



OPEN GARDENS AND STUDIOS



Gardeners throughout Midgley will be welcoming visitors to their gardens on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June.

And this year we also have local artists opening their studios too. Around 20 gardens will be open, with the usual range of shapes and sizes from tiny courtyards to large woodland gardens, all displaying their own individual style that suits our unique Pennine environment.

Many gardens have fabulous views over the Calder Valley, and plenty will be offering homemade refreshments.

Lunches will be served in the Community Room.

This is also an opportunity to visit Midgley artists in their studios and view their work.

The event runs from 11am to 5pm both days.

Tickets are £5 per adult (accompanied children free) available from Midgley Shop or from selected sites on the day.

As usual, we are asking for help to make this event as successful as ever.

If you would like to volunteer on the day, selling tickets or helping with catering, we would love to hear from you.

We're also asking bakers to get busy with cakes and savouries to sustain our visitors on both days.

If you can bake or help out on the weekend, for a few hours, please contact Jean Tallis on 07786 702813

or email: jean.tallis@gmail.com



Balsam Bashing
in Brearley Woods
Last year's balsam bashing sessions proved very successful, with this nasty invasive weed much less rampant in Brearley Woods this season.

However we need to keep on top of it, so we're inviting volunteers to another balsam pulling party on Saturday 25th June. Meet 2.00 pm at the top of the footpath adjacent to Lacey Hey.

Wear gloves and long sleeves.



**Midgley Village
Breakfast 11th June
Community Room
10am to 1pm**

**Take away available.
Come and enjoy coffee and
a freshly made bacon, egg
or/and sausage teacake
(veggie and vegan options
available)**

WELL DRESSING AND WALKING MARKET

A huge thank you to all you imaginative people who dedicated your time to dress the wells of Midgley on May 1st.

The diverse range of interpretation of the theme - Folklore and Fantasy, brought interest and joy to locals and visitors alike. If you took any photos of the wells, please send them to the Midgley website for all to see. The address to send them to is <https://buzzz.uk/postbox> N.B. 3 x zzz !

For the first time, this year we combined it with a Walking Market.

This seemed to work well and the weather stayed fine, although the weather forecast was for rain, which meant some stallholders, sadly, were unable to attend.

Stallholders paid a £5 fee to the Community Forum and then whatever money they took, they chose to keep or give to charity. A few stalls gave their takings to help the people of Ukraine.

It's an excellent way to promote the circular economy and prevent unwanted things being thrown away, and also to get to know people in the village.

The breakfast cafe was really busy and Rema's famous Dock Pudding went down a storm as usual.

Thank you to all who supported our village in any way that day. It was marvellous.



QUIZ NIGHTS

The last two have had to be cancelled due to low numbers, so the next one will now be in September - Further details nearer the time.

For items to be included in the next Newsletter, please contact Sandra 07775 904474 or email sandyscott21@gmail.com





JUBILEE STREET PARTY



To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Midgley Community Forum is planning a **Street Party** on **Sunday 5th June** from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.

Everyone who lives in the village is invited to join the party, which will be held on Towngate, between Yew Trees Croft and the Community Room. The Council has allowed us to close the road to traffic, so this will be a great opportunity for a proper traditional community get-together.

Tables will be set out along the road, and we're asking everyone to bring along party food to share.

We'll provide crisps and nibbles, along with paper plates and dishes, but you may want to bring finger food such as sandwiches, sausage rolls, samosas etc or bake a cake or a batch of buns.

You can pick up some Jubilee themed bun cases from the shop – please feel free to decorate them as elaborately as you like.



The Community Room Bar will be open for soft and alcoholic drinks.

We'll be putting up bunting and supplying flags, and it would be great to see houses decorated too.

Phoenix Radio will be providing musical accompaniment to keep the party going.

We hope to run some activities for children, but if you have any ideas for street party games, we'd love to hear from you.



WhatsAppenning Midgley

The village What's App group, WhatsAppenning Midgley has proved very useful for advertising village events as well as helping out in a crisis. Recently there was a mains water leak which meant many people were without water. People affected were able to communicate that fact, and others stepped in to help by supplying drinking water and give practical advice such as using the well water for flushing their toilets or to boil.

To join, text or phone Anne Holdsworth on 07985 128737. You never know when you will need it!

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ROAD CLOSURE

Towngate will be closed to vehicles from 13.00 to 17.00 on Sunday 5th June

between the Community Room and the bus turnaround.

Barriers will be placed across the road and a signed diversion will be in place.

Access will be maintained for cyclists, pedestrians and emergency vehicles.

The 574 bus will not run during that time.

If you live within the closed section of the road, you may want to move your car ahead of time, to allow space for the party, and in case you want to use your car whilst the road is closed.

We look forward to an enjoyable and memorable day.

Midgley Community Forum

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Shop news.....Shop news.....Shop news..... Shop news.....

There are two main things that are needed for a successful **Community Shop**.

The first priority is to have a good number of reliable volunteers.

We have always had this and they have stuck with us very impressively, especially over these last two challenging years. They all deserve a big **Thank You**. It would be great if anyone new out there fancies joining the team to work in the shop.

If you are that person, please contact Phil on 07973 801142.

Secondly, a shop needs a loyal customer base.

Again we have been very fortunate in that respect. Please go on giving us your custom, it is much appreciated, and we can continue to support our community.

Coming soon

We are working on making two improvements.....



Weighing out certain vegetables so you can buy just the amount you want, and an order system for meat, pies, bread etc.

Please watch for notices in the shop.

**As the warm weather has arrived, there will shortly be an unbelievable offer on rose wine.*

Keep your eyes open as it will be available for a very limited time

