

Lydeard St. Lawrence and Tolland Village Newsletter

May 2022

Deadline for items – 25th of each month – to Liz (liz.mcconnell50@gmail.com or 667375)

Date		Morning	Afternoon/Evening
Sun	1 st	LSL Morning Prayer at 11.15am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting in the Chapel 2.30 pm
Mon	2 nd	BANK HOLIDAY	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	3 rd	Garden (Green) Bin Collection	
Wed	4 th		
Thu	5 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Junior Table Tennis, LSL Village Hall, 7.00 - 8.00 pm Table Tennis Club, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm
Fri	6 th	Tolland Kerbside Recycling Collection Only LSL Household (Black) and Recycling Collection	
Sat	7 th		
Sun	8 th		Scarr Chapel worship meeting in the Chapel 2.30 pm
Mon	9 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm PCSO Beat Surgery, LSL VH, 10.30 to 11.30 am	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	10 th		Short Mat Bowls, LSL Village Hall, 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Wed	11 th		
Thu	12 th	All Kerbside Recycling Collection Only 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 Junior Table Tennis, LSL Village Hall, 7.00 - 8.00 pm Table Tennis Club, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm
Fri	13 th		
Sat	14 th		
Sun	15 th	LSL Parish Communion at 11.15am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting in the Chapel 2.30 pm
Mon	16 th	Garden (Green) Bin Collection Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Annual Village Meeting, LSL Village Hall 7.00 pm Parish Council Meeting, LSL Village Hall. 7.30 pm Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	17 th		LSL Annual Church Meeting 7.00 pm in the church
Wed	18 th		
Thu	19 th	Tolland Household (Black) & Recycling Collection LSL Kerbside Recycling Collection Only Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Junior Table Tennis, LSL Village Hall, 7.00 - 8.00 pm Table Tennis Club, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm
Fri	20 th		
Sat	21 st		
Sun	22 nd	Tolland Church Rogation Service 10.30 am.	Scarr Chapel worship meeting in the Chapel 2.30 pm
Mon	23 rd	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	24 th	Mobile Library - LSL Old Post Office (TA4 3SB) 11.10 am to 11.30 am	
Wed	25 th		
Thu	26 th	Tolland Kerbside Recycling Collection Only LSL Household (Black) and Recycling Collection Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Coffee Shop, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Junior Table Tennis, LSL Village Hall, 7.00 - 8.00 pm Table Tennis Club, LSL Village Hall, 8.00 - 10.30 pm
Fri	27 th		
Sat	28 th		LSL Open Gardens 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm
Sun	29 th		LSL Open Gardens 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm Scarr Chapel worship meeting in the Chapel 2.30 pm
Mon	30 th	SCHOOL HALF TERM WEEK Garden (Green) Bin Collection 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	31 st		

PARISH COUNCIL

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 4th April 2022 at Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Councillors in attendance: Cllrs Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Charles Cox, Don Hobson, Mark Peters and Maeve Vickery

Also in attendance: Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk, PCSO Louise Fyne and Liz McConnell

Questions from members of the Public: None

22/28 **Apologies** were received from Cllrs Tony Weir and SWT Cllr Anthony Trollope-Bellew

22/29 **Declarations of interest** –
None

22/30 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 28th February 2022 were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

22/31 **Matters Arising**
(22/24 **Fingerpost repairs**) - Cllr Marshall has not been able to research any more information regarding repairing the damaged Finger Post, this will now be looked into by the new Council in May.

22/32 **Planning - Applications received for comment from Somerset West and Taunton Council:**
Planning applications have been sent to the planning committee for comment and displayed on the Parish Council's website.

22/22/0004/CMA - Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a change of use and conversion from commercial, business and service use (Class E) into ancillary accommodation for the 2 No. dwellings (Class C3) (as approved under 22/21/0018/CMA) at the first-floor offices, The Old Cold Store, Deans Cross Farm, Lydeard St Lawrence

32.2 Notification of any Somerset West and Taunton Decisions:

22/22/0001 - Installation of solar panels to the front roof of Sandings Corner, Hoccombe. Decision of Conditional Approval, 22/03/2022. The decisions were noted by the Council

22/33 **Financial**

22/34.1 The Accounts Statement was noted by the Council.

22/34.2 Cllrs agreed to appoint internal Auditor, Mary Abel to audit the accounts.

22/34 **Wivey Link WAP Request for Financial Support**

A request has been made to financially support Wivey Link; currently they claim to have 10 people from the area on their books but would not give any further information so it was decided not to make a donation to the organisation.

22/35 **Queens Platinum Jubilee**

A small working party have met and laid out some ideas of activities and memorabilia, including additional village name signs, that could happen for the Jubilee. But no one currently is willing to lead the organising. A request for urgent help would be made otherwise nothing would be able to happen. If no one comes forward, then a simple picnic get-together on the playing field was suggested.

22/36 **Playing Field Play Equipment**

Cllr Marshall reported he had met with the Cricket Club captain, who has requested they relinquish responsibility of the upkeep of the play equipment. Cllrs agreed to look into this further and that the playing field lease and rent would need to be reviewed and amended if this were to happen.

22/37 Parish Council Election 5th May

Nothing further to report.

22/38 Crime Report & Neighbourhood Contact Ukrainian and Russian support.
PCSO Fyne gave her report, with no questions from Cllrs.

22/39 Correspondence and items for information

The following items were noted by the Council:

Recycling Newsletter

Weekly Updates from SWT & SCC and workstream

SWT Newsletters

Countryside access: Setting the record straight

Quantock Hills AONB JAC Government Landscape Review Response

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance - Coast to Coast Cycle Challenge - Sunday 15th May 2022

22/40 Any other Business

- Cllr Telling reported that Binford's Lane had overhanging tree cause obstruction in the road. To be reported. It was also reported that the gullies along the lane were full of silt and run-off mud, which need clearing to allow rainwater to drain away and avoid flooding.
- Cllr Hobson reported that his request to Cllr Rigby to look into the issue regarding a collapsed drain in Nethercott Lane has not yet had a response, or repair.
- Cllr Marshall thanked the current Council for their efforts over the past 3-year term and additional to those that were stepping down as Councillors. He also thanked the Clerk for her work during the current Council.

With no other business the meeting was closed at 8.25pm

The Date of Next Meeting is on Monday 16th May 2022 and will be the Annual Meeting of Parish Council after the Village Annual Meeting 2022

**Village Annual Parish Meeting for
Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland**

7:00pm, 16th May 2022

On 16th May 2022 the Annual Village Meeting will take place in the LSL village hall at 7.00 pm. This will be immediately followed by the annual meeting of the Parish Council at about 7.30 pm. All are welcome to attend these meetings.

AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies**
- 2 **Minutes of the 2018 Annual Parish Meeting.**
- 3 **Reports from local groups and organisations**
- 4 **Any other business**

This meeting will receive reports from local community organisations.

Following a short break, there will be a meeting of the Parish Council.

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

The current Parish Council comes to the end of its term of office on 5th May. Unfortunately only five people were nominated for the new Council, so once again we had an uncontested Election. Although one person has subsequently volunteered to be co-opted it means that there are still three vacancies on the Parish Council, and ideally we need to co-opt three more people to fill these posts.

Although a Parish Council is the lowest tier of Local Government it fulfils an important function for the local community, but to do so effectively it really needs a full quota of members. Can I therefore ask you to seriously consider putting your name forward for co-option to the Council. 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 by e-mail at jejm@hotmail.co.uk or phone me on 667 323.

Jonathan Marshall
Chairman, Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland Parish Council

Planning Applications

1. Planning Application [22/22/0004/CMA](#)

Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a change of use and conversion from commercial, business and service use (Class E) into ancillary accommodation for the 2 No. dwellings (Class C3) (as approved under 22/21/0018/CMA) at the first-floor offices, The Old Cold Store, Deans Cross Farm, Lydeard St Lawrence

2. Planning Application [22/22/0006/AGN](#)

Application for prior notification for the proposed excavations to form a below ground agricultural dirty water storage lagoon on land to the west of Whitmoor Lane and to the south of Will Lane, Lydeard St Lawrence

CHURCH NEWS

Open Gardens in Lydeard St Lawrence 28th and 29th May



There will an Open Gardens weekend on the 28th and 29th May in Lydeard St Lawrence to raise funds for the church. So far we have 9 gardens opening but if you would like to open your garden too, no matter what the size, please contact Helen Foster (667207).

The gardens will be open from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm each day and there will be teas available at one of the gardens.

Please do consider whether you would like to open your garden and even if not, put the date in your diaries and come along that weekend.

Tolland Rogation Service

There will be a Rogation service at St John the Baptist Church, Tolland on Sunday 22nd May at 10.30 am. Everyone is welcome.

Lydeard St Lawrence Church Annual Meeting

The Lydeard St Lawrence annual church meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th may at 7.00 pm in the church. This meeting is open to all those on the church electoral roll.

VILLAGE NEWS



Tolland Jubilee Celebrations

Saturday, 4th June, late afternoon/evening (times to be confirmed)

Fun, games and bring your own food to barbecue at Brufords. Help, volunteers and suggestions all needed so everyone can gather together, celebrate and make merry. Contact: emmawrayford@gmail.com

LYDEARD ST. LAWRENCE WI

Silk Screen Workshop

On Saturday 9th April 2022 some of the members of the WI and friends attended Lydeard St Lawrence village hall for a Silk-Screening course which was run by Zara Emily.

She explained the process that we would follow before printing on a tote bag. We all had to choose a picture/stencil and copy it onto a sheet of paper. Then we cut out the image and placed it on a wooden screen which was used as a template for printing the picture onto our bag. We all had great fun and realised that even though some of us were novices, the finished articles looked really good. Thanks were given to Zara for being a very good and patient tutor.

Of course, we had our usual coffee and cake during our break, and then when we had finished the course, we all had a lunch which was provided by the committee.

If anyone outside the WI is interested in joining us for another course, please let me know and we can organise another session.

Gill Hartnell



WI April Meeting

There were only 6 of us for the April meeting, due to many of our members being ill or away. We went through the agenda and the only item which could not be discussed was Taunton Flower Show. This will be dealt with at our next meeting. We have decided to have our August outing visiting the Tiverton Canal and having lunch at a nearby farm shop.

Our speaker was also unwell, so John Stuart stepped in at the last moment and talked about Stoke Mandeville and the formation of the Paralympic Sports. In 1974 IBM adopted the games because Stoke Mandeville wanted more than money. They were only prepared to sponsor the translation, computer results system and transport operation. John worked for IBM and was asked if he would become involved with meeting the athletes from abroad and making sure that they were transported to the hotels they were booked into. He said that it was a very rewarding job and he enjoyed meeting all the athletes. He never actually met the English teams because they were already based here. He pointed out to us that it was a marathon task getting twenty or more wheelchairs off a plane when they only had steps down from the cabin (this was remedied by parking the plane next to the tunnels which we have today).

He had printed out sheets which showed the original wheelchairs and the state of the art ones which are used today.

His talk was very informative and informal and we thanked him for helping us out at the very last minute.

CRICKET TEAM FIXTURES

LYDEARD ST LAWRENCE MIDWEEK FIXTURES - 2022

04-May-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Monksilver

11-May-22

WEDNESDAY

Stogumber v Lydeard St Lawrence

18-May-22

WEDNESDAY

Crowcombe v Lydeard St Lawrence

25-May-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v BJ's

08-Jun-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Taunton Vale Farmers

15-Jun-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Crowcombe

21-Jun-22

TUESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Brompton Ralph

29-Jun-22

WEDNESDAY

Monksilver v Lydeard St Lawrence

06-Jul-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Wombats

13-Jul-22

WEDNESDAY

Milverton v Lydeard St Lawrence

19-Jul-22

TUESDAY

Brompton Ralph

v

Lydeard St Lawrence

26-Jul-22

TUESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v Stogumber

04-Aug-22

THURSDAY

Milverton v Lydeard St Lawrence

17-Aug-22

WEDNESDAY

Lydeard St Lawrence v BJ's

St John the Baptist, Tolland

GARDENING FOR WILDLIFE

Friday 13th May, 7.00pm

ILLUSTRATED TALK

BY PENNY RICHARDS

of the Somerset Wildlife Trust's

Gardening for Wildlife Group

Adults £5 Children free

Linda Lloyd 01984 623155

linda@goulds-farm.co.uk



Gardening for wildlife talk at Tolland Church

We all want to help wildlife in our gardens, but do we know what we should be doing? Gardening for wildlife expert Penny Richards will not only tell us how we can attract bees, birds and butterflies but also other steps we can take to support a wider variety of wildlife in our gardens.

Tickets £5, children free, from Linda Lloyd 01984 623155; linda@goulds-farm.co.uk

Wiveliscombe Civic and Historical Society

Thursday 19th May

David Victor

**of the Somerset Archaeological and
Natural History Society, will speak
about Alexander Baring,
Baron Ashburton
and his extensive estates in
Wiveliscombe and the area**



**Wiveliscombe Community Centre
7.30pm £3 entry
Society members free**

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STARTING IN
LYDEARD ST. LAWRENCE
VILLAGE HALL
WEDNESDAY 4th MAY
11.00 AM

£9 pay as you go
Termly reduction (8 weeks) £65

Please contact Anna on:
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Somerset Wildlife Trust



Community Wildlife Mapping in Somerset

4th May 7 - 9pm online



Calling all community wildlife watchers!

Are your **local community spaces full of amazing wildlife?**

Could you, your friends and your neighbours **be our eyes on the ground** keeping watch over what's happening to wildlife populations on your doorstep?

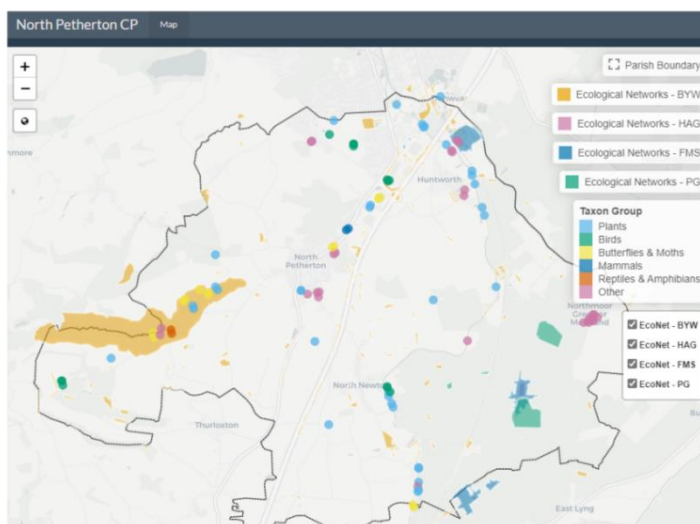
If so, then please come along to our **special FREE virtual event** to find out how you can put YOUR community and its wildlife on our nature recovery map!

Did you know the Somerset Environmental Records Centre currently holds over **three million species records?** BUT.....most of these are for protected or rare species within nature reserves. There's **a real gap in our knowledge about the diversity and abundance of more 'common' species** - and in particular for wildlife found in our farmland and within villages and towns.

Count me in!

Book ticket

Understanding what wildlife we already have across the county is critical if we are to identify where we need to focus our efforts. Our **Community Wildlife Mapping** project has **created a virtual map for every community in the county** ready for communities to come together and populate them with wildlife sightings and records to help inform the actions we take together for nature's recovery.



During this informative virtual event you'll find out:

- how to access your own community map
- how to capture and record wildlife records
- ...more about communities that are already using community mapping to benefit the wildlife on their patch.

Once you've attended the event to find out about how **Community Mapping works**, we've lined up a brilliant new annual citizen science event that your community can use to kickstart your Community Map in style! The **Great Somerset Wildlife Count - BIG COUNT 2022** is live between **17th and 26th June** as part of our annual 30 Days Wild programme. Find out more about the Big Count [here](#) and spread the word!



So, please book your ticket to our Community Mapping event TODAY! We will look forward to 'seeing' you then!

Find out more and book your FREE place below!

Book ticket



As you are aware, Airband has been working in your area over recent months building essential broadband infrastructure. This is part of a new **Ultrafast fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) broadband network** we are providing across a large part of rural Devon on behalf of the publicly funded Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) broadband programme.

To date, we have provided over 18,700 homes and businesses in Devon with access to superfast broadband and we are now delivering a full fibre service, capable of delivering speeds of up to 1Gbps, to a further **46,000 premises** over the next three years.

We are pleased to confirm that construction of this new network is well underway in your area and is **due for completion within a few months**. Many customers will be able to connect sooner than that as the network goes “live” in phases.

We would like to invite you to a public webinar on Wednesday, May 4th, 2022, at 7pm using the link <https://msteams.link/FR6V> or by scanning the QR code shown. This will give us the opportunity to present the programme, share information about the build and the benefits of the new Ultrafast network. This will also be an opportunity for Airband to answer any questions you may have.



Andrew Roberts



We are actively seeking trustees to support the development and governance of our board.

Being part of ITMP as a director offers an opportunity to support the development and sustainment of our charity and to really make a difference to young people and communities. Members of the Board of Trustees will ensure the strategic oversight of the charity's finances and to support appropriate decisions and good governance of the organisation.

Main responsibilities of all Trustees are:

- To set and maintain the charities vision, mission and values.
- To promote ITMP and act in the best interests of the charity, its' staff, beneficiaries and future beneficiaries at all times. Promoting and developing the charity for it to grow and maintain its relevance to society, in line with its marketing strategy.

Time Commitment & Obligations:

The Board meets four times per year, plus extraordinary meetings as required to include financial review, policy and safeguarding as examples. Trustees are also expected to attend our AGM and community reception event.

In addition to these trustees may be asked to attend occasional public or private events, e.g., supporter/fundraising events, strategic planning days and public profile events. We are also looking for a young trustee aged between 16 - 25

Being a trustee is an important role with real responsibility and the ability to influence our work that helps young people and the wider community across Somerset and Devon each year.

If you are a person who is interested and curious to know more and believes they fit the bill, then get in touch!

If you are interested, please do not hesitate to get in contact with John Hellier for a formal conversation. jhellier@inthemixproject.org.uk

We're a vibrant charity with exciting plans over the next couple of years to make a difference in Somerset and Devon, we just need someone help us along the way.

Our web address is www.inthemixproject.org.uk or we may be contacted at info@inthemixproject.org.uk

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance



On Sunday 15th May 2022 we shall be holding our eleventh annual Coast to Coast Cycle Challenge, starting at 11am in Watchet and ending in West Bay.

Last year event seen 333 supporters take part to help raise funds to keep Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance flying. In doing so they collaboratively rode just over 18,315 miles and raised approx. £30,000 – that's enough to fund approximately 10 missions by the air ambulance.

Samantha Smith, Fundraising Officer, Tel: 01823 669604

[Coast to Coast Cycle Challenge Map](#)

CONTACTS

Event	Contact	Tel	Email
Benefice Rector	Revd Mark Hurley	01823 432222	markcsb@gmail.com
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Tolland Churchwardens	Maureen Canney Linda Lloyd	656236 623155	linda@goulds-farm.co.uk
Scarr Chapel	Bill Caines	667416	jennyscarr73@hotmail.com
Bell ringing	Janet Bond	667372	janet.jimbond@gmail.com
Cricket 1 st Team	Paul Smith	07901 847709	
Short Mat Bowls	Anna Broad		annajbroad@hotmail.com
Sunday Football	Simon Broad	667739	simonbroad3@gmail.com
Parish Council	Jonathan Marshall	667323	jejm@hotmail.co.uk
Post Office	Watchet Post Office	631223	
Table Tennis	Paul Yeomans	667364	paul@rpyeomans.co.uk
Village Agent (LSL)	Katherine West	07947 902784	katherinew@somersetccc.org.uk
Village Agent (Tolland)	Elaine Gardner	07494 883134	elaineg@somersetccc.org.uk
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W.I.	Jo Stewart		jo46sefa@hotmail.com
Local Police	PC Jo Jeffery PCSO Louise Fyne Non Emergency Number	07889 657943 07889 659476 101	Joanne.jeffery@avonandsomerset.police.uk Louise.fyne@avonandsomerset.police.uk
Community Council Oil Orders		01603 881888	somersetbuying@af-affinity.co.uk

Lydeard St Lawrence Primary School	Benefice Churches	LSL Village Web Page
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