



Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Village Newsletter



November 2020

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

Date		Activity
Sun	1 st	LSL Morning Prayer at 11.15 am Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	2 nd	SCHOOL Inset Day Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm SCHOOL Term starts
Tue	3 rd	Garden (Green), Household (Black) and Kerbside Recycling Collection
Wed	4 th	
Thu	5 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
Fri	6 th	
Sat	7 th	
Sun	8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tolland Remembrance service 10.50 am LSL Remembrance Service, with trumpeter 10.55 am CF Remembrance Service 10.55 am Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	9 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Kerbside Recycling Collection
Tue	10 th	Mobile Library - LSL Old Post Office (TA4 3SB) 11.40 – 12.00
Wed	11 th	
Thu	12 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
Fri	13 th	
Sat	14 th	

Date		Activity
Sun	15 th	LSL Holy Communion at 11.15 am Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	16 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm
Tue	17 th	Garden (Green), Household (Black) and Kerbside Recycling Collection
Wed	18 th	
Thu	19 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
Fri	20 th	
Sat	21 st	
Sun	22 nd	CF Morning Prayer at 9.30 am LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon. Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	23 rd	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm
Tue	24 th	Kerbside Recycling Collection
Wed	25 th	
Thu	26 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon.
Fri	27 th	
Sat	28 th	
Sun	29 th	LSL Church Open for Private Prayer 11:00 am – 12:00 noon. Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	30 th	Post Office, LSL VH, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Parish Council Meeting, via Zoom. 7.30 pm



Two pictures from our Remembrance commemorations in Lydeard St Lawrence church, November 2018.

PARISH COUNCIL

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council

Minutes of the virtual meeting held by Zoom on 19th October 2020 at 7.30pm.

Councillors in virtual attendance: Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Don Hobson, Maeve Vickery, Andrew Venner and Tony Weir.

Also in attendance: Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk. SCC & SWT Cllr Mike Rigby and SWT Cllr Anthony Trollope-Bellew.

20/39 **Apologies** were received from Cllrs Mary Harding and Mark Peters.

20/40 **Declarations of interest**

None received

20/41 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 8th June agreed as an accurate record and will be signed at the first face to face meeting of the Parish Council

20/42 **Matters Arising**

Cllr Hobson declared a personal interest in items 6.5,6.6 & 10.1 on the Agenda

Cllr Venner declared an interest in items 6.5 & 6.6 on the Agenda

20/43 **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

43.2 Councillors Training – Cllr Hobson attended a zoom training session provided by SALC on how to respond to planning applications. Cllr Hobson to write a report of key points he felt helpful from the training session.

20/44 **Financial**

44.1 The Accounts Statement was noted by the Council.

44.2 The following payments have been made in accordance with the Council's Emergency's Covid-19 Contingency Motion:

Payments made to the Clerk Salary and Expenses £455.75
and SALC Affiliation fee £130.99

44.3 Received payment from Tincknells Advert for Newsletter of £35

44.4 Received payment of Grants from SWT £1905

44.5 Cllrs agreed to forward the SWT Grants to:

Lydeard St Lawrence Cricket Club playing field grant 735.00

Lydeard St Lawrence PCC £650.00

Tolland PCC £220.00

Keep Footpath Grant add to fund £300

Proposed by Cllr Weir seconded by Cllr Vickery

44.6 Cllrs agreed to pay the Parish Council Grants to

Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall Committee £500.00

Lydeard St Lawrence Cricket Club £500.00

Proposed by Cllr Telling seconded by Cllr Weir

44.7 Last year the Parish Council paid a grant to Tolland PCC for grass cutting at the church. It was agreed that this was a one-off payment. If Tolland PCC request further help with funding then the Parish Council will consider it in the normal manner.

All cheques will be posted to two Councillors and then returned to the Clerk for distribution.

20/45 One Somerset – Stronger Together - Consultations

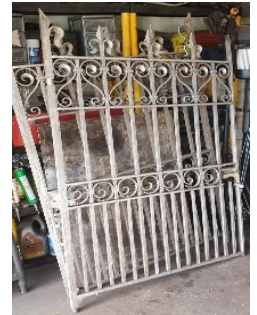
Cllr Rigby gave a review of the situation with two bids currently being proposed - to create either a single Unitary Council in Somerset or create two smaller authorities East and West.

Bids are to be made by local authorities by Dec 2020, with a Government decision expected in Summer 2021; if the new unitary councils get approval it is expected that a shadow authority will be created to work for a year from spring 2022 with the new authority taking over from 2023.

Concerns have been expressed as to the size of a single unitary Council, and whether County Council elections will take place next Spring.

20/46 Tolland Church Gates

The refurbishment of Tolland Church gates continues and they have been shot blasted. Tolland PCC have gained funding for half the estimated quote and are hopeful that the works will keep within the quoted budget.



20/47 47.1 Play Area Equipment

SW&T have £2,500 of S106 monies to be used on new play equipment. A grant application request can be made for this money from the Village. The form has been passed onto the Playing Field Committee for consideration.

47.2 Dog Waste Bin

The refuse bin located at the Playing field continues to be filled with dog waste bags, this bin is then emptied by committee members. It has been requested that the Parish Council look into getting a suitable dog waste bin. Cllr Marshall agreed to look into costs for buying and regular emptying of a bin. It was suggested that maybe an alternative location within the village could be found away from the playing fields. It was also suggested that the Cricket Club could help finance a suitable bin, this request can be made once costings have been sourced.

20/48 48.1 Website updates from Liz McConnell

In June 2020 (NALC) sent the Parish Council a publication on website accessibility requirements outlining what we needed to do to ensure that our web pages were as accessible as possible for everyone. Liz agreed to take this on. She has now completed the review and made changes to the web pages so they are now compliant with the International WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) 2.1 AA Standard as required.

An accessibility statement has been published on every web page (at the bottom). Liz has written a report which will be circulated to Cllrs with the minutes.

Cllr Marshall thanked Liz on behalf of the Parish Council for all her time and effort on completing the review. It was agreed that the Council should thank Liz with a gift. Cllrs agreed to sending Liz an Amazon voucher to the value of £50.

This was proposed by Cllr Telling and seconded by Cllr Venner and all agreed.

48.2 'Free' Trees

SW&T are offering free trees up to the value of £50 for local parishes to plant around their villages. Liz McConnell agree to complete the application on the Parish Councils behalf and if successful find suitable locations around the village to plant them. She has submitted a request for 3 oaks, 3 beech and 2 lime trees.

Please speak to Liz if you have any ideas where these trees could be planted.

20/49 Crime Report

The Crime report was noted by the Council

20/50 **Correspondence and items for information**

The following items were noted by the Council:

- Recycling Newsletter
- Weekly Updates from SWT & SCC and workstream
- SWT – Planning White Paper
- Somerset Climate Emergency Relief Fund

20/51 **Dates for 2021**

Cllrs agreed to the following dates for 2021

Jan 18th, Mar 1st, Apr 19th AGM?, Jun 14th, July 19th, Sept 13th, Nov 1st, Dec 6th
2022 Jan 17th (These are all around 6 weeks avoiding holidays)

20/52 **Any other Business**

Cllr Rigby gave a detailed report.

Natural England wrote to SWT expressing concerns about high levels of phosphates on the Levels and Moors, a Special Protection Area. It stressed the need to protect the area from further phosphate pollution. Phosphates can be found in fertilisers used in agriculture and in cleaned sewage released back into the waterways. Therefore, the SWT planning department will need to review its policies and all future planning applications will need to consider the safe disposal of phosphates and cleaning of runoff and sewage. This could take up to a year but hopefully by next Easter.

A car parking review is underway with two key areas, charging structures and placement of carparks.

SWT have approved the affordable employment land order that allows the development of land for employment projects up to 2,000 sq metres without planning approval.

Brexit lorry park - concerns have been made of the unknown detail from the government plans.

An Electric scooter trial has started in Taunton

Cllr Anthony Trollope-Bellew gave his report. He emphasised the report Cllr Rigby gave and added that the current situation on the Covid-19 pandemic was under constant review and the Gold Command on SWT has been reinstated where weekly meetings take place to review the ongoing situation.

West Somerset has the highest rate in the county but is still well below the national figures. Concerns on the age range in West Somerset with the highest number of over 65's in the country, people should continue to follow the guidelines and help suppress the virus.

Cllr Trollope-Bellew referred the Council to the White paper on Planning and that all should comment on the consultation.

Cllr Telling reported that the road along Quickbeam Lane has overgrown/overhanging hedges. Cllr Marshall has requested that Highways contact the appropriate landowners to ask that these and other roadside hedges in the Hoccombe/Chapel Leigh/Pyleigh area be cut back, as this is no longer Highways' responsibility in nearly all cases.

With no other business the meeting was closed at 8.20pm

The Proposed date of the next meeting is on Monday 30th November subject to Covid-19 guidelines.

CHURCH NEWS

LYDEARD ST LAWRENCE

Remembrance Service

All are welcome to come to the Remembrance Service in Lydeard St Lawrence on Sunday 8th November. There will be a trumpeter for the Last Post and Reveille and the placing of wreaths. We hope to begin outside at 10.55 am - weather permitting and observing social distancing of course. We have precautions in place inside the church with hand sanitising, socially distanced seating, etc.

Church Development Project Update October 2020

Our plans for this year were put on hold with the challenge of coronavirus, the project team is now putting things back on track.

The paperwork for the faculty application has been updated and our architect is pursuing the permissions and formal agreements that we need from the statutory bodies.

We have asked the archdeacon for permission to start some of the work in advance of formal permission, some things like temporarily moving one row of the pews at the front of the nave, in a way that could be reinstated if required.

Our revised programme shows work on the pews during the winter and a contract to connect the water supply and drainage next spring.

Other work is also not forgotten, repairing and re-fixing the weathervane and the flagpole, improving the heating, the ongoing maintenance of the roof and work on the trees in the churchyard. Plenty to do!

Harvest Festival Produce

All the Harvest Produce from Lydeard St Lawrence this year was donated to the Taunton Food Bank and Open Door which provide meals for the homeless.

TOLLAND

Remembrance Service Tolland

Tolland will be holding their Remembrance service at 10:50 am on Sunday 8th November. This short service will be held entirely outside so do please dress appropriately.

VILLAGE NEWS

Bonfire Party Extinguished

Sadly, but not unexpectedly, we will not be holding the annual bonfire party this year.

The current covid restrictions coupled with common sense mean that this event is completely unviable. Hopefully next year things will be such that the festivities can be resumed. But as for now, there will be no bonfire or party this year.



Fiveways

If anyone would like to receive Fiveways magazine, a monthly printed magazine covering all the news and events in Bishops Lydeard and the associated parishes, please contact Helen Foster on 01984 667202 or at helenfosterlsl@gmail.com

Village Hall Treasurer Wanted

The Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall is URGENTLY looking for a new Treasurer.

The responsibilities will include maintaining the bank accounts, paying bills, banking money and annually preparing the accounts for audit. As a committee member the Treasurer has a voice in how the village hall is run and used.

If you would like to know more, please contact Don Hobson on 01984 667375.

Please remember that this asset needs the support of people living in the village to operate.

Face Masks For Sarcoma UK

Earlier in the year Laura and Kathy advertised their home-made face masks which they were making in aid of Sarcoma UK in memory of Will. I am delighted to say that we have had an update from Kathy to report that they have raised a magnificent £1,460 so far. I know a number of people locally bought masks from them, so thank you to everyone for supporting this charity.

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Contact Liz McConnell if you are interested
01984 667375

liz.mcconnell50@gmail.com



Boo Cottage Botanicals

& Special Guests

In the absence of our usual Christmas Markets, Boo Cottage Botanicals is proud to present a series of Mini Market Evenings, hosting some of our favourite producers, makers and artisans from around Somerset.

Wednesday 18th November 5pm-8pm



Echo Candles
Raggy Roux
Whizzy Woodworking
Plum Duff & Stuff



Wednesday 25th November 5pm-8pm



Oh Sew Lovely
Cocoa's Chocolate
Katrin Snell Wildlife Artist
Bake Me Crazy



Wednesday 2nd December 5pm-8pm



Plum Duff & Stuff
I am Rachel
Always Lovely
Lucy Driver Illustrations



Please note, guest appearances are subject to change.

Mini Market nights will take place at:

Unit 1F Hillview Industrial Estate, West Bagborough, TA4 3EW

Full details can be found on the events page at
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Social Contact

Rule of six indoors and outdoors, in all settings.

Weddings and Funerals

Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for receptions, wakes and related ceremonies.

Overnight Stays

Overnight stays permitted subject to social contact rules.

Working from home guidance

Work from home where possible.

Shopping and Retail

Open.

Leisure and gyms

Open.

Hospitality

Open with some restrictions including 10pm closing time and table-service only.

Entertainment and tourist attractions

Open, except nightclubs and adult entertainment.

Education

Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions.

Healthcare Services

Open.

Residential Care

Open to external visitors with additional precautions, subject to individual care provider guidance.

Travel and Transport

No travel restrictions within area. Avoid travel into Local COVID Alert Level Very High areas where possible.

Sporting Activity

Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).

Worship

Open, subject to social contact rules.

Childcare

Registered and wraparound childcare open. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted.

Youth Clubs and Activities

Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:



Wash hands
keep washing your hands regularly



Cover face
wear a face covering in enclosed spaces



Make space
stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
gov.uk/coronavirus

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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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