf of residents and received a reply from the local Police Sergeant. The GMP Murder Investigation Team, who are leading the investigation, have published a full update on their website. The MIT have carried out investigations locally and are continuing to follow up every possible lead that they have. Updates will continue to be given via the press or on the GMP website.

GMP would like to re-assure residents that normal Police patrols of the area are being maintained and that there is no intelligence to suggest there is a threat to the wider public in relation to this event. Please contact GMP online or on 101 if you have any information which could help the investigation into Liam's murder.

Our thoughts are with Liam's family and friends.

## Annual Community Awards

The Parish Council's 'Annual Community Awards' will be presented in March 2023 and we are now inviting nominations. If you know of someone who makes an outstanding contribution to life in our community and/or who gives unstinting support to others and would like to nominate that person, we would like to hear from you. Please send your nomination – with a brief description of the reason why your nominee should receive an award - to the Clerk, whose contact details can be found below, by 14 February, 2023.



## Anti-Social Behaviour Issues?

See it .....  
Report it .....  
Get it LOGGED!!!!

To contact the Police, please ring: **999** (emergency) or **101** (less urgent)

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### KEY TO WARDS

N: North  
S: South  
W: West

Local groups are welcome to contribute to future editions of this newsletter. If you would like an item included, please contact the Clerk.

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## Forest Fold Bowling Green 2023

Tucked away in Forest Fold (off Miles Lane, Appley Bridge – near Broadriding Road) Shevington Parish Council have a bowling green. For a small membership subscription of £20 per person for the season you may play there over the weekend and during the week, when it is not being used for team fixtures or other events. Anyone under the age of twenty may play for FREE.

The bowling green is open from 8am till sunset daily from 1 April till the end of September. On site facilities provided include toilets and some shelter from rain. If you bring a packed lunch, we provide litter bins for your refuse. If you are not playing with a team, you will need to provide your own bowls.

Every Thursday evening members of Shevington Garden Club hold a practice session at the green. Beginners wishing to learn how to bowl or experienced bowlers wishing to bowl socially with others are welcome to join them.

Membership forms (with instructions) for 2023 can be downloaded from the Parish Council website, collected from Shevington Library or obtained by emailing the Clerk.

Teams are welcome to book the green for their fixtures. The subscription for the 2023 season remains unchanged at £100. The pavilion is furnished and has tea and coffee making facilities. It can be used for team fixtures and other events by arrangement with Shevington Village Bowling Club. The Club are always looking for new team members. If you enjoy competition, why not join the Club?

If your group would like to use the bowling green for a single session event or for a series of events, we ask you to make a contribution, payable in advance. For more information, please contact the Clerk.

Bowling is a good form of exercise for people of all ages.

## Come & Join the News Crooke Village Gardening Club

Crooke Village have started a very informal gardening and tidying club and, in a very short space of time, have made a difference. A few residents meet on Wednesday mornings at 10am to attempt to tidy and tend to gardening chores. Once a month, on a Saturday morning, the group gather with coffee and bacon barm to expand their efforts. Everyone is welcome to join the group, helping or chatting. Details can be found on 'Friends of Crooke' Fb page.



Why not join and give it a go?