



Warmingham WI used their September meeting to find out about the services offered by Blood Bikes. This national organisation provides a free service, transporting urgent materials and samples for NHS hospital trusts. Run entirely by volunteers, it comprises 32 local groups. The speaker came from the “local” Shropshire, Staffordshire and Cheshire Blood Bikes (SSCBB) group. This group formed in its current form in 2014 when Cheshire joined. The national service started back in 1962. SSCBB calculates that it alone saved the NHS £250,000 in 2017. However it costs £100, 000 each year to run SSCBB, all of which has been raised voluntarily. The service needs volunteers as well as funds and Warmingham learned about the range of ways in which people could help.

Warmingham WI’s next meeting takes place on Wednesday 3rd October and comprises two events: a bring and buy sale and An exploration of the Shetland Isles led by David Tolliday.

While Warmingham Village Hall is being rebuilt, Warmingham WI is now meeting in St Peter’s Church Hall, School Lane, Elworth, CW11 3HU

Visitors are always welcome, with no commitment to join, so those interested to try WI can just turn up and find a warm welcome.

For further details see www.warmingham.org.uk or email MMAHannon@aol.com.