

Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland Village Newsletter

January 2019

Available via email, or in the Church or from the Village Hall Mondays & Thursdays 10:00 am to 12:45 pm
Deadline for items – 25th of each month – to Liz (liz.mcconnell50@gmail.com or 667375)

| Date | | Morning | Afternoon / Evening |
|------|------------------|---|--|
| Mon | 31 st | NEW YEARS EVE POST OFFICE CLOSED | |
| Tue | 1 st | NEW YEARS DAY New Years Day Village Walk – see notice Meet in the LSL Village Hall Car Park at 11:00 | |
| Wed | 2 nd | Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Collection | |
| Thu | 3 rd | Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm |
| Fri | 4 th | | |
| Sat | 5 th | | |
| Sun | 6 th | LSL Morning Prayer at 11.15am | Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm |
| Mon | 7 th | SCHOOL TERM STARTS Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm |
| Tue | 8 th | Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection Put your old Christmas trees out for the bin men. | |
| Wed | 9 th | | |
| Thu | 10 th | Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | W.I., LSL Village Hall, Meeting Room. 7.30 – 10.00 pm Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm |
| Fri | 11 th | The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am | |
| Sat | 12 th | | |
| Sun | 13 th | CF Holy Communion at 9.30 am | Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm |
| Mon | 14 th | Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm |
| Tue | 15 th | Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Collection | |
| Wed | 16 th | | |
| Thu | 17 th | Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm |
| Fri | 18 th | The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am | |
| Sat | 19 th | | |
| Sun | 20 th | LSL Holy Communion at 11.15am | Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm |
| Mon | 21 st | Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Parish Council Meeting, LSL Village Hall. 7.30 pm Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm |
| Tue | 22 nd | Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection | Mobile Library LSL Old Post Office TA4 3SB 11.30 - 11.45 |
| Wed | 23 rd | | |
| Thu | 24 th | Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm |
| Fri | 25 th | The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am | |
| Sat | 26 th | | |
| Sun | 27 th | CF Morning Prayer at 9.30 am | Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm |
| Mon | 28 th | Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm |
| Tue | 29 th | Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Collection | Over 60s Lunch, LSL Village Hall, 12.30 pm |
| Wed | 30 th | | |
| Thu | 31 st | Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm |

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2018 at 7.30pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall.

Councillors present, Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Charles Cox, Matt Hele, Don Hobson, Maeve Vickery and Andrew Venner.

Also in attendance: Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk, County Cllr Mike Rigby and 1 member of the public.

The meeting was preceded by an introduction from the new Village Agent, Cat Sweatman. She informed the Council of her role and the support she is able to offer to help connect people. Posters were given to place on the Notice Boards.

18/77 **Apologies** from Cllrs Mary Harding, Borough Cllr Gwil Wren and PCSO Louise Fyne.

18/78 **Declarations of interest** – None received

18/79 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 15th October 2018 were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

18/80 **Matters Arising**

None

18/81 **Planning**

81.1 Applications received for comment from Taunton Deane BC:

22/18/0018 - Erection of a single storey extension to the front of Pipers Gate, Chapel Leigh Road, Lydeard St Lawrence (resubmission of 22/17/0021)

The Planning Committee had No Objections to this application.

81.2 Notification of any Taunton Deane Decisions:

None received

18/82 **Requests for Assistance with Funding**

82.1 Football Club Request

Dr Mike Campbell made a request to the Parish Council to assist in funding some football equipment costing £599.88 plus VAT totalling £719.85. Quotes have been obtained from reputable suppliers and have been provided to support this funding request.

Members of the Parish would like to increase use and interest in the playing fields excellent facilities. As a result of a number of numerous very successful ‘fun’ nights that occurred through 2017/2018 held on the field for children between the ages of 10-16, the purchase of some football equipment including posts, nets, balls and bibs would help to encourage attendance and provide greater interest from those 10-16 year olds.

Agreement with the Cricket Club has been made where the equipment can be used on the South end of the Parish playing field. Agreement with the Cricket Club has also been made whereby the equipment can be stored securely and out of the weather whilst not being used.

The request is for 2 x Steel frame Goal posts – 60mm in diameter) – 12ft x 6ft free standing goal posts, Balls, pump, ball net, Bibs and cones.

It is anticipated that the equipment will last 5 years without maintenance, any further costs will be sourced from fundraising, not that this should be required within the next 5 years.

Two Parishioners who are leading the initiative are, Mr Simon Broad and Dr Mike Campbell will be responsible for the equipment. Mr Simon Broad is a member of the Cricket Club and will act as the lead representative for the equipment to the Cricket Club.

The total cost of funding for the equipment is requested from the Parish Council.

Councillor Hele fully supports the initiative and is willing to act as the principal conduit and any further Parish representation if required between those Parishioners leading the initiative and Parish Council on this matter.

Cllrs all agreed that this would be a great resource for the playing field and to enable interaction between more people on the playing fields. It was agreed to fully support this request and the total amount to be paid from CIL of £719.85 being able to claim back the VAT.

82.2 Wivey Library

A group called Save Wivey Library have requested that Wiveliscombe Town Council take on the running costs of the Library after it was announced that SCC would close it. In the request it is asking for surrounding Parish Councils to assist in the funding costs of the running of the Library from April 2019. Lydeard St Lawrence has been asked to increase its Precept by £1 per unit in the proposal, meaning funding £213 per year towards the Library. Between 9 and 12 residents from the two Parishes use the Library.

Cllrs discussed this matter in depth along with the proposal to also close Bishops Lydeard Library and the possible support requests from them. Only 6 residents use Bishops Lydeard Library.

Cllrs agreed that to increase the Precept seemed unreasonable to support only 6-12 people and decided against the request for financial help for either Library.

82.3 Surviving Winter Appeal

The Parish Council note the request to donate the Winter Fuel allowance if you did not need it and agreed it should be published locally; it had already been placed in the newsletter.

82.4 WAP

Wivey Link have requested that the Parish Council make a donation to support them and their running costs. It was agreed not to make a donation to Wivey Link and keep the local support for Lydeard Lifts.

82.5 Citizens Advice

Parish Councillors agreed that if people personally wanted to make a donation, they could but this should not be a donation from the Parish Council.

18/83 **Precept and Budget**

83.1 The Clerk presented the Budget for 2019/20, with a healthy spending from the Community Benefit Fund and a healthy unrestricted fund. The footpath fund had some spending on the Church Path. The play area fund is increasing. This year has also seen some payments from the CBF to the Primary School and Tolland Phone Box.

83.2 Currently this year the Precept is £19.286 per Band D equivalent, £4102.52. If we want to keep it the same, then we would ask for £4236 as the tax base is slightly higher this year. (219.66 compared to 212.72 last year.). Cllrs agreed to setting the Precept to be the same as last year and ask for £4236. Proposed Cllr Telling, Seconded Cllr Hobson

18/84 **Financial**

84.1 The Accounts Statement was noted by the Council

84.2 CIL Payment Received of £1210.25

84.3 Football Club £719. Cllrs agreed to the proposal and for the goods to be ordered, with an Invoice to be sent to the Clerk. Proposed Cllr Cox, Seconded Cllr Venner

84.4 Cllrs agreed to Pay the Clerks Salary and Expenses £412.11

Proposed by Cllr Cox Seconded by Cllr Venner

84.5 Cllrs agreed to Pay J Marshall to reimburse Remembrance Wreath £17

Proposed by Cllr Hele Seconded by Cllr Hobson

18/85 **Winter Planning – Salt**

The revised plan for Winter gritting from SCC was noted by the Council. Cllr Marshall said he would inspect the bins within the Parish to check if they are full. Cllrs agreed that they would keep an eye on the situation and order salt if necessary.

18/86 **Get Set Consultation**

Noted by the Council and agreed a Parish Council response was not necessary.

18/87 **Parking Review**

Noted by the Council and agreed a Parish Council response was not necessary.

18/88 **Proposed Parish Council 2019 Meeting Dates**

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| 4 th Mar | 9 th Sep |
| 8 th Apr | 21 st Oct |
| 20 th May AGM and VAPM | 2 nd Dec |
| 15 th Jul | 20 th Jan 2020 |

Cllrs agreed these dates for 2019 meetings.

18/89 **Correspondence and items for information**

The following items were noted by the Council

Crime Report

Recycling Newsletter

18/90 **Any other Business**

Cllr Venner request information on neighbouring projects to improve footpaths, suggestions were given and Cllr Venner would investigate further.

Cllr Cox has found a Strimmer head, if anyone has lost one then please contact him.

Cllr Rigby spoke to the Council. He explained the SCC cuts and budget deficits, although these are not as large as previously thought. He spoke about the Cross Keys roadwork disruptions and Small Improvement Scheme proposals for 2019.

Cllr Wren also sent a report that was circulated to Cllrs.

The Chairman thanked the Councillors and Clerk for their work and support during the last year and wished them and their families a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The next meeting will be on Monday 21st January 2018 at 7.30pm

With no other business the meeting was closed at 8.35pm

CHURCH REPORTS AND NOTICES

‘I want to be Joseph’

DON'T FORGET! There is still time to have a look in church at the four "stations" depicting Nativity characters: Elizabeth (Mary's cousin), the Shepherds, Joseph and Mary. The stations are labelled, and there is a short Bible reading, a reflection, and an activity at each. Members of our Messy Church team have put these together, with great imagination and giving of their time. Please have a look - don't let their efforts be wasted!

These will stay in church until 12th January, although Elizabeth and the shepherds will disappear and, in their place from 6th January (Feast of the Epiphany), will be the Magi (Wise Men) and King Herod!

GOODBYE

As you are probably all now aware, Matthew and Antonia are moving to a new parish at the start of next year. Matthew's last service in the Benefice will be on Sunday 17th February 2019. It will be a Benefice Eucharist at 10.30am in St Mary's Bishops Lydeard to say Farewell to him. There will be refreshments afterwards. Everyone welcome.

CHURCH WEATHERCOCK FLOWN OFF

You may have noticed - or heard around the village - that the weathercock on the church tower fell down during the School's Christingle service. Thankfully no one was hurt (except the weathercock itself!), although the roof suffered some damage. This has now been rectified, and the church roof is watertight.

The Church PCC will need to decide whether to put the weathercock back on the tower, which will mean replacing the pole and fittings and also repairing the weathercock itself as it has a damaged wing and looks very sorry for itself. Watch this space - or rather, the space on the tower!

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY 18th MAY 2019

The **abseiling event** down the tower of the church of **St Lawrence on Saturday 18th May** is definitely taking place, and we need people to let us know if they would like to take part. Revd. Maureen is compiling a list, and participants need to start thinking about getting sponsors. We can accept 30 people who wish to abseil, so please think about whether you'd like to do this and also invite relatives, neighbours, friends and even colleagues at work to think about abseiling - and then let Maureen know on 01984 667472 or by email at reverendmaureenyoung@gmail.com

The day will be supervised by several qualified instructors who are also involved in organising the Wellington Carnival, and all relevant insurances will be in place to cover the event. Entrants will be harnessed at ground level and then the steep steps up the tower will need to be negotiated while clipped to a rope. There is also a narrow entrance to get onto the roof.

Volunteers should – ideally – be at least 13 years old with no upper age limit; this is to ensure that they “fill” the harness and so that the rope devices operate properly. This is a strict requirement for anyone wishing to take part.

There will be toilet facilities provided and refreshments available on the day. Family and friends are invited to come along to watch. A Certificate of Achievement will be awarded on completion.

PLEASE – put this date in your diary if you would like to attempt this and support your village church by obtaining sponsorship and having fun!

MESSY CHURCH FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY Saturday 30th March

We will be holding a messy church in the village hall on Saturday 30th March for Mothering Sunday. We shall be making posies and cards, and various other activities. Please make a note in your diary and come and join us. The Messy Church team will be meeting nearer the time to put together a range of activities, songs, games and refreshments. Times yet to be decided, so watch this space!

CAKE STALL

Helen Foster and her team of cake bakers and sellers raised £71.50 at the school Christmas fair. These proceeds are going to the church. Thank you to Helen and her team for all their superb efforts.

VILLAGE REPORTS AND NOTICES

NEW YEAR'S DAY VILLAGE WALK

Tuesday 1st January 2019

11:00 in the Village Hall car Park

Come and join us for a guided walk around the village of Lydeard St Lawrence on New Year's Day. Starting at 11 o'clock in the Village Hall car park, we will have a gentle amble along the lanes around the village. Everyone is welcome, young and old, two legged and four. The walk will be about 2 hours in length. An excellent way to start the new year.

OVER 60's CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The Over 60's Christmas lunch will be held on Tuesday 29th January at 12:30 in the village hall.

PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE

Wessex Water are planning to close the top 100m of the road that leads from Handy Cross to Tolland, Tarr Road, on 14th January 2019 for 5 days. Please visit www.roadworks.org for further information on the alternative route

CHRISTMAS IN THE BIN

If you have a garden waste subscription i.e. you pay the council for a green bin to be emptied fortnightly, then you can put your old unadorned Christmas tree out for recycling on Tuesday 8th January. It must be less than 6 foot.

PILATES

Please note that Laura's Pilates in the village hall will be on Monday morning and not Wednesday from January onwards.

TOLLAND HISTORY SEARCH

Brass Band

In the 1860's there was a Tolland Brass band that continued through to the early part of the 1900's, 40 years or more. The band leaders were a Bosely family who lived in Wood Cottage Tolland.

There were links with Lydeard st Lawrence and Brompton Ralph through those times.

If anyone has any old photos of this band, who attended lots of church events, friendly societies etc., I would love to hear from them.

Sharon Birt

Old Families

We have a new historical project in the pipeline and are trying to find people who have any connection with either families who used to live in Tolland or people with old photos of Tolland or Tolland families.

Sharon Birt

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HISTORICAL MAPS



We have just completed a Tithe Map for Tolland incorporating the original map plus adding all the field names and farm names in situ with the apportionment listed on the side.

This can be tailored individually to each farm which owned the land as we can also digitally shade the relevant fields.

The typefaces used are sympathetic to the era and script used, so looks very original.

If we can get enough people interested in this we would be happy to put the work in to complete one for Lydeard st Lawrence parish, after all, this information gets lost in the mists of time!

Please feel free to contact me shari.b@hotmail.co.uk or 01984 667608 to discuss.

WWW.SOMERSET.GOV.UK



School Admission Arrangements 2020/21 Consultation Have Your Say

School admissions arrangements for children who are due to start or transfer school for the 2020-21 school year, and those moving schools during the 2020-21 school year will be consulted on for a period of 6 weeks ending 31 January 2019.

This consultation applies to a number of schools and academies throughout Somerset.

This consultation period allows parents, other schools, religious authorities and the local community to raise any comments or concerns about proposed admission arrangements.

To view the admission arrangements and for details of how to make comments, please visit www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions and choose the page School Admissions Policy or phone (01823) 356671.

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| Lydeard St Lawrence Primary School | www.lydeardstlawrenceprimary.co.uk |
| LSL Village Web Page | www.lydeard-st-l.co.uk |
| Benefice Churches | www.bishopslydeardbenefice.org |

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