

# KENN

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**Sarah Melling - John and Grace Griffin's daughter was in London for the Coronation - see just how close she got to King Charles III**

NEWS & VIEWS

**June Birthdays & Anniversaries**

June 1 - Simon Pascoe  
2 - Rachel Alexander  
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.  
29 - Ava Alexander  
29 - Simon Alexander

**St John the Evangelist, Kenn**

**St. John's Altar Guild**  
**June Rota**



Grace Griffin, John Griffin and  
Troy Gale

**Our Flag, Church Bell and Tower Floodlights together celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III at the beginning of May.**

On 20th May our flag was flown flag to celebrate the arrival of Oliver James Titterton Greenwood, born on 11th May, a son for Mark Titterton and James Greenwood (picture page 9.)

Sunday 21st May it was flown in celebration of the baptism at St John the Evangelist, Kenn, of



Hallie Rebecca Bessant  
-Hawken,

daughter of India and  
Lewis,

granddaughter of  
Robert Bessant, and

great granddaughter  
of Margaret Bessant

*(Hallie with Mum and  
Grandad)*



Dear friends,

The sun is shining at last! Isn't that wonderful and like me, I hope you are enjoying the warmth.

We celebrated Pentecost on Sunday 28th May; followed by Trinity Sunday 4th June. Pentecost is often seen as the day we celebrate the birth of the Christian Church, the day the disciples first knew the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit. In its power their work then really began and they travelled hundreds of miles in all directions from Jerusalem and around the Mediterranean to share the amazing story about Jesus. Trinity Sunday is a day when we consider the unfathomable mystery of the Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit and begin another annual journey of exploring what all this means in the context of our world today. Someone called Gregory who was a bishop in Nyssa in the 4th century said, 'God is met not as an object to be understood but as a mystery to be loved.' Through June I'll be exploring this and more about the mystery of God with a small group of relatively new Christians keen and excited to know more.

I always enjoy small group focus groups and in May we invited someone to come and help a small group of representatives from all of our 5 churches learn more about Dementia and become Dementia Friends. It was a fascinating morning, and we came away with some very useful resources which are now in church and available for anyone to take if they find them useful. I can always get more. We shall be running another workshop as what we discovered was just how much we need to understand to help those who have dementia live life to the full.



You may have noticed that our damaged cross above the porch is now repaired and safe so huge thanks to all those who keep our building and churchyard safe and beautiful – spaces to rest and reflect.

There are many lovely spots, but I particularly enjoy the walk up to church passed Marianna and Robin's beautiful garden and the two huge pine trees that straddle the gates.

The churchyard is looking so well kept and cared for, thank you to all who help. The church is open every day and everyone is always welcome. We are a growing church with people coming from across the area, not just the village. Thank you to all who make everyone so welcome.

Love, *Fran*





St John's Kenn



All Saints' Kingston Seymour

## **Sunday Services at St. John's Kenn And All Saints' Kingston Seymour June 2023**

### **June 4<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am	St John's	Traditional Holy Communion
11am	All Saints'	All Together in Church

### **June 11<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am	All Saints'	Traditional Holy Communion
11am	St John's	All Together in Church

### **June 18<sup>th</sup>**

11am	All Saints'	Holy Communion
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### **June 25<sup>th</sup>**

11am	St John's	Holy Communion
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Every Tuesday and Wednesday 8.15am

Team Morning Prayer on Zoom

## Yatton Moor Annual Parochial Church Meeting .

On 17th May, parishioners from All Saints' Kingston Seymour, St Mary's Yatton and St John's Kenn, met for the parish's 'AGM', examining the accounts, the physical condition of the churches and generally reflecting on the state of play in year ending December 31st 2022.



This was particularly important while we are in a vacancy. It's a fitting time to thank everyone who gives their time and energy to keep Kenn Church in such good heart. Naming names is a dangerous sport, you know who you are.

To start with, we would like to thank Kenn Altar Guild for keeping the church spotless, we don't know how many people drop in while collecting their local paper or out walking but it's always spick and span, and with exception of during Lent, there are always flowers on the altar.

During festivals and events the whole church is decorated stunningly, so 'thankyou' to all the arrangers.

Thankyou also to all the folk who quietly do mundane but vital jobs, putting the bins out and unlocking and locking up the toilet, keeping the memorial book up to date, arranging the tower floodlighting, tidying graves, and doing little maintenance jobs, before they become big expensive jobs.

Thankyou to the team who mow and strim the churchyard, and anyone we have missed out by mistake, there are so many.

JB & JB Church Wardens

**Charity Coffee Morning - Kenn Church Room**

**Saturday 24 June - 10am-12 Noon**

**For: Dementia UK - Host: Margaret Bessant**

Anyone wishing to host a 4th Saturday Charity Coffee Morning should contact Celia Andrews 01275 877806

## King's Coronation in Kenn.

After watching the Coronation and national celebration on the telly on the 6<sup>th</sup> May, we were ready for village merrymaking. On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May we commemorated the crowning of the King in the village hall.

The sun shone and the community atmosphere was warm and very cordial. So many friends together. Everyone brought food to share.

We feasted on divine savouries and sweets. With so many delicious cakes to go with afternoon tea later in the afternoon.

We were going to have a 'welly-wanging' competition. After some people leaving early and others arriving later in the afternoon, the moment was gone. So, I awarded the Kenn Coronation Junior Cup to Sam for all his help serving the food. The other Kenn Coronation Cup went to Tim Bush for his speech celebrating King and country.

Thank you everyone who came and to those who helped. Special thanks to Mary Ashton and Chris Holloway who each did a village photograph.

A great way to mark the event. Thanks also to John Hayden and Nigel who ran the bar.

Margaret Ball audited the receipts. I had £195 left over from the platinum celebration last year. The expenses came to £149. This means we have £46 to go towards next year's event!

Caroline and John.

**Chris's photo taken as everyone acclaimed — 'God Save the King!'**





**Coronation Flowers  
St John's, Kenn**



## **Yellow Teapot - June**

**Monday 12th June 2-30 to 4.30.**

Hoping to see all the old familiar faces and maybe a few new ones.



Tea and coffee in all the colours and all the sizes.

Gluten Free, Sugar Free and Vegan bakes.

Julia Bush

## **Village Market**

Even though the May market morning was rather cold and grey all who stepped inside the village hall were greeted by a warm welcome from our wide range of stall holders; from glass fusion dishes and mobiles, plants for your garden, delicious cakes and pastries, jams & marmalade, greetings cards, jewellery, vegetables, knitted garments, hand-made soaps and lotions, fresh eggs - to name a few, the produce is wonderful and all locally produced.



I would urge you to come along early so you are not disappointed.

We are certainly lucky in Kenn to have a place where we can catch up with our neighbours over a coffee or tea with a tasty piece of cake.

You will be pleased to know that from your kind donations we have sent £45 to the Clevedon Food bank.

Please remember if you are looking for an easy way to raise money for a favourite charity and would like to run the refreshments, we would love to hear from you.

**The next market is Saturday 10th June from 10am to 12pm.**

If you would like to run the refreshments or would like a table for the June Market please get in touch.

Maggie Hobbs 876277 or Lyn Burnett 870189





Sarah writes -

I boarded the packed 5.09am train from Basingstoke to Waterloo on Coronation Day.



I had low expectations of getting anywhere close to the action as I knew thousands had camped out for days to get a good spot along the Procession route..... I just wanted to be in London to say I'd been part of the momentous event. I couldn't believe my luck as I secured a fabulous position directly opposite Horse Guards Parade on Whitehall at 6.30am. I quickly struck up conversations with my neighbours from Texas and Madrid. The weather could most definitely have been kinder, but the excitement and spectacle did not disappoint. It was without doubt worth the 7 hours standing in the rain!

A great day to remember always.

Sarah Melling (Griffin).

Congratulations -

Mark and James of Rose Cottage, are excited to share the news of the safe arrival of Oliver James Titterton Greenwood born on the 11th May 2023 at Basildon University Hospital through their very special friend and Surrogate Rachael.

They would like to thank the residents of Kenn for all their well wishes and overwhelming support.

The picture shows the proud parents at the flying of the Flag on the village green.





## KENN W.I.

At the May meeting of Kenn W.I. Lisa Clark from The Chocolate Tart came and gave us a talk about her cooking experiences, including cooking for H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, and how she came to specialise in chocolate.

There were samples for us to try and a sales table.

We all had a thoroughly good afternoon as we watched Lisa make chocolates. She was very warmly thanked.

£579 has been sent to St. Peters Hospice. This included the proceeds of three coffee mornings and the Christmas Post Box to which members donated in lieu of postage for the Christmas cards which they exchanged with each other.

As a result of the recent Questionnaire a walking group has been set up and the first walk will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May along the seafront. It will be led by Jenny Croxton. Further walks will be arranged when we have a better idea of member's capabilities.

A final vote was held on whether Diane Woolf should vote for or against the Resolution at the Annual Meeting to be held in Cardiff. The Resolution is a topical one, Clean rivers for people and wildlife. The vote was in favour but Diane was given discretion to alter her vote if the expert speakers raised points that had not been considered.

Caroline Holden, Ann Holtham and Marion Hulance had been to auditions for speakers who wish to be included in the Year Book. There were two who were very good and Caroline will be hoping to include them in future programmes.

At the June meeting Ann Holtham will talk on memories of Kenn at the time of the last Coronation and the scrapbooks that the W.I. have compiled over the years will be available for members to look at and reminisce. As the W.I. celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> birthday this year another scrapbook is being compiled.

A questionnaire asking members what extra they would like the W.I. to do has been circulated and now analysed. As a result, Marlene Arney and Chris Honor will arrange visits to the theatre or cinema, Margaret Bessant will hold Plant swaps, Jenny Croxton will lead some walks and we will be arranging Craft days. It is also hoped to set up a Kenn W.I. website.

Ann Holtham

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**Church Floodlighting:**  
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Marianna or Robin 340323  
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**Altar Guild Secretary:**  
Marianna Mackay 340323

**News & Views:**

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**COFFEE MORNING**

**Saturday 10th June 10.00-12noon**

**North Somerset Times**

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



**Recycling/food waste** Mondays 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th June

**Dustbin** Mondays 12th, 26th June



**CLEVEDON  
SALEROOMS**



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<https://www.clevedonsalerooms.com>

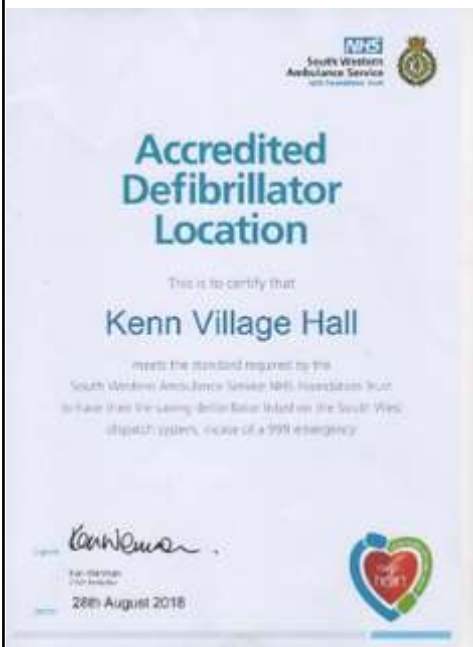
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Thursday 22nd June  
Viewing Wednesday prior  
10am– 5pm

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Thursday 1st June 10.30am  
Viewing at Saleroom  
Wednesday prior 10am—5pm  
Catalogues can be viewed at:  
[www.clevedonsalerooms.com](http://www.clevedonsalerooms.com)

## DEFIBRILLATOR REFRESHER SESSION

# Kenn Village Hall 7pm Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023



Everyone is invited to come along to a Defibrillator Refresher Session

Our trainer will be Jenny Pascoe

Our training session will cover both models of Defibrillator in the Village.

Please come along – who knows - should the occasion arise,

You may be able to **save someone's life!**



refreshments will be served

Organised by Kenn Village Hall Committee

## Bird News

The British Trust for Ornithology ran the first national bird survey from 1968 to 1972 and the most recent from 2007 to 2011. Their scientists have compared the data and produced information on species lost and declining and species gained and increasing for each 10km Ordnance Survey grid square in the UK. Kenn lies at the north end of square ST46 which has Langford in the south and Wrington and Backwell to the east. It does not include the coastal strip.

If you wish to look at more detail or a different area the information can be accessed on the British Trust for Ornithology website - search birds on your doorstep.

17 breeding species were lost between the two surveys, roughly 1970 to 2010 and only six were gained. Five wader species that nested on the moors disappeared as breeding birds. Of these I can only recall Redshanks nesting on Kenn Moor. Turtle Doves are long gone as are Grey Partridge but Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers clung on in the remaining orchards for some time and Tree Sparrows were resident breeders until relatively recently.

Six species were breeding around 2010 that weren't found c1970. They are Little Grebe, Peregrine, Rock Dove, Barn Owl Cetti's Warbler and Raven.

The construction of fishing lakes may have suited Little Grebes and the provision of nest boxes certainly brought Barn Owls back. Peregrines have recovered from the pesticide issues and nest mainly in disused quarries. Ravens have increased exponentially and Cetti's Warblers have colonised the UK from the continent and find the less tidy parts of the moors to their liking. The sixth species is Rock Dove which seems very strange as to the best of my knowledge they now only exist on remote Scottish islands!

Little and Great Egrets weren't found nesting during the last survey but the former may well breed now.

Twelve species had declined but 17 had increased their population so some are thriving. Wildlife species populations have always ebbed and flowed, but like the world itself, it seems that change is happening more quickly nowadays.

Trevor Riddle. 01934 835208.

### KENN PARISH COUNCIL - Chairman's chat

No election took place for Kenn Parish Council, we had 2 people step down, myself and Steve Brain, all the other councillors that stood were re-elected.

This left 2 infilled places.

I was asked to stand for co-option again and had lovely messages and emails asking me to reconsider and so I did, and ended up as Chair again. This will be my 30th year as a councillor.

Tony Parker was also co-opted , he had already been doing sterling work with Councillors for the 20 mph project and we were delighted that he agreed to become a Councillor. Welcome Tony.

Steve Brain stood down as he has various other interests which take up his time.

I would like to thank Steve for all his hard work during the time he has been a Councillor. Steve has been a great support, his contributions have been valuable, and he has always been very fair and impartial. He will be sorely missed and we wish him well with his other interests.

It is a great shame that there were not any new people standing for the positions as new inputs and views would be a valuable asset. We hope that in the future some new folk will be interested and come forward, there will be another 4 years to consider this, also pop along to a meeting and watch and see how things work (or don't!) It is your community that we serve, your thoughts and input matter.

We would like to send congratulations to Mark and James on the arrival of their son Oliver .

We have the same district councillors, Wendy Grigg and Steve Bridger, who are here to give advice and help when needed. Congratulations to both on being re-elected.

We are making good progress with the 20mph for Kenn Street, we are on a list! Further information to follow

**The free summer bedding plants from North Somerset will arrive on Friday 2nd June and can be collected from Rob Treble at The Old Ox House, in Kenn Street**

We are continuing the wild flower patches within the village so watch this space. They were much appreciated and lovely to see .

The minutes of our meetings are available to read on our website .

The numbers for contacting the Council members are always in the News and Views if anyone needs to contact us.

Kind regards

Sheila

Personal contribution

The Coronation celebration lunch on the Sunday was a great get together and very much appreciated. Well done to Caroline and her team.



Once again I would like to say a huge thank you for all the generous donations to the Clevedon Food Bank. All of the food and cleaning items are so helpful for the people in our community who continue to struggle to make ends meet.



Please see attached a receipt for £30 which was very kindly donated to the food bank by the Kenn Women's Institute.

Every donation is hugely appreciated by the volunteers who work so hard to help people to feed their families when they are experiencing personal difficulties. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and willingness to help.

Any donations can be left in the village Church porch or in the front porch of Carpenters Farm, Kenn Street. Liz Jaehme

## Christian Aid Week 2023 in Kenn.

### THANKYOU

Firstly, a big 'Thank You' to everyone who has donated to this year's appeal, I'm thrilled at how many envelopes have already been returned to the mailbox at Quercus, Kenn St.

'It's never too late to donate'

Check out the Christian Aid website for other ways of giving.

Details of the total collected will be detailed in next month's News and Views.

Thanks again. Julia Bush

### THANK YOU from Celia Andrews ....

At the Coffee Morning on Saturday 27th May at the Church Room we raised £100.00 for Christian Aid. Many thanks to all who contributed and helped me with clearing up etc

## The Galvanised Bin.

No more tablet blister packs.

The supply chain has broken down!

The good news is I can still take plastic bottle tops.



Caroline xx

## Village litter pick - Sunday 4th June - KVH 2.00pm followed by refreshments

After a few years break, A FEW OF THE RESIDENTS OF KENN have decided that a litter pick is well overdue and driving around, you will spot the reason.

Unfortunately, due to insurance restrictions NO ORGANISATION OR INDIVIDUAL is officially allowed to organise the litter pick BUT we are pleased that North Somerset Council have agreed to collect the bags of rubbish from us at no charge, if they are all gathered together

A selection of grabs, bag hoops, reflective tabards of various sizes are available, but if you have your own, please use your own items.

These were donated in the past by others for this use some of you may have kit from previous years.

Gloves are desirable really essential - Extra strong bags will be available

The group of individuals doing this will meet at the Hall at 2.00pm Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June with some collecting during the week before, taking all necessary precautions.

*If collecting during the week, please leave tied bags in the farm trailer behind the Village Hall.*

***Most Importantly - Keep Safe - Children must be supervised closely.***

## Lunch Break

After all the bank holidays and celebrations in May, Lunch Break will return on Monday June 5th when soup, bread, cheese, cakes, tea and coffee will once again be served from 12.30 in our lovely village hall. A suggested donation of £5 goes towards the cost of the lunch and any leftover money is donated to Clevedon Foodbank. A warm welcome awaits anyone who fancies coming along.

**June Lunch Break - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> 12.30 - 2pm**

**July Lunch Break - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.30 - 2pm**

Sarah and Tim



Coronation - Mary`s photo



## Our Monthly Missive from the Limes

This month I thought I'd write about a subject on which I am fairly ignorant. That statement probably elevates me enough to allow me to call myself a pundit, or even worse, a politician.

Anyway before I alienate too many people who may actually like pundits or politicians I'd better qualify my first sentence.

This month I want to talk about gardening, a subject on which I am certainly not an expert and on which many in the village could surpass me. I've grown fruit and veg for many years but the floral side of gardening has been a mystery to me and I can only but admire people who will look at a plant and say "that's a whatever" and even give the Latin name. As for those who can tell me what to plant where, well my admiration for them knows no bounds. When I go to a garden centre I look at what is blooming (or whatever it is meant to do) and then look at the label. Invariably it says "plant in well-drained soil in a sunny position". They must be joking. Don't they know what the real world is like? My soil is soggy in winter, shaded in places and is bone dry, cracked clay in summer. I just wish plants sold at the garden centre were as hardy as my weeds but then as weeds don't have a plant label that tells them to die if the soil is not nice, they just grow in ignorance.

Anyway, I've rambled a bit. What I want to do is to focus on an aspect of gardening that I am rapidly becoming an expert on and that subject is dead or dying plants. I have also been performing some research, which I will share with you, which you might find helpful.

It does seem that when conversations move to the topic of gardening that you find most gardeners admit to having lost plants over this last winter. Various causes have been put forwards and I'll come onto them later. In fact the problem is so widespread that I understand even Monty Don has weighed in.

I have lost a large number of shrubs in the last few months. Some were relatively young and one accepts an attrition rate on newly planted ones but others had been in place 10 or more years. Some died during the winter, while my latest death shrub (a Coronilla - if I've spelt it right and it means anything to you) only decided in the last couple of weeks to die. Just as an aside, a lot of beekeepers have had huge colony losses, I've heard of 60 to 80% of colonies not surviving the winter. According to Gardens Illustrated, losses include rosemary, phormium, cordyline, lavender, euphorbias, ceanothus, star jasmine, topiary bay, cistus, Chinese witch hazel, fatsia, santolina, Erysimum 'Bowles's Mauve', hoheria, physocarpus, parahabe, crinodendron, elaeagnus, abutilon, grevillea, thyme, coronilla, convulvulus, bottle brush (callistemon), euonymus, date palm, daphne, privet, camellia, brassicas, passionflower and winter-flowering clematis. There's also accounts of commercial growers losing their entire stock of some plants and if they get it wrong, there is not much hope for the rest of us.

Doesn't seem much is left although I'm please convulvulus is on the list. Unfortunately another eight on the list (and possibly more if I knew the names of what I have) are plants I have and half of them are dead.

So what are the causes?

I've had four reasons put forwards to me by people who know more than me and I'll list them here:

1. Last summer's drought
2. A bad winter
3. Caterpillars – in particular the box hedge caterpillar  
Blight – also called Box Blight

(I've missed out the usual causes such as over watering, under watering, poor soil or location etc as its not really relevant to this discussion although I probably have first-hand experience of all of them).

I'll go through these possible causes in turn. It may shed light on your own particular situation although if the plant is dead, its dead and all you can do is move on and hope next time is better.

Last Summer's Drought: Yes it was fairly severe but we have had worse. I don't recollect great heat but some gardeners reckon it weakened plants. That is not a view shared by the RHS who instead blame the autumn. "Mild, wet conditions in autumn and early winter promotes soft growth. Plants made use of nutrients accumulated during the summer drought as soil organic matter decayed when it was too dry for plants to utilise them. This led to lush soft growth that lacked the hardening normally induced by chilly autumn episodes."

I think I understand what they are saying. It probably makes more sense to you however!

A Bad Winter: In my research this seems to be a more dominant view. I keep a thermometer in my porch and according to its readings it was not a particularly cold winter, although we did have cold spells and we did have cold winds and wet soil. In general it seemed that the weather could just not make up its mind what to do. We've certainly had much worse weather in the past.

As one moved through winter there were rapid changes in conditions and that must have taken its toll. My buddleia had its shoots destroyed by frosts or the wind twice before the latest ones emerged and succeeded and each time the shoots are affected it takes the plant time to summon the energy to have another go.

Caterpillars: I've not seen any but I'm told its the talk all over the Facebook community in Clevedon. Caterpillars come up onto the bush (mainly box) and munch away. The only upside is that there are many happy sparrows feeding on the caterpillars.

Gardeners World says this about them:

"Box tree caterpillars are a relatively new pest. Native to east Asia, they're thought to have hitched a ride on imported plants to Europe, where they were first spotted in 2007. The first moths were found in private gardens in Britain in 2011, initially in the south east, where they are now a major problem. They're also now spreading across the UK. The caterpillars cause most of their damage between March and October. A box ball can be destroyed within a week if action is not taken".

If you've got it the best advice is pick them off by hand but the Gardeners World web site has more options so I suggest you look them up.

Box Blight: Again Gardeners World is helpful on this; "Box blight (*Cylindrocladium buxicola*) is a fungal disease that affects box (*Buxus*) plants. It first appeared in Britain in 1998 and is worst in warm, humid conditions. Box blight causes leaf browning and stem dieback. Box hedges develop unsightly straw-coloured bare patches, which are especially noticeable on box topiary and parterres. Box blight doesn't kill the roots, but it does weaken the plants. Recovery is possible, but it takes perseverance to keep the problem under control – this is easier if you catch it early".

So there you have it from your local, non-expert gardener. Off to the garden centre to see what is disease resistant, bug resistant, able to cope with water, drought, clay, shade, any season and look good at all times. Probably a garden gnome might be the optimum solution.

Stephen

# KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2023

## 2023 Meetings

3 July – Council  
 4 September – Council  
 6 November – Council  
 The meetings will be held at 7:30pm  
 in the Village Hall – agendas on the  
 noticeboards before the above date.

## KENN PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Jon-Paul Humberstone	Tel: 07990 690 060
Tony Parker	Tel: 07815 908 542
Mark Titterton	Tel: 07960 240 960
Robert Treble	Tel: 07831 316 760

## NORTH SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

Steve Bridger	Tel: 07762 023 423
Wendy Griggs	Tel: 01934 834 143

## Annual Parish Meeting – 6 March 2023

6 Residents & 5 Parish Councillors attended.

The reports of Kenn Parish Council at the end of the Council's year were received; Chairman's Report and Financial Report for 2022-2023. Then the meeting was opened to questions and comments, some these were:

- A discussion on the 20mph Kenn Street scheme's progress and issues related to enforcement
- Quiet Lanes update on the consultation
- Impact of the floodlights from the Hand Stadium – those concerned were advised that North Somerset Council had a facility to report light pollution
- Litter Clearance, discussion about the problems related to organizing a village litter pick.

## Statutory Annual Meeting – 15 May 2023

Kenn Parish Council met following the elections held on the 4 May 2023.

Councillors Wilf Bessant, Neal Breeden, Jon-Paul Humberston, Mark Titterton and Rob Treble had all been elected uncontested. They completed their 'Declaration of Acceptance' and 'Register of Interests.' There were two vacancies which were advertised on the Village Hall noticeboard.

Sheila Naish had been approached about continuing as a councillor, this she agreed to do and had completed the form 'Eligibility to Stand as a Parish Councillor' Form, meeting the criteria.

Attending among the residents was Tony Parker, who was a member of the Parish Council's Working Party endeavouring to obtain a 20mph scheme for Kenn Street. Elected members enquired if Tony would be interested in being co-opted onto the Parish Council. Tony agreed to accept the invitation, he also completed the form 'Eligibility to Stand as a Parish Councillor' Form, and also met the criteria.

Both Sheila and Tony completed their 'Declaration of Acceptance' and 'Register of Interests.'

The meeting then continued and covered the agenda items: Annual Review of Council policies and documents etc, Finance and the Audit of the Accounts for the Financial Year 2022-23 (internal audit carried out by the Clerk of Cleeve PC), Planning Applications and Annual Insurance and correspondence.



## FREE FLOWERING PLANTS

Will be available from Rob Treble after  
 the Bank Holiday.

Please contact any of the councillors to be able to  
 request some – there are a limited number of plants.

