

# Prince Charles was right – plants can communicate

He was slammed for it and publicly ridiculed, but it seems Prince Charles was right after all. It's official now – plants not only have feelings, they can communicate.

The *Mail Online* reports that "research has revealed how plants talk by modifying a cabbage gene which triggers the production of a gas emitted when a plant's surface is cut or pierced".

The protein luciferase, which causes glow worms, lightning bugs and deep-sea shrimps to glow in the dark, was added to the plant's DNA so that any emissions could be viewed on camera.

According to the *Mail Online*: "One cabbage plant had a leaf cut off



with scissors and started emitting a gas, thereby 'telling' its neighbours there may be trouble ahead. Two nearby cabbage plants, which had not been touched, received the message they should protect themselves. They did this by producing

toxic chemicals on the leaves to fend off predators such as caterpillars."

It's believed to be the first time such a plant process has been filmed, and raises the possibility that plants can communicate with each other by non-verbal means of which humans have so far been completely unaware.

On a Spiritualist note, it underlines what we know instinctively – that all life, be it human, animal, plant or any other, is deserving of respect.

## PARADISE IN DUDLEY

What better place for Spiritualists to meet than a Paradise Centre? That is the significant name for the building which is now home to Dudley Spiritualist Centre in the West Midlands.

The group was founded 30 years ago by Moreen Walsgrove, and was known as Dudley & Great Bridge Spiritualist Church. Meetings were at Dudley Library. President Sebra Whittle has updated its history for *Psychic News*.

In 2010 two local Spiritualist groups who held their meetings at the library decided to work together.

"A new centre was found in Buffery Park. It had just been renovated by local people and given a grant from the council," said Sebra. "We decided to build a new spiritual home and give ourselves a new name, Dudley Spiritual Centre Inc. Dudley Greaterwood SC. We are now affiliated to the SNU.

"As a new committee we work with the Buffery Lane Committee with very good results on our first anniversary."

The group was invited to take part in the Jubilee National Fun Day in the park on 4th June and used the golden opportunity to promote their centre.

Our members did a great job handing out information packs, and found it a very rewarding time," said Sebra. "We had three stalls – a Bring & Buy, Tombola and Raffle. The children loved the Tombola so much that it had to be filled twice."

During two days of celebrations they were visited by the Deputy Mayor and a local council representative, who gave their support.

The centre's first anniversary at its new home was celebrated on 5th July, for which all tickets were sold in advance for a demonstration by Birmingham medium Andy Byng (pictured).

The centre offers development and healing training. Divine and clairvoyant services are held on Thursdays, from 7.30 to 9pm. The full address is: Paradise Centre, Buffery Park, Dudley, West Midlands DY2 8NE.

Email: [dudleyspiritualistcentre@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dudleyspiritualistcentre@hotmail.co.uk)

