

KENN

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Avril and Neville Brown on their wedding day—photo Heather Jenkins

NEWS & VIEWS

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

9th Andrew Jenkins
10th Irene Stowell
12th John Allison 40
13th Sheila Naish
Jody Stowell
16th Miles and Sheila Naish - W.A
22nd Emma Palmer (Smith)
27th Rebecca Brett (Fenwick)
Sarah Melling (Griffin)
28th Sarah Clark
Grace & John Griffin - W.A.
29th Richard Jaehme

St John the Evangelist, Kenn ALTAR GUILD



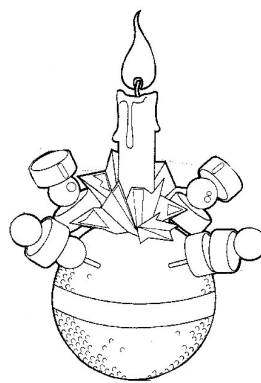
November Sarah Clark, Clare Hibbs and Ann Holtham

December

Week 1 - Jean Fenwick, Jenny Pascoe
Week 2 - Caroline Holden, Hazel Limage
Week 3 - Iris Callow, Heather Jenkins
Week 4 - Jo Cheek, Marianna Mackay

PLUM PUDDINGS

The Ultimate Plum Pudding Christmas Puddings can be ordered from Janet Calderbank on 01934 838240.
Last date for orders is Sunday 22nd November.



Christingles in Kenn 2015

Our Christingle Family Service will be on
Sunday 22nd November at 11am.

All Kenn's children will be welcome to help make the Christingles.

We will do this in the New Room
(by the church car park)
at 2pm - 3pm on
Saturday 21st November.

Proceeds to Children's Society

Our flag was flown

on Sunday 11th October to celebrate the wedding at St. John's of Avril Withyman and Neville Brown.

Our Church was floodlit:

Saturday 10th October for Autumn by Candlelight.

Sunday 18th October for Songs of Praise at St. John's celebrating 200 years of Kenn's Church Bell.

Thursday 27th October to remember the 30th anniversary of the passing of Irene Staples and the 10th anniversary of the passing of Dolly Walker.

Kenn October Family Service

This service was held on a sunny but chilly 'BIBLE SUNDAY' morning 25th October.

Warren and Diana showed how sometimes "interruptions" get in the way of us getting God's message, on this day particularly from the Bible.

Coincidentally (?) the service was 'interrupted' quite a lot, surprise, surprise, but always to good effect.

We were thrilled to have some visitors and new faces, and the puppets especially made some new friends. HOORAY.

A big 'Thank you' to everyone who helped with the service, reading, hymns, coffee, washing up and all.

Julia Bush

For loved ones

Team "All Souls "
Service of Remembrance
takes place at
St. Mary's, Yatton on
Sunday 1st November
at
6.00p.m.

People are invited to go along to remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones

OOOPS Not much time left .. fill a shoe box ... send some love

Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project, run by the Christian relief and development Samaritan's Purse.

For full details go to

www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk

If you would like to send a shoe box of small gifts, toys, toiletries, gloves, hat etc, there is a big pile of boxes, together with instructions leaflets, in the porch at St John's.

PLEASE NOTE, the boxes need to be handed in to Sue Thomas (01934 833593) or Julia Bush (01275 873554) by NOVEMBER 9th at the latest

THANK YOU, THANK YOU,
THANK YOU

Julia and Sue

MOOR NEWS

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for Moor News ?
If not

Please pass it to your News & Views
Distributor as soon as possible.

Many Thanks.

If you do not currently receive Moor News
but would like to do so -
please ask your Distributor

Caring at Christmas 2015

As usual we are collecting for the Caring at Christmas homeless shelter. This is open from 24/12/15 to 1/01/16 and last year provided warm and safe accommodation in Bristol for over 500 people. During that period they served 3,280 hot meals.

The aim of the shelter is to provide:
50+ beds, food, first aid, showers, laundry and clean clothes.
TV, Books, games, hairdressing, chiropody, companionship, counselling, creative workshops etc.

We need:

Food: tea, coffee, sugar, tinned foods, custard, cereals, biscuits and snacks. We also need fresh produce close to Christmas: meat, bacon, eggs, sausages, butter, cheese etc.

Toiletries: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, not bar soap, shower gels, preferable roll on deodorant (no aerosols), razors, moisturizing cream, lip balm and women's sanitary products.

Clothing: warm casual winter clothing for men and women **aged 18-40** years such as: jumpers, coats, gloves, scarves, hats, trousers, jeans and trainers.

We accept donations of new underwear. Please make sure clothes are clean.

Bedding etc: towels, single sheets, blankets, pillow cases and sleeping bags.
If you have any of the above please bring them to the shelter.

We DO NOT use double sheets, duvets or bedspreads.

Cheques: made payable to Caring at Christmas

Please remember the homeless this Christmas and if you would like to donate any of the above items please leave them at Church Path Cottage or the Church Porch.

Kenn has a long and proud tradition of giving generously to this charity, let us continue to feel proud of our efforts.

Robin and Marianna

07860235495/07860497203/340323

Useful Numbers:

Village Hall Booking Secretary:
Sarah Clark 01934 833307

St John the Evangelist Priest in charge:
Rev. Warren Williams 01934 833608

Churchwardens:
Julia Bush 873554
John Ball 874077

Village Flag Flying:
Marianna or Robin 340323 or
Hazel 349535

Church Floodlighting
David Pugh 874278

Altar Guild Secretary:
Marianna Mackay 340323

North Somerset Council:
01934 888 888
out of hours:
01934 622 669

News & Views:
Margaret Ball 01275 874077
Email; Margaret.john@btinternet.com
Chaseside, Kenn Street, Kenn



Will be held in Kenn Village Hall on Saturday,
9th November - 10:00am till midday.

Recycling - 3rd,10th,17th,24th

Dustbin - 3rd, 17th November

Green Waste - 10th,24th



**North Somerset
Times/Clevedon
Mercury**

Don't forget that copies
of these local
newspapers are freely
available at the bar Drum and Monkey..



Kenn Women's Institute

Kenn Village Hall, 7:30pm
Wednesday 11th November

Christmas Flower Demonstration
7.30 pm Wednesday 25th November
Visitors welcome

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Wednesday 2nd December 10am - 7:30pm
Morning of sale from 9am

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Thursday 19th November 10.30am

Viewing at Saleroom
Tuesday 17th November - 2pm - 5:30pm
Wednesday 18th November - 10am - 7:30pm
Morning of sale from 9am

Catalogues can be viewed at
www.clevedon-salerooms.com

What's on in Kenn - November 2015

Monday 9th November - Chaseside - 7.30pm meeting to discuss Christmas Parties not only for 2015 but also the future—Everyone welcome

Tuesday 10th November — Drum and Monkey - 12noon onwards—Village Lunch

Wednesday 11th November — KVH - 7.30pm—Kenn Women's Institute Meeting

Saturday 14th November — KVH 10-12noon - Kenn Village Market and Coffee Morning

**Monday 16th November — KVH - 7.00pm Defibrillator Refresher Session
OPEN TO EVERYONE**

Tuesday 17th November—7.30pm KVH—Kenn Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 18th November 7.00pm Drum & Monkey — Kenn Supper Club

**Saturday 21st November - Church Room - 2.00pm Christingle Making
Sunday 22nd St. John's Kenn—CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**

Wednesday 25th November— KVH - 7.30pm Christmas Flower Demonstration Evening

Friday 27th November—7.30pm KVH—Songs from the Shed

**Saturday 28th November - Church Room - 10-12noon - Charity Coffee Morning
For PRESENT AID**

Monday 30th November — 4.30pm Decorate Village Hall for Christmas

Monday 30th November 7.30pm The Drum and Monkey—Book Group



The Village Market

Again the October market was well supported, thanks to all who came along.

A sum of just over £100 was raised through the refreshments, which has gone to Clevedon Hospital.

Thanks to Andre, Margaret and the W.I. for organising these refreshments.

At the November market on 14th Jenny Treble will be providing the refreshments in aid of her forthcoming trip to Fiji, where she will be going to work for a charity. So please come and support her.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Lyn and Maggie

Downscote, Duck Lane

I always thought that Kenn was the sort of village that would rally round if help was ever needed.

I have been totally amazed by all the offers of help, cards, kind messages etc. since my brain tumour was diagnosed.

God bless you all.

Upwards and onwards.

Robert Down

Welcome to Oliver John Pascoe

Born on 18th October, to Ian and Jenny Pascoe, yet another grandchild for Simon and Jenny.

Our picture shows a delighted big sister Sophie giving Oliver a cuddle.





KENN W.I.

We had a good attendance for our October meeting with most people returning from their holidays.

Our speaker for the evening was Trevor Carter. "The Bard of Windmill Hill". As well as a poet and story teller, Trevor has been the poet in residence of Lansdown Cabaret since 2008. He won the Bristol Storytelling Slam 2014 and entertained us with this story as well as a several other poems including "Where There's Tea, There's Hope".

Trevor made us laugh as he told the tales using the different characters voices. A real treat for us all.

October is also our birthday month and this year 31 members, partners and friends went to the Greedy Goose at Flax Bourton for our birthday lunch. The meal was excellent and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A big thank to Margaret Burdge for making our birthday cake, which as usual was lovely.

We are now preparing for our Group meeting on the 28th October. Our speaker is Marilyn Drag JP who has been marvellous in helping us prepare a courtroom scene to enact. More to follow in next issue of News & Views.

Our November meeting on the 11th is our AGM and election of committee members and officers; this will be followed by a quiz.

November also see our annual Flower Demonstration evening on Wednesday 25th November starting at 7.30pm. Our demonstrator this year is Diane Oliver on a theme of Seasonal Decorations. Tickets are available on the door or from myself, priced £5.

The demonstrations are included in the raffle prizes at the end of the evening. With Christmas just round the corner why not come along and get some ideas for decorations of your own.

Finally, thank you to everybody that supported the coffee morning at October's Village Market. With your help we raised £103 for our charity, Friends of Clevedon Hospital.

Marion Hulance

Bird News

October is a month of change for many of our birds and along the sea wall the last Swallows were heading south, a few Wheatears were feeding up in readiness for their migration and Stonechats were back on their winter territories.

By mid month a thousand Starlings were in residence, the first Fieldfares and Redwings were passing through and a record flock of 200 Greenfinches was feeding on weed seeds.

In Yatton, a Peregrine had returned to its favoured pylon, meadow pipits were on the fields, two Kingfishers were involved in a high speed chase and a Cetti's Warbler was singing from the reed bed in Stowell's factory premises.

Nearby along the Strawberry Line a Chiffchaff was singing a Water Rail was calling and another was seen near the weir at Congresbury.

Jays have been very active gathering acorns (there seems to be a good crop this year) and a few Siskins were in Littlewood on Kenn Moor along with a Treecreeper and a Great Spotted Woodpecker.

Finally a Little Owl was calling in Kenn Street at dusk on the 18th.

Trevor Riddle 01934 835208



Recycling pictures, both the Kingfisher and Little Owl were snapped in Kenn.

Autumn by Candlelight

Our “Autumn By Candlelight” concert this year welcomed the well known Bristol Gospel Choir “Renewal” to a packed St John’s Church.

The seven members of the choir entertained us with their wonderfully inspirational singing and playing. Gradually, as the concert progressed, the audience began to sway, clap and even sing along to the tunes.

From the comments we have received almost everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening and delighted in the obvious enthusiasm with which “Renewal” performed.



“Renewal” were introduced by Pastor Simon Foster of Kenn Court House who had kindly arranged for them to give the concert. Simon who is the senior Pastor of E5 the Elim Church in Bristol and Warren Williams, our vicar, concluded the concert with prayers.

At half time in the concert canapés, prepared by willing volunteers, and bubbly were served to the audience who seemed to greatly appreciate them!

As a result of the concert £890 was donated to the Charity WaterAid.

Marianna and Robin

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER 2015

**1st SUNDAY 1st THE FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
ALL SAINTS' DAY**

**GREEN
WHITE**

8.30am *Holy Communion at Kenn**
 9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 9.30am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 11.00am Patronal Family Service at Kingston Seymour
 11.00am Taste & See/Holy Communion at Claverham
 6.00pm Team "All Souls" Service of Remembrance at Yatton

**2nd Sunday 8th THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
(REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY)**

RED

8.30am Holy Communion (said BCP) at Yatton
 9.30am Holy Communion at Claverham
 10.00am Remembrance Service at Yatton
 followed by wreath laying at War Memorial at 10.50am
 10.50am Remembrance Service at Cleeve
10.50am *Holy Communion with Remembrance at Kenn*
 3.30pm War Memorial Ceremony
 Followed by Remembrance Service at Kingston Seymour

3rd Sunday 15th THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

GREEN

8.00am Holy Communion at Claverham*
 9.30am Parish Communion with Holy Baptism at Yatton
 9.30am Holy Communion at Cleeve
 11.00am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour
6.00pm *Evensong at Kenn**

3rd Wednesday – 18th November

11.00am *Holy Communion at Kenn*

**4th Sunday 22nd CHRIST THE KING
(The Sunday next before Advent)**

WHITE

8.00am Holy Communion at Yatton*
 8.30am Holy Communion at Kingston Seymour*
 9.30am Parish Communion at Yatton
 10.00am Café Celebration at Court de Wyck School
11.00am *Family Christingle Service at Kenn*
 6.00pm Holy Communion at Cleeve

5th Sunday 29th ADVENT SUNDAY

PURPLE

8.30am *Advent Communion at Kenn**
 9.30am Advent Communion at Yatton
 9.30am Advent Communion at Cleeve
 11.00am Advent Communion at Kingston Seymour
 4.00pm Christingle at Claverham
 6.00pm Service of Hymns and Readings for Advent at Yatton: All welcome

Monday 30th November ADVENT QUIET DAY - 10.00am—3.30pm St. Mary's Church Yatton

* Book of Common Prayer (1662)

Kenn's Christmas Lights and Carols on the Green

The annual ceremony of switching on the Christmas lights on the Village Green will be

FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER at 7pm.

As usual this will be followed by singing your favourite Christmas Carols whilst our celebrated punch and mince pies are served.

Everybody is welcome to this occasion which has become an integral part of our Christmas celebrations.

If you would like any particular carol, please let us know.
Robin & Marianna
01275 340323.

Welcome to Kenn

We are pleased to welcome the Panteli family to Kenn.

John and Julia, with Bella 9 and Zack 5 who have recently moved into Stonehouse Farm.

We do hope they enjoy living in our village

- neighbours Sizzle, Stuart, Polly and Drew

Church Room Charity Coffee Mornings

Thanks to everyone who supported the October Coffee Morning £165 was raised for the Calais Refugee Fund

Saturday 21st November
10—12 noon
Everyone Welcome

PRESENT AID

Choose the perfect present for the loved one who 'has everything' and support the work of



Nigel Hackett

Nigel Hackett of Duck Lane has recently moved to Elm View Care Home in Clevedon due to ill health.

Songs of Praise Service Sunday 18th October at St. John's, Kenn

Geoff Marchant writes:

I hear that the Songs of Praise went exceedingly well! I was so sorry not to be able to be with you all on that evening. (also we had to cancel the 'Open Tower' morning) all due to health problems.

Several people have told me what a magnificent job Eleanor made of the presentation and she in turn has thanked people like David Harrex and Dick Acworth for helping so much on the night.

David's timing of the bell ringing during the last hymn was fantastic, she says.

There was one bit of information which got added on the night; and one bit left out.

Mike Callow noticed and Eleanor was able to add in a great 'thank you' to Jack Hanson for the legacy which made the whole bell re-hanging project possible – how I missed that out I just don't know but it did come into my mind also at about 7.30pm which was much too late for me to do anything, so a big thank you to M.C.

The bit which got left out was lost when Dick Acworth explained the reason for his choice (farm animals presumably reminding him even nowadays of Kenn) and was the reasons we had for the true we used for Dick's unusual hymn, I will therefore include it here and say that the booklet mentioned should still be on the font

"Their choice (Dick and Margaret's) of hymn is Morning Glory, Starlit Sky". HYMN No. 4 we had to do a bit of digging to find it! The online version suggests a tune called "Song 13" for it but as Jo and Geoff discovered at Kenn we were not familiar with that tune, so used the second tune option of "Monkland". Monkland itself is quite appropriate – It's the tune we normally use for "Let Us With a Gladsome Mind" and Monkland is also a village in Herefordshire where we have stayed in a very good Bed and Breakfast at Old Mill Cottage, just across the road from the church. The vicar there in 1862 was Sir Henry William Baker who was the driving force behind the creation of "Hymns Ancient and Modern".

We have put a booklet on the font about that if anyone would like to look through that, or even borrow it.

We understand from Ellie, the star of the evening that Geoff's health is slowly improving and we thank him for arranging such a lovely service—around 50 people attended and sang with great gusto. It was interesting and moving that each hymn had been chosen for personal reasons which brought back many memories.



Hatful of Rain

Kenn Village Hall
Friday November 27th

Tickets from www.songsfromtheshed.com
or on the door. Doors open 7.30

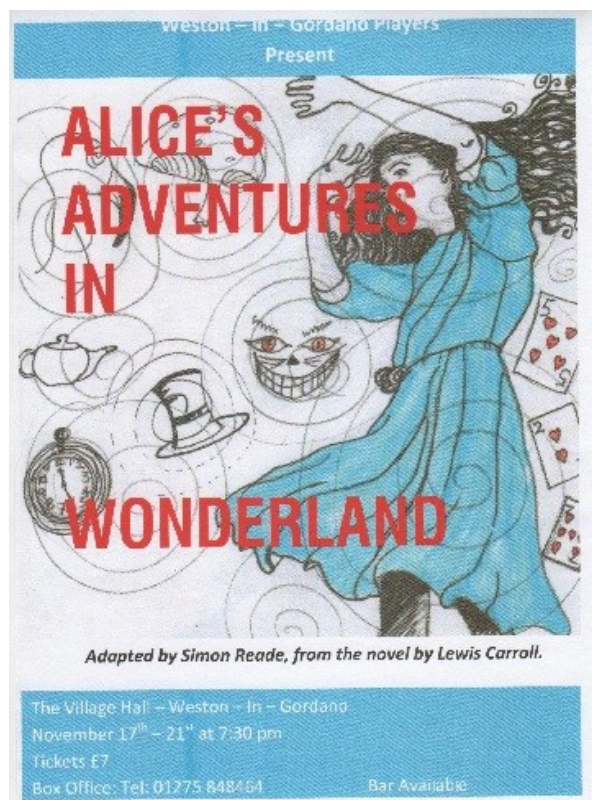
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
17th - 21st November at 7.30pm

Weston-in-Gordano Village Hall
— Tickets £7

Bar available — Box Office 01275 848464

Hils Morgan from The Old School in Kenn Street is directing this production which will also feature daughter Poppy as Alice and husband Charlie as The Mad Hatter.

The Morgan family would be delighted if some Kennites could help to swell the audience as they are running for 5 nights and profits will go to charity.



Book group

We met on the 12th October 2015 to discuss, 'The God of Small Things' by Arundhati Roy. We were totally divided on this one.

Some thought it an unreadable story with poor characterisation.

Others were glad they had read it. While other still thought it one of the best books they had ever read. Wondering at the mastery of finely devised sentences with rich metaphor and imagery. The novel tells the story of twins who as adults go back to their Indian hometown.

Our next book is 'Lucky Jim' by Kingsley Amis.

We are going to meet on Monday 30th November at 7.30ish.

As usual we will gather in the 'Drum and Monkey'.

Thanks for the chips Mike!

Book group.

Songs from the Shed - The season starts with Hatful of Rain, a British contemporary folk group combining powerful song-writing with musical flair, inspired by English, Celtic and American Roots styles.

Future dates

January 23rd - Ushti Baba

February 17th - The Little Unsaid & Tobias Ben Jacob

March 10th - Rachel Ries

Tickets £10.00

Licensed Bar

DEFIBRILLATOR REFRESHER SESSION **at Kenn Village Hall**

7.00pm Monday 16th November

Everyone is invited to come along for our annual Defibrillator Refresher Session supplied free of charge by South Western Ambulance Service Trust who have also undertaken the servicing and maintenance of this machine.

Our trainer will again be Kim Davey from SWAST.



Drum and Monkey

Kenn Village Lunch
Tuesday 10th November
meet from 12 noon
Everyone welcome

Kenn Supper Club
7.00pm Wednesday
18th November

Every Wednesday 9.00pm
QUIZ NIGHT



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TRIBUTE NIGHTS AT THE DRUM AND MONKEY

Tuesday 24th November

Chris Nott is the amazing
**DAVID ESSEX &
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 Not to be missed!!



ALL SHOWS ARE £20.00 per person
 Includes a 2 course meal.
 7pm for 7.30pm start down meal.
 Book early to avoid disappointment

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THEMED NIGHTS AT THE DRUM AND MONKEY

Monday 30th November

BEST OF CHINESE!



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 Buffet Eat
 as much
 as you
 want!**

Only £8.45 per person
 (including 20% service charge)

& 10pm - 11.30pm Subject to availability

Tel 01275 873433

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JAZZ ON SUNDAY AT THE DRUM AND MONKEY

Sunday 29th November

NEW SOCIETY JAZZ BAND

From 6pm till 8.30pm



**No Charge - Sunday
 Menu Available**

Tel 01275 873433

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Margaret's Mutterings

Children's Party December—Sizzle Summerell has again kindly agreed to organise the children's party —full details will appear in December issue.

Christmas Afternoon Tea Party—Wednesday 2nd December at Kenn Village Hall - This will be the Thirtieth Tea Party in this format and some of the organizers are wondering if the time is right to give the younger generation a chance to take over.

The usual meeting to sort out invitations, organise food etc will be held at my home Chaseside on Monday 9th November at 7.30pm and the usual helpers are of course invited, along with any other interested parties. It has been great fun, but

Gospel Choir—Autumn by Candlelight - A brilliant evening - lovely atmosphere, - Kenn felt Evangelised..... Many thanks to Robin and Marianna for organising us all - to the bar-tenders, canapé makers, waitresses but most of all the singers,. Inspirational

Songs of Praise 18th October — thanks go to The Chalice Hand-bell Ringers who entertained us so well for the half hour or so prior to the Songs of Praise which celebrated 200 years of the bell at St. John's.

Thanks also to Geoff Marchant for putting together such a lovely service, to Ellie who took over when Geoff was just too poorly to attend and to everyone else who made it such a joyous occasion. It was good to see Dick Acworth and Margaret, also Peter and Mrs Bailey. An evening of hearty singing, lots of information, gratitude expressed to so many who had helped, in so many ways, with the re-ordering of the bell, the belfry and the stairs and of course to the late Jack Hanson whose legacy had made it possible.

If you would like to contribute to December issue of Kenn News, it is so easy, just call me on 874077, pop your piece through the door at Chaseside or email me on margaret.john@btinternet.com. As soon as possible, please.

Kenn Supper Club

For many years there has been a Kenn Village Lunch. It is held on the second Tuesday of the month at The Drum and Monkey.

A group of us have decided that an evening event would also be welcome.



Therefore at 7.00pm on the 18th November the first 'Supper Club' will meet at the Drum and Monkey.

It is a good way for villagers to meet each other informally and catch up with news and gossip. From then on it will be on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

All are welcome. If they wish people can then stay on for the pub quiz. It would be helpful if Mike had some idea of how many diners to expect.

Please contact John and Grace Griffin. Tel 872948.

Village Agent

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Please contact me on emma.edwards@curo-group.co.uk or 07967 344661

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman's chat

We had a very good public meeting for the St Modwen information evening, well supported and we are looking at ways to gain 106 monies for that particular development

We have professional advice which is definitely needed, further information will be forthcoming as and when we are in possession of it.

The next Parish Council meeting has been altered to Tuesday November 17th if anyone wishes to attend.

Look forward to seeing you

Sheila

Really enjoyed the Elim Church Gospel Choir evening, well done and thanks to all those who organised it, food, fizz, friends and fun what a great night!

Sheila

CHARITY QUIZ Saturday 14th November 7.30 for 8pm start Claverham Village Hall

Teams of 6 max,
£5 per head to include a light supper.

There will also be a Raffle.
In aid of "Molly Olly's Wishes"
a Charity which supports children with
terminal and life-threatening illnesses.

Contact Rosie on 01934 834116
to book a table.

Autumn Fayre Saturday 7th November Cleeve Village Hall 11am to 3pm

Craft, Cakes, Books, Gifts, Raffle
and much more

Lunches served 12noon – 2pm

Refreshments served all day

Items for stalls and offers of help would
be welcomed, plus cakes on the day.

Contact Diana Cook 01934 834621

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2015

MEETINGS FOR 2015

The Village Hall, Kenn St, Kenn**Change of date****17 November – Council at 7.30pm**Agenda will be on notice boards
3 clear days before the meeting.**MEETINGS FOR 2016****11 January – Council Meeting****7 March – Annual Parish Meeting**
followed by**7 March – Council Meeting****9 May – Stat. Annual Meeting of Council****4 July – Council Meeting****5 September – Council Meeting****7 November – Council Meeting****KENN PARISH COUNCILLORS****Sheila Naish – Tel: 07808 920 962**

Council Chairman

Stephen Brain – Tel: 07773 211 394

Vice Chairman

Wilf Bessant – Tel: 01275 872 406**Jon-Paul Humberstone – Tel: 07990 690 060****Cheryl Quinn – Tel: 07983 015 286****Hartley Staples – Tel: 01275 340 771****Robert Treble – Tel: 07831 316 760****KENN VILLAGE MEETING** – proposals for housing on St Modwen site, held on 5 October 2015. **In attendance:**24 Kenn Residents, 7 Kenn Parish Councillors,
North Somerset Councillor for Yatton Ward J Iles, Clevedon

Town Council Councillor G Hill (Chairman of Town Council Planning Ctte) and Planning Consultant F Malton

Cllr Naish thanked everyone for coming and gave a summary of the reason for the meeting. It had come to the Parish Council's notice the developers of St Modwen site had registered a pre-application with North Somerset Council (NSC) to change the designated use of their site from employment/warehousing to residential housing for approximately 200 dwellings. This would provide homes for about 400 adults and 150 children.

If this was given the go ahead to progress to a full planning application, and perhaps ultimately approved, it would have an impact on Kenn. The 2 main aspects being; (1) it would more than double the numbers of current dwellings and residents within the Kenn boundary, (2) due to the M5 motorway any new housing on this site/area could never be connected to the existing village. For these reasons (and perhaps others not yet known) it was important to give early consideration to the various options available to try to ensure the new residents had adequate facilities, via planning gains ie Section 106 (S106) or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

Cllr Naish invited NSC Cllr Iles to give some background on aspects with regard to the Planning Authority's obligations and constraints. Cllr Iles provided the following information and details on:

(1) The inspector's decisions to NSC's Planning Policy documents regarding projected housing requirements (up from 14,000 to 21,000) for the period 2006/26. (2) Housing needs etc for the Spatial Strategy covering the period 2016/36.

Both the above were putting pressure on NSC to find land to meet this increase – up to now they had achieved all but a shortfall of 1,664 and speculative developers were working on this to include their sites.

Cllr Iles also provided information on how the pre-application (initial discussions) process and full planning application worked, the options that can be considered and included under planning gains, also the pressure from other authorities, such as NSC itself and Clevedon Town Council, who may also want to be included in the planning gain process.

Cllr Naish invited Mr Malton to provide a Planning Consultant's perspective on S 106. He observed; NSC have a list that is given to developers on what can be expected under S 106 s, these sums can be spent in the district on infrastructure (eg highways) or public transport, but they can also be spent locally on facilities which the development might need (eg community centre), such suggestions need to be put in early in the process; once the application is lodged it is too late.

Cllr Naish then enquired if anyone had questions or views they would like to express, some of which were;

- Whether the possibility of flooding would affect the proposals
- How numbers of dwellings are defined, whether there will be a mixture of types, plus social housing
- The different traffic impacts between employment usage over housing
- Close proximity of the motorway to the site, in relation to noise and pollution
- Unwelcomed start of the merging of areas of development and loss of defined community identities
- The impact on services in Clevedon such as; doctors/health, schools, increase in vehicles on roads etc.

Following a discussion the consensus of Kenn residents was that if this housing proposal was to go ahead, what would be needed would be some form of facility, such as a community centre and playground, which would enhance the social life of the new residents and alleviate some the pressure on other nearby areas.