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# T'Owd Man's Mutterings



## *Seniors visit Moscow...*

...well, the State Circus - more photos inside



*In folklore T'Owd Man is a spirit that inhabits mines and caves. T'Owd Man of Bonsall is a carved figure of a miner that was taken to Wirksworth when St James church was being refurbished in the 1860s. It was said that strange noises coming from the old Ball Eye mine at the end of Church St. were of T'Owd Man muttering*

## CHURCH NEWS

### Is There More Than This?

When I am on a long drive along the motorway, I always get drawn in to stopping and having a strong coffee and some gloriously greasy junk food. I love it but by the time the rubbish is in the bin, and I am heading back to the car, my stomach communicates to me something very odd. It is still hungry!! "But you have just had a big burger and fries! You can't have anything else". Yet still it craves for more. My appetite for food has been satisfied but I do not feel fulfilled.

This for me is a good picture of life. There is a tendency to keep on filling our lives with stuff... a nice house, a nice car, a good job, a good social life, the latest technology, a nice long holiday. And although these things bring us pleasure, they don't always bring us a sense of fulfilment.

I think this is because we can be neglectful of a whole arena of our existence. We are excellent at engaging our bodies, keeping it well fed, keeping it rested, finding new pleasures for it to indulge in. We are also good at engaging our minds through learning, through training, through vocation and experience. But what about spirituality? Do you even believe that you have a spirit or a soul?

I absolutely believe I have a spirit and I believe in the importance of spirituality. Spirituality is the understanding that there is a connection to something bigger than ourselves, outside the confines of materialism and the physical world around us. I believe as a Christian my spirituality is expressed in a relationship with God and a love for people. I can honestly say that is the only place I have found fulfilment. And I have looked for it many places.

I have looked for fulfilment at the bottom of a beer glass, I have looked for it in the highs of drugs. I have looked for fulfilment in adventure and experience. I have searched for it in various philosophies. I have tried to find my purpose in many things, and although I have found contentment and satisfaction, I have only ever been fulfilled in my relationship with God.

I am not telling you things to proselytise, to convert you, to fill the seats of churches, so I can feel I have done my godly duty. NO!! I am telling you this as a fellow traveller of life, that if you are longing for something more, for something that brings fulfilment, I believe it can be attained through knowing God.

**Pastor Matthew Quinn**

### Church Floodlighting

Carnival time sees the Church lit once more. The lighting celebrates the lives of all members of the Trzebiatowski and Johnson families. **John Sewry**

## CHURCH DIARY

### August

#### St James

2 9.30 am Morning Worship  
9 9.30 am Eucharist  
16 11.00 am Morning Worship  
23 8.30 am Eucharist  
30 9.30 am Eucharist

#### Village Life Church

Please note during the holidays are midweek meetings are not running. They will resume again from Sunday 7 September.

Sunday 10:30am Morning Worship  
6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Holiday Tots (Ages 0-3) and Holiday kids (Ages 4 -8) will be on Thursday 13 & 27 August, 10am to 12pm.

The cost is £1.00 per child.

There will be no coffee morning in August

#### Wesleyan Reform Chapel

Thanks to all who gave so generously (£275) to provide flowers for Chapel and to all who have helped with the Flower Festival; arranging flowers, cleaning, baking cakes, serving teas, and all the jobs that are done to achieve the Well Dressing. It is so amazing how everyone "throws their lot in" to support all that we have done. A very big THANK YOU to you ALL!

Sunday Services during August are at 6.15 pm. Tuesdays 10.00 am are for prayer and praising - choir practice. Friday 21 August 2.00 - 4.00 pm Cuppa & Cake Afternoon - all home baking and it's free! Everyone is very welcome to share with us.

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### Catholic Church Services

#### Our Lady and St. Teresa of Lisieux

Gorsey Bank, Wirksworth

Mass Sundays 9 am, Holy Days 7 pm.

Service of Holy Communion every Wednesday morning at 10 am.

Contact Fr. Joseph Keogh (01773 743336)

#### Our Lady and St. Joseph Church

Bank Rd, Matlock

Mass times Saturdays 6 pm, Sundays 8.30 am & 10.30 am.

Holy Days 9.30 am & 7 pm.

Daily Mass Mondays and Fridays 7 pm. Tuesdays – Thursdays 9.30 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Fridays 6.30–7 pm, Saturdays 10.30–11 am,  
Adoration Thursdays and Fridays 7 am – 11 pm

Contact Fr. Bernard Needham (582804)

There is a fortnightly newsletter listing ongoing events.

On Sundays breakfast is available in the church hall after the 8.30 Mass and tea/coffee and biscuits after the 10.30 Mass. All are welcome.

## LETTERS

### An Evening of Opera for Bonsall Open Gardens Festival.

Many, many thanks to all who attended such a magical evening in St James' church last month. A huge thank you to the singers Meeta Raval and Oliver Gerrish and also to the pianist Gillian Bithel. To the team too that helped set up the event. We raised £1115!! After costs etc we should have approx £600 to go to restoring a roof on a field barn. We have a beautiful one in mind, that if isn't patched up immediately will collapse by winter. So this event will have saved it. Thank you all so much.

**Liz Stoppard**

### Open Gardens Success

This year's Open Gardens was a great success. We took nearly £1700 in total which was a fantastic result. We were lucky with the weather although it was a bit drizzly on the Sunday morning. There were lots of compliments and enthusiasm from the visitors which made it a very enjoyable experience for all of us. There were some delicious homemade cakes and drinks being served at some gardens too which energised the visitors for the famous Bonsall hill climbs. A big thank you to all the gardeners who took part or allowed us to list them as a Peep-over, and I hope that next year we will be able to add a few more gardens to the list! **Olivia Gerrish and Elisabeth Stoppard**

## VILLAGE NOTICEBOARD



The concert & below, the cake Zuleika Parkin made for Open Gardens. Photos from Oliver Gerrish

### Bonsall Toddlers Needs You

Bonsall Toddlers is a wonderful group for parents with young children to get together and have fun. This year numbers have dropped as children have left to go to school. So if you are new to the village or new to being a parent please come along. Bonsall Toddlers runs every Thursday during term time from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. £2.00 per family. Also from September I will no longer be able to oversee Bonsall Toddlers, so we are looking for someone who will take on this role. If you are interested please give me a call on 07866923446

**Dawn Quinn**



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## Bonsall Seniors' Outing in July

Summer is here at last and Thursday 9 July heralded the annual Bonsall Seniors' outing. The trip was attended by 43 villagers and it was encouraging to see some new faces among the party. It was unfortunate that one or two of the regular clients were unable to make it this year but hopefully we will have them back with us for the Christmas party or next year's trip. This year, transport was provided by Cox's Coaches of Belper and John the driver was the perfect host to our party, very obliging in every way.

After leaving the village around 11.00 am, our first stop was at Lichfield Cathedral, where our party were able to view the magnificent architecture, art displays and artefacts within, take a coffee break or just relax in

the Cathedral grounds in the warm sunshine. Leaving Lichfield, we headed towards our lunch venue at the Round Oak in Brierley Hill, Birmingham. Our party enjoyed a warm welcome in nice surroundings and a leisurely but hearty carvery meal, followed by dessert.

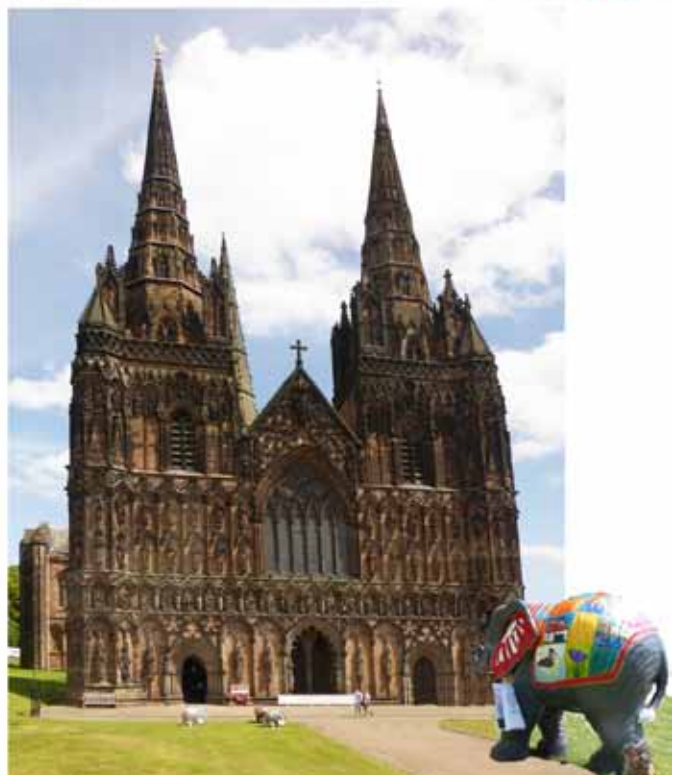
The next leg of our journey and mystery destination was only a short distance away and some were cautiously surprised as we pulled into the venue for the Moscow State Circus. Our hosts were so very helpful and obliging to our party and what followed can only be described as a dazzling 90 minutes of entertainment – daring high wire-walking, superb tumbling and gymnastics, very clever and skilful comedy - all round a wonderful, varied, quality programme. Many of our party had not visited a circus since childhood and one lady confided that she had never been to one previously, so it

was indeed a surprise to many to have ended up in a tent in Brierley Hill on a Thursday afternoon! Following the show we returned to the village arriving back just before 9 pm. Hopefully, our Seniors enjoyed the day, the fun and the companionship that the outing brings. The committee can now start planning for next year's events. Thanks to all for your continued support.

**Ron Brown**, on behalf of Bonsall Seniors Committee.

P.S Should anyone wish to join our small friendly and informal committee, or can devote time or skills to assist in any way (Carnival, Horticultural Show or Xmas party) then you would be very welcome. Just let Pat Spencer, Janet Brown, Ron Brown, Linda Cauldwell, Daniele Whittaker or Jenny March know.

(Photos by Malcolm Rowell)



## Castles in the Air - a walk above Ladybower via Alport Castles

Along  
Snake road  
Below the Inn  
Along the Ashop's flow.  
At Alport bridge  
We view the ridge  
Where shortly we will go

Past weir and barn  
To Alport farm  
We turn to face the tower  
A granite tip formed by the slip  
Of natures awesome power

Across the brook  
The wooded nook  
We start the steep attack  
To little Moor the rock strewn floor  
Leads on to Birchin hat

Now on the Peak  
We rest our feet  
At the views we stare in wonder  
Beneath the ground and all around  
A Mountain torn asunder

And now above  
The tower grand  
We greet our fellow walkers  
Across the Moor we know for sure  
The grouse will find its stalkers.

We look across  
To Kinder moss  
Above the castle tower  
We turn once more across the Moor  
And down to Ladybower

Over the top  
We start to drop  
Towards the Derwent's water  
Where Dambusters flew  
By so very few

To stop the needless slaughter.  
Amongst the trees  
Near Birchinlee  
We climb for Rowlee Farm  
By Lockerbrook we turn to look  
At Ladybower's Charm

Under Bellhag Tor  
We stop once more  
To look at Blackley Hey  
Along Ashop's bank  
On the Northern flank  
We'll end our walking day

**Nick Cummings**

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# PARISH COUNCIL

## Parish Council Report

The Parish Council met at the Village Hall on Tuesday 22 July. Councillors welcomed the formation of a working party to look at projects and ideas for developing the Park and Lorry Park. The Council are supporting the group and several councillors are already signed up. Phil Heasman attended the first meeting and initially the group will look at ways to improve the Park Bottom area - such as surfacing and wall repair and will also look for different ways the area can be used for events in the village. Everyone is welcome to come along to a meeting, submit ideas or support in any way they wish to. The next meeting will be held on August 18 at 7pm.

The fallen wall at Chestnut Farm continues to cause concern from a safety point of view. Cllr Purdy will make sure it is monitored on a regular basis by the surveyor from Derbyshire Dales District Council. Bonsall Parish Council has received an assurance that repair works will be undertaken as soon as is practical and that the issue is noted by the landowner. Cutting back of hedges along with repair of potholes in The Dale and Uppertown continued to be a matter of concern for residents and Councillors from District and County will continue in their efforts to ensure this work is carried out.

Richard Pett from the Peak District National Park attended the meeting to discuss the proposal for diverting restricted byways 71 and 72 - one benefit of doing this is that the Peak Park feel it will to help reduce the problem of motorised vehicles using the route. Councillors have attended a site meeting with Richard to look at the area and possible solutions. Richard will provide more feedback to the Parish Council on this issue as he gets it. The Parish Council are still seeking a new contractor to carry out the cleaning of the public toilets at the Park. If you are interested in finding out more about this - as the Parish Council would prefer to appoint a local contractor - please contact the Clerk. The Parish Council would like to hear from you if you have any experiences as a result of the streetlight being turned off on Uppertown Lane. Some

residents have reported problems and safety concerns - if there is anything you can tell us about incidents that have occurred as a result of the dark lane there, please let us know.

As of next year the Parish Council will be adopting a process for making small community grants for local projects to benefit the Village - you can get more information on this from the Clerk - or watch out for news in Mutterings and on the noticeboards. The noticeboards throughout the village are to be replaced on a rolling programme and councillors voted to add an extra noticeboard at the top of The Dale - the location is yet to be confirmed. If you have a business in the village and would be interested in sponsoring a noticeboard, please contact the Clerk.

Parish Councillors extended their congratulations and thanks to Bonsall History Group for the excellent maps which have appeared around the Village. The quality of the maps is excellent and they are full of useful information. The next meeting of the Park Working Group will be held on Tuesday 18 August at 7pm at the Village Hall and will be followed by the Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm. If you have an issue you would like the Parish Council to discuss, please either contact one of the Councillors or The Clerk.

**Catherine Rawas**

Clerk to Bonsall Parish Council



Here's a more familiar looking version of Cllr. Denise Pountain

## Parish Councillors

If you have any concerns or requests of the Parish Council, they should ideally be raised in Public Participation section of the monthly meeting. If however there is an urgent matter, while individual councillors will try to assist, a direct response is better achieved by contacting the Clerk to the Parish Council directly:

**Chair:** Cllr Dorothy Lane, 55 High Street, T: 824941

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### Councillors:

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Cllr Veronica Addis, Dale House, The Dale T: 826309

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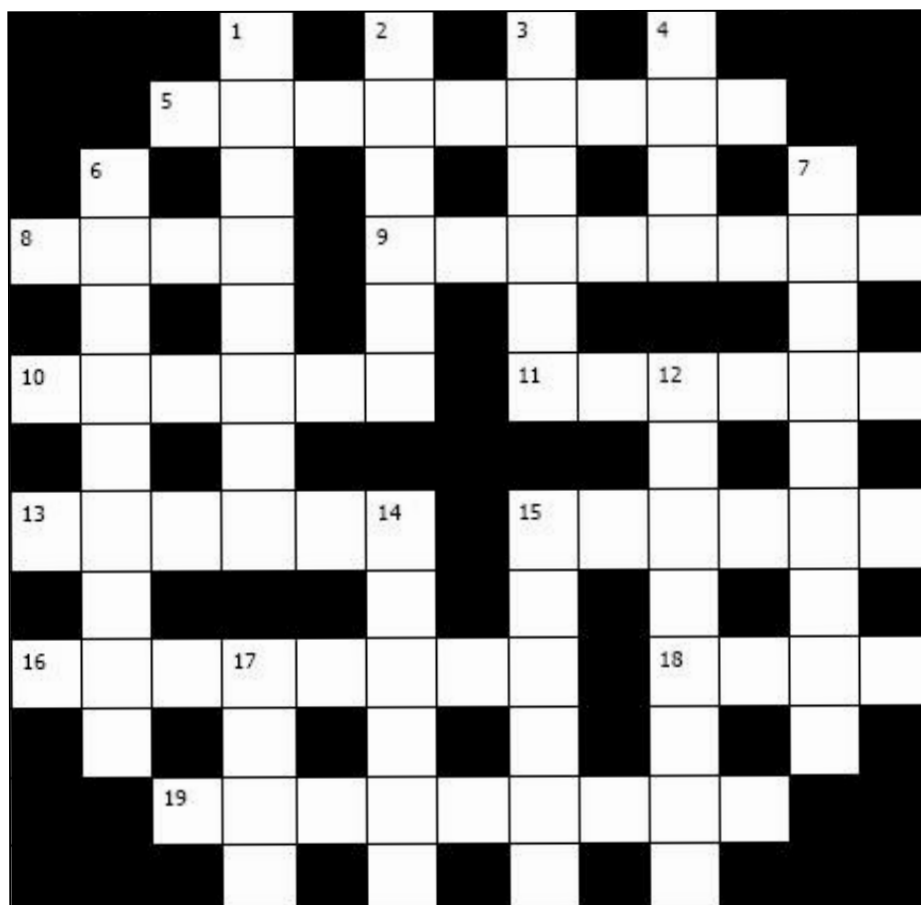
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## CROSSWORD No 64



### Across:

5. Sounds like a swine (masculine) with eye on a 17! (9)  
 8 (& 4 down). Billy Jean and McEnroe, perhaps, for a 17. (4,4)  
 9. Road led to German foreigner. (8)  
 10. Prize for artist travelling west? (6)  
 11. Feel wretched, or worse, with no energy. (6)  
 13. Special forces capture first terrorist on Iceland, leading to arrest. (6)  
 15. Bird is able to sit on a line. (6)  
 16. Type of hat to break limit? (8)  
 18. Mega 17! (4)  
 19. Nominee is capable, organised, supported by half of senate. (9)

### Down:

1. Fodder for last frisky grey donkey. (8)  
 2. Entertained excited U.S. dame. (6)  
 3. Rockets - from the 70s? (6)  
 4. (see 8 across)  
 6. Setter has right in one half of building - that's funny! (9)  
 7. Unfinished tune on god leads to a 17. (9)  
 12. Generate angry betrayer. (8)  
 14. Cycle way? The reverse - walk! (6)  
 15. Arrive on gutted donkey for a 17! (6)  
 17. Mountain rising on last snowy sport. (4)

### Collective nouns

Which bird forms a 'Parliament' when together in a group?

**GARETH BLOOD**

**CHIMNEY RE-LINING**

**STOVES FITTED**

**01629 825533**

### Answers to crossword no. 63:

Across: 5. Agincourt. 8. Ware. 9. Hustings. 10. Battle (of Loos). 11. Lawyer (silk). 13. Slalom. 15. Sittar. 16. Evidence. 18. Rill. 19. Sedgemoor (moo = low). Down: 1. Agrestal. 2. Unshoe. 3. Morsel. 4. U.R.T.I. 6. Bal-aclava. 7. Agreeable. 12. Waterloo. 14. Manage. 15. Steams. 17. Deep.



## VILLAGE GROUPS & RESOURCES

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<b>Art Club</b> Maurice Fellows	822765
<b>Bonsall Barn Project</b> Liz Stoppard/Mike Susko	823712
<b>Bonsall Camp</b> Matthew Quinn	07988071682
<b>Bonsall Church Bell Ringers</b> Mellissa Welbourne	826303
<b>Bonsall Community Development Trust</b> Peter Greaves	822374
<b>Bonsall Map</b> Wendy Bullar	825267
<b>Bonsall Pensioners Fund</b> Ron Brown	822153
<b>Bonsall Riders Club</b> Jane Williams	825632
<b>Carnival Committee</b> Hazel Baldwin	824724
<b>Chernobyl Children's Lifeline Group</b> Chris Broome	824512
<b>Cromford Playgroup</b> Karen or Jayne	07905 937371
<b>Horticultural Society</b> Ron Brown	822153
<b>Kick-boxing</b> Hayley Capewell	0777 3149935
<b>Mothers' Union</b> Di Moor	824376
<b>Neighbourhood Watch</b> Alan David	822983
<b>Open Gardens</b> Ollie Gerrish	824498
<b>Parents &amp; Toddlers Group</b> (Thursdays 1.45-3pm in term time)	
<b>Pigeon Club</b> Gordon Hardy	823549
<b>School Head</b> Lesley Murhall	822573
<b>PTFA</b> Theresa McClennon	580436
<b>School Foundation</b> Clerk, Norma Rickards	822257

## RESOURCES

### Bonsall Publications

#### The Bonsall Map

- folded £2.50 (+£1 P&P to UK)
- wall poster £3.50 (+ £ 9.90 P&P to UK)

#### History book

£15 paperback, £25 hardback.

#### History Booklets

£2.50–3.00 or £10 for a pack of six.

#### Carnival Book £9.99

All available from 19 High St., DE4 2AS,  
Tel: 825267, pubs or Fountain Tea  
rooms

### History Walking Guides £5

Peter Greaves 822374

### Rectory Room

For bookings contact Krystina Johnson  
on 823591

### Village Hall

For bookings contact Leigh Johnson  
on 823591

**Cost per session** (a session is  
a morning, afternoon or evening):

- Village organisations:  
£10 – one floor, £16 – both floors
- Non-village organisations:  
£20 – one floor, £30 – both floors
- Village people private hire:  
£25 – one floor, £35 – both floors
- Non-village people private hire:  
£40 – one floor, £50 – both floors

**Note:** an extra charge for functions  
where alcohol is sold: £20 for village  
organisations, £30 for non-village  
organisations, in addition to the hire  
charge.

## TRAVEL SERVICES

### Airports

Birmingham	0844 5766000
East Midlands	01332 852852
Manchester	0161 4893000

### Bus services

#### TM Travel #216 Matlock

Monday to Saturday. No Sunday or  
Bank Holiday service.

#### Departing Fountain:

08.08\*, 10.08, 11.08, 12.08, 13.08,  
14.08, 15.08, 16.08\*, 17.08, 18.08  
(all 3 min earlier at Abel Lane).

Departing Co-op, Bakewell Rd., Stand B:  
09.44, 10.45, 11.45, 12.45, 13.45, 14.45,  
15.45\* 16.45, 17.45.

\* Saturdays and school holidays only

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from TraveLine: 0871 2002233 or  
TM Travel ([www.tmtravel.co.uk/bus-  
times/derbyshire](http://www.tmtravel.co.uk/bus-times/derbyshire)).

#### Derby G&J Holmes #212

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09.05 from Uppertown

13.45 depart Derby Morledge

([www.derbybus.info/times/tt\\_201\\_999.htm](http://www.derbybus.info/times/tt_201_999.htm))

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**Train services** 0845 7484950

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## USEFUL NUMBERS

### Health:

Chemists Hannage Brook	821750
Wirksworth	822607
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584746, 55645, 582218, 56558	
Doctors NHS Direct	0845 4647
Hannage Brook	822434

### Hospitals

Chesterfield	01246 277271
Derby City	01332 340131
Derbys Royal	01332 347141
Whitworth	580211
Non-emergencies	111

### Derbyshire County Council

[www.derbyshire.gov.uk](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk)

All enquiries 580000

Out of Hours numbers: 536673 or 'Call  
Derbyshire' 533190 or 0845 6058058

### Derbyshire Dales District Council

[www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk](http://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk)

All enquiries	761100
Building control	761321
Meeting dates	761300
Energy efficiency grants	761304
Environmental health	761212
House improvement grants	761118
Local plan	761251
Payments	761254
Recycling	761215
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### Swimming:

• Matlock (Arc)	581322
• Wirksworth	824717
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• Matlock	583388
• Matlock Bath	583834
Trading Standards	585858
Electricity emergencies	0800 0568090
Fire station, Matlock	582849
Gas leaks	0800 111999

### Household Waste Recycling Centre

Harrison Way, Darley Dale, DE4 2LF.  
Open 8.30 – 6.00 daily.

### Mobile Library 01773 824333

Monthly 2nd Fridays at the Fountain,  
10.55–11.30 am

### Police/Safer Neighbourhoods 101

PCs Matt Winterbottom and Sue Lester  
or [matlock.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.  
pnn.police.uk](mailto:matlock.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk).

Crimestoppers	0800 555111
Victim support	825544
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Community safety	761101

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