

Support your DCA

For the last twelve years Doxey Community Association has been working to make the village a better place to live in. With the Annual General Meeting coming up it is a good time to attend to the successes of Doxey Community Association.

Doxey people readily take part in these activities. In the future there can be more of the same or new activities for you to attend, but only if **you** are willing to come up with ideas and offers of support.

The AGM of the Association will take place on 10th June. That is the time to come along and say what you want to see happen. To ensure the continued success of the DCA you need to attend the AGM (full details overleaf).

A Chair's View

"Having moved to Doxey five years ago from out of the area I had very few expectations of settling down or becoming so involved within Doxey community. How things changed!

With a partner who worked away during the week, the remaining five days were long and dull. I felt isolated and home sick from my previously bustling town environment and didn't think that I could stick out this quiet and secluded existence even for a couple of months.

On returning from work one day I found a copy of the Doxey Times sitting on my door mat and decided to have a browse through it over a cup of tea. One of the articles caught my attention, it was advertising auditions for Village Voices, a community drama project, later that week. I decided to be brave and give it a go and I've never looked back.

Initially I just attended DCA events but it wasn't

long before I was volunteering to be chair! Each year has involved different opportunities from panto's, to litter picks, sculpture workshops to Christmas dinners and an introduction to Indian dancing to name but a few.

By being involved in the DCA it has given me a wide range of friends, skills, challenges and a lot of laughter. It is with regret that, due to family commitments, I have to resign my position as chair.

I would encourage anyone who has considered either attending an event or wanted to be part of a welcoming and active association to be brave and give it a go.

I'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported or been actively involved within the community association for all their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm, which I know will continue.

Many thanks,

Anita

Visits by theatre groups
Several plays and pantomimes
Clear out days
Campaigning to get a parish council

Life support training
Village Fetes
Digital photography group
Litter picking

Supporting the weekly coffee morning

Children's fun days
Senior Citizens' Christmas Dinner
The Doxey website
Learning Indian dancing
Village Voices - the play about Doxey
Working with Stafford Film Festival
Doxey Times
Life support training
Plant sales



Exhibition on 16th June.
at St Thomas' &
St Andrews Church Hall,
from 1pm - 4pm

Examples of our furniture, together with leaflets and information boards will be available for all to see. Our friendly staff will be on hand to explain our referral system and offer general advice on the community service we provide.

Look forward to seeing you there!

Gareth Davies, Stafford Furniture Exchange

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Doxey Primary School

Summer Fayre,

Organised by the PTA the event will be on

Saturday 27th June

2pm

at The School

Please join us for what should be an afternoon of fun.

If you feel you can help out in any way contact Mrs. Becci. James (Chairperson).

Parish Council Questionnaire

It appears that some of the responses to the Parish Council's questionnaire were not collected as promised. If you still have yours could you please drop it into St. Thomas and St. Andrew's Church or to 103 Doxey, so that your views can be recorded and acted upon. Thanks.

Dates for Your Diaries

Doxey Community **Association** **AGM**

Please attend this very important meeting

Wednesday 10th June

7.00 pm refreshments

7.30 pm meeting

at St Thomas and St Andrew's Church hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

Parish Council meeting

Thursday 11th June

7.00 p.m.

at The Sutton Centre.

An open meeting followed by Council business including election of officers.

Plant and Cake Sale

Saturday June 6th

10:00 to 12:00

outside St Thomas and St Andrew's Church.

If you have plants or cakes you wish to donate then bring them along at the start or contact John on 604233 prior to the event.

Be sure to be early so you can snaffle a bargain.

Cat found

Tortoise shell with silver collar.

Please ring **248383** for details