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A LETTER FROM YOUR ASSOCIATE PRIEST

Dear friends

Bring in the new

Last month I promised an update from our visit to The Ageas Bowl in Southampton to watch Southern Brave in the new cricket competition The Hundred. Prior to our visit the weather forecast looked dreadful but armed with umbrellas and rain coats off we went undeterred. We were a little anxious about the amount of people now allowed into the ground, but masks were still an option by a lot of people when moving around, and we didn't feel hemmed in when sat down. Luckily the forecast was not as advertised, only a couple of showers that shortened the women's match. The atmosphere was great, the bigger crowd certainly helps in that respect, and it was lovely to see so many young families enjoying this new form of cricket.

Music played out from the resident DJ's stage every time there was a boundary and the pyrotechnics near us certainly added a bit of much need warmth from the flames every time a 4 or 6 was struck! Maybe we should try playing cricket in the late autumn/early winter instead it might be warmer than August!! It was a great afternoon and evening, both home teams won, always a bonus, and the women have already qualified for the final, we wait on another game for the

men to see whether they progress further, but it's certainly looking positive at the moment.

We've had another rather exciting new event in the family – the birth of our newest grandchild – Poppy Ava to Adam and Maria. Hopefully by the time you read this we will have been able to meet her, she's only a few days old as I write and so under hospital covid restrictions. We have to be grateful that our wait won't be as long as some grandparents had to wait during the lockdowns, but even so that first cuddle will be very special and is much longed for.

As you may remember, I was working in a school before I was ordained, and this time of year is always about new beginnings. At the end of the summer term, we said goodbye in school to the Year 6's as they left their Primary years behind and went on to their respective Secondary Schools. I always wondered what the future would hold for them. Then there will be those younger children looking forward to starting 'big' school in September, we look back and think where did those years go? The changes our children make from baby to toddler to school uniforms happen in a flash.

Sometimes we would just like time to stand still because we don't like change and new, especially when we are comfortable with life. But, as the Preacher in the Old Testament Book Ecclesiastes says, there is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven. People and circumstances change and we must accept that, it is from these things that we learn and grow. It's good to know though, that through all the changes, be they good or bad, happy or sad, God is with us accompanying us on our journey. God has all the time in this world and beyond to spend with us and it's just because he loves us. We are reminded of this every year when we think about the last week of Jesus' life that led to the pain and suffering of crucifixion before he was raised to new life on Easter morning. Easter, of course, has come and gone, but we can use this time to carry on remembering that sacrifice. Time spent with God, thanking him for his love, seems such a small price to pay in comparison and will hopefully help us to embrace the challenges that come with the new.

With blessings,

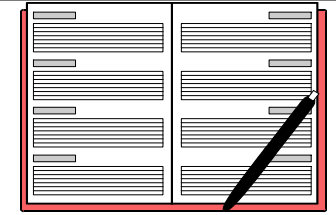
Sandra

Benefice and Parish news

Service pattern

As life begins to be a bit more 'normal' – whatever that means – we are going to begin to introduce more live services in church and cut down on streamed ones. We realise that 9am is very early for some people and so I'm pleased to say that there will be two 11am's a month in both Affpuddle and Bere Regis, on alternate

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



2022

- FG Floral Group
- AL Autumn Leaves
- TA Twinning
- WI Women's Institute
- PiP Pop in Place
- GC Gardening Club

January

WI 12th Egyptian Dance

February

WI 16th Joyce Grenfell

March

WI 1st Pancake Day

WI 16th Jurassic Coast

April

WI 20th Annual Meeting

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2021

- FG Floral Group
- AL Autumn Leaves
- TA Twinning
- WI Women's Institute
- PiP Pop in Place
- GC Gardening Club

September

- WI 15th Visit to Minterne Hall
- PiP 24th Macmillan Coffee Morning 10.00 - 12.00

October

- WI 20th Yoga
- 29th Purbeck Film Festival, Brianstpuddle Village Hall 7.00 pm

November

- WI 17th Garlands

December

- PiP 2nd Rydell High Christmas Prom - Pop in Performers 2.00 pm
- PiP 3rd Rydell High Christmas Prom - Pop in Performers 7.00 pm
- PiP 4th Rydell High Christmas Prom - Pop in Performers 2.00 pm
- WI 15th Xmas Festivities



The West Purbeck Benefice – Service Rota
 Holy Rood Wool, St John the Baptist Bere Regis, St Laurence Affpuddle,
 St Andrew's East Lulworth, Holy Trinity West Lulworth,
 St Christopher's Winfrith Newburgh and St Nicholas Chaldon Herring

September Services

	Streamed	Church	Church	Church	Readings
Wed 1 st Sept	10am BCP Holy Communion				
Sun 5 th September Trinity 14		9am BCP Holy Communion East Lulworth 10:30am Café Church Winfrith Village Hall	9am Holy Communion Bere Regis 11am Holy Communion Affpuddle	10:30am Holy communion Wool	Isa. 35.4-7a or James 2.1-10,14-17 Mark 7.24-end
Wed 8 th September			11am Holy Communion Bere Regis		
Sun 12 th September Trinity 15	10:45am Holy Communion	9am Holy Communion West Lulworth	9am Holy Communion Affpuddle 11am Family Service Bere Regis	9am BCP Holy Communion Wool	Isa. 50. 4-9a or James 3. 1-12 Mark 8. 27-end
Sun 19 th September Trinity 16	10:45am Prayer & Praise	6pm Harvest Worship Chaldon Herring	9am Holy Communion Bere Regis 11am Holy Communion Affpuddle		Wisd,1.16-2.1,12-22 or Jer 11.18-20 or James 3.13-4.3,7-8a Mark 9.30-37
Wed 22 nd September			11am Holy Communion Bere Regis	10:15am Holy Communion D'Urberville Wool	
Sun 26 th September Trinity 17	4pm Messy Church	10:30am Harvest Worship Winfrith Newburgh	9am Holy Communion Affpuddle 11am Holy Communion Bere Regis	10:30am Harvest Worship Wool	(Trinity 17) James 5. 13-end Mark 9. 38-end

Log on for Sunday morning Streamed Worship from 10:30am, please email westpurbeckoffice@gmail.com for the link.

For Messy Church link email patswiftwharf@outlook.com

Important information about attending Services

Live services will only take place in accordance with the Government COVID regulations prevailing on the day. Changes at short notice will be notified via email, social media and posters.

weeks. One of those 11am's will be the Family Service at Bere Regis on the second Sunday of the month which was always popular. We are hoping that Junior Church will start again in October, but we will wait to see how everything is once the schools go back. We know that some people in the benefice and beyond really appreciated the online worship and so we are going to keep two a month, one of which will be run by some of our new Lay Worship Leaders.

Obviously, it is still early days, and our plans may have to change if there are restrictions again in the winter.

Messy Church

Some of the Messy Church families from around the benefice enjoyed a face-to-face picnic and games afternoon in the Bere Regis Vicarage garden, it was a bit damp some of the time, but that didn't stop the fun and it was lovely to be together in the flesh.

Messy Church is going to resume online for September and October, see advert, and then we will, hopefully, have a face-to-face get together to celebrate Advent and Christmas at the beginning of December.

Confirmation

If you are interested in being confirmed and would like to explore what it means, we will be running some sessions in the autumn. Confirmation is open to adults or young people (from about Year 6 upwards, although this can vary), please speak to me if you are interested. 01929 792235 revsandrwestpurbeck@outlook.com

Affpuddle Gift Day with a Difference

Held on the very hot day of Saturday 17th July – gifts of 'Cream Tea in a Bag' were given out. Thank you to Liz Whatley for organising, Chips Badcock for the use of her lovely front garden and everyone from the PCC who helped, and others roped in. It was very well supported, there is a write up elsewhere in the newsletter.

I'm looking forward to the Jazz this weekend!

Welcome Back Breakfast

This was held on Saturday 31st July – thank you to Peter Wharf for organising this event and many thanks to Martin Debenham for helping Peter with the cooking and to Alison Bennett and team for serving the drinks, bacon butties and cake. It was a lovely atmosphere, lots of chatting, that lovely bacon smell and a small step back to 'normal'. I look forward to the next one!

CHURCH AND VILLAGE

ACTIVITIES, SOCIETIES, CLUBS, ASSOCIATIONS and CONTACTS

Association	Contact	Tel	Address	E-mail	Meetings/Info
Mobile Library	Dorset County Council	01305 224440		dorchestermobilelibrary@dorsetcc.gov.uk	Alternate fortnights Car park Mondays 9.20- 9.50 Fridays 10.50 - 12.15
Neighbour Car Scheme	Amanda Crocker				Community run transport option
Pop in Place	Alison Bennett	472023	3 Rye Hill Close BH20 7LU	popinplace@gmail.com	Weekly. Drax Hall Monday and Friday mornings 10.00 - 12.00
Bere Regis Pre-School 'Pebbles'		471334	Southbrook Bere Regis BH20 7DB	preschool@bereregis.dorset.sch.uk	Providing care and education for children from 2 to 8 years, including breakfast club from 7.45 a.m. and after-school club until 5 p.m.
Rotary Club of Wareham	David King	01929 471087	Hyde Woods, Hyde Wareham, BH20 7NT	david.king@gbpltd.co.uk www.warehamrotary.co.uk	
Salt and Pepper Lunch Club	Brenda House	471255		stockleyfarmpartners@gmail.com	Monthly, Scout Hut, 3rd Thursday. 12.30p.m.
Twinning Association	Jackie Ahern	07876 577012		Jackie.ahern@hotmail.co.uk	Meetings and events arranged as and when.
W.I. (Bere Regis)	Mrs Dian Pitts	471322		pitts.dian@gmail.com	Monthly, Bere Regis Sports Club 3rd Wednesday @ 7.30 pm
Sanctuary Flower Guild (church flower arrangers)	Mrs Diane Edmonds	472331		edmonds473@btinternet.com	
Hedgehogs - support, advice and rescue	Mrs Sue Aldous	07720 266346			Bere Regis' resident expert on all things hedgehog related

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Association	Contact	Tel	Address	E-mail	Meetings/Info
Bere Regis Scout Group (Beavers)	Liz Teather	01929 471216		lizteather@hotmail.com	Wednesdays 6 - 7 pm 5½ - 8 years Scout Hut, Elder Road
Bere Regis Scout Group (Scouts)	Neal Unitt-Jones	01929 472273			Mondays 7.30 - 9 pm 10½ or 11 to 14 years Scout Hut, Elder Road
General or group enquiries	Chris Gall	01305 772634			
Bere Regis Scout Group (Cubs)	Kate Willis	01929 472787			Thursdays 6.30 - 8 pm 8- 10½ or 11 years Scout Hut, Elder Road
Kingsbere Explorer Scout Unit	Helen Unitt-Jones	01929 472273			Tuesdays 7.30 pm-9.30 pm. 14-18 years, male and female. Scout Hut, Elder Road
Briantspuddle Book Let	Angie Talbot	472483	19 Bladen Valley	angie@ptalbot.plus.com	2nd Saturday 10 - 12 noon Briantspuddle Village Hall, in conjunction with Coffee Shop
Chapel Toddlers Group	Suzie Gee	472484	Rose Cottage, Butt Land	suziegtitus3v4@talktalk.net	Tuesdays - 9.15 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. at the Congregational Chapel, Butt Lane
Cyril Wood Court Monthly Coffee Stop					1st Saturday of every month from 10.00 - 12.00
Drax Hall (hire)	Lyn Simmonds	471528			
Dorset Councillor	Peter Wharf	472246	The Old Vicarage West Street	peterwharf@hotmail.com	
Kingsbere Quilters	Mrs Diane Edmonds	472331	10 Boswell's Close BH20 7JE		Monthly Scout Hut 1st Wednesday 9.30 am - 12.30p.m.
Milborne St Andrew Allotment Society	Secretary: Sue Gould (28 Stieham Bank, MSA DT11 0LE)	01258 837575	Lane End, Milborne St Andrew.	Msa.allotments@yahoo.co.uk	A new allotment site adjacent to the Sports Club in the village, whole plot £30, half plot £20 per year.

Online



Sunday 26th September

at 4pm

Harvest



live on Zoom

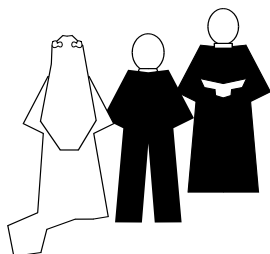
rsvp: email Pat Wharf
patswiftwharf@outlook.com

for activity bags and zoom link
by Sunday 19th September



The West Purbeck Benefice

FROM THE REGISTERS



Wedding

Bere Regis

24th July

Congratulations to Jacky Miller and Chris Patching

Thanksgiving and Interment of Ashes

Bere Regis

30th July

Mike and Bet Moss



PHIL ROBBINS

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of a key member of our church family last month.

Phil moved to the village just a few years' ago but has been an active member of our community as a church chorister, a parish magazine delivery volunteer and an organizer/helper for Autumn Leaves Club events.

Our deepest condolences go to Sylvia and her family and to Phil's two sons.

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Association	Contact	Tel	Address	E-mail	Meetings/Info
Ancient Order of Foresters Court Prospect 6575	Andrew Jones		19 Louise Road, Dorchester, DT1 2LT	andrew@joneser.freereserve.co.uk	Monthly Turberville Court 1st Monday - 7.30 pm
Autumn Leaves	Sylvia Bayliss	472697		sbayliss194@ouflook.com	Monthly - Scout Hut 2nd Wednesday @ 2.30 pm
Bere Regis Bell Ringers	Adrian Standfield Jenny Clifford	471774			Normal practice night - Wednesdays 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.
Bere Regis Book Group	Janet Gilpin	01929 471829			First Tuesday of the month at 2.30 p.m.. Various locations
Bere Regis Primary School and Pre-School	Rachael Brown - Headteacher	471334	Southbrook Bere Regis BH20 7DB	office@bereregis.dorset.sch.uk	Pre-school and Primary School for pupils aged 2+ to 11 years
Bere Regis Floral Group	Sue Stone	472083	97 North Street, Bere Regis, BH20 7LD	susan97stone@gmail.com	2nd Tuesday at Winterborne Kingston village hall
Bere Regis Gardening Club	Sue Stone	472083	97 North Street, Bere Regis, BH20 7LD	susan97stone@gmail.com	Monthly. Drax Hall 1st Tuesday. 7.30 p.m.
Bere Regis Junior Church	Pat Wharf	472246	The Old Vicarage, West Street	peterwharf@btinternet.com	Second Sunday of every month in Church 10.00-11.00 a.m.
Bere Regis Parish Council	Moir Mathers				Monthly, Drax Hall 2nd Thursday
Bere Regis Sports Club Cricket Football	Andy Kent Herbie Swann	471079 472812	94 North Street	andy@contact.go-plus.net	Village football and cricket teams for all ages
Bere Regis Swimming club	Bob Holman	01305 848262	Camelot, Affpuddle DT2 7HH	bobdholman@btinternet.com	5.15 p.m.—7.00 p.m. at the Purbeck Leisure Centre, Wareham
Bere Regis Wildlife Group	Tony Bates Mike Gee	471563 07759 884942	The Beeches, Barrow Hill	tonybates19@gmail.com mike.n.g@outlook.com	Meetings arranged as and when

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September 2021

AFFPUDDLE FLOWERS & CLEANING ROTA

Date:	Flowers:	Cleaning:
4 Sept.	Elizabeth Whatley	Elizabeth Whatley
11 Sept.	Christine Coates	Christine Coates
18 Sept.	Susan Wood	Susan Wood
25 Sept.	Vivi Armitage	Vivi Armitage
2 October	Decorate for Harvest	Lindy Ventham
6 October	Wednesday morning	Special Clean

AFFPUDDLE CHURCHYARD MOWING ROTA

	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
30 Aug – 12 Sep	Alan/Helen Frost	Sandy Moriarty	Ivor Bryant	Steve Sanderson
13 – 26 Sep	David Payne	Graham Nobbs	David Buck	Henry Hogger

The mowers are stored in a container in Roger's yard.

The key to the container lock is in a key safe on the door post of the adjacent barn.

Give me a call if you need help. Mike Menzies 01929 471263

AFFPUDDLE CHURCH COFFEE ROTA

12-Sep	9.00	Anne & David Buck
26-Sep	9.00	Allan & Andrea Smith

You need two pints of milk, some tea towels, and to turn up early.

Give me a call if you need help. Mike Menzies 01929 471263

A GIFT DAY WITH A DIFFERENCE!



On a lovely summer afternoon, in the front garden of Cruck Cottage on the 17th July, St Laurence's church held a Gift Day with a difference. The church gave away cream teas in a bag!

Rev. Sandra Williams and the PCC thought it was time to let people see that the church was definitely up and running as it had been all through the Covid pandemic, but more quietly. So instead of the usual standing outside the Village Hall with a begging bowl, it was decided that the church would do the giving. All together 72 cream teas were given away – these included 2/3 homemade scones, a



PURBECK FILM FESTIVAL 2021

In the interests of safety the Film Festival is scaled down this year and only larger venues are being used. Briantspuddle Village Hall qualifies in this respect and we have been invited to participate.

Date - Friday 29th October 7 for 7.30pm

Tickets – Adults £6: Students and under 25s £5: available only online this year on www.purbeckfilm.com as of early September. If this is difficult for you please phone me on 01929 472733 and I will arrange your purchase. Payment can be made at the door on the night.

Refreshments will be available.

We will adhere to whatever Covid regulations are in force at the time.

Film – 'The Personal History of David Copperfield' a comedy/drama directed and co-written by Armando Iannucci.



This sharp-witted script puts a fresh and very funny spin on Dickens' classic novel. Described by one critic as a 'wonderfully entertaining film which manages to both respect and reinvent the novel from which it takes its lead, creating something new and exciting in the process'

The cast includes – Dev Patel, Tilda Swinton, Hugh Laurie, Peter Capaldi and Ben Whishaw.

Duration – just under 2 hours

Rating – PG

Do come. This film is described as 'exuberantly optimistic'. Just what we need right now!

Maggie Hoyle.

accommodate resident and visitor vehicles. However, the Parish Council asks that residents are mindful when parking so as not to obstruct the use of the highway.

Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are once again taking place in Briantspuddle Village Hall although the larger hall is being used rather than the Jubilee Room, as it is more suitable for social distancing. The next meeting is due to be held on the 14th September. Members of the public are welcome to attend and will have an opportunity to contribute during public participation, but may also write to the Clerk at clerk@briantspuddle.info to make representations if preferred.

Sue Jones, Chairman

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little pot of Tiptree strawberry jam, a paper napkin and a pot of clotted cream.

To add to the interest there was a cake stall plus a stall with craft bags and some planters for sale. Music was kindly provided by the Briantspuddle Music Group.

All in all, it was a very enjoyable afternoon and despite giving things away, £860 was raised. Thanks go to Chips Badcock for the use of her garden, the musicians, and all those who made scones and cakes and who contributed to the afternoon.

Elizabeth Whatley & Michael Menzies, Churchwardens

Did you Know?

You can have your parish magazine delivered to your door each month if you live within the parishes.

We have a fantastic team of volunteer distributors who undertake the delivery of this magazine, and for just £8 a year (which is £1 less than you would pay at the retail price and no charge for delivery), you could be included on one of these rounds.

Contact the Editor, for more information: Alison Debenham
alison@culverdell.co.uk or 01929 471780

THE BIKE RIDE

Dorset Churches Ride and Stride Saturday 11th September 2021

The annual sponsored bike ride (or walk, or by horse/pony) this year will be on Saturday 11th September. The riders raise money by sponsorship, either by payment for each church they visit or as a lump-sum for all visited.

Last year riders in Dorset raised over £100 000 from their sponsors, friends, family and work colleagues, a huge sum.

All the funds raised are split as to 50% for Dorset Historic Churches Trust and 50% for any charity of the rider's choice.

If you want to ride and haven't already obtained the paperwork please contact:

Pat Wharf (Bere Regis)
patswiftwharf@outlook.com

Richard Killer (Affpuddle)
nicola.killer@btopenworld.com

We hope both Bere and Affpuddle churches will be open on the day to welcome riders passing through.

Let's hope for a fine day!



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Celebrations will take place across the country to mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee over the bank holiday weekend stretching from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June. The organisations across our own Parish are no doubt deciding how best to mark this special event and Parish Councillors are sure that whatever is decided, much fun will be had by all.

Whilst Government restrictions have been eased, the Parish Council is currently hiring the main hall in the Village Hall for its monthly meetings. This much larger room allows us to accommodate more people at the meeting whilst still exercising some social distancing measures. This means we have an opportunity to add an Agenda item to our September meeting about the Jubilee, namely, to invite ideas from Parishioners about how they would like to celebrate or mark this unique occasion.

There is an opportunity for public participation at the start of each meeting from 7 pm and this session will be extended to 45 minutes to hear from Parishioners across the Parish. All are welcome.

On-Road Parking

Concerns have been expressed to the Parish Council that some on-road parking might obstruct emergency vehicles reaching their destination. It is of course recognised that some homes lack the necessary off-road parking to

AFFPUDDLE AND TURNERSPUDDLE PARISH COUNCIL

Community Speed Watch

The Parish Council has received a very positive response to the suggestion of establishing a Community Speed Watch Group jointly with Puddletown Parish. This collaboration will mean that both costs and resources will be shared. Sufficient volunteers have now come forward to establish a group in Affpuddle.



Anyone interested in volunteering for a Community Speed Watch Group anywhere within the parish should contact the Parish Council Clerk. If there is enough interest the group could be expanded.

The Parish Council will continue to work with the Highways Authority to seek to improve road safety, particularly on the B3390 through Affpuddle. Data gathered by the Community Speedwatch Group may assist with this wider safety issue.

Grant Funding

Affpuddle & Turnerspuddle Parish Council sets aside a sum of money each year which can be applied for by local organisations for projects that will be of benefit to residents with the Parish. For the year 2021/22 the total budget for grant funding is £500.

The Parish Council's policy and application form can be found on the Brianspuddle Community Website via following the link www.brianspuddle.in/procedures.

In terms of timeframe the following dates apply:

- ◆ Applications should be submitted by 30th September – email the Parish Clerk.
- ◆ Grant applications will be considered at the Parish Council's October meeting.
- ◆ Payments will be made at the Parish Council's November meeting.

FROM THE DEAN:

“We shall not cease from exploration

And the end of all our exploring

Will be to arrive where we started

And know the place for the first time”.

TS Eliot's words have particular resonance every September. Back to school; back to work; back to church; back to the whole range of familiar routines, habits, and disciplines that the summer has disrupted. Since you last read *Grapevine* you may have taken a holiday, whether a Covid-induced staycation or an adventure further afield. Or you may have been made aware of others taking a holiday. Perhaps you have welcomed them into your home or your church (or perhaps you have found that your workload has increased as you have covered for colleagues). Whatever shape it's taken, the summer has meant exploration, whether of new places or of our own reserves of patience!

But the end of all our exploration is to arrive, and to arrive here. In September. Where we started. At the familiar juncture where schools return, congregations regroup, and office life resumes. Where normality reasserts itself.

Will it, though? Eliot's point is that when we arrive at it, the juncture is no longer familiar. We know it as though “...for the first time”. That's because the exploration has changed us. Our expectations and assumptions are not what they were when we started out.

Working in the Cathedral, particularly in August, I am reminded of this pattern of change every single day. Our earnest hope is that when our visitors leave the Close they are not quite who they were when they arrived. Perhaps they will have watched one of the masons at work, and have been encouraged to think about the gifts they might want to develop; perhaps they will have learned that the building was raised by one generation, and have been inspired to consider what their own generation might achieve. Perhaps in a moment of deep stillness in the shade of the Trinity Chapel, or in a prayer offered by a duty chaplain, or in an Eastwards-looking vista of captivating beauty they will have turned their gaze to the God who longs for them.

If any of those is true then when they return home they will not be who they were when they set out. Nor are any of us as we head into this autumn. We may like to think of ourselves as human beings: in reality we are human becomings. September is here. The month when everything begins again. But we look at every new year with new eyes. We are on a journey. We start afresh. Thanks be to God!



FRIENDS OF SALISBURY CATHEDRAL



Flashback to 2019 and a visitor enjoys a stroll in one of the 'secret gardens of the Close'.

Secret Gardens of the Close and Green Fair

The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral's *Secret Gardens of the Close* event returns in September and this year there's a new attraction.

The event, which enables the public to visit gardens in Salisbury Cathedral Close that are normally hidden from view, will include a green fair comprising a dozen stalls with an eco-friendly theme.

Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair takes place on Sunday September 12 from 1pm to 5pm.

As well as touring some of the larger gardens in the Close and De Vaux Place, visitors can enjoy tea and cake on the lawn of South Canonry, the home of the Bishop of Salisbury.

The green fair stalls include Harnham Water Meadows Trust, Plantlife and Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, whose representatives will be explaining what they do and how the public can get involved. Salisbury Florilegium Society will be hosting an exhibition of members' botanical paintings in the Medieval Hall and musical entertainment will be provided by recorder group Close Consort, whose members will be playing in a number of the gardens.

Friends' chairman Duncan Glass said: "The Friends are very much looking forward to holding our *Secret Gardens of the Close* afternoon following the disappointment of having to cancel last year due to the Covid-19 restrictions. "The green fair will enhance this popular event and we look forward to welcoming everyone to our flagship event."

Tickets for *Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair* are £10 (under-16s free), and are available at the event.

For more details, contact the Friends' office on 01722 555190.



Time for tea. Tea and cakes will be available at South Canonry, the home of the Bishop of Salisbury.

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BRIANTSPUDDLE AND AFFPUDDLE NEWS

BRIANTSPUDDLE COMMUNITY GROUP

Saturday Coffee Shop

The Community Group will be running the Coffee Shop at the Briantspuddle Village Hall on Saturday mornings from 4th September onwards opening at 10am till 12 noon with proper coffee, all your favourite cakes and, of course, delicious bacon rolls. Lots of lively chatter, papers to read, plenty catching up to do - we look forward to seeing you there.



Book-Let

The Book-Let, which has continued to open whenever possible throughout the pandemic, has now settled back into its usual slot on the 2nd Saturday of each month, opening from 10 am to 12 noon in conjunction with the coffee shop. Thanks to donations of plenty of 'new' books we now have a wonderful selection for you to choose from.

Do come along and give us a try, it's still just 25p for each book borrowed and all the money raised goes to the Village Hall.

Angie Talbot, Briantspuddle Community Group

Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle website: www.briantspuddle.info

CASTLE PLAYERS - LYTCHETT MATRAVERS



Castle Players Are Back!

Lytchett's Castle Players are back! After a long lockdown, not knowing when theatre would be back in business, Castle Players have a full programme of shows ready to go, and are eager for an audience, and new members!

TOO LONG AN AUTUMN

By
JIMMIE CHINN

SAMUEL FRENCH

In October we are running an evening of One-Act plays, to start with 'Too Long an Autumn' written by Jimmie Chin, and directed by Mark Lancaster. Long Autumn is a retirement home for theatricals and the play follows its newest resident, Maisie May. We follow this with a radio play, 'Night of the Lost Souls', written and directed by Steve O'Neill. A ghost story, just in time for Hallowe'en! This evening will run with refreshments available on 22nd and 23rd October.

Coming up in September we have our Pantomime read through (12th September) and auditions (19th September). Aladdin will run in January and there is plenty of room for everyone! If you like singing and dancing, acting, or just helping back stage, we have something for you to get involved in! Please do come along and support us, we always need new members!

For all details on upcoming performances, auditions or even how to become a member, please visit our website www.castleplayers.com. We look forward to seeing you!

Threads through Creation exhibition at Salisbury Cathedral

Salisbury Cathedral is hosting an exhibition entitled Threads through Creation.

The exhibition comprises 12 textile panels by textile artist Jacqui Parkinson.

Ms Parkinson took nearly three years to create the panels, which are eight feet high and between four and 11 feet wide. They re-imagine the days of creation described in the book of Genesis.

The exhibition runs until 26th September.

For more information visit www.salisburycathedral.org.uk/events

Come and join the Friends of Salisbury Cathedral!

The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral is a charity that has been giving grants to Salisbury Cathedral since 1930.

Recent projects have included the new level access to the cathedral and the installation of live streaming equipment, the latter enabling services to be broadcast live onto the cathedral's YouTube channel for those unable to attend worship in person and during the national lockdowns of 2020 and 2021 when the cathedral was closed.

These grants have been made possible thanks to members' subscriptions, donations and legacies.

Annual subscriptions are £25 for a single membership and £40 for joint membership.

Members receive a Friends' membership card, entitling them to visit the cathedral free of charge (excluding ticketed events, concerts or parking).

They are sent newsletters and the annual report, and they receive invitations to events: musical evenings, talks, theatre performances, holidays and the annual Friends' Day.

This year's Friends' Day is on Saturday 25th September in the cathedral.

The AGM is followed by a lecture given by journalist and author Christopher Somerville, who will talk about his book *Ships of Heaven – The Private Life of Britain's Cathedrals*.

Following the lecture, members can enjoy afternoon tea in the cloisters, a short organ recital and evensong.

For further details, contact the Friends' office on 01722 555190 or email friends@salcath.co.uk.

OTHER CHURCHES NEWS

BERE REGIS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sundays 10.30am Morning Service taken each week by visiting preachers.

Mondays at 7pm STS (Search the Scriptures) Youth meeting, via zoom.

Tuesdays at 7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer, via zoom.

Chapel Toddler Group. Toddler Group will reopen on Wednesday September 8 at 9.30am. Advance booking is essential, please contact Suzie on 07962142552

Final restrictions on Sunday Services have been lifted and we are enjoying congregational singing again, and coffee and tea are served after the service. Our services go out live on you tube.

I wonder if, like me, you enjoy looking up at the stars on a clear night? I'm always amazed at how many there are, and I would love to be able to look at them through a really strong telescope. I gather the sight is amazing. I recently came across the following information about some of the stars.

The ancient book of Job, in the Bible, (written thousands of years ago) contains some fascinating verses where God describes to Job how He alone has the power to control the uncontrollable and (in the time of Job) the unknowable aspects of creation. In Job 38:31-33, God says to Job "Can you direct the movement of the stars, binding the cluster of the Pleiades, or loosening the cords of Orion? Can you direct the constellations through the seasons or guide the Bear with her cubs across the heavens?"

Pleiades is an open star cluster consisting of stars within a single cosmic cloud. A gravitational attraction holds them together, like a flock of birds, as they move in a south-easterly direction (as we know it). Quite remarkably these stars travel together at the same speed, and they stay together, defying scientific



Where have we all gone wrong?

Our next Meeting is on Wednesday, 15th September when we have an outing to Minterne House once the home of the Churchill and Digby families. Apparently the garden there is a haven of tranquility to explore and inspire. Please come and join us. For further information please contact Di Pitts, our Chairman, on 01929 471322 or our Facebook page @Bere Regis WI.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP



Bere Regis Floral Group Monthly Meetings

Do you love flowers, gardening, art and design? Would you like to spend a relaxing and entertaining afternoon watching beautiful flower arrangements created by an expert demonstrator?

Bere Regis Floral Group is back in operation again after covid restrictions!

The next meeting of the group will be on Tuesday, 14th September at 2pm, back in our usual hall at Winterborne Kingston.

The demonstrator for the afternoon is Carole Norman, and her title is Hearts and Flowers.

We look forward to welcoming back our members, friends and visitors. If it is your first visit to the club, it is free of charge.

For more information contact chairman Bob Holman on 01305 848262 or just turn up on the day. We would love to see you!



BERE REGIS WI

On a very very hot evening - Wednesday 21st July - 21 excited ladies came together for the first time since it seemed the world had begun or was it only 16 months to enjoy an evening with drinks and nibbles and a chance to catch up with friends and hopefully new members to our monthly meetings at the Sports Club in Bere Regis. We were able to sit outside in the evening sunshine in such lovely surroundings and even had our photos taken just to prove we were still alive and had made it through this terrible Covid epidemic. We did not even have to wear masks thank goodness as they would have hampered good conversation through a piece of material and elastic.



We hope to start our occasional Lunch outings to the many local eating houses soon once everything gets back to near normal. There are so many nice places to eat in our immediate area and it is a great opportunity to try them out and get together.

Our next meeting was at 7.30 on Wednesday, the 18th August, at the Sports Club in North Street when our Speaker gave a talk on Boots the Chemist Book Library. This Library was started in 1898 by a member of the Boots family but ended in 1956 when County Libraries were opened. Apparently in 1940 John Betjeman placed Boots Libraries at the head of an iconic list of British Nations emblems.

Think of what our Nation stands for Books from Boots and country lanes

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expectations. Only God can bind together the cluster of Pleiades.

In contrast Orion's belt consists of three elements: two stars – Anilame and Mintaka – together with a triple star cluster, is stretching apart. So slowly but steadily, Orion's belt is being loosened.

Arcturus, which means 'bear guardian' is a super bright sight that in 1971 was identified as actually comprising an additional 52 stars, the cubs. In His challenge to Job, God is demonstrating that He alone has the power to control the stars. It also demonstrates that the Bible is scientifically correct, even though the scientists have only recently discovered this truth.

In Psalm 8:3, King David the writer says, "When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars which You have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of him, the son of man that You care for him?" He then goes on to say how God cares and knows about us all.

So when you look at the stars remember that God knows about them all, and in the same way He knows about you. He cares about you and will comfort and encourage you through all the ups and downs of your life. If you feel lonely remember you are not alone, but you do need to talk to God if you want to know His presence with you.

Just a Smile

The teacher asked her class what stars were. A little girl replied, "They are holes in God's carpet where the light shines through."

A lady took two little girls to the station to meet a friend who was coming for a holiday. Whilst waiting for the train the five year old looked all round the station and looked hard at the roof. At last she asked, "What's wrong with the station?" "What do you mean?" asked the lady.

"Well," said the little girl, "at Sunday school we always pray 'lead us not into the station' .!"

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Time to make our way into Cambridge and swim at the delightful Jesus Green outdoor pool in the city in the afternoon. However, we were to return as we had yet to find Byron's pool further upstream of the Mill Pond.

We found the car park near the bridge and negotiated the track through the trees to the pool. On our way we met a grey squirrel scampering along and then disappearing over a large hanging branch. The early evening sun had begun to fade a little but still shone brightly over the pool. Sadly in more recent times, a rather unsightly weir had been built and I was left to imagine how it looked in Byron's day. Brookes wrote of his great friend:

*Still in the dawnlit waters cool
His ghostly Lordship swims his pool,
And tries the strokes, essays the tricks,
Long learnt on Hellespont, or Styx*

My imagination began to run riot as I thought of these great poets, writers and philosophers, Brooks, Byron and Woolf often enjoying their swim nude. The freedom of it all captured for me the spirit of the moment! Could I? Should I? I swam around for a little while imagining how Byron, Woolf and Brookes must have felt, a moment in time, a moment to treasure

After I emerged from the waters and started to dress, a couple of fishermen emerged from the trees. Perhaps Byron didn't care who came along the footpath in his day. He was king of all he surveyed, he had the moral authority to do whatever he liked and for just a while, I was him....

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Occasionally I would sight walkers using the riverbank for a gentle stroll and I gather the path is known by students from the university as the Grantchester Grind. Time for a gentle breaststroke as I took in my surroundings. The world was passing me by and I was a mere observer of a tranquil scene from times long past.

After a while, I started to look for Diana but without success. She had completely disappeared and I was beginning to get a little concerned. Where could she be? "Oye, are you looking for your wife?" a voice from the riverbank called. "You will need to swim back a little way, walk across the cricket pitch and she is waiting for you at the entrance to the tea rooms. Time passes so quickly when you are enjoying yourself and I had obviously overshot the tea rooms and had to retrace my steps.

And there we met and before wiping the accumulated mud off my feet and legs, a product of getting out onto the bank, I was able to change back into my shorts and t-shirt and enjoy a lovely cup of tea in the tea rooms. In the car park, we found a free museum dedicated to the great man. I have often wondered what made someone a truly iconic figure, Brookes was certainly one. I guess you have to die young and have done something truly exceptional. Marilyn Monroe, James Dean, Rupert Brookes, they all fitted the bill.

'O BE JOYFUL' - CHOIRS SING AGAIN AT LAST!



The last 18 months have been difficult for us all, but those who sing in choirs have been particularly hard hit with many unable to sing together since March 2020. Now restrictions are lifting Wareham Choral Society is planning a return to music making in September 2021. Their Monday evening rehearsals at Lady St Mary's Church will include the standard Christmas fare including carols and excerpts from Handel's "Messiah" but also an exciting newly commissioned work. The "Dorset Jubilate" has been written for the Choral Society by composer Philip Singleton, and as well as the familiar words of the Jubilate, it incorporates settings of poems by local poet Thomas Hardy – "The Darkling Thrush", and "The Oxen" which adds a Christmas feel to the piece due to be first performed on 4th December 2021 in a concert with Briantspuddle Singers.

Composer Philip Singleton says: "It is my sincere hope that the "Dorset Jubilate" should contain something to appeal to all... and what better to set that poems by Thomas Hardy. The Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100) invites Christians to be joyful and to praise God, while Hardy's poem "The Oxen" takes the form of a pastoral carol-like setting, and "The Darkling Thrush", in which a lone wanderer on the point of despair finds solace in the song of an unseen thrush – suggested here by solo trumpet."

The "Dorset Jubilate" is scored for Choir, Soprano and Baritone Soloists, and obligato trumpet, all supported by an important and exciting organ part. Philip has worked in close collaboration with Wareham Choral Society's Musical Director, Hazel Ricketts, and John Challenger, organist of Salisbury Cathedral.

Hazel Ricketts comments that "The results of this collaboration are obvious in both a dramatic organ part which complements and supports the choir, and choral writing which is crafted to be approachable and singable for an amateur choir. However the real joy is in the piece as a whole, and the way in which all elements fit together to make a new and exciting, yet still moving, choral work reflecting our mixed feelings at this strange time".

Why don't **you** join a choir - we are very friendly and you don't need to be an experienced singer. Wareham Choral Society meets on Monday evenings at 7.30pm at Lady St. Mary's Church and Briantspuddle Singers meet on Tuesday evenings also at 7.30pm at Briantspuddle Village Hall. If you want to know more contact Sarah Welton (Wareham) 471562 or Jill Marsden (Briantspuddle) 472643.

NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER

As I write my column this week, pupils across the country are getting their A level and GCSE results. I want to congratulate them all – it has clearly been a very challenging year for our young people. I know that universities, colleges and apprenticeship placements are working hard to ensure that students get the places that they want and that are best for them. I also thank all the teachers who have worked incredibly hard throughout the pandemic, and will also be working in the holidays to support



pupils as they decide their next steps.

On the subject of education, I am going to be very involved in the Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill Committee when the House of Commons returns in September. Part of my role is to help

organise the sittings for Bill Committees. A Bill Committee is where MPs from all parties can scrutinise the language and structure of proposed legislation, and it is also a time when outside organisations and the public can contribute to the debate through oral or written evidence. This is an important part of helping MPs to decide if the laws that are being proposed are actually workable in the real world, and for those people who will be affected. It is important that all there is enough time allowed for this, so careful planning and preparation is made for the Bill Committee to sit. Bill Committees are public, so they are recorded by Hansard, and anyone can read the evidence and the debate.

Over the summer recess I have been liaising with MPs and civil servants to make arrangements for this committee when we return to Parliament in September, when we will spend several sessions a week over 3 weeks scrutinising the legislation. It is concerned with the important topic of freedom of speech and academic freedom within Higher Education. You can read the full text of the Bill here <https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2862>

As we continue getting back to normal, sadly during the pandemic scammers have taken advantage of the situation, and there has been a marked increase in scam texts and emails. There is lots of helpful advice from the National Cyber



willows trailed their slender fingers languorously into the quiet glistening waters of the Mill Pond. An abundance of bull rushes flanked the sides of the river which meandered its way downstream.

Time to change into my swimming gear and see what delights the Granta or Cam (no one seemed quite sure?) held. I lowered myself into the cool, peaty waters and for a

start felt the river bed mud squelch between my toes. It was very shallow initially so I eased myself out into the centre of the Mill Pond to find some water deep enough to swim.

Brooke was the unofficial leader of the Grantchester Group that used to meet at Orchard House for tea when he came to live in Grantchester in 1909 shortly before his death in the great war. Among his friends were philosopher Bertram Russell, novelist E M Forster, economist Maynard Keynes, writer Virginia Woolf and artist Augustus John, a very distinguished group of Cambridge academics.

It sounded an idyllic way of life with Brooke spending his days studying, running to Haslingfield in the morning, swimming in the river and commuting to Cambridge by canoe. Life must have been rather wonderful if you were rich in those far off days where life was led at a gentler pace and there was time to stop and stare, perhaps even to smell the roses?

Diana was to be my backup so we agreed that I should swim downstream and that she would meet me at the tea rooms. I began my swim down the river as it wound its way through glorious Cambridgeshire countryside. A blackbird tweeted on the riverbank and I stopped a while taking in the cacophony of sound as the birds were also enjoying the moment. A couple of swans glided gracefully by looking serene and elegant. At times, I had to ease my way through some rather prolific water weed that had built up from the river bed. I am told that herons and kingfishers are often seen along the banks of the river.



GRANTCHESTER MEADOW

Oh, is the water sweet and cool,
 Gentle and brown, above the pool?
 And laughs the immortal river still
 Under the mill, under the mill?
 Say, is there Beauty yet to find?
 And Certainty? and Quiet kind?

Deep meadows yet, for to forget
 The lies, and truths, and pain? . . . oh!
 yet
 Stands the Church clock at ten to
 three?
 And is there honey still for tea?

Rupert Brooke 1912

We arrived in the village to be greeted by the morning sun beating down from a glorious blue Cambridgeshire sky. Our short journey had in a few short miles taken us out of the bustling city through leafy lanes to the centre of the village.



Parking alongside the Red Lion pub, we made our way along the narrow footpath past the church and the famous Orchard Tea Rooms and



found ourselves standing outside the Old Vicarage now the home of Jeffery and Mary Archer. A rather plush Jaguar stood on the gravel drive and the bronze statue of Rupert Brooke who used to live there, looked mighty impressive if not a touch ostentatious.

The tree lined path looked inviting and we walked along it to the Mill Pond to be met by a couple of friendly canoeists, their paddles and canoes hoisted aloft coming

up from the river bank. "Yes, it's that way" they responded to our enquiries "Lovely morning!".

Indeed it was the kind of day in an English country village that the homesick Rupert Brooke yearned for all those years ago. The emerald green weeping

Security Centre here <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/suspicious-email-actions> about what to do if you receive any of these. Remember that the vaccine is free, and getting a letter to prove you have had the vaccine is also free. The NHS will never ask for your bank details.

I will be continuing my continuing my surgeries, both in person, and by phone, so please do get in touch if you need support. You can contact me via email michael.tomlinson.mp@parliament.uk or call my office on 01202 624216. I send out a regular email update – you can sign up on my website www.michaeltomlinson.org.uk where you can also find links to the latest coronavirus advice.

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DORSET COUNCIL- WEST PURBECK REPORT

Lulworth and Durdle Door Working Group

This group continues to meet regularly to monitor issues arising from tourists coming to Dorset. The group is chaired by the Police and has our two Councillors on it plus representatives from Highways, the various estates and traffic management. We have implemented a series of temporary road management systems to cater for peaks in numbers. Many of the actions have implications across the whole of Dorset.



Housing Numbers in the Local Plan

I have been asked to circulate further information about how the housing numbers for the Local Plan were worked out. These used the government's national standard methodology for the calculation of Local Housing Need, as explained below. Apologies for the rather technical nature of the explanation

The Local Housing Need calculation. The standard calculation is based on national datasets and has four steps. Step 1: setting the baseline using the 2014 based household projections (household projections are published by the Office for National Statistics every other year, but government requires us to use the 2014-based projections) Step 2: applying an affordability uplift based on median workplace-based affordability ratios (these are published annually and the results will change each year so will need to be updated as the plan progresses) Step 3: applying a cap where appropriate. Step 4: adding on the 'cities and large urban areas uplift' where it applies.

The baseline is the annualised household growth over the next 10-year period starting with the current year – for the consultation document this was 1,300 per annum. The affordability ratio was 10.06 and the adjustment is calculated using a specified formula but gave a multiplier of 1.38. Applying the adjustment to the baseline gives a local housing need requirement of

1,300 x 1.38 = 1,794 dwellings per annum. Over the 17-year plan period this equates to 30,498 dwellings. (NB the local plan document gives figures of 1,793 and 30,481 – the difference is because of rounding; in the local plan itself we have used figures to four decimal places).

A cap is only applicable where the local housing need requirement is 40% above

To All Local Clubs and Societies

If you are a village club, society or organisation that is now getting back on track with regular meetings, could I please encourage you to let me have your future events for the 'Dates for your Diary' section which has now been re-introduced at the back of the magazine - thank you to the WI for the first batch.

Just email me to request a pro-forma template as this will make it easier for me to copy and paste in and also make sure that I have all the information we need - date, event, location, start time etc

Many thanks, Alison alison@culverdell.co.uk

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Cycling in Summer '85

Oh the joys of cycling, travelling on a bike;
Riding through the countryside, something that we like.
Though our bikes had sat there, we took them from the garage:
With the sun so inviting, who needs a car or carriage?

We packed up sandwiches and a few cans of drink
Then set off for Swanage (It's further than we think!)
We admired the view at Sandbanks, then onto the ferry.
Though we're getting older we felt quite fit and merry.

Peddalling in the lanes we saw honeysuckle and rose,
And then fragrant orchids, the first we'd seen of those:
A flash of green woodpecker, and swallows on the wing.
We enjoyed the summer breeze, the sun and everything.

We enjoyed it as much as the car – and of course it's cheaper.
The only trouble was the hills – has time made them steeper?
And coming home later, in welcome shade of trees,
I felt unaccustomed stiffness in my joints and knees.

Now sitting back at home, in spite of aches and pain,
When the sun comes out tomorrow, we'll cycle off again.
Maybe you could try the same, or else try a hike,
Or answer the call of Tebbit's Law and 'Get on yer bike'.

Eileen Richardson

the higher of either the baseline household growth figure or the most recently adopted housing requirement figure. It did not therefore apply to this calculation. Dorset does not contain one of the 'top 20 cities and urban areas' that qualify for the additional 35% uplift and therefore this was not applied.

Local Plan – revised timescale

The timetable has been revised because of the extremely large response to the initial consultation plus a series of questions requiring further work, by the government Inspector. The revised (aspirational) plan is as follows

- ◆ Publication of response analysis January 2022
- ◆ Cabinet March 2022
- ◆ Consultation May 2022
- ◆ Responses and analysis Summer 2022
- ◆ Cabinet September 2022
- ◆ Submission late 2022

Once the plan is submitted the timetable will be almost entirely dependent on the Inspector, but we are still aiming for agreement by early 2024.

Community Governance Review (CGR)

As a reminder, the areas that CGRs cover are:

- ◆ Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes (grouping or de-grouping parishes)
- ◆ Increasing or decreasing the number of Councillors
- ◆ Creating ward boundaries or changing existing Warding arrangements
- ◆ Changes to Parish names
- ◆ Correcting minor boundary anomalies.
- ◆ Changing a parish council into a parish meeting

The responsibility of undertaking CGRs falls to the principal council (Dorset Council in this case) and can be triggered in a number of ways including a request from a parish, a community petition or, as in this case, at the principal council's volition. As a principal council, we are required to undertake a review of governance arrangements of all parishes every 10-15 years and Full Council on 15 July agreed that now was the appropriate time to carry out a council-wide review. The legislation that covers CGRs requires any Review to be completed

within 12 months of Dorset Council publishing its Terms of Reference, although any changes to governance arrangements agreed as part of the Review cannot take effect until the next scheduled elections in May 2024. A copy of the Terms of Reference document can be found at www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/community-governance-review.

The process that Dorset Council will follow will be:

- ◆ Publication of Terms of reference that sets out what will be covered – in this case it will be a review of all parishes that sit within the Dorset Council area (22 July 2021).
- ◆ Public consultation for 12 weeks seeking proposals/initial submissions (5 August to 28 October 2021).
- ◆ Consideration of consultation responses and preparation of draft recommendations (to be agreed by Full Council - December 2021).
- ◆ Public consultation on draft recommendations (20 December 2021 – 28 February 2022).
- ◆ Consideration of further responses and then publication of final recommendations. (to be agreed by Full Council – April 2022)

We have written to all Parishes, voluntary organisations and other potentially interested organisations with the detailed timetable. When preparing any submissions, we recommend that the parishes take into account the considerations that Dorset Council will need to apply that are set out in the Local Government Boundary Commission for England Guidance already provided to all Parish Councils: That is:

- ◆ The need to secure that community governance within the area under review:
 - ◆ reflects the identities and interests of the community in that area.
 - ◆ is effective and convenient.
- ◆ The impact of community governance arrangements on community cohesion and the size, population and boundaries of a local community or parish.
- ◆ The impact on electorate size of future development within the next 5 years.

We will be able to assist by providing street lists with elector numbers, and we have also provided figures for the 5-year projected future developments in the consultation document.

Any changes will be set out in a Reorganisation Order – the Order will include a detailed map of any boundary changes with any changes taking effect at the

When I read the morning paper and it told me of her death,
It took me by surprise and it took away my breath,
As a nation bowed in silence and the tears ran down its face.
Could there ever be another with such elegance and grace?

Paul J Openshaw (2017)



I Remember my Gran

I remember my Gran with her happy ways,
Remember her sitting in her high back chair,
The stories she told us when we were young.
I remember her laugh and her silver hair.

I remember the path leading to her door,
With cornflowers growing all in a row;
The pear tree and the old garden shed,
The spade in Winter, in case we had snow.

The Grandfather clock would be ticking away,
Pendulum swinging, dark polished wood;
The table set with home-made jam:
To see it again – if only I could.

Her old corner cupboard with the biscuits in,
My favourite chocolate, she was so kind.
I see it all just like yesterday;
I see it all, but only in my mind.

I remember my Gran with her happy ways,
And how she loved her ginger cake for tea.
I remember as if it was yesterday;
How lovely to have this memory.

Eileen Richardson

POETRY CORNER

Track and Trace

I've watched him in the morning,
And admired his well-honed skill,
As he homes in on transmissions.
When the air is calm and still.
This is how it should be done.
It's a way of touching base.
This is a canine attribute.
This is track and trace.

His twitching nose goes to red alert,
As he strains to pick up scent.
His body starts to quiver.
It lowers with intent.
This is how it should be done,
It's a way to cut the chase.
This is a canine attribute.
This is track and trace.

Every sense is ready,
To find out what's in store.
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Picking up signals galore.
This is how it should be done,
So that problems you can face.
This is a canine attribute,
This is track and trace.

Using your senses more wisely,
Need not be much of a slog.
Explore what time has discarded.
Learn to act like a dog.
This is how it should be done.
Stick your nose in a dubious place.
This is a canine attribute.
This is track and trace.

Paul J Openshaw (August 2021)

Queen of Hearts

She was thrust into the limelight, more than she could have known.
She touched the minds of people and she melted hearts of stone.
I watched her from a distance as she strove to pay a role,
Whilst she battled with her feelings and the pressure took its toll.

She was pushed into a corner. She was hounded by the press,
But her eye was ever open to the cause of helplessness.
As she broke away from protocol and learned how to survive,
The mother in her smiled, at the hopes she kept alive.

When one doesn't do emotion and one needs to get a grip,
Maintaining one's decorum with one's stiffest upper lip,
She defied the house of Windsor, to make her life her own,
And casting caution to the wind, she stood her ground alone

next scheduled elections i.e. May 2024.

If you have any queries in respect of the proposal, please do not hesitate to contact democratic services through a dedicated email address of cgr@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk.

Face to face meetings

We will be reviewing the decision to continue virtual meetings in mid-September, and I hope we will return to physical meetings in October, assuming the infection rates for Coronavirus reduce to a level that does not endanger the public or members with large meetings in enclosed spaces.



EMPLOYER RECOGNITION SCHEME

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Armed Forces Silver Covenant award

Dorset Council is to receive the Armed Forces Covenant Silver Award as part of the Ministry of

Defence's Employer Recognition Scheme. With over 80-Armed Forces personnel past and present, or family members, employed by Dorset Council, the award recognises the commitment the council is making to support its employees. Achieving the Silver Award is part of Dorset Council's pledge through the Armed Forces Covenant to ensure those who serve, or have served, in the armed forces, and their families, are treated with fairness and respect in their communities, economy and society.

Mental wellbeing event

Through the Armed Forces Covenant, Dorset Council is supporting this year's 'On Track' event which takes place at the Tank Museum, Bovington on 7 October 2021 in support of World Mental Health Day.

The event will provide techniques and useful contacts to help build mental resilience, with talks, exhibitors and workshops. There will be a daytime event tailored towards members of the military and emergency services and an evening event for members of the public. The event can be attended in person or online. Keep up-to-date with the Dorset Armed Forces Covenant on Facebook or find out more about it at www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/armed-forces-covenant



The Council budget

The council is currently forecasting to exceed its budget for this year by £8.3m. (2.76%). However there remains a large degree of financial uncertainty and if the local economic recovery picks up, the council could start to move towards financial balance during the latter part of this financial year. The significant financial burden placed on Dorset Council to deliver services against a backdrop of increasing need and considerably less income during the pandemic continues to be felt in all areas of the business. The council has a legal duty to provide educational support for children with special needs and disabilities and this level of need continues to rise. In addition, there are more people than previously forecast entering council-funded care because of the 'accelerated discharge from hospital' programme due to the pressures on the NHS from COVID.

We continue to lobby central Government for fairer funding. Dorset Council has not had, long-term, financial planning information from Government since its establishment in April 2019.

Purbeck “wilder grazing”

The Purbeck Heaths are nationally and internationally important for rare and threatened wildlife. To ensure that the amazing diversity of wildlife that inhabits the heaths can not only survive but thrive, a partnership of the RSPB, National Trust, Natural England and Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty are expanding the naturalised grazing system at National Trust's Hartland Moor and Natural England's Stoborough Heath to encompass RSPB Arne.



The project will create a “mini-New Forest” in the area between Stoborough, Corfe Castle and Arne near Wareham, with cattle, ponies and pigs roaming across an area of 1370 ha at the heart of the Purbeck Heaths National Nature Reserve. Different breeds of cattle, ponies and pigs will be used to create the greatest possible variety of grazing and trampling across the area. By allowing animals to range freely across a large area, they will both be able to restore natural patterns of habitat and help to spread different species across the landscape.



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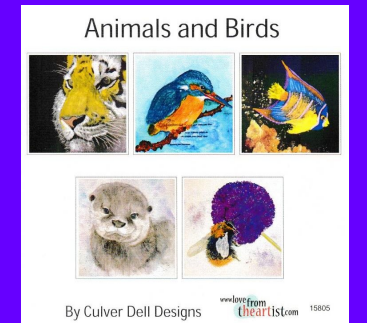
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This type of grazing system used to be much more common, and examples still exist today, including nearby in the New Forest. In Purbeck, the partnership will be more than doubling the area currently under such a grazing system and also introducing pigs, for their unique ability to assist this natural process.

Love Dorset campaign

As you will all be aware, high levels of anti-social behaviour from some visitors to Dorset have been reported. Incidents like fires caused by disposable BBQs, copious amounts of littering on our beaches, illegal camping, discarded tents and vehicles parked inconsiderately, were all of concern to Dorset's residents and caused council officers a great deal of additional work.

To address some of these issues, Dorset Council has developed a campaign called 'Promise to Love Dorset'. It has been funded through the COVID Operations Management Fund (COMF). The campaign is based on evidence which suggests behaviours can be changed using positive reinforcement rather than telling people off or shaming them. Our aim was to win over hearts and minds through a multi-partner approach. Through highly targeted digital marketing, would-be visitors to Dorset from all over the country will see the videos and social media graphics. The click through results so far are very encouraging with more than 1 million people already reached and 90,000 interactions to date and we expect that this figure will increase significantly.



Visitors to Dorset are being asked to value our unique environment, our often-perilous coastline and respect our residents in a series of short videos each featuring a different 'promise' and using a mix of humour and serious messaging to encourage responsible and sustainable tourism. The campaign is hosted on Visit-Dorset.com

and our landowning partners, like the National Trust, Forestry England and RSPB, have all helped to shape the campaign and are working with us to share the messages.

This is not the only action the council has taken in terms of preparing for high numbers of visitors. We have more waste services in place and employees on shifts to keep popular destinations clean, we have additional civil enforcement officers and new tow away zones in place to address irresponsible parking and robust traffic management schemes in place for road closures as and when

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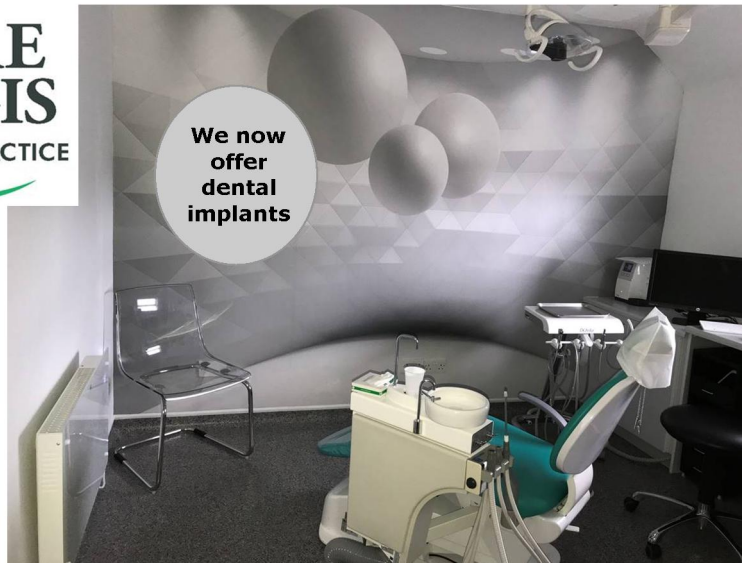

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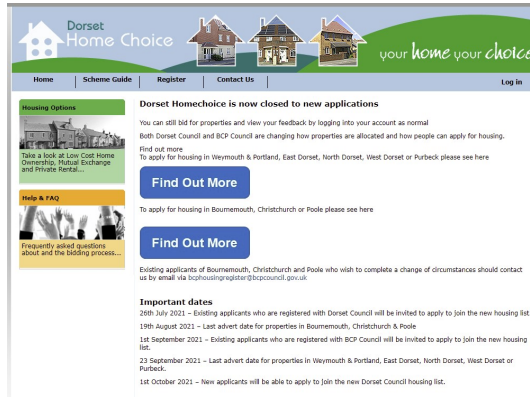
beach car parks reach capacity. We also have new volunteer ambassadors welcoming visitors to visitor hotspots, giving information on the local area.

Finally, If there are hedges, trees or verges which are causing safety or access issues, they can be reported to the team here: <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-hedge--tree-or-verge-issue>

New Housing Register

Changes to how residents can apply and be assessed for social housing in the Dorset Council area have now been introduced.

The council has introduced a new housing allocation scheme called Dorset Council Home Choice. It will replace legacy policies and housing registers which have been in place since before the reorganisation of local government in Dorset in 2019. All re-registrations will be assessed against the new criteria outlined in the Dorset Council Home Choice policy (these are on the website). The council will write to anyone who re-applies with the outcome of their assessment.



Right to vote

Dorset residents are being asked to check their electoral registration details are correct to make sure they retain their right to vote in future elections and referendums. Letters have been sent to all households as part of an annual canvass to identify any residents who are not registered to vote, or whose details are not correct. Although the majority of households will not have to take action if their details are up to date, it is important everyone follows the instructions on the form that they should have received by now. Any residents who have any questions can contact DC at elections@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk or by telephone on 01305 838299.

South Walks House

This building remains closed, and we are currently planning to dispose of the building and house most of the staff who were there in County Hall. This is part of our planned asset disposal programme which reflects our aim to use less office space, with employees working in a "hot-desking" flexible office space environment.

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BERE REGIS HISTORY SOCIETY

DOMESTIC POTTERY VESSELS AT BERE

The total number of pottery sherds founds near the known Villa sites around Bere is now at a total of 7,050 pieces ranging in size from less than a centimetre to much larger pieces, some over ten centimetres. They are of all eras during the previous two thousand years, although the Anglo-Saxon/Viking period (418 to 1066) amounts to only 3.2% of the finds because from the 6th century they mostly used wooden bowls, which of course, no longer exist in our soil especially.



Whilst sorting and boxing-up our extensive collection it was decided to measure the diameters of suitable rim-pieces from each era to find out what sizes were the most popular by the kiln operators and the customers themselves. Human nature seems to remain much the same and it was found that for the whole 2,000 years the sizes available were in two inch increments between 4 inches and 18 inches in diameter.

During the Romano-British era bowls of 12 inches diameter were the most common, then the next reasonable sample, the Mediaeval (or 11th to 16th century) again shows that 12 inch diameter bowls were the most common too. The other sizes were represented in the finds, with the smaller being soup-type bowls

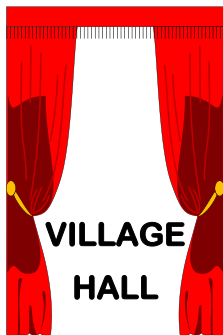
and the larger being cooking or heating vessels. The final era shown in our finds was the Early-Modern (1700-1900) and here there was a slight change, with 14 inch bowls being the most numerous. This probably reflects the increasing use of metal containers for cooking, although the larger sizes still show in our finds.

This might be the first time that this sort of analysis has been made, especially for finds at Bere Regis. It is somewhat reassuring that the sizes of our pots, pans and bowls show a consistency that might still be seen in our own kitchens.

John Pitfield, Project Secretary

VILLAGE HALL

Currently still has more outgoing than income we hope that soon the groups that were using it will want to come back to increase our income. Current use is Pop In Place every Friday morning Pop In Place movement to music every Monday Morning. Pop In Performers Group every Thursday evening. The Parish Council once a month and the Gardening club are planning to start in October.



Village Hall Hiring

The village hall has two options for hire the large upper Hall at £8 per hour and the Lower room at £8 per hour please telephone Lyn Simmonds on 01929 471528 to discuss your requirements and view the facilities available. Or email popinplace@gmail.com

Defibrillators in Bere Regis All of these are Public Access

Drax Arms West Street - Visible from street on front wall

The Village Hall North Street - Visible from Street on front wall

The Sports Club end of North Street - On Wall of the larger white building near entrance (not the old barn building)

There is a defibrillator at the Doctors Surgery Manor Farm Road for use by them it would only be available when the surgery was open.

Monday -Friday 8.30- 6.30 Weds 8.30 -4pm

There is also a defibrillator at the school that would only be available when the school is open.

Alison Bennett

Waste and Recycling information

Below is a personal message from Jill Haynes the Cabinet portfolio holder for waste to all Councillors.

You will all appreciate how incredibly hard our staff from Dorset Waste have worked during the pandemic. I am writing today to flag up the pressures we are currently under with staff availability due to a combination of factors. We are getting a number of staff being asked to self-isolate through track and trace, this is at a time when there is a national shortage of HGV drivers and agency provision. We also have staff with much deserved and needed annual leave booked. The combination of these factors has led to us have concerns about cover for some areas. At the moment we are managing but it is a close call. We will always collect black bin and food waste, but our policy is that, if we have to, we will take staff from the garden waste and or recycling rounds to ensure cover. If we need to do this, I will ensure that local members are informed, there is appropriate comms and that those affected receive a refund. We hope that this is not needed but I felt that I had to warn you of the pressures on the service and would ask for your support locally.

Verge Cutting

This seems to be a current hot topic and I have summarised an article from our countryside manager below. The detailed policy is on the website

There is a huge opportunity for verges to be managed more sympathetically to help compensate for the 97% reduction in UK wildflower meadows since the 1930s. Dorset Council has significantly changed the way we manage many of our verges in the last few years to do more than ever to protect, conserve and enhance the verges in Dorset for biodiversity. These changes include, increasing the amount of 'cut and collect' mowing for the verges within the 30-mph urban road network – this is where we collect the vegetation clippings instead of letting them decompose into the soil. Collecting the grass clippings reduces the soil fertility, resulting in lower growth rates, longer periods between cutting and a far better environment for wildflowers to establish and thrive; in some examples a reduction from 7 cuts a year to 2 has been achieved within towns and verges full of wildflowers. This reduction in verge cutting allows wildflowers the time to complete their life cycles which benefits bees and other pollinators. This method



also saves time and reduces fuel consumption, further aiding the environment.

Dorset Council now cut the B and C class rural road network once instead of twice. Previously all rural roads (40 mph and above) received two cuts per year with a side arm flail. This is now reduced to one cut, from late June /July onwards. This ensures not all the verges are cut in a similar time and many flowers complete their life cycles uninterrupted before cutting.

We are creating verges which have been designated Sites of Nature Conservation Interest (SNCIs) by Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT). Working with DWT, we hope to create, by good management, more verges of SNCI quality due to the diversity of herbaceous species present. Some verges already have high biodiversity value. These are known as "conservation verges". These verges avoid the first cut and are then cut as usual later in the summer.

This package of measures ensures that biodiversity can thrive on more of our verges each year. While we have reduced cutting, it is important to remember that for wildflowers to exist on our verges, they will still need some cutting. Too little cutting results in verges turning to bramble and scrub, which would prevent wildflowers from living on our verges.



Many may think it is a paradox, but if we want good populations of wildflowers, we will inevitably need to sometimes cut verges with wildflowers present. The vast majority of any cut flowers will soon bloom again between cuts, so don't be too alarmed if you sometimes see mowers cutting verges where wildflowers are present.

Some urban verges are still cut conventionally 5 or 6 times a year using mowers that leave the clippings behind to decompose into the soil. Over time we hope to reduce this method and move to more "cut and collect" mowing on the urban verges, reducing the number of cuts and collecting the clippings. Please note it is dangerous to maintain verges, and members of the public should avoid doing it themselves. However, if you or a group are interested in performing maintenance tasks in your community, then please contact our Coast and Countryside service. Control of weeds on highway hard services, e.g., kerb edges, is done with a biodegradable herbicide. This work is carried out once or twice a year during the growing season. This helps reduce weeds and maintain the integrity of Highway infrastructure.

you are interested in getting your name on the list for the Christmas show.

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Saturday 4th December 2pm

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Bere Regis Food Bank

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September 2021

Farming Support

We are delighted to announce the launch of a new programme to support farmers and land managers in the AONB (Areas of outstanding natural beauty). There will be around £500,000 to support these projects until the end of March 2022 although we expect the scheme to continue until March 2024 with government support. The focus of the programme is to



- ◆ Support nature recovery
- ◆ Mitigate the impacts of climate change
- ◆ Provide opportunity=ties for people to discover, enjoy and understand the landscape and its cultural heritage
- ◆ Support nature friendly, sustainable farm business

The Dorset AONB team will be managing the programme locally and more details are on the website or contact us direct.

Surgery

We are not (yet) holding face to face meetings for the moment. However, we would be more than delighted to talk to you on the telephone or via Zoom. Please ring or email us with some details so that we can prepare ourselves. Peter's email address is peterwharf@hotmail.com telephone 07986 600799 and Laura's is cllr.laura.miller@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk telephone 07814 569563.

Peter Wharf & Laura Miller, Dorset Councillors for West Purbeck

BERE REGIS NEWS

BERE REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

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The Parish Council met on Thursday 12th August 2021 in the Drax Hall. Five members of the public were present. The next meeting will be on Thursday 9th September 2021. Members of the press and public are welcome and there is a period for public participation at the start. If you are unable to attend but wish to submit a comment or question, please contact the Clerk or any member of the Parish Council.

Court Farm and Dorset Wildlife Trust

A letter has been received from Dorset Wildlife Trust with an update on the preparations they are taking in order to be ready to take over the site at the end of September. A meeting will be held with the Parish Council to discuss how to move forward with regard to the possibility of a Community Centre. It must be stressed that, at this stage, no plans have been made, and nothing has been agreed. A full copy of the letter is available on the Parish Council website as Appendix B to the August minutes and residents will have had the opportunity to ask any questions they may have at the Village Meeting on Saturday 4th September 2021.

Community Speed Watch

This initiative continues, with huge thanks to Angie and Ian Wright and their team of volunteers. A snapshot of their findings for July and the beginning of August:

18th July - 702 vehicles counted, of which 48 were doing over 30mph and 9 were

POP IN PLACE NEWS

Sponsorship

Thank you to Kev Hewitt decorating who has kindly sponsored the purchase of our new volunteer tabards.



Pop In Place Rainbow Café

The café' are going well and we are still operating within the covid safe guidelines, please do call in on a Friday morning there is a warm welcome to all.

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New volunteer drivers

We are in need of some more people to help with transport please phone Kim Benjafield if you can help us by being part of a rota 01929 471170

Repair Shop

Over the coming weeks we will be doing some wood work in the Lower room of the hall making bird boxes and bug hotels etc if you are interested in doing this please come in a sign up for a session. The group is hoping to make some extra items to sell at the Macmillan Morning.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Our first Big event will be the Macmillan Coffee Morning On Friday 24th September 10am until 12noon. Please get in touch if you would like to donate a raffle prize or bake a cake.

This is such a great cause please do pop in and support us on this day.

Pop In Place Performers Group Back to rehearse on Thursday 2nd September

Children 6 years old and up are welcome to join the group please get in touch if

The Pop In Place Bere Regis

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September 2021

doing over 36mph

29th July - 963 vehicles counted. On this occasion Dorset Police were present and used their laser which noted 1 car at 36mph.

30 July - 876 vehicles counted. 49 were travelling at over 30 mph and 12 over 36 mph

1 August - This was an extra CSW session with Dorset Police. Due to weather, monitoring was only undertaken for half an hour, during which time 273 vehicles were counted with 3 cars at 36mph or above

9th August - 403 vehicles were counted, with 71 travelling over 30mph and 21 over 36mph

If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please contact Angie and Ian Wright direct. In the meantime, a full copy of their August report can be found at Appendix C of the August Parish Council minutes.

Elder Road Path Improvements

With Winter rapidly approaching, the decision has been taken to upgrade the Elder Road path, running alongside the stream. This path was originally installed in 2012 and, due to natural wear and tear, now has many areas where water gathers, and it gets very muddy. The path work will be undertaken during September and will include an element of drainage and adjusting the camber of the path in order to prevent water lying. Please be patient whilst this work is being carried out.



Wilding Village Verges

The verges have been reviewed and a survey undertaken to record what flora is already growing at each site. The next stage will be to consider cutting regimes. Not all the verges around the village will be appropriate for re-wilding and discussions will be held with residents to decide which verges could be used and which should not.

NeighbourCar

As all those of you who have used this service before know, this is a vital amenity.

However, we are in danger of losing it unless more volunteer drivers come forward. You do not have to commit to regular trips; you need respond only when you are able to spare some time; and expenses of 45p per mile are paid. Please contact Brenda House for more information on stockleyfarmpartners@gmail.com

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 9th September 2021, commencing 7pm at the Drax Hall. If you wish to have an item added to the agenda for discussion, please contact the Clerk or a member of the Parish Council by the end of the month preceding.

Amanda Crocker

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BERECONNECT EMERGENCY FUND

Our Emergency Fund has now been closed.

The fund was set up in April 2020 to provide help for any Bere Regis resident in need during the pandemic.

Through the generosity of many donors over £8500 was raised. Much of that money was given out to individuals, but substantial sums were also given to the Food Bank, and to our school to enable some children to receive meals during the holidays.

Right at the start we said that if any funds were left, they would be given to local charities. There is approximately £700 left in the account which will be split between the Williams Trust and the Ed Kent Trust which both help local young people. Any loans repaid in the future will be given to the same two causes.

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VENUES 2021

Date	Venue	Trophy	Winner
30th April	Wareham Golf Club	There will be no trophy play this year.	Curtailed — bad weather
28th May	Salisbury and South Wilts	Forthcoming matches will be noted as confirmed.	Brett Standerwick
25th June	Ashley Wood Golf Club		

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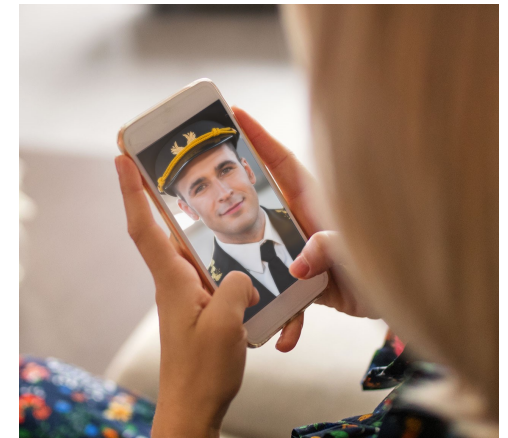
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Romance Scams

Romance scams are crimes that break the hearts of victims, not only because of the financial loss they suffer, but also because of the loss of the relationships they believed were genuine. Thousands of people lose money to romance frauds each year after being conned on internet dating sites and social networks.

Scammers set up fake profiles, fake photos and claim to be from other parts of the world, for example the United States. The scammer weaves a story of a successful person working overseas, and presents themselves as a thoughtful, caring and loving individual who is looking for their soul mate. The scammers are good at what they do; they ask lots of questions of the victim about what they want in their lives.



They then use the information and turn it into a dream that becomes a reality to the victim. They use words we all like to hear to win their victim's heart, and they use psychology to hold them in their spell. Once they have established a relationship then the scamming begins. In all cases the plea for financial assistance is the key to the scam. This can be for assistance in cashing a cheque that they are unable to cash themselves, or asking for financial assistance to help them out of a difficulty they are having. For example, they were mugged, or involved in an accident, and are in hospital but cannot pay their hospital bill, or they are desperate to come to visit but need help with the money to manage that.

For further advice, or to report a scam to Trading Standards, call the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Thanks to our WI members for sharing their favourites

Fruit and Jam Cake,

This is an easy way to use up that last apple, pear or plum in the fruit bowl that no one wants.

Ingredients

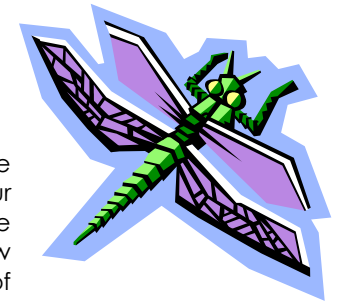
- ◆ 250g butter plus extra for greasing
- ◆ 250g granulated sugar
- ◆ Zest of 1 lemon
- ◆ 4 eggs
- ◆ 250g plain flour
- ◆ 1 eating apple peeled, cored, diced. (or pear, plum, blueberries)
- ◆ 3 Tbsp apricot jam



Method

1. Preheat oven 170c/150c fan/gas 3.5. Grease a loaf tin and line.
2. Cream together butter, sugar and lemon zest till pale and creamy.
3. Add the eggs one at a time and beat well after each, this is the most important section.
4. Fold in the flour and pour into the tin.
5. Drop in the diced apple or fruit of your choice and swirl through the mixture with a knife.
6. Smooth the top and dollop the jam along the centre and then using the tip of a knife zig zag the jam in a pattern
7. Bake for approx 1hr until a skewer inserted in the middle come out clean.
8. When cool dust with icing sugar

BERE REGIS WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENT GROUP



Despite the somewhat indifferent weather and the 'restrictions' we do hope you've enjoyed your Summer, whether it was spent locally or away. As we now enter Autumn and the season of mellow fruitfulness, we can take pleasure in the rich colours of ripening fruit in the hedgerows and maybe enjoy picking and eating some blackberries! Enjoy them, but do leave some for our wildlife. There are also many other fruits, seeds and nuts to be found in the area, sustaining wildlife. You'll see plenty of hazel nuts shells on the ground, but be lucky to find any nuts ripe enough to eat yourself - the mice and squirrels always seem to get there first!

Souls Moor

Take a walk through Souls Moor and you'll see a mix of areas of short grass that have been nibbled down by the ponies, areas that have been trampled by their hooves and areas of longer vegetation. This mix of habitats is excellent - just what is needed to sustain a rich variety of wildlife. This becomes very clear when watching birds within Souls Moor. Some birds, particularly larger ones, will be ferreting around on the ground for bugs, grubs and seeds while generally smaller birds will be flitting from stalk to stalk within areas of longer vegetation feasting on the ripening seeds.

Hoverflies

As well as bees, the most prolific pollinators are hoverflies, aptly named as they hover motionless sometimes in front of you and then dart rapidly from one flower to another. There are 283 different ones in the UK and vary from minute black ones to large ones that can easily be mistaken for bees. Here are 2 examples photographed in the village. One of the largest is the rather ferocious looking, but harmless, *Volucella zonaria*, and the second, the charming small *Episyrphus balteatus*, commonly known as the Marmalade Fly. Shown here on knapweed in Mays Wood. To encourage them,





the larvae of many of them grow in wet rotting wood, so it is good to keep a small pile of damp dead wood in the corner of your garden!

Conservation Working Parties

Over recent years our volunteers at the conservation working parties have really helped to improve the wildlife value of the

natural habitats alongside the stream and at Souls Moor. For obvious reasons they have not taken place over the past 18 months. However, fingers crossed, they will recommence in October. More details will appear in next month's Parish Magazine, through the village Facebook page and via our e-mail contacts (if you are not on our list and would like to be, please e-mail mike.n.g@outlook.com).

Contact Us

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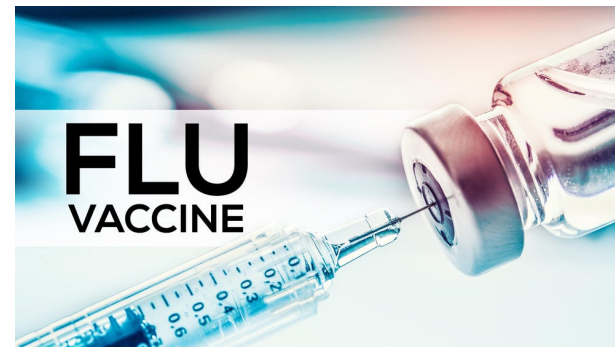
BERE REGIS SURGERY NEWS

Our flu clinics are now available to book by ringing Reception on 01929 471268. We are returning to the 3 venues we used last year, Bere Regis Scout Hut, Briantspuddle and Winterborne Kingston village halls.



The vaccination is available to all patients 50 years and over plus those with long term conditions.

We are happy to vaccinate you whilst have an appointment at the Surgery with a clinician for another matter. Please ask when you book your appointment.



We strongly recommend you book early as we hope to complete the majority of our flu vaccinations before the COVID booster campaign is in full flow (details on that to follow next month, or look out for information on the Bere Regis Village Facebook page, Purbeck Primary Care Network Facebook page or on our surgery website)

Saturday 11th September – Bere Regis Scout Hut morning and afternoon appointments available

Saturday 25th September – Winterborne Kingston Village hall – morning

Saturday 2nd October – Briantspuddle Village Hall – morning

Saturday 23rd October – Bere Regis Scout Hut – morning

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