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Thank You.



LEONARD STANLEY TWINNING WITH DOZULÉ FRANCE

Our village has been twinned with the village of Dozulé in France since charters of friendship were signed by representatives of the respective parish councils in 1970. For many of the past 54 years parties of residents of the two locations have made exchange visits in each direction, enjoying the hospitality of host families and excursions to places of interest. Regular gifts have been exchanged over the years and a bench commemorating the connection has been placed under the oak tree on the church triangle. Names of the Dozulé fallen in two world wars are read out at the Leonard Stanley war memorial on Remembrance Sunday every year and, needless to say, we have a street in the village bearing the name.

For many years now the twinning has been kept alive and has thrived through the huge efforts of a Twinning Association committee but, sadly, this has come to an end owing to age and poor health. Volunteers to replace them have not been forthcoming so responsibility has now reverted to the Parish Council which intends to maintain the link for the foreseeable future. This is unlikely to involve exchange visits except on an individual voluntary basis but traditions will still be observed and messages of friendship between the two councils will be maintained.

Leonard Stanley Parish Council wishes to extend its sincere thanks to the retiring committee for all their work, enthusiasm and dedication and for the enormous contribution they have made to the history and culture of the village. Rob Bayliss Chairman



LEONARD STANLEY FILM CLUB – 19th OCTOBER in the Village Hall

The film for October is a well acted and scripted film, which received 4 Academy award nominations,, plus other awards and amongst other actors, stars Emma Stone. It is a 2011 period drama based on a novel of the same name and tells the story of a young white woman and her relationship with two black maids during the Civil Rights Movement in 1963.

Coffee at 9.30 am, followed by film and don't forget that annual subs of £20 is due.

Really good value as there is a film every month of the year, with December also having a Christmas lunch get together.

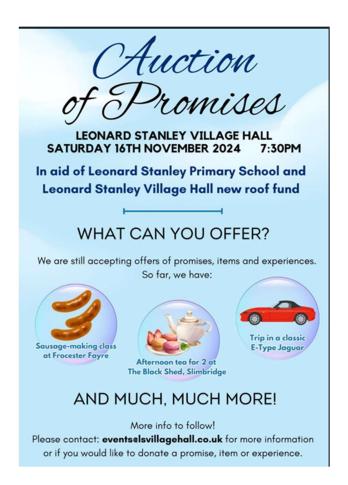
For anyone who would like to come and join the Film Club, just come along - you will be made most welcome.







REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE: Please be advised that the Parish Council has received permission for a *temporary road closure* in the vicinity of the War Memorial to facilitate the peaceful observance of the Remembrance Day Service. The affected roads—Church Road, The Street, and Gipsy Lane—will be closed from 10:45 am to 11:20 am on Sunday, 10th November 2024. We kindly ask for your cooperation during this time and appreciate your understanding.



ARE YOU CLAIMING THE STATE PENSION? YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO PENSION CREDIT.

The Government estimates that there are over 880,000 people entitled to Pension Credit who have not applied. If you're single with total weekly income under roughly £218 or...If you're a couple, both of pension age, with weekly income under roughly £332... Note, if your income is slightly higher, you may still get pension credit, it depends on circumstances, so it's worth checking. Pension Credit is worth £75/week on average. It can mean extras such as free TV licences, council tax benefit, Housing Benefit, Warm Home Discount and the Winter Fuel Payment.

The last possible date to make a successful backdated Pension Credit claim to receive the Winter Fuel Payment is **21**st **December 2024.** You can check if you are eligible by:

- going online https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit-calculator
- calling the Pension Service Helpline 0800 99 1234 (8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)
- or call 0808 800 0510/0511 at Citizens Advice If you would like assistance in completing the forms, then please feel to call The Clerk, Mrs Irena Litton on 01453822287 or email clerk@leonardstanley-pc.gov.uk