

## Guide Leaders needed!

We recently heard the sad news that the 7th Shevington Girl Guides group was closing on 2 May due to a lack of volunteers to be the leader and helpers. This is a huge blow for our area.

The 7th Shevington Girl Guides have provided a regular and safe environment for our young girls to meet up, engage in various activities and learn new skills etc. They have represented us and the UK at various international events such as INTOPS.

Whilst it is too short notice to stop this from happening due to there being no leader, Dist Cllr Paul Collins has been in discussions with local organisers for the Girl Guides to see if there is anything that can be done to start up the group again. For this to happen we would need local volunteers to help out and be trained to be guide leaders. If this is something you think could help with let Cllr Collins know and he will pass any information on. If you would like more information about the Girl Guides and the amazing work they do, go to [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

Have Pride in Your Parish  
DON'T Fly Tip  
Take it to THE Tip!

## Shevington in Bloom

### Appeal

As you may already be aware, Shevington in Bloom are entering the RHS North West in Bloom competition this Summer. To help us fund this, we will have a stall at the Shevington Fete on 30 June. We will be using our popular game and are appealing for prizes for it. We would be grateful for any unwanted gifts, toiletries, sweets/chocolates, wine etc.

If you can help, could you please take your donation to Shevington Library? We would again like to thank everyone who has helped and supported us over the years. This year judging will take place on 9 and 11 July. We will need your help with dead heading, sweeping, litter picking and general tidying up on both days. If you can help, please contact [shevingtoninbloom@yahoo.com](mailto:shevingtoninbloom@yahoo.com).



## Save the Date!

30 June - Shevington Recreation Ground

## Shevington Youth Club Open Day

Shevington Youth Club opened its doors to the community on Thursday, 12 April. The Club wanted to let people know that it would again be available for young people in Shevington in the near future and wanted to show them what it had to offer, and, more important, ask them what they wanted from a youth club.

There was plenty of help from the community and from Wigan Council, who sent youth workers and sports coaches to support the day. There was a climbing wall for the brave-hearted. Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue sent one of its fire engines, which fascinated the young people who saw its equipment and heard about how the fire fighters tackle all sorts of emergencies.



Shevington Youth Club is now open for young people aged 7-13 on Tuesday evenings from 6.00 - 8.00pm.

**Come along and try it out!**

Shevington Parish Council

## Shevington Bowling Green

at  
Forest Fold, Miles Lane, Shevington

Open Daily ~ 8 am until Sunset  
(1 April to 30 September)

Individual Membership: **£20**

Application forms are available from Shevington Library, Shevington Bowling Green & the Clerk to the Parish Council

For information about team and single event booking rates, please contact the Clerk on 01257 473022

Shevington Parish Council has small grants available for local community groups. If you are interested, please contact the Clerk for an application form.

## New Allotments at Vicarage Lane!

A wet Saturday morning in April?! Just the right weather for the opening of the the new Vicarage Lane allotments! What a day .... But great fun! A keen group of allotmenters ...Children in wheelbarrows, lots of jolly umbrellas! Pies and bacon sandwiches too!

Cllr Chris Ready of Wigan Council and Parish Council Chair, Cllr Ira Whiteley, cut the red ribbon on Saturday, 7 April. A lot of hard work has gone into planning the site, obtaining the lease, seeking funding for the fencing and then organising the celebration! Special thanks to Eileen Longmore and Andrew Moakes and to all those who helped on the day.

The allotments are on land bought by the Parish Council. The Wigan Deal provided funding for the fencing! - with a little help from other funders such as the Parish Council and Shevington & District CA.



## Shevington United Charities

At the turn of the twentieth century Shevington Parish Council registered four charities which held funds in trust for the poor of the Parish with the Charities Commissioners as Shevington United Charities and began appointing Trustees to run the funds. The Parish Council have recently appointed three new Trustees: Cllrs J Ball, C Horridge and K Shaw.

## Welcome to the New Vicar

On 22 April at 3.00 pm St Anne's, Shevington was a very full Church. Members of the congregation, representatives of local churches and civic dignitaries had gathered to witness the signing of the letters of Induction for the new husband and wife team, Rev Andrew and his wife, Rev Jenny Brown.

Andrew and Jenny have moved from Weaverham in Cheshire to take up their new posts at St. Anne's. The couple have 3 children and the family are now settled in their new home and their new schools. The whole family will be very much missed by their Weaverham congregation. Thirty members of their former church came to witness the start of Jenny and Andrew's new life. The couple were talked of in the highest terms by their former congregation.



The ceremony was led by the suffragan Bishop of Burnley and the Archdeacon of the Diocese of Blackburn. The Mayor of Wigan welcomed the couple to the Borough and Cllr Ira Whiteley, Chair of the Parish Council, welcomed the family as residents of the Parish. We wish the family all the very best in their new lives.

## A New Governor for Shevington HS

Following the retirement of a very longstanding Governor, Shevington High School are looking to recruit a new member of the Governing Board from the local community. Governors set the strategic direction and ethos of the school, monitor educational standards and oversee the financial performance of the school. The role comes with an expectation that you would attend a minimum of four full board meetings and three committee meetings per year. These meetings usually take place in the evenings. To find out more please contact Michelle Foster, Chair of Governors, via the School Office on 01257 400990.

## Shevington Village Bowling Club Open Day

Sunday 22 July - 12 noon till 4pm  
Come and join us at Forest Fold Bowling Green just off Miles Lane, Appley Bridge

Bowls will be provided  
Light refreshments available  
Free Car Park

Entry **£1 each**