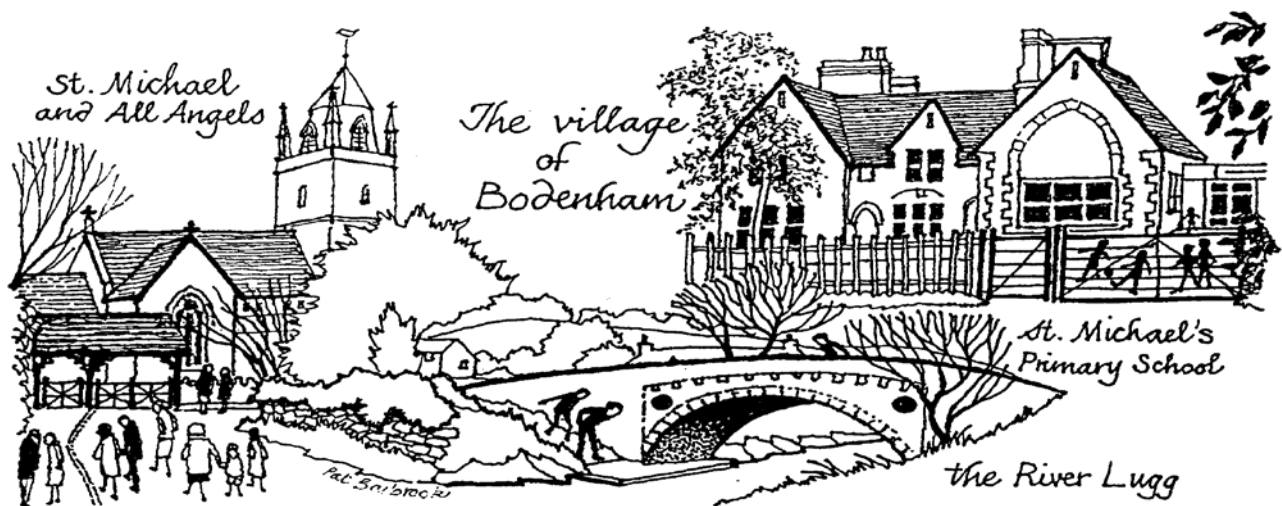


Bodenham Newsletter



March 2011

3rd	Mothers' Union	14th	Leisure Club
5th	Flicks in the Sticks	14th	BRSg meeting
6th	Bodenham Players @ Parish Hall	17th	Knit-In
7th	Parish Council Meeting	17th	Bodenham Women's Group 1 st Meeting
8th	Pancakes & Tea at Siward James	18th	Newsletter Deadline for contributions
		23rd	Coffee Morning at Siward James
		28 th	Leisure Club

BODENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30pm on **Monday 7th March** at the Siward James Centre. Copies of the agenda are placed on parish notice boards in advance and everyone is most welcome to attend and raise any matters of concern during the slot reserved for this purpose during the meeting. If you prefer you can raise matters in advance by contacting:

Chris Smith, Parish Clerk on 01568 797 132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com.

Salt bins Following a request from two members of the public an application will be made to Amey for a salt bin to be placed adjacent to the Railway Inn. Three other requests for salt bins – at the Bodenham Lake entrance, at the bottom of Bowley Lane and in Bowley Lane between Wall House and Broadfield Lodge – have already been given 'high priority' by Amey.

Speed Indicating Device (SID). The SID continues to be used at several locations around the village in an attempt to draw drivers' attention to their vehicle speed. Data from the period when the SID was located on the Moor (C1125) suggest that drivers slow down, when the SID shows them their speed. Some 60% of drivers were exceeding the speed limit when they were first tracked by the SID and the majority then slowed down. The general aim of the SID is to slow drivers down and this seems to be being achieved.

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St Michael's Church

Dear Friends,

Ash Wednesday is a day of repentance and it marks the beginning of Lent, this year it falls on March 9th. Ashes were used in ancient times, according to the Bible, to express mourning. Dusting oneself with ashes was the penitent's way of expressing sorrow for sins and faults. An ancient example of one expressing one's penitence is found when Job says to God: *"I have heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes"* (Job 42:5-6) The prophet Daniel pleaded to God this way: *"Then I turned to the Lord God, to seek an answer by prayer and supplication with fasting and sackcloth and ashes."* (Daniel 9:3)

We begin the forty days of Lent with a service where our forehead is marked with a cross of ashes. The ash is mixed with a small amount of the Oil of Baptism, reminding us of our calling as children of God and the need during Lent to reflect on how that calling is worked out in our lives. Lent is a time of penitence and sacrifice. The cross of ash is a powerful symbol of Christ in our lives. In Lent we follow Christ into the wilderness, where he is tempted, as he prepares for his ministry and the cross that will end his journey on earth. We do not spend the next forty days of Lent wearing sackcloth and ashes, our cross of ash is enough to separate us from the noise and bustle around us but it does not separate us from God. The cross of ash connects us to God in Christ. Let us ask God to teach us to sit still so that we might hear his word within us, this Lent.

And even among these rocks

Suffer me not to be separated

And let my cry come unto thee (T. S. Eliot, Ash Wednesday)

God will hear our cry, our prayer and supplication and in the silence of these penitential days we will hear God's reply, his word of love and forgiveness for our frailty. Long after we have washed the ash from our forehead its meaning will still give shape to our lives.

Yours in Christ,
Heather

St Michael & All Angels' Church Bodenham

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR MARCH 2011

March 6th	8.00am	Holy Communion	(The Revd Heather Short)
	9.30am	GAME (Children's Church, held in School)	
	6.00pm	Evensong	
March 9th	ASH WEDNESDAY		
	2.30pm	Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes	(The Revd Heather Short)
March 13th	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	(The Revd Heather Short)
	6.00pm	Evensong	
March 20th	9.30am	Family Communion	(The Revd Heather Short)
	6.00pm	Evensong	
March 27th	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	(The Revd Alison Leigh)
	6.00pm	Evensong	

NB: Evensong will normally be include hymns and led by one of the Churchwardens

ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 9TH

Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes 2.30pm St Michael and All Angels, Bodenham
Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes 7.00pm St Nicholas, Sutton St Nicholas

HOLY COMMUNION AT SIWARD JAMES CENTRE

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at the Siward James Centre
on Friday, March 25th at 11.00am.
All are welcome to attend.

BODENHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, Chapel Lane, Bodenham

Programme for March

6th	10.30am	Worship Service – Revd Peter Massey
13th	10.30am	Ruth York (Mission Aviation Fellowship)
20th	10.30pm	Fellowship Service and Communion
27th	10.30am	Worship Service – Peter Lefroy-Owen

Footsteps Is not running at present, but we hope to restart sometime in the future. For further information, please contact Fiona.

Tuesdays 1st, 15th and 29th March at 10.00am: **Ladies' Bible Study** led by Margaret Seccombe. All ladies are welcome as we begin our new study: 'Introducing Jesus' – Life-changing encounters from the Gospel of John.

Café @ Chapel meets **every Thursday morning**. Why not just call in for a coffee and chat at any time between 10.30am and 12 noon.

Midweek Study and Discussion Group every Thursday at 7.30 for 7.45pm. 'Guidance for Living and Worship' – continuing the study of Exodus. Please contact Peter Lefroy-Owen for further information. All are welcome.

Contact: Fiona Smith (797122) Margaret Seccombe (797094) Peter Lefroy-Owen (760580)

Secretary: Pat Horrigan (797044)

BODENHAM PARISH COUNCIL continued

Bus Shelters

We are pleased to see that the new bus shelters are now in place opposite England's Gate Inn and near Chapel Lane. We are indebted to Herefordshire Council's Community Projects Grant Scheme for a grant of 50% towards the cost of the shelters. The Parish Council is aware that bus route 426 provides a vital link for those without access to private transport and will continue to seek to ensure the service is protected.

Parish Council Elections

Elections are to be held on 5th May for Bodenham Parish Council and Herefordshire Council. There is also likely to be a national referendum on the same day on the Alternative Vote system and other constitutional changes. Bodenham Parish Council wishes to encourage people to stand for election to the Parish Council. Nomination forms can be obtained from Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797 132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com.

Dog fouling

Despite the fact that failure to clean up after your dog can lead to a heavy fine on conviction, we continue to receive complaints. The latest "hot spot" is on grass verges along Millcroft Road. There really is no excuse for the tiny minority of anti-social dog owners who are simply too idle to face up to their responsibility under the law.

The dog wardens at Herefordshire Council have been contacted and will be monitoring the situation.

British Legion 'Great poppy Weekend'

The British Legion is encouraging individuals and groups to hold Poppy Parties over the weekend of 10th-12th June – The Royal British Legion's 90th birthday. The Parish Council would welcome suggestions for a Poppy Party in Bodenham. The Church Fete is to be held that weekend and perhaps a Poppy Party could be incorporated into the Fete. Please send suggestions or proposals to Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797 132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com.

Elections in May

Elections for all Herefordshire District Council wards and Parish Councils are due to be held on Thursday 5th May. There will also be a national referendum on the same day to decide on the possible introduction of the Alternative Vote (AV) system for national elections. As usual Bodenham's polling station will be the Parish Hall.

The Parish Council consists of ten parish councillors all of whom are unpaid volunteers and the Parish Clerk, Dr Chris Smith, who is a salaried part-time employee. All ten parish councillor positions are up for election and councillors serve for a period of 4 years. Further details (and much more!) are available on the village website www.bodenhamparish.org.uk.

All residents over 18 who have an interest in matters affecting Bodenham are most welcome to stand for election. If you would like further information on the work involved why not contact the current Chairman, David Tilford (tel: 01568 797658 email: davidtilford@greenbee.net), Vice-Chairman, Tony Mitcheson (tel: 01568 797170 email: babsmitcheson@aol.com) or Chris. Smith (tel: 01568 797132 email: forklightning@gmail.com).

Nomination forms are available from Chris and should be submitted to the Electoral Services Office in Hereford as soon as possible but no later than noon on 4th April.

It is absolutely vital that the whole village community is truly represented on the parish council so why not give it a go?

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Thursday 3rd March at 10.30am at 14 Brockington Road. We invite visitors to come and meet Lynne Bavin, who will tell us about her work as a nurse at St Michael's Hospice.

Friday, 25th March at 11am. **MU Lady Day Festival Service and Eucharist** at Hereford Cathedral. The Dean, The Very Revd Michael Tavinor to preside and preach.

Branch Leader: Pat Horrigan (797044)

BODENHAM ROMANIA SUPPORT GROUP

Monday 14th March at 7.30pm BRSG Committee meeting at 14 Brockington Road. Visitors are welcome.

Thursday 17th March from 2 – 4pm **Knit-In** at 7 Ashgrove View. Everyone is welcome.

If you can't come, but would like to knit or crochet for us at home, we can supply you with wool. Please contact Pat if you have any unwanted rug or knitting wool.

Chairman: Pat Horrigan (797044)

BODENHAM LEISURE CLUB

Monday 14th March at 2.30pm finds the Club in the Parish Hall for "Bingo". This is always an exciting afternoon and good fun.

We shall have the Sales Table, Raffle and Light Refreshments.

On Monday 28th March at 2.30pm we meet in the Parish Hall when we have a speaker, Tina Salter, the Property Manager from Berrington Hall, who will present a talk entitled, "National Trust". I am sure this will be most interesting.

If you have not been to Berrington Hall, situated on the A49 North of Leominster, it is well worth a visit.

There will be the Bring and Buy sales table, Raffle and Light Refreshments.

Visitors always welcome at £1 entry.

Perhaps you would consider joining the Leisure Club for £10 per year. Meetings are twice a month except when a Bank Holiday falls on a Club day.

Gwenllian Bowden

Secretary/Programme Secretary Tel. 01568 797868

BODENHAM GARDENING CLUB
THERE IS NO MEETING IN MARCH

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Just pop along or phone for more info.**

Please note that to play, you will need to bring your own badminton racquet, a charge of £3 per adult is payable.

Please contact us if you require further details:

**Contact: Rob Parker
Phone: 01568-797091**

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Herefordshire Councillor's Report

Budget for 2011/12. In November, when I last wrote about the spending review and its effects there was not much detail available. Remember, I was expecting a cut of about £8.5m in our budget for next year. Herefordshire has not come out the process well and the figure is actually over £10m and this is in spite of £2.3m of NHS funds being made available for social care. Savings totalling £10.3m have been split across the Council departments which will now work on the detail. This will be presented to the full council meeting on 4 February for ratification on 4 March. This budget must shrink the size of our council to that ordained by Government over the next 2 years. Although the Comprehensive Spending Review covered 4 years, the majority of cuts are in the first 2 years so we need to be in sustainable shape in 2 years time.

First pillar – Activities funded by grants which have ended will cease. Many are in the Education area including School Travel Advisers.

Second Pillar – Save on administration before services. Thus the importance of Shared Services with the NHS making £2.56m savings.

Third Pillar – Following from this, reduce the pay bill by £3.148m.

Some headlines:

- Council Tax Freeze. In return we receive £2.15m – equates to 2.5%. Assume 2.5% for 2012/13.
- Concessionary Fares & Transport. Despite representations, the transport grant has been cut by 20% - not as bad as some Counties (Shropshire, Oxfordshire) although London got increases. Our Waste Management reserve will fund £1m towards this shortfall to be repaid in 12/13. Concessionary fares are a statutory obligation and we currently put no limit on time of use. This may have to be re-considered. Concessions start at 09.30 in many authorities.
- Adult Social Care. Net increase £2.5m - £1.96m from grant + £2.368m from NHS + £0.75m. But £2.649m directorate savings sought.

Reserves will be retained at or above £4.5m. We can assume that many staff will not get a pay rise in 2011 or 2012 although those on less than £21,000 may get a flat rate rise of £250. Management posts are being thinned out – around 250 will go.

Council Spending Made Public. Since January the council has made invoices of £500 or more available to view on its website. The requirement to make this information available came from Eric Pickles, our Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. The information includes Expenditure of £500 or more for the 2010/11 financial year to date and the Contracts Register.

The information is easy to find on the herefordshire.gov.uk website in the "Council, government & democracy" area under Transparency. Be warned, you will find an eye-watering plethora of line entries which tell you how much was spent by which department with which supplier but, you will need to contact the department to find out what was actually purchased. People are employed to generate this material – I would appreciate feedback on its utility.

Recycling Bins For Village Halls. Waste Management has offered, free of charge, up to 2 wheeled green recycling bins to each village hall in the county. Providing the Hall Committees agree, they should be delivered later in February and may be used by any member of the public to dispose of their recyclables, as well as the halls.

Keith Grumbley, Willow Cottage, Maund Bryan, Bodenham, HR1 3JB.

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Elizabeth Pimblett, Herefordshire Council's Community Heritage Officer, is asking us all to check our attics for old Herefordshire film footage.

The Media Archive for Central England (MACE) only has old TV news footage and is very keen to hear from people who might wish to offer their old footage to be copied for posterity.

Some local history groups such as Fownhope are already doing a marvellous job of finding hidden gems, but more is needed.

Elizabeth can be contacted from Wednesdays to Fridays at:

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Mr Simon Dowler: 797363

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Mrs Gwen Bowden: 797868

Ash Grove Close: Mrs Jean Fryer: 797338

Ash Grove View: Mr David Harris: 797575

Millcroft Road: Mrs Barbara Gibson : 797643

Bodenham Village:

Bridge to War Memorial:

The Forge: Mr Simon Nickols: 797144

Church and Bodenham Village:

Devereux Court: Mr David Ayshford Sanford: 797549

Bodenham Cottages: Mr Mike Mullenger: 797199

Meetings are open to ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
All Meetings, unless otherwise notified will be held on the
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of the month at Siward James Centre
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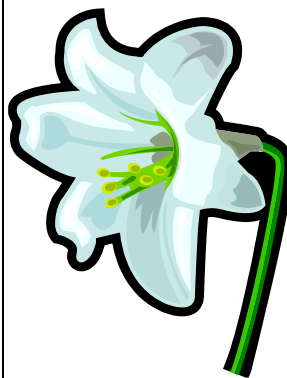
This Month's Meeting: **March 29**

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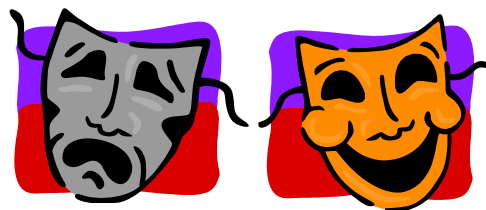
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PARISH HALL NEWS

Duck Race

We last had one in 2008 so it's high time we had another! The date is Sunday 26th June at 2.30pm, start at Bodenham bridge, finish at the end of The Forge field. There will of course be teas and other exciting events. Profits to be split 50 - 50 with the Church. Good family fun as always. If you would like to help with the planning or help in any way please get in touch. See contact numbers below.

Proposed 100 Club

Plans for the 100 Club are underway and for a payment of £12 per year by Standing Order, cheque or cash, members will have the chance to win prizes of £30, £15 and £5 each month. The draws will take place at the meeting of Gardening Club which is the biggest regular assembly of people in the Hall. If we have fewer or more than 100 people taking part then the prizes will be proportionally smaller or larger. Exactly half the income will be paid out in prizes regardless of how many people take part. You will be able to have more than one number if you wish, thus improving your chances of winning. We will draw two months prizes at a time. We hope to start in May with the first two draws in June.

Just for interest the National Lottery which supports some worthy and some not so worthy causes has a chance of 1 in 56 of winning £10, 1 in 1000 of winning £65 and 1 in 14 million of winning the jackpot. The Bodenham 100 Club chance of winning a prize (if we have 100 people) would be 1 in 33 and will help us save up for a much needed kitchen refurbishment.

Committee room refurbishment

This is now underway. We plan to redecorate, put up curtains and improve the flooring. The fridge will be moved to the kitchenette and the sink unit will be replaced. However, we need a nice large dining room style table to be the meeting table. Can you help us find one, please?

New Projection and Sound System

We hope those of you who came to 'Made in Dagenham' enjoyed the film and agree that the bigger screen and surround system have really improved the quality of the experience. Any suggestions of how to make a 'Flicks night' even better would be gratefully received (See phone numbers below). Don't forget the 'The King's Speech' on Fri 6th May. We will soon be providing an information sheet on other features this equipment can provide.

Clubs and Societies

The Leisure Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday afternoons, Gardening Club is on the 1st Tuesday evening, Sequence Dance meets on the last Saturday evening and Flicks is usually one Friday per month.

Bookings. Fundraisers can book the hall for a Quiz (£30), Bingo (£30), Jumble Sale (£45), musical evening (£60) or a disco (£120). Childrens' parties (£25 for under 14's), family parties (£120) or Weddings (£200) are welcome too.

Mary Nickols

Committee

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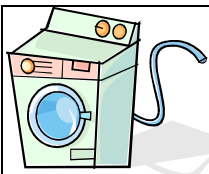
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SAVE OUR BUSES!

With the cuts in public expenditure bus services are one of the items under particular threat. At a recent meeting organised by 'We Love Our Bus' campaign, it was stated that enquiries with the Council have revealed that decisions will be made soon regarding which services will retain Council support. Decisions will be made based on both representations from residents, and from usage. All the bus companies and the drivers have been told of the campaign and will not be surprised to see some passengers requesting others to sign a petition. There may even be petitions already on the buses for passengers to sign. Our current number 426 bus service of 8 per day plus an evening service on Friday and Saturday is really good, and to retain it there are a number of things we as residents can do:

- Encourage as many people as possible to travel on the buses.
- Encourage those entitled to a bus pass to acquire one, as this is a criteria for assessing the popularity of a service.
- Sign a petition if you see one
- Be positive if approached on the bus as part of the survey
- Pass on this article or its contents to anybody else you know, particularly on the 426 route – Marden, Sutton, etc.
- Write to or email the Herefordshire Council cabinet member for transport (Councillor Wilcox, Members Support, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford, HR1 1SH / bwilcox@herefordshire.gov.uk)

The 'We Love Our Bus' campaign in Herefordshire is being co-ordinated by Gillian Menzies, and you are welcome to contact her on transitionmatters@live.co.uk

To conclude, there many reasons why our bus service is so valuable:

- As an independent lifeline for those who do not have cars or are unable to drive
- So that those who do drive can reduce car dependency
- To enable easier access to national rail and coach services
- To reduce the number of car journeys into Hereford thus achieving environmental benefits of reducing congestion and pollution.

Hopefully you agree with the content of this article, and will support this campaign.

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Any suggestions for future films are always welcome

Contact Chris James on 01568 797451

BWg

Bodenham Womens' Group

This new group aims to offer something for everyone. Maybe trips to the theatre, cinema, restaurants. Maybe day trips, sport or other activities that could be a bit different. It can be a way for people new and not so new to the village to make friends. The planning work will be shared. Please come to the first meeting at:

Brockington Golf Club in Bodenham on Thursday March 17th at 8pm

for a chat and a drink. Bring some friends (if you wish) and some ideas or just comment on the ones we've already thought of. If you can't make that date then please leave your contact details with us. We'll be in touch. Watch out for notices here, at Saffron's and the Post Office. Subscription will hopefully be around £2 per year.

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Friday March 11th

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Wednesday March 23rd

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Local Policing Officer:

PC Wayne Strangwood (Bromyard Rural) 07816548932

wayne.strangwood@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

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Please ring 01568 797144 Mary Nickols, if you
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Note this year I am hoping to have a longer walk on
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Further details from Sheila Taylor – 01432 268243

BODENHAM RAMBLERS

Programme for March

Date	Description	Miles	Start	Grid Ref	Leaders
March Wed 9th	Backney to Foy Easy	4.5 Miles	Backney Picnic Area	Exp 189 583272	Anne & Jane 01432 830676 01432 761299
Sun 20th	Clyro to Painswick Not too hilly	6 Miles	Turn Rt in Clyro. CP near 2 nd Cattle Grid	Exp 188 183447	Mollie & Anne 01432 272606 01432 359033
Wed 30th	Broadheath & Teme Valley Moderate	7 Miles	Tally Ho Inn 5miles East of Tenby on B4204	Exp 203 668654	Peter Wilson 01432 880125

All walks will start at 10.00am unless otherwise stated. For details of these walks please contact the leaders.
For details of the Bodenham Ramblers please contact the Chairman, Edie Phillips 01432-266994

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If you think you can help, even if it's just for a few hours, e-mail wmvolunteering@nationaltrust.org.uk or call 0121 753 7752 or log onto www.nationaltrust.org.uk/yourtimeourplace for further information.

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