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NEWS & VIEWS

May - Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st Hartley Staples

Margaret Ball (senior) Lynne & Steve Bye W.A.

3rd Chloe Hayzen 4th Tony Parker

5th Sarah & Tom Clark W.A.

8th Mike Stowell 10th Jilly Butland Jane Morris 12th Robert Porch

Adeline Humberstone

15th Samuel Leiper 22nd Duncan Mackay 26th Jane Staples

27th Christopher Jaehme

29th Millie Stowell Samuel Rogers 30th Joanna Brain

India Bessant

Our Flag, Bell and Floodlights 3rd April our flag was flown to celebrate Easter, also flying for the safe arrival of a new baby boy (8 and a half pounds) born to Tom and Johanna Woods, in Germany 6th grandchild for Ben and Jean Woods.

9th April The flag was flown at half mast today following the death of Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh. Our bell was tolled 99 times as a mark of respect, and our church floodlit.

Our bell was muffled and our flag flew at half mast for the period of mourning until the funeral on Saturday 18th April when our Church was again floodlit in his memory.

10th April and 29th April at half mast for the passing and funeral of John Bessant.

21st April - Our flag was flown to mark the 95th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

23rd April - Our St. Georges Flag was up the mast to celebrate St George's Day.

St John the Evangelist, Kenn Kenn Altar Guild May Rota

Caroline Holden, and Jo Manning

Thanks to everyone who so beautifully decorated St. John's for the Easter Celebrations.





Our Easter Altar at St John's Thanks go to Jean-Louis Maurin for our Paschal Lamb Loaf

Dear friends,

We have had some lovely weather which has given us all a chance to meet with others in our gardens and outside cafes and bars and that has been really great. I know we need rain too but I just love seeing the sun, especially under current constraints! We were also blessed with fine weather over Easter and so we enjoyed a 'mini fire' in the churchyard from which we lit the Easter candle on Easter Saturday and we sang a hymn together outside at the end of our Easter service. The first chance I have had since I have been here to hear the congregation sing! I can't wait to start singing in church again.





Perhaps you share the feelings I have of being really excited at the prospect of what we are gradually going to be able to do again over the next couple of months - meeting inside as well as out for social events, singing together, inviting people into our homes, visiting loved ones. I'd also add to that list weddings and baptisms. We have two weddings booked later this year at St John's which is so great but how about baptisms?



I would like to invite anyone who would like to explore baptism for themselves or a family member to be in touch with me.

You can be baptized at any age and we can tailor the celebration to fit. That would be so amazing so PLEASE contact me by phone or email as I would be SOOOO pleased to help.

franbindingkks@gmail.com 01934 830120 (please leave a message if I'm not in!)

Fran

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK in KENN 2021

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Dear All,

This year, there will not be a door to door collection in Kenn for Christian Aid Week.

I am not completely convinced calling on multiple households in a short space of time is a good idea at this stage in the Covid proceedings. Also, many household do not handle cash or cheques.

Ways to Donate.

On line at <u>caweek.orq</u>

Call 08080 006 006

Post cheques to Christian Aid, 35 Lower Marsh, London SE1 7EL (may take a while to clear).

Text GIVE to 70040* to give a fiver.

Text DONATE to 70040 to give £3, DONATE5, DONATE10 or DONATE20 to give £5, £10 or £20

*You will be charged £5 plus your standard network rate. Christian Aid will receive £4.90 of your donation.

By texting you are agreeing to Christian Aid texting or phoning you to tell you about their work and how you can help.

If you wish to donate and not hear from them again, text GIVE NO to 70040. For more info, call 020 7620 4444

As a last resort, contact me and I will arrange your donation.

I also hope to organise a Christian Aid ''EVENT', probably in the autumn.

Thank you, Julia Bush 01275 873554



A donation of £210 has been sent to Christian Aid to help fund vaccinations against Covid-19 in many of the poorer countries of the world.

The money was raised by donations from generous parishioners in both Kenn and Clevedon who gave the money in lieu of cash which would normally have been raised by the annual Lent Lunches in Celia and John's home in Kenn which did not go ahead this year because of the pandemic.

Some of the money was gift aided so the total value of the donation was £237.50.

Many thanks to all those people who contributed.

Celia and John Andrews.

Heaven Preserve Us.

I have the complete range of HPU Jams, Chutneys and Marmalades available for delivery or collection.

Thankyou, Julia Bush 01275 873554

May Cakes.

I will be baking all the usual kinds of cake, sponges (jam and chocolate), spicy apple, fruit cake, lemon drizzle, mincemeat, marmalade etc. on Friday 7th May for delivery on Saturday 8th.

Profits will got Orbis, the eye surgery charity. I have chosen Orbis because someone in my family was treated by one of its founders.

Orders by phone, email or any way you like. Thank you, Julia Bush 01275 873554

Blay Family News from Ghana

Dear All,

Thanks to all the Simnel cake munchers and some generous donations, I was able to send the funds for the Blay children's school fees for the summer term.

Despite everything, including the Covid dangers and restrictions, Michael Blay remains energetic and optimistic in his efforts to support his brother's (the late Denis Blay) widow and children, as well his own family.

Thanks again,

Julia Bush

Hi Mummy , thank God I am doing well and the kids too are doing

fine but the covid 19 has made everything slow even the painting work is not going good for me. It's very hard and the children expenses are becoming high to handle. I always thank God for your support. It always help me a lot, without you I could not know what to do and the poultry work I've started is still not getting any benefit until the chicks become mature then I look for market.

God bless you and all people around you. Michael Blay



Clevedon Food bank.

Thank you to everyone who has been leaving donations in the box in the church porch.

As of Monday 26th April, most needed items are all kinds of toiletries and Hot Chocolate.

Julia Bush



Thanks

Thanks go to John Griffin for tolling our bell 99 times on the evening of Friday 9th April, to mark the passing of Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh.

Also thanks to Dave Pugh for floodlighting our church on the 9th April and again following the funeral service on Saturday the 18th.

Thanks also to Robin and Marianna Mackay for flying our flag.

(We understand that Dave Pugh spent a few days in the Bristol Royal Infirmary, and is now doing well).

Thanks also to John Ball for replacing the mesh on the tower at St John's. Margaret 'footed' the very long ladder to keep him safe.



Thank you,

Paul and Mary Ashton have been quietly delivering 'Cream Teas' to villagers. Jo and Colin Cooper have asked me to thank them for their kindness.

These have been gratefully received, what lovely people we have in Kenn.



KENN W.I.

As a lovely surprise our President Diane Woolf prepared Easter goodie bags for all our members and they were delivered in time for us to eat lots of chocolate at Easter. Also included was a recipe for Easter biscuits which we were able to bake. As we are gradually being released from lockdown so hopefully it will not be too long before we can all meet together again.

Last month I reported that Thelma Blake was in hospital. She has now moved to a Nursing Home for rehabilitation so we hope it will not be too long before she is at home again.

As things are now returning to some sort of normality and we hope to meet (weather willing) behind the Village Hall for tea and chat on 9th June. It will do us all good to meet up again and we hope that anyone interested will be able join us too. We will meet at 2.30 p.m. and we will be much more certain by then about what we are going to be allowed to do. There will have been more instructions from Boris by then!

A splendid programme for the remainder of the year has been arranged so we do hope that we shall be able to fulfil it. Group activities are beginning to start up again, so that now most of us have received at least one vaccination we will start to be as busy as we were before.

The Charity that we chose to support in 2020/2021 has opened its premises in Avonmouth to visitors again so our President Diane Woolf will be taking them a donation and, a lot of knitted hats and some clothing as soon as she is able.

We hope that when the Coffee Mornings in the New Room and the Village Market restart we will be able to increase our donation. We all look forward to seeing everyone again.

Ann Holtham



Our thanks go to
Chris Holloway who lives on Kenn Moor Road
for this superb photograph taken along the Blind Yeo, near Kenn Pier

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.

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.

Stay safe and well. Caroline.





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

All Services at 11.00 am

May 2nd All Saints' All Together in Church May 9th St John's Holy Communion

May 16th All Saints' Holy Communion
May 23rd St John's Holy Communion
May 30th All Saints' A joint Service of the Word

May 30th All Saints' (5th Sunday)

A reminder that we will be holding a joint service at 11am. It is at All Saints' as it has a slightly greater capacity to sit everyone abiding by social distancing rules so **booking will be needed.**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8.15am Morning Prayer - Zoom Sundays 6.00pm - Team Evening Service - Zoom

Contact details: Fran Binding (House for duty priest) 01934 830120 franbindingkks@gmail.com

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Marianna or Robin 340323 Chris Taylor 872781

Altar Guild Secretary:

Marianna Mackay 340323

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David Pugh 874278

News & Views:

Margaret Ball 01275 874077

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Village Market

Postponed usually 2nd Saturday each month.

North Somerset Times

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



MAY WASTE COLLECTION - MONDAYS

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This recital will include music from,

Handel, Bach, Vivaldi and more
This will be OPEN AIR

In order to keep everyone as safe as possible, BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINK.

Tickets are £10 each They are limited to 120

All tickets must be paid for on booking with names for each Tickets available from

kvhall@gmail.com

John Peter Bessant - 1940-2021

John sadly passed away peacefully on April 9th exactly 18 months after being admitted to Sycamore Lodge Nailsea, where he was so wonderfully cared for.

John's grandfather and father both lived in Kenn many years ago. His grandfather living at Unique, Kenn Road and his father at Kenn Court Cottages.

John's father and mother moved to Churchill Avenue, Clevedon where most of the 11 children were born, 7 girls and 4 boys, John being the youngest.

Bert, Doug and John all worked for Ralph Bye (Steve Bye's father) on the farm at Kenn Pier and David and Doug worked at Kenn Court for Sam and later for Richard Dyer.

John attended St John's School, Clevedon, then Highdale Secondary Modern where I have been told he played truant more than once!

After leaving the farm John worked for Jones Water Contractors and then for many years different Gas contractors.

Seeking lighter work he went to Bristol Airport preparing and packing food for the flights, he finally completed his working life at Portbury Docks as a Weigh Bridge Operator. At 62 he had Meningitis and had to retire.

He spent many happy times at The Drum and Monkey. He also loved it at Kenn Market chatting to everyone. He just loved people

A Thanksgiving Service for John's life has taken place at Clevedon Baptist Church, at the same time Mike Callow tolled the bell at St John's where friends held a prayer vigil in John's memory. Other friends lined the route of John's cortege from his home to the Baptist Church.

A big thankyou for all the lovely people of Kenn and surrounding area for their cards and kind words, it has been a great comfort for us in our sadness.

Margaret, Rob and Kay



John Peter Bessant

He never failed to do his best, His heart was true and tender. He worked, and toiled, for those he loved.

And left them to remember.

We sat beside your bedside Dad, Our hearts were crushed and sore. We did our duty to the end, Till we could do no more!

In tears, we watched you sinking, We watched you fade away.
And though our hearts were breaking,

We knew, you could not stay.

You left behind some breaking hearts,

That loved you most sincere. We never shall, and never will, Forget YOU, Father Dear.

A tribute from his children Kay and Rob

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Bird News

Swallows and House Martins have been slow to arrive with generally just single birds being seen. Jeff Naish saw one on the 3rd and had also seen two Kingfishers on the Kenn River with several Wheatears on Tickenham Moor. A few days later he spotted a Little Owl at his farm, the first for some time.

Steve Edwards watched a Red Kite over Duck Lane early in the month and another was seen there a few days later by an observer who wishes to remain anonymous. There was another over Kenn Moor on the 19th drifting north and almost as unusual at this time of year a Cormorant.

The bird of the month (year?, decade?) was a Hen Harrier first spotted by Jo Treble on Kenn Moor on the 5th. Ten days later what was almost certainly the same bird was reported from Nailsea Moor then a couple of days later back on Kenn Moor. I alerted Jeff Naish on the 19th and he had a close view from his truck on Tickenham Moor later that morning. Mark Savage got his picture from Nailsea Moor on the same day and I saw it there on the 20th. John Croxton watched it fly very high to the north west on the 22nd presumably continuing is migration after at least 18 days on the local moors.

This is a record unprecedented for at least the 40 years that I have lived in Yatton. Hen Harriers are the UK's most persecuted bird of prey - they predate Grouse on their nesting territories and only around 20 pairs nested successfully in England last year. Natural England estimate that there is habitat for at least 300 pairs.

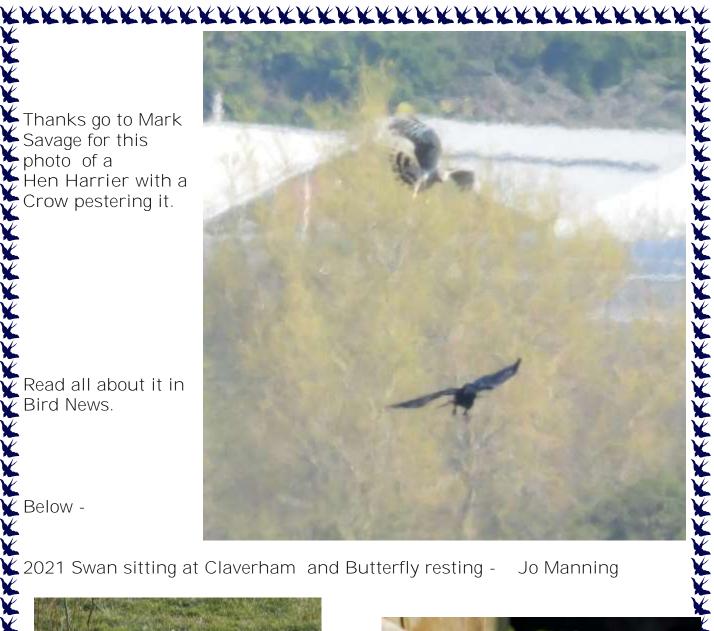
Continuing the bird of prey theme an Osprey was hovering over the Kenn River on the 8th with another seen high over Yatton a few days later. A few Ospreys had been at Chew and Blagdon lakes held up by strong northerlies and those winds may have also stopped the Hen Harrier on its journey.

Nailsea Moor also produced a pair of Lapwings, two pairs of Stonechats, a Curlew and all the common Warbler species, which unlike the Swallows seem to be arriving at the usual dates. On the estuary there were 130 Bar Tailed Godwits at the Dowlais Section on the 23rd and 90 Whimbrel along with 15 Wheatears two days later.

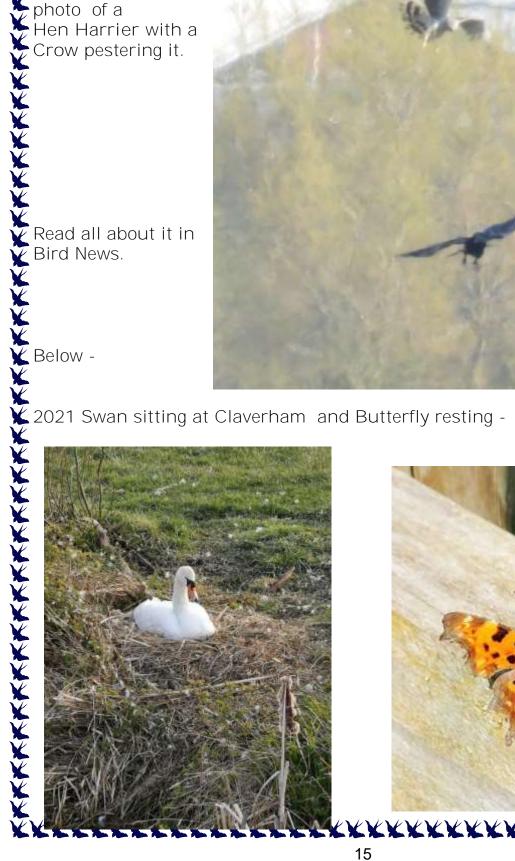
Migrants will continue to arrive until around mid May and Kites should continue to pass over from time to time for the next couple of months.

Trevor Riddle - 01934 835208

Thanks go to Mark Savage for this photo of a Hen Harrier with a



Jo Manning





Our Monthly Missive from the Limes

"Why would anyone *not* want to live here?" was the question asked of me by a neighbour recently. (By "recently" I mean within the last few months. Sadly I do not see my neighbours very often for a chat, our contact is usually limited to a wave as we drive past).

Anyway I could give him a few answers but I do see his point. Strictly speaking he was referring to the highly select area of Kenn known as Kenn Moor Road but for the sake of this month's reflections it is worth expanding the geographic area somewhat and consider the pros and cons of living in Kenn.

This is my second attempt at this month's topic. When I first started I realised that although it was informative it was also in danger of being incredibly boring. My aim in these articles is not to promote afternoon naps or a cure for insomnia so I started again. If however you fall asleep reading this please do let me know.

The Covid pandemic has caused me often to think of the benefits of Kenn's location. The media tell us people are relocating out of London to the regions in search of a larger properties and a more relaxed lifestyle. There must be very few places in the country which are so well located for communications and travel. I defy anyone to come up with a rural location somewhere so near to a motorway junction (4 mins), a mainline train station to London (3 mins) and an international airport (17 mins) – the latter now with a direct bus service!

What about Kenn itself, such as its history? Well, to be honest it isn't great. Kenn's history is a little unsavoury, particularly around the Duck Lane area although I'm sure that area is now a model of propriety. The Kenn hangings of course are a highlight or a lowlight (depending on your point of view) in its past and still give rise to a small tourist interest. Kenn's industrial heritage is often forgotten and I'm told that in 1800 there were more people living in Kenn than in Weston.

What about facilities? Well it depends what you want. We have lost the post office and pub but we have a village hall, an active church, garages and 2 post boxes and a dog bin. (OK, we have more but a detailed inventory would really bore you). There are schools and shops in Clevedon and I remember Heather's mother moaning about how close we are to Tesco when hers was 4 miles away: "And you don't even live in a town. Its not fair." If you are the right end of the village you can even walk there.

For fitness freaks we have a gym, accessible from the village by a footpath across the fields so you can get your exercise twice if you walk or three times if chased by animals (only friendly sheep when I walked it) or even four times if you include having to climb over a locked gate at the Kenn end and lift your dog over.

That does bring me onto footpaths generally. We are not well served. The main road, in the main (ha ha) does have a pavement of sorts and Kenn Street and Duck Lane are fairly safe to walk along. Apart from the Kenn Pier area there are only two footpaths locally that I know of, although my map does show one opposite Kenn Court to North End. The one from Stonehouse Farm south I plan to walk sometime but am told it is not easy to follow. The other between Avril's and Kenn Street is an easy walk once you get to the fields. Lilypool Drove (behind Kenn Moor Road) became a public right of way a few years back and is worth a stroll. Unfortunately none of them are great in winter. My own personal dream is a footpath from near my house to the village hall so I can get into the village safely. Interestingly I have a map from around 1800 that shows the track from opposite Duck Lane going all the way to Kenn Pier. Kenn Moor Road did not extend that far in those days and stopped at the track to Lilypool Drove.

In Kenn we have a village hall full of character (now with added broadband), lovingly maintained by a team of volunteers and I can truly say I have never seen one like it. I'm amazed it is not listed.

Also, and I hesitate to mention the broadband word again, we have some of the best broadband on the planet so if you are working from home or need to set up an office you are now well connected. (As an aside my broadband went down yesterday. I rang Technical Support and it transpired that my over-zealous vacuuming had dislodged a connector in its socket. I felt a right chump).

We have village clubs and events and a WI. KN&V of course is where to go for information on these. Also although the frequency in recent years has tailed off, Kenn has the ability to find almost any reason for a party or special event. Recently I summoned up the courage to clear out Heather's desk (after 4 years) and I found the Kenn Festival material from 2010. With others she organised the Kenn Historic House Tour which was just one of a number of events that weekend. I also remember the Flower Festival weekend and a wartime commemoration event and regular village photographs. In fact I guess we are probably due for another village photograph.

There's many other aspects I could go into, both good and bad but because of space (you don't want another 3 pager) I'll gloss over the lack of mains gas for many, no playground, traffic and the fun of driving through Yatton, offset by the positives of a lovely village green, a regular Village Market, lovely cottages and local farms and many more, but the most important aspect is our community spirit and how we relate to one another and get on with one another.

You may have different experiences but I have found people in Kenn to be good and kind to me - and that is not just because I am now on my own. From the time we moved to the village we had a lovely reception from people we met and some extremely useful advice. I remember Ray Naish visiting once and being so positive about us coming and what we were doing. I remember him also saying "I've not been in this house for 50 years!"

Unlike other villages we don't come across snobby or cliquey (again my view) and I'd like to think we are welcoming to all. If someone needs help or support of any kind I think people would rise to the occasion.

One of my "hats" on the Parish Council is Community Resilience, which basically means dealing with any disasters. My feeling is that if there was natural disaster in our village everyone would muck in and help each other out and see what needs doing and just get on with it without being told.

Finally, it must be said the village can be "bolshie" for want of a better word.

There have been times we have banded together against a common enemy.

The planned country's noisiest pop festival at the Hand a few years back comes to mind and in the end because of village efforts it was so quiet that fans wanted their money back.

The message of course is "Don't mess with Kenn!"

All in all why would anyone not want to live in Kenn?

Stephen

Neighbourhood Watch

Received 30th March

Buying & Selling on Social Media / Online Platforms. (Market Places)



We are seeing an increase in burglaries from garages and sheds where the offenders are clearly seeking out motorcycles, specifically dirt bikes such as KTM & Yamaha. It appears that a number of these bikes have been listed for sale on social media platforms, where a potential buyer arranges to view the vehicle but then doesn't turn up. Not surprisingly, a day or so later the Garage / Shed is broken into and an attempt is made to steal the bike or it is stolen.

If you are considering selling your vehicle - or any expensive item - follow the guidance provided on the website. Do not automatically assume it is safe to pass over your address details and or photos of your vehicle outside of your garage, especially if it shows your street name and garage number. If you do so and the purchaser doesn't turn up, be aware and pay close attention to the item you are selling and the security of the location it is stored.

Sadly, this may not just affect you. If your garage is broken into, your neighbour is likely to be targeted and may also sustain damage to their garage in the process.

Remember, whenever you place an advert you are also advertising what you have to steal. Read the guidance provided by the website carefully, and ask yourself if you really need to provide your address or do you meet somewhere public nearby?

Always meet any prospective buyers in a well-lit, public area.

Attachments: motorbike-scooter-security.pdf

https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/media/32958735/motorbike-scooter-security.pdf

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number: 5221044452 stating NHW Release or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Received 1st April

Caravan Security

As the restrictions around Covid-19 are being eased and many people are looking at "Staycations" rather than holidays aboard, Caravans are becoming increasingly popular. Unfortunately criminals have also noticed this, so please take steps to increase the security of your Vans.

Secured By Design is the official police security initiative which provides a recognised standard for all security products, and a recent addition to this listing is Caravan iD. This scheme provides an individual identification number for your caravan and motorhome that can be checked to see if it has been stolen. For more information, visit their website at https://caravanid.com/

Other similar products are also available on the SBD website http://www.securedbydesign.com.

All these products are police approved products.

Attachments:

<u>caravan-security.pdf</u> <u>https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/media/32958748/caravan-</u> security.pdf

Received 6th April

Police Beat Team, Newsletter

Please see attached a copy of a Newsletter created for you by your local Police Beat Team.

Attachments:

<u>yatton-newsletter-april-21.pdf</u>

https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/media/32958751/yatton-newsletter-april-21.pdf

Our thanks go to Colin and Jan Bedford for this information

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2021

Annual Parish Meeting — on the 17 May 21 @ 7pm Followed by the Parish Council Statutory Annual Meeting

Changes to North Somerset Council's Executive Knowing who to contact:

North Somerset Council, Leader of the Council, Cllr Don Davies announced some changes to the council's Executive team

Cllr Steve Bridger joins the Executive as lead member for Assets and Capital Delivery while adjustments are being made to other portfolios. CIIr Mike Solomon becomes Executive Member for Neighbourhoods and Community Services and Cllr Bridget Petty is Executive Member for Climate Emergency and Engagement.

There will also continue to be two assistant executive members with Cllr Nicola Holland assisting with post Covid skills and education engagement and CIIr Robert Payne supporting the delivery of local parking schemes. The changes are being introduced to ensure that the remit of each Executive member is closely aligned to the council's structure, making it easier for councillors and officers to work together to deliver the council's priorities.

Cllr Davies said: "We are an ambitious council committed to delivering great services and improvements for the people of North Somerset. Rightly we have focused on supporting our communities through the pandemic over the past year, but it means we still have lots that we want to achieve over the next two years. "It's essential that we make it as easy as possible for our officers and senior councillors to work together so that we can achieve those goals. I am hugely grateful to James Tonkin and Geoff Richardson for the work they have both done for us, and also welcome Steve Bridger to the Executive team and Cllr Payne as Assistant Executive Member."

The changes to the Executive came into effect on Wednesday 21 April. The revised portfolios are: Cllr Don Davies - Leader of the Council Cllr Mike Bell - Deputy Leader of the Council & Executive Member for Adult Services, Health & Housing Cllr Catherine Gibbons - Executive Member for Children's Services and Lifelong learning Cllr Nicola Holland - Assistant Executive Member Post Covid Education and Skills recovery Cllr Ash Cartman - Executive Member for Corporate Services Bridget Petty - Executive Member for Climate Emergency and Engagement Cllr Mark Canniford -Executive Member for Placemaking and Economy Cllr Robert Payne - Assistant Executive Member Parking strategy and delivery Cllr Mike Solomon - Executive Member for Neighbourhoods and Community Cllr Steve Bridger - Executive Member for Assets and Capital Delivery Services

Cllr S Bridger is a Yatton Ward councillor – Kenn is within Yatton Ward

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NORTH SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

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2021 Meetings

7:30pm

17 May- Annual Parish Meeting 17 May – Statutory Annual Meeting (following the above)

05 July – Council Meeting

06 September – Council Meeting 01 November - Council Meeting

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

Parish Clerk - Eleanor Wade

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