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## A Message from Lockley Homes Co-Founders, Tom and Karl Lockley

Hello! We are excited to welcome you to the first edition of Lockley Life. We at Lockley Homes are dedicated to creating innovative new builds and thoughtful conversions. We are also thrilled to present our very first digital newsletter.

This year marks a period of change for us. We are expanding our horizons by acquiring new land and taking on projects that truly represent the essence of Lockley Homes. What started with two homes in Great Witley near Malvern, Worcestershire has now grown to more than 14 sites across Worcestershire and the surrounding area. Our hope is that this new digital venture showcases the area we are passionate about and encourages you to explore our beautiful homes.

As a community-focused housebuilder, we take pleasure in getting to know our residents and hearing about their personal experiences. To that end, we are proud to introduce our new friends, Kim and Carol Berry, in this issue.

As recent homeowners with Lockley Homes, Kim and Carol truly embody the lifestyle we strive to create with our properties. Their inspiring journey to find the perfect retirement home reflects our commitment to fostering strong family units. You can read more about their story in this issue.

Whether you are new to the Lockley Homes newsletter or a returning reader, welcome, we are thrilled to have you here!

Tom and Karl Lockley

### Location

Kingsbrooke,  
Colwall,  
Herefordshire

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# Maximise your Garden's Potential this Summer



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As summer approaches, it's the perfect time to enhance the beauty and health of your garden. Local gardening expert, Ian Williamson from Malvern Gardening Services, shares his top tips to ensure your garden thrives during the warm months.

## Soak New Shrubs

"When planting new shrubs, soak the pot in a bucket of water before planting. This ensures the root ball is well-hydrated and can absorb water more efficiently once in the ground, preventing the plant from struggling to take up water if the roots are dry."



## Deadhead Roses and Shrubs

"Promote new blooms by regularly dead heading your roses and shrubs. Removing spent flowers encourages your plants to produce more flowers, keeping your garden vibrant all season long."



## Water in the Evening

"I always recommend watering your garden in the evening to minimise water evaporation. Ensure you soak the base of your plants thoroughly, allowing the water to reach the root system for optimal hydration."

With these 5 expert tips, you can enjoy a flourishing garden all summer.

## Keep the Grass Longer

"To maintain a lush, green lawn, let your grass grow a bit longer. This simple trick helps keep your grass greener for an extended period, even in the heat of summer."

## Hedgehog Friendly Fences

"Encourage natural pest control by making small holes at the bottom of your fences. This allows hedgehogs to roam freely through your garden, helping to keep pests at bay."



# Top 5 Places to go for Alfresco Dining this Summer

Discover the best that Worcestershire has to offer. From Browns at Quay to Stanbrook Abbey

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## Stanbrook Abbey

Dine in the tranquil surroundings of Stanbrook Abbey in Worcester, a stunning former monastery set in 26 acres of grounds. Their outdoor dining area provides a picturesque setting for enjoying exquisite dishes created with seasonal produce. It's an ideal spot for a luxurious alfresco experience.



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## Food & Liquor

Based in Sidbury in Worcester city, Food & Liquor is the ideal place for anyone seeking a spacious, bright, and airy venue to savour a delightful variety of locally sourced dishes, as well as fish and seafood specialties. It boasts a lovely garden and outdoor terrace with a stunning view of the historic Worcester Cathedral – an experience not to be missed.



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## Browns at Quay

Located in the heart of Worcester, Browns at Quay offers a vibrant dining experience. Their outdoor seating area provides a lively setting to enjoy an array of delicious dishes and refreshing drinks. With its prime location set by the river, it's an ideal spot for social gatherings.



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## The King's Arms

For a traditional, English alfresco dining experience, visit The Kings Arms in Ombersley. This charming pub offers a delightful outdoor garden in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. It's the perfect place to unwind and enjoy a sunny afternoon with friends and family.



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## The Dew Drop Inn

The Dew Drop Inn in Lower Broadheath offers a charming blend of picturesque surroundings and a delectable menu. Nestled in the heart of the countryside, the inn is home to a spacious garden terrace perfect for enjoying warm, sunny days.



# Hear from Our Residents

Meet Kim and Carol



Kim (66) and Carol Berry (69) knew exactly what they were looking for in their next home - a modern, turnkey property in a secure and happy neighbourhood, requiring little maintenance; somewhere to retire. The couple settled on a four-bedroom detached home at Lockley Homes' Kingsbrooke development in Colwall.



## What do you love most about living in Colwall?

"I was born and bred in Colwall. After moving to Leeds at the age of 28, we had always wanted to come back to our roots. The transport here is great, it is just a 50-minute train journey to Birmingham and London is around two hours. Living in the countryside is unmatched, we love living in an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty."

## Where were you living previously?

"We previously lived in a Grade II listed property in Bosbury, Herefordshire. However, our property comprised 11 acres. We had rented most of it to local farmers, but the maintenance and cultivation was growing more difficult for us."

## Why Lockley Homes?

"When we first met Karl, he showed us the plot they were building next to our local pub. We went through the plans, the build quality and the specification, and it ticked all our boxes. Over time, we built a good relationship with Karl, he let us know about another site in Colwall, Kingsbrooke which is where we decided we wanted to move to."

He saved our plot for us while we waited to sell our property and it also meant we had the opportunity to modify our home off-plan. We added a downstairs shower to the floor plan, and changed the layout of the kitchen to future proof the property and ensure it remained convenient and accessible even as we get older."



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# Getting Involved with Our Community

We're active members of the communities in which we deliver new homes. Take a look at what we've been up to...



## Clay Pigeon Shooting Day at Bransford Manor

We're proud to be sponsoring the upcoming Clay Pigeon Shooting Day at Bransford Manor in aid of St. Richard's Hospice, an organisation that offers care and support to adults facing serious progressive illnesses. Their crucial services enhance the quality of life for individuals from the point of diagnosis through treatment and up to their final days.

Team Lockley is eagerly looking forward to participating in a light-hearted and enjoyable clay pigeon shoot-out, all in support of raising funds for this incredibly meaningful cause.

You can find out more about the hospice at [strichards.org.uk](http://strichards.org.uk)



## Community commitment shines through Colwall Cricket Club Sponsorship

We've been supporting Colwall Cricket Club since 2020 when the club clinched the National Village Knock-out final at Lord's, the world-famous home of English cricket.

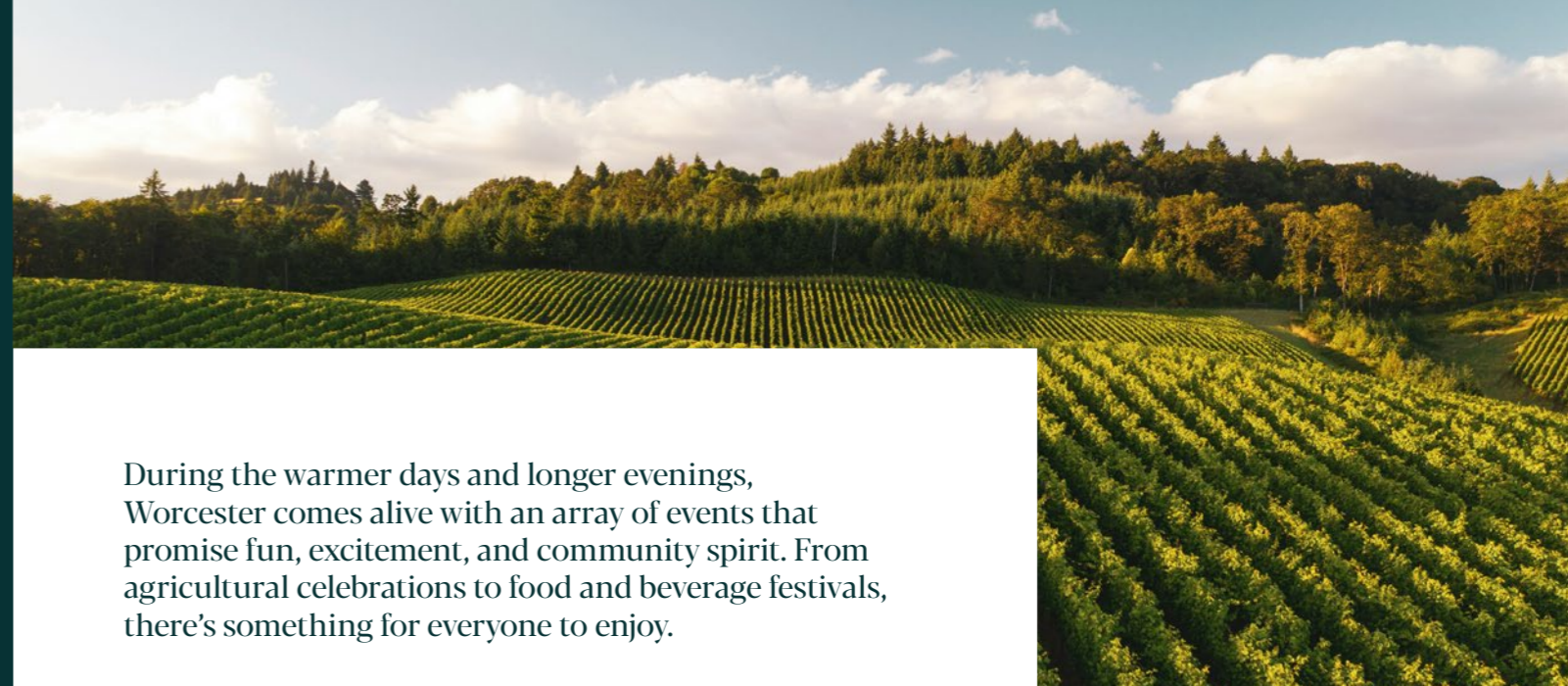
The funding we provide is primarily invested in youth development through an academy held on Wednesday evenings, led by professionally qualified coaches. This programme has been a tremendous success, ensuring the club's future by nurturing young talent.

"Lockley Homes' involvement has been transformational for the club. Providing free shirts for our 'Friday Night Club' has connected us with over 250 local boys and girls who want to play cricket, and significantly boosted our visibility with the wider community."

**Kim Berry** -  
Chairman of Colwall Cricket Club



# What's On This Summer: Unmissable Local Events



During the warmer days and longer evenings, Worcester comes alive with an array of events that promise fun, excitement, and community spirit. From agricultural celebrations to food and beverage festivals, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

## July

### 6th – 7th July: Great Malvern Food Festival 2024

Priory Park transforms into a foodie paradise for the unmissable Great Malvern Food Festival. Discover a wide array of locally sourced produce from market stalls and street food vendors. Enjoy drinks from local bars offering beer, cider, and cocktails, and be entertained by live music and street performers. Be sure to see the live cookery demonstrations and food showcases at the Bandstand Cookery Theatre.

### 20th – 21st July: Classic Nostalgia

Step back in time at the Classic Nostalgia event at Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb. This action-packed weekend features competitive hill climb racing, thrilling demos, and a stunning display of classic and vintage cars, primarily from the pre-1975 era. Known for its unique atmosphere, Shelsley Walsh allows you to get up close to the action, cars, and drivers, celebrating the golden age of motorsport.

## August

### 11th August: The Worcester Show

Experience the charm of a traditional summer fête combined with the excitement of a county show, funfair, and music festival at The Worcester Show. The event of the season is held annually, attracting over 20,000 people, celebrating local produce, horticulture, crafts, and community. It's a fantastic day out for families, offering a wide range of entertainment and activities for all ages.

### 31st August: St Richards Hospice - Outdoor Cinema: GREASE

Get ready for an unforgettable "summer night" outdoor cinema event at Spetchley Gardens, near Worcester. Bring your friends and family and dress up for a chance to win prizes for the best outfits! You'll enjoy an outdoor screening of Grease, receive popcorn on arrival, and have access to the beautiful gardens. Don't forget to pack your picnic baskets, bring blankets or camping chairs, and get ready to sing along under the starlit sky.

# Things to do in Worcester in the Warmer Weather



## The Elms at Abberley

The ultimate countryside getaway, The Elms at Abberley in Worcester is a quintessential English country house hotel that promises a blend of luxury and relaxation. Nestled in the picturesque Worcestershire countryside, it offers stunning views and beautifully landscaped gardens.

Guests can enjoy a range of amenities, including a luxurious spa, fine dining restaurant, and elegantly decorated rooms that capture the charm of the historic estate. Whether you're seeking a peaceful retreat or an indulgent getaway, The Elms provides a perfect escape with its rich heritage and exceptional hospitality.



## Checketts

Checketts in Worcester is a must-visit for those seeking British, locally-sourced produce. This deli and farm shop offers fresh meats, artisanal cheeses, and homemade goods. Its focus on local sourcing supports the community and ensures high-quality products. Whether you're picking up ingredients for a special meal or enjoying a leisurely lunch in their café, Checketts provides a taste of Worcestershire's finest.

## Greyfriars House

Visiting Greyfriars House and Garden in Worcester offers a look into history with its restored medieval architecture and period furnishings. Greyfriars House is a late 15th-century timber-framed house in the heart of Worcester, saved from demolition and brought back to life. The Walled Garden is the perfect place to enjoy a cup of English breakfast tea and a scene.



News Updates

# Live a Lockley Lifestyle: Our homes

Our Newest Development in charming Bretforton will comprise three elegant four-bedroom houses and one spacious two-bedroom bungalow. Located on Station Road in Bretforton, prices start from £875,000 and will be available to purchase in 2025.



## Deer's Leap

At Deer's Leap, there is one two-bedroom, two-bathroom, first floor apartment available for £785,000. This home offers a high specification and elegant yet modern design. Deer's Leap is situated just moments from Henley-in-Arden's prestigious High Street.



### Location

Bretforton is a historic, rural village in Worcestershire. Lying 4.4 miles east of Evesham, it is perhaps most famous for being the location of The Fleece Inn, a 300-year old pub owned by the National Trust.

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