

New Data Protection Legislation

ACTION REQUIRED

Data Protection Act 1998, General Data Protection Regulations 2016/18

Dear Newsletter Readers,

This is **very important** and requires your attention. New Rules under EU legislation come into effect on May 25th. These new rules affect the data about you (name, email address and phone number) that I hold in my role as Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland newsletter editor. This information is held by the newsletter editor alone and used solely to distribute the monthly newsletter monthly and any other occasional local and relevant information that is deemed appropriate by the newsletter editor.

In order for me, the newsletter editor to continue legally to hold this information after the 25th May, you have to **opt-in and send confirmation** that you wish your data, known as Personally Identifiable Information (PII) for specific, defined purposes, to be held by me on my PC.

The essentials of this legislation are listed below under the heading **Background Terminology**. If, after reading this, you are content with the current system and the new added security regulations, please respond to this village newsletter e-mail .If you use <reply> the new e-mail will return only to me and, if you wish, you can copy and paste the following statement into the e-mail you send.

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Thank you.

Liz McConnell

For full details go to

<https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr>

Background Terminology

The **Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA)** is a law designed to protect personal data stored on computers or in an organised paper filing system. It was developed to give protection and lay down rules about how data about people can be used. The 1998 Act covers information or data stored on a computer or an organised paper filing system about living people. The basic way it works is by setting up rules that people have to follow.

The **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU) 2016/679)** is a regulation by which the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission intend to strengthen and unify data protection for all individuals within the European Union (EU), coming into effect on May 25th 2018. This will be incorporated into UK law to continue after Brexit.

Personally identifiable information (Pii) or personal data is defined in both the Directive and the GDPR as any information relating to a person who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, online identifier, e.g., e-mail address, or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that person. So, in many cases online identifiers including IP address, cookies and so forth will now be regarded as personal data if they can be (or are capable of being) without undue effort linked back to the data subject. Any information that can be used to distinguish one person from another and can be used for de-anonymising anonymous data can be considered Pii.

Personal data shall not be kept for any longer than is necessary for the stated purposes.

There is no distinction between personal data about individuals in their private, public or work roles – the person is the person.

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In order for you to be fully aware of the implications of these new regulations and so you are able to make an informed decision if you wish your personal data, in this case generally your name, e-mail address and phone number, to be held only by me, or not, there are a number of principles of which you must be aware. Please read this section carefully.

You have to give consent; it cannot be assumed.

Under GDPR, consent is: *'A freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous indication of the individual's wishes. There must be some form of clear affirmative action, or, in other words, a positive opt-in; consent cannot be inferred from silence, pre-ticked boxes or inactivity.'*

With your positive informed consent.....

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6. You have the right to complain at any time to the statutory authority.
7. Your data shall not be kept for longer than is necessary for the purposes outlined above.

Regulators have the authority to issue penalties equal to the greater of £17.5 million or 4% of the organisations global gross revenue for violations of record-keeping, security, breach notification and privacy impact assessment obligations.

For full details of the new Regulations please visit this website for the Information Commissioner's Office.

<https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr>

Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland Village Newsletter - May 2018

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	7 th	BANK HOLIDAY	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	8 th		
Wed	9 th	Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am	
Thu	10 th	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 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		Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	14 th	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	15 th	Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection	
Wed	16 th	Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am	
Thu	17 th	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 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	CF Morning Prayer at 9.30 am LSL Holy Communion at 11:15	Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	21 st	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm	Parish Council Meeting, LSL Village Hall. 7.30 pm Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	22 nd	Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Collection	Mobile Library: Tolland Glebe Farm (TA4 3PR) 11.50 - 12.05 LSL Old Post Office (TA4 3SB) 12.15 - 12.30 LSL School (TA4 3SF) 1.10 – 1.40
Wed	23 rd	Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am	
Thu	24 th	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 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 Holy Communion at 9.30 am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	28 th	BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL HALF TERM WEEK	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	29 th		Over 60s Lunch, LSL Village Hall, 12.30 pm
Wed	30 th	Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Pilates LSL Village Hall 9.30 am – 10.30 am	
Thu	31 st		Table tennis, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th April 2018 at 7.30pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall.

Councillors present, Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Mary Harding, Matt Hele, Maeve Vickery and Edward White.

Also, in attendance, Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk, Borough Councillor Gwil Wren and 1 member of the public.

18/27 **Apologies** Cllr Charles Cox, Don Hobson, and PCSO Louise Fyne.

18/28 **Declarations of interest** – None received

18/29 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 5th March 2018 were agreed as an accurate record.

18/30 **Matters Arising**

30.1 **White Space Broadband update** (18/17, 18/09, 17/101)

Cllr White has now met with the technical team from White Space Broadband and found that the desktop feasibility study did not take account of trees in the line of sight. The technical team are now reconsidering the options available.

It was also reported that the Connecting Somerset and Devon may have been installing fibre broadband nearby. This could be significant progress for rural broadband in the area.

30.2 **Tolland Book Exchange** – New Signs (18/21)

Cllrs agreed to the quote and for the works to be carried out for £130 by Annie Makepeace of K Signs
The signs have now arrived and are awaiting a dry day to be installed. Cllr Marshall thanked Cllr Harding for all her efforts in the successful renovation of the now Book Exchange and focal point for Tolland.

30.3 **Lydeard St Lawrence Parish Playground Project** - update (18/22,17/102.1,18/10)

A meeting was held in the Village hall on Friday 16th February to gauge interest and ideas from Villagers, the meeting did have a low turnout but those who attended were enthusiastic and had ideas. Cllr Hele has met with potential suppliers to assess what can be placed at the current site. Funding options are also being looked into. A further meeting is to be arranged with details to follow.

Cllr Hele reported that he has met with 4 suppliers of play equipment and has asked them to quote for what they think will be suitable rather than giving them suggestions. He is still waiting for some of these quotes but he expects them to be in the region of £20,000. Once the quotes and examples are received he can then work out what is actually needed for the area.

30.4 **Village Defibrillator in Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland** (18/18,18/07(17/97,17/71))

After speaking to locals, medical experts and having had the presentation it is felt that if a Defibrillator were to be purchased and beneficial, then it would need to be supported by the whole community with training on the use of the defibrillator and CPR required. Therefore, it was suggested that residents would be invited to a consultation at the Village APM on 16th April.

The Parish Council discussed this matter in detail and decided that Tolland no longer had a viable location to place a defibrillator and decided it was no longer worth pursuing for the time being.

In Lydeard St Lawrence so far there has been a lack of support, until some volunteers come forward to help maintain and have the necessary training then a defibrillator should not be installed. Councillors agreed they would ask local organisations to support this project moving forward. The Clerk will speak to the Grant Funding group about this.

30.5 (26.2) *With recent bad weather some of the salt bins need refilling, Cllr Marshall will report these.* Cllr Marshall has now reported the state of all our salt bins and is waiting for them to be refilled where needed.

18/31 **Appointment of Parish Council Chairman and Committees**

31.1 **Appointment of Parish Council Chairman**

Cllr Jonathan Marshall was appointed to stand again.

Proposed Cllr Telling,
Seconded Cllr Harding.

31.2 Vice Chair of the Parish Council.

Cllr Debbie Telling was appointed.

Proposed Cllr Vickery,
Seconded Cllr Harding

31.3 Planning Sub-Committee.

Cllrs Cox, Telling and Hobson were appointed.

Proposed Cllr Hele,
Seconded Cllr Vickery

18.32 Financial

32.1 Accounts Statement

32.2 2017/2018 Accounts and Audit Report

The Parish Council Accounts for 2017/18 show a healthy balance.

The Parish Council had £25,000 in the Community Benefit Fund and requests of funds from local organisations have been made.

The school requested funds for new white boards and maths equipment and the Council agreed to give them a grant of £4000. It is now felt that the school should fund other equipment required themselves. After purchasing the Tolland phone box, it has now been renovated into a Book Exchange and Notice board. The renovation works has totalled £1002.

The Church has also made a request from the fund for a new water supply, but further research is required. The CBF now stands at £17348. The Parish Council has purchased 3 Collar Signs for the fingerpost although only one of these (at Dean's Cross) has so far been installed. At the end of the year the ring-fenced budget for the Play Area fund stood at £3000, with another £500 due to be added in April 2018. In this Financial year, the Parish Council received a payment of £459.17 for the planning development of the Old Bakehouse to convert it into a residential property. This is a Community Infrastructure Levy Payment and can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure, including transport, flood defences, schools, hospitals, and other health and social care facilities. This year, the Parish Council hasn't spent any CIL. This leaves £2050.67 in the CIL fund. The Footpaths grants from TDBC stands at £2400 with £300 being added in April 2018, with the other payments being forwarded to the Churches and Cricket Club for the playing field.

The Council have £3979.23 in unrestricted reserves. The accounts are now ready to be Audited.

32.3 Banking Review

The Clerk has looked into the possibility of the Council using online banking after a suggestion at the previous meeting. (18/26.4) Currently the Council banks with Santander and they don't have a facility where two people can authorise an online payment. Santander would only give online access if the mandate was change to one to authorise. Other banks do have the facility where two people can authorise an online payment.

The Council decided that they would not change the mandate from two to one to authorise. It was also decided that changing banks was not worth doing for the minimal benefits, and to leave the banking systems as it is especially as the transactions of the council are minimal.

32.4 To Pay Annie Makepeace £156 for Tolland book exchange Signs Proposed Cllr Vickery,
Seconded Cllr Harding

32.5 Received Precept payment of £4102.52

18/33 Planning

33.1 Applications received for comment from Taunton Deane BC:

41/18/0002 - Erection of agricultural general-purpose lean-to adjoining existing agricultural building at Grove Farm, Tolland, Lydeard St Lawrence.

22/18/0009/CQ - Change of use from agricultural building to dwelling house at Land at Hoccombe, Lydeard St Lawrence

Both the above planning applications were referred to the planning committee who had No Objections to both applications.

33.2 Notification of any Taunton Deane Decisions:

22/18/0004/CQ- Prior approval for proposed change of use from agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) and associated building operations on land at Hoccombe, Lydeard St Lawrence

Decision of Prior Approval Approved (Conditional) was made on 16/03/2018.

- 18/34 **Mud on Road** on lane between Combe Florey and Lydeard St Lawrence just in Lydeard St Lawrence parish boundary.
Having driven down the lane, Cllr Marshall could not see any significant mud, so presumes that it has either been cleared or washed away.
- 18/35 **Lydeard St Lawrence Church Development Project update (18/08) – Paul Yeomans.**
Paul Yeomans further presented to the Parish Council the ongoing Church Development Project.
The Church Development Project is progressing and three quotes have been gained for the refurbishment works required on the path from the main gate to the war memorial. The mains water would not need to go under the main path so works on the path could go ahead before this part of the project. Two options are available, after removing the tree stump replacing the area with either grass (Option 1) or tarmac (Option 2). The companies who have quoted have all been used previously within the Bath and Wells Diocese.
Company A - Option 1 £3395.00 Option 2 £3762.00
Company B - Option 1 £4969.45 Option 2 £5463.70
Company C - Option 1 £7058.00 Option 2 £8314.00
Paul Yeomans formally requested that the Parish Council assist financially as previously agreed and that the church would like to go ahead with tarmacking the whole area.
Cllrs agreed to a payment of £2,500 to the Path improvements; £1,000 from the footpaths fund and £1,500 from the CIL fund. Proposed Cllr Telling, Seconded Cllr Hele.
Cllrs requested a timescale on the works, Paul Yeomans was hopeful the works can begin this month.
- 18/36 **Correspondence and items for information**
Temporary road closure - Ford Road, Wiveliscombe
Avon and Somerset Crime commissioners report.
Somerset Rivers Authority Newsletter
Police Crime Report
School Whiteboard Funding Update – Kate Stannard informed the Council that complete funding has been gained, new white boards can now be installed.
Eileen Ford – Parish Councils in West Somerset Meeting on 20th February
The following items of information were noted by the Council:
- 18/37 **Love Musgrove MRI Scanner Appeal**
Cllrs agreed not to use Council funds to support this but hope members of the Parish would.
- 18/38 **NHS Health Check Clinic – Tuesday April 17th in Village Hall with online booking**
Noted by the Council.
- 18/39 **Any other Business**
Cllr Marshall thanked Councillors for their continued support in taking on Projects within the Villages.
Cllr Marshall reported that Cllr Weir has resigned from the Parish Council as of today. Cllr Marshall thanked Tony Weir for his work within and for the Council and wished him all the best for the future.
A new Councillor will have to be co-opted at the next Council meeting if an election is not called for in the next 14 days. Nominations for a new candidate should be forwarded to either Chairman Cllr Marshall or the Parish Clerk, Lorna Thorne.
Borough Cllr Gwil Wren Spoke to the Council. TDBC are to build a hotel on the Firepool site in Taunton as an investment. The Hotel will be run by the Hilton Hotel franchise and TDBC hope to return the costs on the Interest from Hilton by 2024 after building it by 2021.
The new Warding patterns have been proposed and consultations are ongoing, a decision on the new wards will be made before the end of the year. Currently the proposals don't affect Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland but this may change as the consultation process progresses.

The next meeting will be on Monday 21st May 2018 at 7.30pm
With no other business the meeting was closed at 8.40pm

Lydeard St Lawrence Village AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 16th April 2018 at 7.00pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall.

Councillors present, Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Maeve Vickery, Edward White

Also present, Lorna Thorne Parish Clerk, Borough Councillor Gwil Wren and 2 members of the public.

18/1. Apologies from Cllrs Charles Cox, Don Hobson, County Councillor Mike Rigby and PCSO Louise Fyne

18/2. The minutes of the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

18/3. The Chairman gave his report.

Lydeard St Lawrence And Tolland Parish Council Chairman's Report 2017-18

This year has again been a largely successful year for the Council, with most of our objectives being achieved. The snow and rain caused some problems, but nothing more notable than some isolated flooding of some of our lanes. We even survived an earthquake!

Planning

As usual there have been numerous planning applications, mostly of a routine nature. The only slightly controversial ones concerned a couple of residential developments at the Dean's Cross Farm site, but on the commercial side the new owner Mr Peck has managed to attract a variety of small businesses to the site, all of which seem to be thriving, and the upgrading of the buildings is ongoing.

Highways

A mixed bag to report here. The annual verge trimming was carried out in a very slapdash manner, with damage to the banks of the lanes and clumsy work on the actual grass cutting; a complaint was sent to the county Council. More recently, a Councillor made a complaint regarding careless work on a drain near Dene Barn. On the positive side a very good job was made of the culvert at the Tolland end of East Town Lane.

There are outstanding problems with Binford's Lane (flooding) Quickbeam Lane (collapsed fencing) and Nethercott Lane (subsidence and general deterioration). These have all been reported, though not yet resolved.

Infrastructure

The redundant telephone kiosk in Tolland has been completely refurbished and turned into a notice board and book exchange, thanks mainly to Cllr Mary Harding. The phone box in Lydeard St Lawrence still remains in place, although the Council have asked for it to be removed.

Collar signs for the finger posts at Thornbush Cross, Tolland Elm and Dean's Cross have been ordered but only the one for Dean's Cross has so far been supplied and fitted.

Community Benefit Fund

A grant was made to the School to help their project to obtain some new interactive whiteboards. This triggered further funding, and the full total has now been raised.

Broadband

Tolland and the other outlying settlements still do not benefit from superfast broadband. Various options have been looked at and one (Whitespace) is being actively researched, but for the time being we remain in the unconnected 5%.

Defibrillators

Cllr Vickery instigated a project to look at the feasibility of getting defibrillators for Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland, and the Council has looked into this in some detail; this is being discussed, and a decision made, this evening.

Financial

The Council continues to maintain a balanced budget, and the Precept will stay the same this year. I believe this remains good value for money for parishioners, with funds still being ring-fenced for footpath repairs, clock maintenance and play equipment upkeep, while the Community Benefit Fund and Community Infrastructure Levy continue to provide a valuable reservoir of funds.

My thanks once again go to all my fellow Councillors for their commitment and support, and to our Parish Clerk Lorna Thorne. My particular thanks are due to Tony Weir for his work for the Council; Tony has, unfortunately, decided to resign his seat and I wish him all the best for the future.

Jonathan Marshall, Chairman

Reports were then received from:

- LSL Women's Institute
- Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall Committee
- Lydeard St Lawrence Primary School PTFA
- Lydeard St Lawrence Church and Church development project
- Tolland Church

These reports were received by the meeting.

18/4 Village Defibrillators in Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland

The Parish Council invited the Community in Tolland and Lydeard St Lawrence to discuss the feasibility of buying a Defibrillator for each of the two villages. The Parish Council have looked into the idea in some depth, but in order for Defibrillators to be beneficial – if we did decide to go ahead - then support from the whole community would be required, with volunteers to have training on the use of the defibrillator and CPR techniques, and to help maintain them.

18/5. Any Other Business

Nigel Peck reported the progress on the Planning and Building works at Dene's Cross Farm. He was hopeful the works will begin on the cold store in July. He currently has 6 tenants in the business units with 1 spare.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm.

NOTICES

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

At the recent Parish Council AGM, one of our long standing councillors resigned. This means that there is now a vacancy on the council and we need to co-opt someone to fill this post.

Although a Parish Council is the lowest tier of Local Government it fulfils an important function for the local community, but it cannot do so without a full quota of members. Can I therefore ask you to seriously consider putting your name forward for co-option to the Council – particularly if you actually live within either Lydeard St Lawrence or Tolland. The duties of a Parish Councillor are not onerous – the Council meets about eight or nine times a year – but it is a very valuable way of serving the community in which we all live.

If you are interested, please contact me on 667 323 or at jejm@hotmail.co.uk

Jonathan Marshall, Chairman, Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland Parish Council

CHURCH REPORTS AND NOTICES

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Our proposed re-ordering of the church and the appointment of an Architect has resulted in a survey being carried out both inside and outside the building which will be of huge help when considering where our toilet facilities should be placed and other arrangements made. A Quinquennial (5-yearly) Inspection has also been carried out on the structure and fabric of the church building, to give us some idea of the condition of the building itself and any repairs which need to be made and how we can maintain it better. We hope to be able to keep everyone up to speed with the results of these surveys and inspections, so that the whole village is kept informed as to progress. Watch this space!

JUNE MESSY CHURCH

We are hoping to offer a Lydeard St Lawrence Messy Church for Father's Day on Saturday 16th June from 3-4.30pm in the Village Hall. A planning meeting is proposed for Saturday 19th May at 3pm - venue yet to be confirmed. Several people have indicated that they are available for this meeting and they will be advised about where we meet, but if anyone else would like to be involved in the planning please let Revd. Maureen know. Otherwise, please put the afternoon of Saturday 16th June in your diary, and come and join us for some fun and possibly some mess from our Father's Day activities followed by refreshments.

CHURCH FETE

Another date to note in your diary is the Church Fete, to be held on the School field on **Saturday 4th August** at 2pm. This will include all the usual attractions, as well as the ever-popular Dog Show.

Ringling for Peace *Armistice 100*

Did you know that 1400 bell ringers lost their lives in
The Great War of 1914 – 1918?

To commemorate this, we are looking to recruit and teach new bell ringers to take part in the Armistice Day ringing here in Lydeard St Lawrence on 11th November 2018.

If you are interested in learning how to ring, or just want to find out a bit more about ringing, or just want to visit the tower to see what goes on up there, please contact

Paul Yeomans on 01984 667364 or at paul@rpyeomans.co.uk

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2018

Plans are also afoot for Remembrance Sunday this year, 2018 being the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. The Parochial Church Council consider that our Remembrance Day service at St Lawrence should be at 11am (rather than 4pm as in previous years), and we hope to mark the occasion in a special way and in conjunction with the Parish Council.

HOOVER PROJECT

The bring and buy coffee morning in April raised a magnificent £160 which has been used to purchase a brand new, high tech, state of the art Dyson vacuum cleaner. Many thanks to everyone who supported the event. Helen will be holding Hoover Training sessions in the forthcoming months.

PCC - What's That All About?

The Parochial Church Council (PCC), not to be confused with the village Parish Council, which is the civil unit of local government, is the 'committee' who manage Lydeard St Lawrence Church. It meets several times a year and most of its members are elected annually.

At the recent Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) the two churchwardens were elected for another year – Pat Coles and David Young, and four existing members were also re-elected – Dick and Helen Foster, Don Hobson and Barbara Vearncombe. Debbie Telling was also elected to be a PCC member.

The work of the PCC is varied – obviously its prime purpose is to enable the Christian message to be heard and practised in our community. So decisions have to be made about the building, to ensure it is properly maintained and best used. With a beautiful medieval building this has its challenges and is often expensive. At the last two meetings, in March and April the various reports to the APCM were approved, there have been discussions about renewing the boiler for the heating system and, of course, much discussion about our future plans for re-ordering the pews and creating more space as well as, and perhaps most importantly, bringing water into the church to have a WC and washing facilities.

These days too the PCC has a responsibility for Safeguarding and Health and Safety so these two important matters are kept under regular review. At the PCC meeting following the APCM the several officers were elected – Secretary – David Young, Treasurer – Don Hobson, Electoral Roll – Pat Coles and Safeguarding – Helen Foster. At that meeting members were pleased to learn that the Parish Council has agreed to make a grant of £2500 towards the re-surfacing of the approach to the village War Memorial. This was very welcome news as the church will have to find the balance of the cost. Some money has already been allocated for that purpose.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

We are proposing to hold a harvest supper in the autumn on **Saturday 6th October.**

VILLAGE REPORTS AND NOTICES

Open Garden for St Margaret's Hospice

Saturday 9th June

11 am to 5 pm

Westleigh Farm,

Westleigh, Lydeard St Lawrence,

TA4 3RE



Refreshments available



Naturally Healthy Month, May 2018:

Improving Health and Wellbeing by connecting with nature

The Somerset Wildlife Trust have the privilege of co-ordinating this year's Naturally Healthy Month programme. There are well over 100 events taking place (the vast majority of them free) from more than 30 different organisations across all five districts of Somerset.

Regardless of age or fitness level there is something for everybody, including; yoga, Nordic walking, practical conservation tasks, looking at butterflies, singing, buggy walks, mindfulness sessions, family beach days, listening to the dawn chorus, geocaching or simply going on a de-stress walk.

Events are from as short as half an hour through to a whole day but they all have the purpose of getting people connected with nature in order to help improve physical and/or mental wellbeing. Whether it is somebody who is recovering from illness or injury or people that are just looking to improve their activity levels the events are open to everybody. In addition to helping improve physical fitness the events are also fabulous opportunities to meet new people and increase social interaction.

For more information, go to this Web page <http://slnp.org.uk/news/naturally-healthy-month-may-2018/>

SHEEP WORRYING

From our PCSO

Dog owners are required by law to keep their dogs on a lead when being walked across Open Access land. In all other areas of the countryside dogs should be kept under close control. It's not just the physical attacks that cause harm but simply allowing a dog to chase sheep may cause ewes to abort or become injured.

We have to remember that, no matter how unlikely it may seem to their owners, dogs have a natural instinct to chase and even in some cases hunt. Sheep lambs and wildlife can easily be disturbed if the dogs, no matter how well trained, and are not under very close control.

If your dog does kill or cause harm to livestock, you can be liable for a significant fine and for the value of the livestock harmed – your pet may also be dispatched, the cost of which will also have to be borne by you. Moreover, if your dog is actually seen in action harassing livestock, it could be shot on sight.

If you actually witness an attack in progress, call 999 otherwise any incidents witnessed should be reported to the Police on 101.

COFFEE MORNING AT TOLLAND CHURCH



Saturday 9th June

10:00 - 12:00

**Drop in anytime for coffee and chat
Raffle**

Cake and produce stall

**Plant sale - feel free to bring plants
for this if you can spare some!**



CONTACTS

Event	Contact	Tel	Email
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