



May 2025



A partnership event between Lawley & Overdale Parish Council, BVT Lawley Village, Telford Hall and Sanctuary Supported Living. Funding for the event was also provided by Telford & Wrekin Council's VE Day Grant as well as Pride Funding from Cllrs Aston, Hannington and Lewis

VE DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY

On Saturday 10th May, we joined the rest of the country in commemorating the 80th anniversary of VE Day.

We had a host of activities available for everyone, food, drink and entertainment. Thank you to everybody that attended on the day.

New Energy Efficient Lighting for Lawley Community Centre

Between 27th & 30th May, the Lawley Community Centre had new lighting and tiles installed. These much needed improvements provide better and more effective lighting for our community groups, parties and events



More energy efficient lighting helps Lawley & Overdale Council work towards their Strategic Plan for 2025/26

Community Litter Picks

We conducted a small litter pick around both Lawley and Overdale throughout the month. We were joined by a few residents who helped us collect nearly 6 full bags of litter. Thank you for your help.



Our community litter picks are the first Wednesday of the month, starting at 10:30am (locations to be changed every month).

Alternatively, we can provide litter picks, bin bags and gloves for any resident that would be interested in litter picking around the parish.

Telford Steam Railway Lawley Station Re-dedication

On Saturday 4th May, Telford Steam Railway re-opened the Lawley Station.

Along with Pete Waterman, the station was reopened to the public, with Telford Steam Railway offering free travel throughout the day. Between 10am-4pm, there was lots available including magic, a performance by Telford Concert Band and local history displays. Funding towards the day was provided by Lawley Ward Councillors Aston, Hannington and Lewis





June 2025

SUMMER FUN - 14TH JUNE 2025 CARPENTER FAMILY CENTRE, OVERDALE



The weather was very kind to us on our first summer event of the year - despite the forecast of thunder, we stayed dry throughout the event!

From 11am - 2pm, there was a host of free activities available for everyone including inflatables, circus skills, balloon modelling and face painting.

It was lovely to see all the local residents attend the event and help support our events. We even raised about £50 for the councils nominated charity, Papyrus, on our tea & coffee station.

Thank you to all those that helped on the day.

Picnic in the Park - Princes End Playpark Thursday 19th June

We hosted our very first 'Picnic in the Park' event at Princes End Playpark, Dawley Bank this year. Between 4-6pm, there were a host of activities available for residents to enjoy including face painting, archery, table tennis and bouncy castles. We saw a fantastic number of local residents attend - its nice to see so many new faces!



We would like to say a big thank you to the staff and suppliers who made the event possible as well as councillors Shaun Davies and Elise Davies who provided funding from their Councillor Pride Funding to support the event.

Mother's Know Best

Between 1:30 & 2:30pm on Thursday 26th June, Northeast Productions put on a small show for residents of Lawley Bank Court. This was funded through Councillor Pride Funding from Cllr Zona Hannington



Community Noticeboards

We have 6 noticeboards located around Lawley & Overdale Parish. We have three located in Lawley, one in Overdale, one in Old Park and one in The Rock. They are regularly updated with what is going on within the parish.

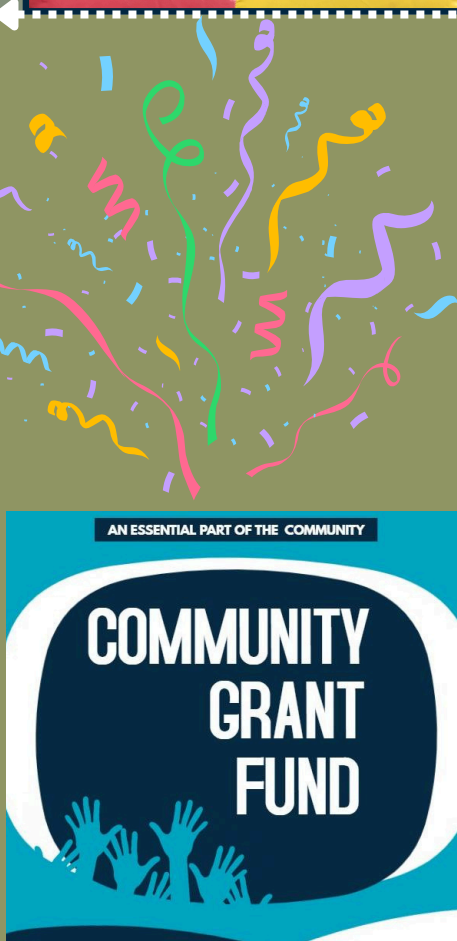


Community Grant Fund

Following the Full Council meeting, Members awarded grant funding to several community groups.

West Mercia Search & Rescue were awarded £500 to assist with the purchase of replacement recovery equipment and Ercall Colts Football Club U11's team received £250 to enable the players to take part in a team building day, aimed at increasing players confidence and to support their mental health.

Newdale Primary School were awarded £390.00 from the Parish Council towards their swimming programme for Year 5 students.



Councillor Pride Funding

This year, the four ward councillors for Lawley & Overdale Parish have been assigned £5000 (each) to provide the opportunities to allocate funding towards improvements or projects within their ward. So far, £2000 was provided to enable a new Youth Club to start in the parish. £1490 was also provided to help pay for the planned parish coach trips in 2026.

Councillor Mark Boylan also assigned £198 of his funding to the Linden Centre, which covered the cost of some hoodies for all the Year 6 & 11 leavers





July 2025

SUMMERFEST - 5TH JULY 2025 LAWLEY VILLAGE GREEN



ALONG WITH BVT IN LAWLEY, WE HELD OUR ANNUAL SUMMERFEST EVENT AT LAWLEY VILLAGE GREEN.

IT WAS THE BIGGEST SUMMERFEST SO FAR - WE HAD FOOD STALLS, DRINK STALLS, INFLATABLES, A CLIMBING WALL, A GAMING BUS, GO KARTS, MINI GOLF AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

THROUGHOUT THE DAY, WE HAD A FULL PROGRAMME ON THE STAGE - PERFORMERS INCLUDED EMILY WOODS MUSIC, JACK DENT MAGIC, JON FROM BOARDROOM CAFE AND GEM ACADEMY.

CLOSING OUT THE EVENT, WE HAD A PERFORMANCE FROM CALLUM AND THE POOKIES.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT ATTENDED AND HELPED OUT ON THE DAY! SAME TIME NEXT YEAR?

Community Action Team - Aaron, Bob and Dan

Our Community Action Team (CAT) work across the whole Parish, keeping the open spaces maintained.

You may see them around the area, pruning bushes, planting trees and bushes in our Community Garden, removing fly tips and relocating SIDS when and where needed.



If you notice anything that needs attention or have any queries about what is maintained by the team, please contact us on enquiries@lawleyoverdale.org.uk

B-Lines

Did you know that Lawley & Overdale Parish runs through a B-Line? They are a series of 'insect pathways' running through our countryside and towns, along which we are helping to restore and create a series of wildflower-rich habitat stepping stones.



Wildflower Planting

Last year, wildflowers were planted in Overdale and The Rock.

They have added a touch of colour to the Parish, as well as providing a haven for insects, bugs and bees!



Breakfast & Board Game Sessions

This month saw the return of our Breakfast and Board Game Sessions at Lawley Community Centre.

This sessions are run alongside Barnardo's - between 9:30-11:30am every Thursday of the childrens holidays, any child from the age of 10 are welcome to join us for some breakfast and the chance to play some games.

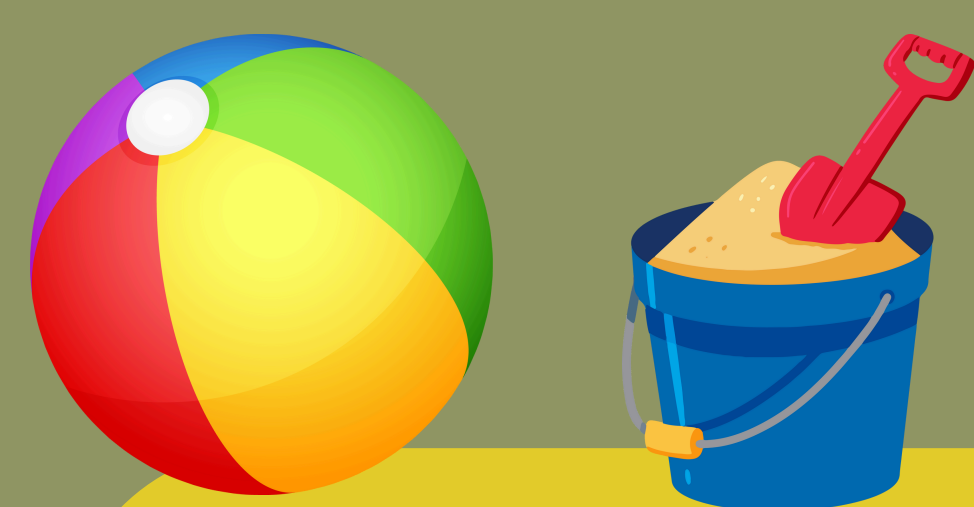
These sessions are free and are open to all children. We hope to see you soon!



Councillor Pride Funding

This year, the four ward councillors for Lawley & Overdale Parish have been assigned £5000 (each) to provide the opportunities to allocate funding towards improvements or projects within their ward. This month, Cllr Mark Boylan provided funding to Newdale Primary School (£268.83) to help them purchase new games for the playground

Money has also allocated to the purchase of selection boxes for our Christmas events and £277 was used to purchase new books for Lawley Bank Court



August 2025

New Brighton Coach Trip Thursday 21st August 2025



For our yearly summer coach trip we took two coaches to New Brighton.

We were lucky with the weather, it wasn't too hot or too cold - certainly the best weather to enjoy fish and chips as well as an ice cream or two!

We are already busy planning our trips for next year - please keep an eye out on our website, social media and noticeboards for the details!

Thank you to Cllr Zona Hannington, Cllr Mark Boylan, Cllr Erin Aston and Cllr Luke Lewis who all provided Councillor Pride Funding to help cover the costs of the coaches.

Keep an eye out for our details on next years coach trip coming soon!

Children's Summer Holiday Activities

What a jam packed six weeks of activities we had on! At the Carpenter Family Centre, Overdale and Lawley Community Centre we had a wide variety of free activities for all to take part in.

We had Relax Kids Telford with Kirsty provide activities and relaxation classes, crafting and fun with The Creation Station Ltd, meeting interesting bugs and animals with Exotic Zoo, making mischief in the sky and learning about Egypt with Tommy's Treasures.

Jon from Boardroom Gaming Café talked all about science, energy and fire whilst Leo from Leo's Loco Circus taught us all some circus skills - he even showed us a bit of magic! Katie's Kids Kitchen was the usual hit, with some yummy cakes made on her sessions!

We would like to thank our partners, BVT in Lawley Village who helped organise, staff and pay for the sessions as well as Cllr Mark Boylan, Cllr Zona Hannington, Cllr Erin Aston, and Cllr Luke Lewis who all provided funding through Telford & Wrekin Council's Pride Funding.

We would also like to thank The Wrekin Housing Group who provided additional funding through their Children's Summer Activities Fund.



Tea, Toast & Talk

After our August break, our Tea, Toast & Talk Sessions start back up at Carpenter Family centre, Overdale.

Every Friday, between 9:30-11:30am, we welcome residents to join us for a hot drink and some toast, a chat and some fun. Some weeks we do colouring in, some weeks we play bingo and some weeks we do crafting but every week is a guaranteed good time.

See you there!



Councillor Pride Funding

This year, the four ward councillors for Lawley & Overdale Parish have been assigned £5000 (each) to provide the opportunities to allocate funding towards improvements or projects within their ward. This month, Cllrs Aston, Hannington & Lewis allocated £1300 between them to Lawley Primary School.

Money has also allocated to Lawley & Overdale PC to help towards the cost of events over the school holidays, allowing us to continue to provide them for free to residents.