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Thanks to Trevor Riddle for forwarding
his friend Mark Savage's picture of a Hare
'somewhere in Kenn'

NEWS & VIEWS

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 1 - Simon Pascoe
 5 – David Porch
 9 - Lois Webb
 10 –Thomas Hibbs
 11 - Naomi Brain
 Wendy Papasolomontos
 13 - Lynne Bye
 18 - Ian Pascoe
 21 - Tom Bye
 Dave Pugh
 23 - Robin Mackay
 24 - Andrews Staples
 27 - Pip Jenkins
 28 - Liz & Martin Jaehme W.A.

St John the Evangelist, Kenn



St. John's Altar Guild

June Rota

Grace Griffin, John Griffin
 and Troy Gale

BEATITUDES

FOR A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO STAY INDOORS



FOR THEY HAVE PROTECTED OTHERS

BLESSED ARE THE UNEMPLOYED AND THE SELF-EMPLOYED



FOR THEIR NEED OF GOD IS GREAT

BLESSED ARE THE CORNER SHOPKEEPERS



FOR THEY ARE THE PURVEYORS OF SCARCE THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE DELIVERY DRIVERS AND THE POSTAL WORKERS



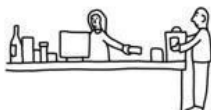
FOR THEY ARE THE BRINGERS OF ESSENTIAL THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE HOSPITAL WORKERS, THE AMBULANCE CREWS, THE DOCTORS, THE NURSES, THE CARE ASSISTANTS, AND THE CLEANERS



FOR THEY STAND BETWEEN US AND THE GRAVE, AND THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS SURELY THEIRS

BLESSED ARE THE CHECKOUT WORKERS



FOR THEY HAVE PATIENCE AND FORTITUDE IN THE FACE OF OVERWORK AND FRUSTRATION

BLESSED ARE THE REFUSE COLLECTORS



FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD DESPITE THE MOUNTAINS OF WASTE

BLESSED ARE THE TEACHERS



FOR THEY REMAIN STEADFAST AND CONSTANT IN DISTURBING TIMES

BLESSED ARE THE CHURCH WORKERS; THE DEACONS, PRIESTS AND BISHOPS



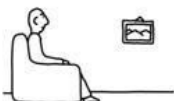
FOR THEY ARE A COMFORTING PRESENCE IN A HURTING WORLD AS THEY CONTINUE TO SIGNPOST TOWARDS GOD

BLESSED ARE THE SINGLE PARENTS.



FOR THEY ARE COPING ALONE WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND THERE IS NO RESPITE

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ALONE.



FOR THEY ARE CHILDREN OF GOD AND WITH HIM THEY WILL NEVER BE LONELY

BLESSED ARE THE BEREAVED,



FOR WHOM THE WORST HAS ALREADY HAPPENED. THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ISOLATED WITH THEIR ABUSERS



FOR ONE DAY - WE PRAY - THEY WILL KNOW SAFETY

BLESSED ARE ALL DURING THIS TIME WHO HAVE PURE HEARTS; ALL WHO STILL HUNGER AND THIRST FOR JUSTICE; ALL WHO WORK FOR PEACE AND WHO MODEL MERCY



MAY YOU KNOW COMFORT. MAY YOU KNOW CALM. AND MAY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THE LOVE OF GOD, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE WITH US ALL. AMEN

Dear friends,

Sadly, I missed most of May's church activity because I was unwell with a very unpleasant virus. Fortunately, not COVID but nevertheless I did spend a few days in hospital for the first time for decades and am VERY grateful to all the NHS staff I met.

It was a very important reminder to me that although we may have stopped clapping, we must not stop being grateful for the amazing hardworking staff at every level of the NHS that do such amazing work under very difficult conditions.



From calling 111, then talking to a local doctor, A&E (twice!), which was a real eye opener at the BRI, moving to 'Majors' where I was greeted with a sign which said: 'Cubicle one – In Majors we treat people who have potentially serious injury or illness. Please let us know if you require pain relief' (a bit scary) then on to the Medical Assessment ward and various departments for tests, the care, the kindness and the professionalism of every member of staff was so hugely reassuring and helpful.

It can be so true that we forget, until we need it, how vital the NHS is to the wellbeing of our country. We know that the backlog of operations is larger than it has ever been and that surgeons are having to make life changing decisions about the order of who gets treated with unyielding pressure on theatre space.

All this and the huge pressures on our social care system, very much linked to hospital care, are clearly huge issues as we gradually emerge from the pandemic.

I will be praying for all those who work for the NHS, all those who are waiting for operations and for treatment, those who are anxious and in pain and I shall look for practical opportunities to support, nurture and encourage our essential health and care systems.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the team who seamlessly kept the church running during my absence and thank you for prayers, cards, and good wishes.

I'm sure we are all beginning to enjoy the opportunities to meet up with family and friends indoors and the chance to hug!

As things gradually open up, I am looking forward to seeing more of Kenn and its social life, meeting more people and going to an event at the village hall for the first time!

My first concert for over a year will be at Kenn Village Hall on June 27th
– how good is that!

Love, thanks and prayers,

Fran



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Thanks
Julia Bush

Cakes for June.

I will be baking all the usual cakes and (if given enough notice), particular favourites/unusual items, on Friday 10th June. Profits to the RNLI.

Order by phone, email, note in the Quercus mailbox or just a shout if I'm within hailing distance.

Thank you, Julia Bush 01275 873554



Yellow Teapot is returning!

Put the date in your diary.

The Yellow Teapot will emerge from the cupboard and come to rest at Kenn Village Hall on the third Monday afternoon of the month starting on **16th August at 2.30pm.**

We are a random group, up for a quiet chat/moan/laugh over tea or coffee and cake. There will be plenty of room to spread out, if the weather is nice we can sit outside.



Anyone and everyone is welcome. More details to follow.
Julia Bush

Not too late to donate.....



SPONSORED WALK

Holy Trinity Church to Wells cathedral:

Saturday 29th and Trinity Sunday 30th May.

Day 1: From Holy Trinity Church, Cleeve to Cheddar.
12 miles. Leaving from Church 9.30am.

Day 2: From Cheddar to Wells cathedral. 11 miles.
Walk resumes 9.30am.

The walk will end with prayers said in the cathedral on
Trinity Sunday - our Patronal Festival.

Sponsorship: Dave Mortimer, 40 Cleeve Drive [838515]

cleeve.mortimers@googlemail.com

Online: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/RevNigelWalk

All money toward the cost of refitting and redecorating
the church room to benefit church and community
occasions like Friendship Lunches.

Thank you for your support.

Rev Nigel



St John's Kenn



All Saints' Kingston Seymour

Services at St. John's Kenn and All Saints' Kingston Seymour in June 2021

June 6th All Saints'

All Together in Church (an all age, more informal service of the Word)

June 13th St John's

Holy Communion

June 20th All Saints'

Holy Communion

June 27th St John's

Holy Communion

All Services at 11.00 am

Sundays 6pm

Evening Worship on Zoom

**Every Tuesday and
Wednesday**

Morning Prayer on Zoom

Everyone is welcome at all these services.

Contact franbindingkks@gmail.com for Zoom links

Pop-Up Palestine Café Fundraiser

Cleeve Village Hall Car Park

One night only: Sat 5th June 2021

Alissar Amali is a Palestinian writer, poet, and activist. She is also a fantastic cook. Sadly, Alissar has breast cancer and is fundraising to cover some of the costs of treatment unavailable on the NHS. A single mum from Syria who lives in Bristol with her young son. In 2019, Alissar read her poetry at our *Stories For Change* event in Cleeve.

Food prepared by Palestinian women: Alissar and Roula.

Cost per head: £15.00 (donations most welcome!)

Payment: Cash on collection (or cheque)

Collection between 5.30 and 6.30pm. Please observe social distancing.

Advance orders only to: helen1962@hotmail.com by 8pm on **Sat 29th May**

Each order includes five authentic Palestinian dishes:

- 1- **Msakhan Falastini** (wrap of roasted chicken, caramelized onions, and sumac / a Palestinian sour spice) *or wrap with mushrooms (vegan option)*
- 2- **Burghul bi Bandorah / Tomato Bulgur** (coarse bulgur, onions, courgette, tomatoes, red, green and yellow peppers, chickpeas, all cooked in a tomato sauce and olive oil) *or rice with carrots and green peas (Gluten-free option)*
- 3- **Foul bi Tahinni/ Tahinni broad beans** (broad beans with tahinni, lemon, garlic and cumin, with spring onions garnish)
- 4- **Falafel** (chickpeas, fresh coriander & parsley, ground coriander with mixed spices, onions & garlic)
- 5- **Fatoush / Levant style salad** (tomatoes, cucumber, spring onions, lettuce, parsley, dried mint, lemon, olive oil, sumac, pomegranate molasses, and deep fried bread in olive oil for garnish) and Flat bread

Please note any dietary requirements in your order; Gluten-free & vegan options available.

[Local details from: nigelbthomas1@gmail.com Tel: 283340]

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INSPIRING WOMEN

KENN W.I

As I write this it is very cold and raining. I do hope by the time you read this that it will have improved for all the Outdoor things planned for the Bank Holiday and the rest of the summer.

As the Funfair has just arrived in Clevedon we should not be too hopeful.

Hopefully it will be good weather on Wednesday 9th June when we hope that members will meet for tea and a very welcome 'catch-up' behind the Village Hall.

It will be so good to see everyone again. (Shall we recognise each other?) Please bring a chair and whatever you want to drink. We will provide the eats. Anyone who wishes to join us will be more than welcome. We shall be there from 2.30 p.m.

In July we are invited to Chew Magna to view Felicity James' redesigned garden. It is hoped that by then we will be comfortable car sharing. We will make all the arrangements nearer the date.

A very splendid programme has been worked out for the rest of 2021 and 2022. It will be wonderful to be able to fulfil it.

There is to be a meeting of representatives from each Institute in the Yeo Valley Group soon and plans for a Carol Service are on the Agenda. It will be so wonderful if we are allowed to sing again.

Most of us will have had two vaccinations by then so we should all be perfectly safe.

Ann Holtham

Christian Aid in 2021

Thanks so much to everybody who donated to Christian Aid Week in May.



If you still would like to make a contribution, TEXT GIVE to 70040 to give £3, or see the May copy of Kenn News and Views for a multitude of other ways to donate.

Thanks again
Julia Bush

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Kvhallbooking@gmail.com

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office@yattonchurches.org

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Revd Fran Binding 01934 830120

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Julia Bush 873554

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Village Flag Flying:
Marianna or Robin 340323
Chris Taylor 872781

Altar Guild Secretary:
Marianna Mackay 340323

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COFFEE MORNING
Village Market
Postponed till Coronavirus is sorted

North Somerset Times

Copies of this local newspaper are available in the Church Porch.



Recycling/food waste Mondays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th June
Dustbin Mondays 14th, 28th June
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Bird News

April's cold temperatures continued into May but with lots of rainfall too.

As a result, Swifts, House Martins and some Swallows spent much of their time feeding over large water bodies rather than attending their nesting sites.

All of our regular warbler species arrived in their usual numbers and the

Strawberry Line provided lots of song including a rare Grasshopper Warbler.

This bird does what its name says, its song, described as reeling, sounds just like a (loud) Grasshopper.

The colder than average winter doesn't seem to have affected our small resident birds with Wrens singing in particularly high numbers, 25-30 being regularly recorded on the Yatton section of the Strawberry Line, where a Cuckoo (almost certainly the 'Congresbury Golf Club' bird) was heard from time to time.

Kestrels are thought to be nesting there, at Congresbury and at Nailsea.

Jeff Naish spotted a Whinchat on Tickenham Moor and Linnets and a Grey Wagtail were also reported from there.

Kenn Moor produced a Gadwall (an unusual but rather unobtrusive duck) and a couple of Wheatears on the 22nd a late date for them.

Great Spotted Woodpeckers were feeding young in Littlewood on the 22nd and a Spotted Flycatcher was at Cadbury Hill on the 7th. A stroll around the lanes in the Brockley area produced just one singing Yellowhammer.

Perhaps they are delaying nesting because of the shortage of insects.

Blue Tits in Jo Batten's nest box fledged four young but generally productivity seems to have been poor with the weather blamed for a shortage of caterpillars on which the chicks are fed.

Trevor Riddle. 01934 835208.

Music at Kenn Village Hall
27th June 3pm
Open Air Classical Concert

Hi everybody, as you may have seen we have “Quorum” coming to Kenn for an exciting “Open Air” concert on the field at the Village Hall.

The plan is for the musicians to use the rear porch as a covered stage. Quorum are a professional sextet from Bristol who have been in many of the major orchestras and will be playing music from: Bach, Handel and Vivaldi

For those attending, we will ask you to provide contact details in line with covid best practice and payment before the event, £10 each. Also groups will be able to bubble on the field and access to the hall will be for the toilets only on a one in one out basis with all sanitiser etc. available.

We will provide plastic chairs but you are encouraged to bring picnic blankets and claim your space. We are working on the grass to create a “Glyndebourne” feel to the event. Please let us know if you need space on the patio because of walking difficulties.

We will be running a bottle bar that you can use but again you are encouraged to bring your own food and drink inc. your own drinking vessels. We would just ask that you clear up and take your litter home with you.

This unique event is being organised by the Hall Committee and Neil Hansford from the “Bristol Violin Shop” covering the cost of the top quality musicians. In the event that the concert cannot go ahead due to weather or covid restrictions a full refund will be given or deferred. The event aims to be “Safe for all” and those attending will be free to take all the usual covid measures of “Hands, face, space” wearing masks etc.

We accept that organising the concert in these strange times is a gamble but the thought of a beautiful sunny day listening to live music of top quality is worth it as we come out of the covid restrictions. All proceeds from the ticket sales will be used to pay the musicians and future events. Musicians are one of the groups hit hardest by Covid.

So here's hoping for good weather and a packed green, good food (your own), good company and good health.

Tickets, £10 each, available from: kvhallbooking@gmail.com

John Hayden & Nigel Burnett

Book group.



We are going to meet behind the village hall on Monday the 3rd June 2021 at 7.30.

Hopefully it will be a warm summer evening.

We can share a bottle of wine and a few nibbles. Our current book is a true story, 'A month in Sienna' By Hisham Matar.

The four weeks for Matar are a catharsis as he makes sense of his life through the city and its art work.

Anyone is welcome to come along to share your current book.

Or to tell us what you are planning to read.

We are always up for a challenge.

We also need to discuss a venue for the group, a new regular monthly date and set the new 'reads' for a few months ahead.

Book group.

Please leave donations in the Church Porch

Most wanted at the food bank....
long life milk,
microwave rice, toothpaste

All kinds of children's craft materials.
Felt tips, colouring books etc.

Julia.



LUNCH AT KENN VILLAGE HALL.

Usually on the first Monday of the month, 12.00 noon to 2.30pm.



Looks like we are ready to go again. Covid death rate is low, infection rate low and vaccination distribution high.

I have booked the village hall for Monday 6th September and Monday 4th October 2021. We are used to giving each other plenty of space. So, the lunch venue has been changed from the church to the hall.

Hopefully by September we will be in the post covid era. Although none of us can be sure. I want to accommodate those who are feeling hesitant about socialising.

I will prepare and make the food to reduce handling. The seating at the tables will be spaced and all the plates and cups disposable. As we become more socially confident, I will revert to china.

Brilliant, I cannot wait for us all to be together again for lunch and laughter.

As usual it will be simple fayre. Soup and sandwiches followed by coffee and cake.

All for £5 per head. Would anyone object to us giving the takings to Clevedon food bank?

Stay safe and well. Caroline.

Congratulations

Liz and Martin Jaehme are delighted to announce the engagement of their youngest son, Chris, to his lovely fiancée Courtney.

The wedding will take place sometime in 2022 somewhere in the UK.

The whole family on both sides are so happy for them and, as you can see from the photo, they are bubbling over with happiness.

Long may it last!



Recycling candles

We will be doing our annual trip to Ottery St Mary in July, to drop off the candle ends from our local churches, if anyone has any old candles for recycling, please drop them off at Church Path Cottage.

Every little helps. Robin and Marianna

MUSIC @ KVH

PRESENTS

Quorum

AT KENN VILLAGE HALL

Sunday 27th June

3PM

Open Air

Classical recital

Quorum are a classical sextet from Bristol.

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Handel, Bach, Vivaldi and more

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Our Monthly Missive from The Limes

Goodness! Almost through another month and another deadline to meet!
The pressure is relentless.

In any case however, it isn't quite that bad. It depends on whether I have something to get off my chest or whether I am clueless that month. In any case however you have no idea of the mental share of my mind I devote to Kenn. Whilst I can't say it takes my every waking moment I do give a lot of thought to you guys and gals and how to entertain you month by month. I'm not intending writing these articles for ever as I don't think I'm capable of it and I'll be pleased when everything can start up properly and Margaret can fill KN&V with more sensible stuff and not have to drag the barrel for articles like mine. However I do thank you for the fantastic comments I have had passed to me about my writings. I have even heard of folk giving their copy of KN&V to others so they could read my stuff. It might be however they didn't want such inflammatory literature in their house and wanted to get rid of it as soon as possible. Whatever it is I just hope I don't blot my copybook in future.

Very occasionally I dig out an old article to remind myself what I have written about in the past, as once I've completed something I tend to forget about its contents. There is a quote from Sherlock Holmes (from The Hound of the Baskervilles) where he says "Intense mental concentration has a curious way of blotting out what has passed..... Each of my cases displaces the last".

Rereading some articles I think, "Did I really write that?" And then, "It's not bad actually."

The process of coming up with a subject can vary. Sometimes it's obvious, such as the idiots guide article on explaining broadband. (Not that any of you are idiots I hasten to add but you might have wanted to share it with your friends in Clevedon or Kingston. – (Ouch)). Apparently it did help enlighten a few folk but now we have fantastic broadband that now disappears as a future topic. And you are now all experts anyway. (And yes, I do know some sections in Kenn are still to be completed).

You may recollect I also had my eyes on the Parish Council for an article but there's a limit how often I can go there.

I could write about lockdowns and response to Covid and probably will at some stage but at the moment I don't find it amusing.

So what about this month?

Well, first of all I think I need to get started and see what pops out. Famous writers had their own ways of getting going but then they did it day in and day out. George Bernard Shaw had a little daily routine to get him started. He had a shed in his garden he called "London" (so he could tell people he had gone to London when he was actually nowhere near) and when he went to his shed he would first sharpen all his pencils before starting. I suppose it was a way of psyching himself up for work and making the transition from home to office.

My normal way of getting started is to sit down on a Saturday morning and just get on with it and hope for the best. That also ties in with something I read recently that the way to get inspiration and originality flowing is just to get on with it.

I came across a quote on similar lines from author E.B. White (who I have never heard of until now but he makes a good point): “A writer who waits for ideal conditions under which to work will die without putting a word on paper.”

And another apt quote: “If you have a limited amount of time to write, you just sit down and do it. You might not write well every day, but you can always edit a bad page. You can't edit a blank page”.

This attitude of just get going was illustrated a few weeks ago when we had a freezing spell. I had a hosepipe that had frozen up and when I turned the tap on a very tiny flow of water would emerge. I waited and waited and after a few minutes it got slightly greater as the water started to melt the ice hindering the flow. After an eternity all the ice had melted and normal flow resumed. Perhaps inspiration is like that.

Once I get started it usually isn't too bad and once I have something reasonable I tweak it over the next few days until I realise it won't get any better and will probably get worse so it had better go off to our editor.

However the whole subject of getting going has caused me to research in more depth how other famous authors got going. Stephen King just aims for 6 pages a day. Dickens wrote in the morning and then went for 3 hour walks around London in the afternoons. A lot of authors just get up early and get writing, sometimes only having breakfast later.

In fact this idea of just getting up and getting it done before anything else is a common theme and again I am reminded of a quote from Mark Twain. “If it's your job to eat a frog, it's best to do it first thing in the morning. And If it's your job to eat two frogs, it's best to eat the biggest one first.”

This philosophy applies to most things in life, that the sooner the hard or unpleasant things are done, the better. Procrastination does not help our mental health and is a slippery slope.

Despite my intentions of avoiding mention of Covid and lockdown it does seem that for some (or many?) of us it has revealed some things about our character that we would rather not know. In particular I'm thinking of how we handle motivation. People sometimes say to me, “I suppose you haven't been able to do much during lockdown”. To which my reply is: “I have loads to do. The problem is motivating myself to do it.”

Apart from the dog I am on my own and the dog's priorities do not coincide with mine. Food, water, sleep, exercise and poos in that order are all the dog is concerned with. I have no-one to “encourage” me to do things so either I have to exercise some self-discipline or else rely on some external constraint to make me do something – such as Margaret's KN&V deadlines. On the way of course it is easy to find distractions. Today for example I should have done clarinet practice but I can give you several good reasons why it didn't happen and now it's late at night and I'm salving my conscience by writing part of this article instead. How the mind is capable of rationalising one's activities!

The end result of course is that some things don't get as far as they could. A bit like this article really.

Stephen

The Future of Neighbourhood Watch in Kenn

We will take this opportunity to say something about the future of Neighbourhood Watch in Kenn. We do not have up-to-date bulletins to pass on this month due to some technical problems with our email which are now sorted....not the fault of the police!



We have been receiving bulletins routinely for many years, passing them on through Kenn News and Views. We select the ones that are most relevant for Kenn and we edit sometimes so that they are not too repetitive month to month.

In the "olden days" when we started as NHW Co-ordinators we received a regular leaflet drop and distributed to the door. This no longer happens. The village co-ordinator receives bulletins by email. Within these emails there has been a further shift in the way information is passed on. It is usually provided in a hyperlink to a document. We have sometimes copied and pasted the full address into the article for the KN&V but it is very doubtful that many will successfully type in what is often a very long address for a browser. There is often a link to guidance on a particular theme: farming, holidays, outbuildings ..and of course scams!

Apart from accessing information in bulletins that are circulated, there may be another advantage to villagers. With some insurance policies it has been possible to claim a discount for being in a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. So it is important that the scheme continues and that it becomes relevant to today's social media.

Unfortunately we do not feel that we are the best people to move these bulletins onto Facebook or other platforms where they probably belong.

So we are looking for someone to take over the role. It is not particularly arduous. The key point of the role is about receiving alerts and passing them on. Currently these are edited for this magazine and this is the only way they are passed on. We imagine that this service should continue but that for many, if not most, in the village these bulletins would be read on the Kenn page of Facebook. We are not Facebook users ourselves.

So we are looking for someone to take over or extend this role for the village, please. If you would like to do this we can talk about how we get the bulletins out to social media in the short term, and perhaps how we can transfer the role to a new NHW Co-ordinator for Kenn to receive and pass on the bulletins. This does not have to be the same person.

We will be shortlisting, inviting to interview, and selecting over the next month.....just kidding!!

Take care and keep safe,

Jan and Colin Bedford Great Thornworth: 01275 343960

Visit to RSPB Ham Wall Reserve and Shapwick Heath National Nature Reserve.

Way back in 2019 at the Yatton Moor Auction, John and I bid for and won a day's birdwatching with Trevor Riddle.

Then Covid came along but last week we put on sturdy shoes packed a picnic and set off.

What an absolute treat—the weather was kind, a cuckoo called, but I failed to see him. However we spotted any number of Marsh Harriers, Bitterns, Hobbies, Swift, water birds, Woodpeckers, Robins and even a couple of Starlings etc. etc.

Our thanks go to Trevor, so knowledgeable, he made it a wonderful outing.

Don't forget that he has published a bird book:

Brilliant Birds of Yatton and Congresbury

If you would like a copy just ask him.

John and Margaret Ball



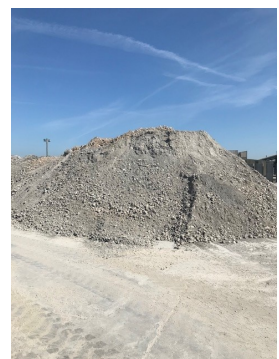
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KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2021

17 May 21 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

1 District Councillor were in attendance.

5 Kenn Residents, 5 Parish Councillors and

After receiving the Chairman's Report and the

KPC Financial Report for the year May 2020 to April 2021, residents then discussed the following:

- Need for the replacement of wooden posts on The Green.
- Possible sites for tree planting in and around the parish.
- How to report potholes and roadside verge damage on North Somerset's website.
- Drum & Monkey, request for information on progress.
- Concern about the deterioration and possible danger of a derelict property on Kenn Street.
- Thoughts about what would provide a long-term recognition of the Queen's Jubilee in 2022.

17 May 21 STATUTORY ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (following the above.)

1) Cllr S Bridger provided an update on the current situation related to Quiet Lanes proposals.

2) A representative of the new developer of the St Modwen site attended to provide details of their draft proposals and to listen to Kenn's preferences. There was a long discussion with the representative on all the issues related to this site.

Meeting – this meeting is similar to an AGM, so the first agenda items are administrative:

- Chairman 2021/22 – Cllr Sheila Naish Vice-Chairman 2021/22 Cllr Neal Breeden
- Annual Review of documents involved in KPC's management, appointment of councillors with special responsibilities eg flood warden, tree warden, also appoint cheque signatories.

Updates on matters from recent meetings:

- Queens Jubilee – discussions on how to commemorate, tree planting, heritage sign refurbishment, possible new bus shelter. Agreed to continue to consider suggestions.
- Rural/Quiet Lane – follow further consultations to be carried out by North Somerset Council.
- Kenn Street 20mph – information received on the organisation promoting 20mph zones.
- Planning Application Kenn Business Park – 2 storey extension to existing factory for offices, training facilities, warehouse, ground floor canteen, more offices at first floor level.
- Hinkley upgrade to powerline – details about consultations and discussions about the impact from providing access over highways to enable these installations.
- Drum & Monkey purchasers – letter received from these was read out.
- Annual Insurance Renewal
- Annual Audit of Accounts for 2020/21

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2021 Meetings

- 05 July – Council Meeting
- 06 September – Council Meeting
- 01 November – Council Meeting

The meetings will be held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall – agendas on the noticeboards before the above dates

Free Flowers – keep an eye out for notices of these on Facebook or the village noticeboards.

