## Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Village Newsletter March 2021

## Deadline for items – 25<sup>th</sup> of each month – to Liz (<u>liz.mcconnell50@gmail.com</u> or 667375)

Date		Activity		te	Activity
Mon	1 <sup>st</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, via Zoom, 7.30 pm	Wed	17 <sup>th</sup>	
Tue	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kerbside Recycling Collection	Thu	18 <sup>th</sup>	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer
Wed	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Thu	10	11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
Thu	4 <sup>th</sup>	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer	Fri	19 <sup>th</sup>	
		11:00 am – 12:00 noon.	Sat	20 <sup>th</sup>	
Fri	5 <sup>th</sup>				Online Benefice Service – see details
Sat	6 <sup>th</sup>				
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Online Benefice Service – <u>see details</u>		21 <sup>st</sup>	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer
Sun			Sun		11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
		LSL Church Open for Private Prayer			
		11:00 am – 12:00 noon.			Scarr Chapel worship service.
					Online via Zoom 2.30 pm
		Scarr Chapel worship service.	Mon	22 <sup>nd</sup>	
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Tue	9 <sup>th</sup>	Garden (Green), Household (Black) and Kerbside Recycling Collection	Wed	24 <sup>th</sup>	
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>		Thu	25 <sup>th</sup>	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer
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Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>				Palm Sunday
Sun	10	Mothering Sunday			Online Benefice Service – <u>see details</u>
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Online Benefice Service – <u>see details</u>		28 <sup>th</sup>	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer
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		Online via Zoom 2.30 pm	Tue	30 <sup>th</sup>	Kerbside Recycling Collection
Mon	15 <sup>th</sup>	'	Wed	31 <sup>st</sup>	
Tue	16 <sup>th</sup>	Kerbside Recycling Collection	wcu	01	1

## **SHEEP WORRYING**

Recently, some sheep near Handy Cross were attacked by a dog. It should go without saying that if dogs are anywhere near livestock they should always be on a lead. Dogs which are worrying livestock can legally be shot by the owner of the stock, so the risk is simply not worth taking.

Anyone witnessing an incident of livestock worrying should report it to the police, giving as much detail as possible.

# **CHURCH NEWS**

## LYDEARD ST LAWRENCE CHURCH SERVICES

All services in the churches within the benefice of Bishops Lydeard are now being streamed online.

In addition to the Sunday service, throughout Lent there is also a daily Morning Prayer at 9.00 am every day Monday to Saturday and also on Monday afternoons there are Lent discussions, A Word for Lent, at 2.30 pm, also via Zoom. For details, please contact Mark or Maureen.

### LYDEARD ST LAWRENCE PCC TREASURER WANTED URGENTLY

Lydeard St Lawrence Parochial Church Council urgently needs a new treasurer. The job requires keeping the electronically operated accounts up to date and submitting annually the accounts to the auditor.

The applicant will be asked to attend the PCC meetings which take place about 4 times a year, plus the annual meeting, and to update the members on the financial situation. There is a development project being undertaken, and work is expected to begin this year.

If you are interested, please contact either of the churchwardens, David Young or Pat Coles whose contact details may be found at the end of this newsletter.

# **VILLAGE NEWS**

Your Neighbourhood Needs You!



Dear Residents,

I've been invited to write a few lines about Neighbourhood Watch and the benefits this brings to a community like yours.

When an area is in Neighbourhood Watch Scheme it can significantly reduce the level of crime in the area. Criminals will naturally avoid these areas as they know residents are aware of their activity, will be taking extra precautions and are all part of a community looking out for each other.

We're fortunate to have had a number of people in Lydeard St Lawrence who have acted as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators but we are now looking to find some more people to act as coordinators.

If this interests you and you would like to find out more, please get in touch with me, and I'd be happy to give you more information or answer any questions. Our existing coordinator would be happy to welcome new members for inclusion on the Community Alert messaging list.

For more information please call Paul Johnson on 07889 656 575 or email paulk.johnson@avonandsomerset.police.uk

## Farewell from Liz and Steve Baines, Pond House

After months of inactivity the completion of our house sale happened very quickly. Due to time constraints and lockdown restrictions, we didn't get a chance to say goodbye to all our friends and neighbours in the village. We have loved living in Lydeard St Lawrence and are sad to be leaving. However, we are looking forward to the next phase of our lives in Mere, which has the advantage of being closer to our family.

Thank you for being such good friends and neighbours. We will miss you and wish you all good health and happiness in the future.

Liz and Steve.





Somerset Sight is a local charity which has been supporting sight impaired people across Somerset for over a hundred years.

One of our services is the Volunteer Visiting Service whereby volunteers are matched locally with a sight impaired person for regular visits for company and support, and also helps alleviate their loneliness and isolation.

Volunteers help with a variety of tasks such as reading, correspondence, appointments, going out for a drive or just a cup of tea and a chat.

Many volunteers get great satisfaction and enjoyment from their voluntary work, many friendships are formed and the people they support very much look forward to their visits. At the current time the service provides regular phone calls until face to face visits are allowed again.

If you would like to volunteer for the Visiting Service, please contact us on  $01823 \ 333818$  for further information.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!



Lending with Heart and Mind

Somerset West and Taunton Council fund a not-for-profit loan scheme for homeowners and landlords\*.

We understand the expense of maintaining your home and we work with you to take the stress out of funding repairs, improvements or adaptations.

We see you as an individual, not a credit score. Our knowledgeable team of advisers will guide you through the process of applying for a home improvement loan.

For a no-obligation assessment or more information visit www.lendology.org.uk or call 01823 461099

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# **CENSUS** 2021

### Census 2021 – Ensuring the big decisions are made on the best information

Census 2021 will be key to making sure the big decisions on the future of our hospitals, schools, transport and other public services, following the pandemic and EU exit, are based on the best information possible.

Run by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), the census – taking place on March 21 - is the oncein-a-decade survey that gives the most accurate estimate of all people and households in England and Wales.

The digital-first census will not only provide a fresh picture of the size of all communities, it will also shed light on the health, social and economic changes to our lives.

"After years of planning, the census is almost upon us," census director of operations Pete Benton said. "In the coming days and weeks you will be hearing more and more about why the census is so important, why you must take part and, crucially, how you can take part. Every household will soon receive a postcard, explaining what a census is, and in early March letters will arrive in the post inviting people to take part in the digital-first census.

"In light of the coronavirus pandemic, we need this up-to-date information to help shape vital services for the years to come more urgently than ever before and we are making sure everyone can be safely counted in line with all government guidance.

"We have made it simple, straightforward and safe to take part. It takes just 10 minutes per person to fill out your form and if you can't get online, there are paper forms available for those who need them, as well as lots of support. Now is the time to make your mark on history."

Running the census in times of a pandemic has naturally thrown up some challenges and the ONS' focus is ensuring the safety of the public.

"We want everyone to be safely counted and we're making sure our plans are always in line with the latest government guidelines," Pete said.

"Census field officers will only follow up with households after Census Day on March 21 if householders have not yet completed their questionnaire. They will never enter a household, they will always be socially distanced, be equipped with PPE and work in line with all government guidance."

Some questions also have updated guidance to reflect our changed living and working circumstances.

Pete added: "For those on furlough, we have updated guidance on how to answer questions on work. All students need to be included in the census, and they should complete it for their usual term-time address. If they're currently living at their home address, they will need to be included in the census for that household too."

For the first time, there will be a question asking people whether they have served in the armed forces, as well as voluntary questions for those aged 16 and over on sexual orientation and gender identity.

First results will be available within 12 months, although personal records will be locked away for 100 years, kept safe for future generations.

For more information, visit <u>census.gov.uk</u>.

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