

Lydeard St Lawrence & Tolland Village Newsletter

October 2017

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
Sun	1 st		Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm LSL Harvest Songs of Praise and Tea 4.00 pm
Mon	2 nd	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tues	3 rd	Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection	
Wed	4 th		
Thu	5 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	6 th	The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am	
Sat	7 th	Messy Church LSL Village Hall 10:30	
Sun	8 th	CF Harvest Holy Communion at 9.30 am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	9 th	Post Office and Coffee Shop, LSL Village Hall, 10.00 am - 12.45 pm Beat Surgery, Village Hall, 10.30 to 11.30 am	Bell ringing, LSL Church tower, 7.30 - 9.00 pm
Tue	10 th	Household Waste (Black) & Recycling Collection SCHOOL Harvest Service in Church 9:00	LSL Harvest Auction of Produce 7:00 pm in Church
Wed	11 th		
Thu	12 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	13 th	The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am	
Sat	14 th		
Sun	15 th	LSL Holy Communion at 11.15am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	16 th	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	17 th	Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection	
Wed	18 th		
Thu	19 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	20 th	The Dance Club Workout LSL Village Hall 9.00 – 10.00 am	
Sat	21 st		
Sun	22 nd		Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm CF Benefice Evensong 6:00 pm
Mon	23 rd	HALF TERM WEEK 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	24 th	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	25 th		
Thu	26 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	27 th		
Sat	28 th		
Sun	29 th	West Bag. Benefice Eucharist 10:30 am	Scarr Chapel worship meeting 2.30 pm
Mon	30 th	SCHOOL STARTS 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	31 st	Garden Waste (Green) and Recycling Collection	Over 60s Lunch, LSL Village Hall, 12.30 pm

Lydeard St Lawrence and Tolland Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th September at 7.30pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall.

Councillors present, Jonathan Marshall (Chairman), Deborah Telling (Vice Chair), Charles Cox, Mary Harding, Matt Hele, Don Hobson, Maeve Vickery, Edward White and Tony Weir.

In attendance, Lorna Thorne, Parish Clerk.

17/65 **Apologies** None received

17/66 **Declarations of interest** – None received

17/67 The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 17th July and extraordinary meeting on 7th August were agreed as an accurate record.

17/68 **Matters Arising**

68.1 (17/57) Salt Bin at Nethercott Lane and Litter Bin by Village Hall

The litter bin next to the village hall has fallen to the floor and has broken fittings. Cllr Marshall would look at it and repair it if he could. The Salt bin at Nethercott Cross has been hit by a large vehicle and has been damaged. This damage would be reported to TDBC.

Cllr Marshall has fixed the bin and added Hi-visibility tape to the Salt Bin at Nethercott Cross.

68.2 (17/62 (17/41.3, (17/30))) Tolland Phone Box Shelving and Notice Board

Cllr Harding had gained two quotations for the maintenance required on the phone box in Tolland. Both quotes were for £250. Laszlo no longer wishes to give a quote for the carpentry but will continue with the paintwork as agreed previously. Cllr Harding has gained a Quotation from Andy Coleman for making a book shelf and notice board. Total £342.00. Cllrs agreed to getting Andy to complete the necessary carpentry work for the phone box.

Laszlo is now no longer able to complete any works on the Phone box so it was therefore decided to go back to the original quote from Trevor Johnson who would be able to start the works, weather permitting, on 4th October. Andy Colman would then complete his works after the painting was complete.

68.3 (17/51.1 (17/25)) Collar Signs

Cllr Marshall has gained clarification on the quotation. The price quoted is £491.88 and this is for all three signs at Thornbush Cross, Tolland Elm and Dean's Cross and includes installation and for Ductile collar signs, similar to Cast Iron Signs. Cllrs agreed to the installation of all three collar signs.

The work to install the three Collar signs has been delayed. With payment already having been made, the council agreed to wait for SCC to carry out the work.

68.4(17/56) CBF – L st L Primary School White Boards and Maths Equipment Funding Request

Kate Stannard, a parent and PTFA member from the Primary school has requested funding from the CBF for much needed equipment for the school. She has requested £8,388 for new white boards and £2,636 for new math equipment. Cllrs agreed to making a donation of £4,000, a 1/3rd of the requested money to the school to be used as they best thought towards the Maths equipment and White Boards.

Chairman Cllr Marshall has received a written thank you from the Primary School for the grant towards the new equipment. They have already started match funding and hope that the new equipment can be installed early next year.

17/69 **Planning**

69.1 **Applications received for comment from Taunton Deane BC:**

22/17/0017/T Notification to fell one Eucalyptus tree at Middlehatch Cottage,

22/17/0018/T Notification to fell two birch trees at Lilac Cottage

22/17/0010 Amendments to the application of the erection of 1 dwelling at Allen's Cottage.

The Council are in support of these applications

69.2 22/17/0016/CP Prior approval for proposed change of use from storage or distribution buildings (Class B) and any land within its curtilage to dwelling house (Class 3) at Piggery, Deans Cross, Lydeard Lawrence.

The Parish Council Object to the prior approval. To convert the piggery into a residential property would be a loss of Business use and Employment use. It is not a suitable location for residential.

The Parish Council were told the units at Deans Cross would be available to help support local businesses, this has not happened as yet and converting into residential takes away further potential for business uses.

69.3 Notification of any Taunton Deane Decisions:

22/17/0011/T To fell tree at Allens Cottage - No objection

22/17/0013/T To fell two Cypress trees at Pond House - No Objection

Tree Preservation Order Confirmation at Squires Copse

The above notifications were noted by the Council.

17/70 Financial

70.1 The Accounts Statement had been noted by the Council

70.2 Payment received from Tincknells for Newsletter advert, £35

70.3 Payment received for VAT refund for Cricket Club Fencing £730

70.4 Payment received from L St L Cricket club of £1000 towards Fencing

70.5 Payment has been made for Collar Signs to Somerset County Council of £491.88 (17/51.1)

70.6 Payment has been made to Primary School for White Boards £4000 (17/56)

The above payments have been noted by the Council

70.7 Payment received from TDBC for rent of Village hall for Elections, payment to be forwarded onto Village Hall Committee.

Cllrs agreed to forward the payment onto the Village Hall Committee

Proposed by Cllr Telling Seconded Cllr Hele

70.8 To make a payment donation towards NHS Health Check Clinic of £10 (17/54)

Cllrs agreed to the payment to the Village Hall Committee

Proposed by Cllr Harding Seconded Cllr Weir

70.9 To Pay Clerks Salary and Expenses of £356.70

Cllrs agreed to the payment of £356.70

Proposed by Cllr Hobson Seconded Cllr Vickery

70.10 To pay Liz for Parish Newsletter ink £39.55

Cllrs agreed to the payment to Liz and thanked her for her continued work on the Village Newsletter.

Proposed Cllr White Seconded Cllr Vickery

70.11 To reimburse Chairman £43 for paint (for the fingerposts)

Cllrs agreed to the Payment of £43 towards paint for the signs

Proposed Cllr Hobson Seconded Cllr Cox

70.12 Audit Conclusion and Notice for display

Cllrs noted The Audit Conclusion letter form Grant Thornton and the Notice has been displayed on the Website and Village Notice Board.

17/71 Correspondence and items for information

The Following items of information were noted by the Council

- Recycle August
- Road Closure
- Somerset Rivers Authority End of Year Report for 2016-17.
- Play Areas Grant Scheme letter
- Inspection and Repair of Inflatables letter
- Crime Report from PCSO Louse Fyne
- Avon and Somerset Police Commission Report

Defibrillator Grant letter

Cllr Vickery was keen to investigate the grant funding further after receiving some training over the weekend showing how simple to use and effective they were to have nearby. Cllrs Agreed that Cllr Vickery should look into costs and the Grants available. With the Grant closing date 30th September, Cllr Vickery would communicate to the Council if a decision was needed to take the project forward quickly.

17/72 Chairman's Report and Update – verge cutting and the road works at East Town Lane

Since the previous meeting, where the standard of Verge Cutting was completed to an unacceptable standard (17/57) a complaint has been made to the County Council. Further verge cutting has been completed within the parish, this also has not been finished to an acceptable standard and a second complaint has been made and noted by SCC. Cllr Weir will speak to Borough Cllr Wren regarding this matter.

The hole in the ditch in Tolland that was a cause for concern and reported has now been rectified and completed to a very high standard. Cllrs wished to thank SCC for their good work in fixing the road and this should be forwarded onto them. Cllr Marshall would forward on the Councils praise.

17/73 Any other Business

Cllr Marshall had contacted BT to ask when the redundant telephone box in Lydeard St Lawrence would be removed. They replied that it was all dependent on their contractors and so a firm date could not be given.

Cllr Harding asked the Council if they had heard of White Space Broadband being an alternative source for areas not receiving suitable broadband? Cllrs did not have any information and Cllr White agreed to research further information.

Cllr Weir gave his apologies for the next meeting on Monday 16th October at 7.30pm.

With no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.00pm.

CHURCH REPORTS and NOTICES

Harvest Thanksgiving at Lydeard St Lawrence Sunday 1st October and Tuesday 3rd October

On **Sunday 1st October** instead of our usual morning service at St Lawrence, we're organising a HARVEST SONGS OF PRAISE where everyone can come along to sing their favourite Harvest hymn. If anyone has a favourite Harvest-themed poem or a favourite piece from a book - then these can be read in between the singing. There will be home-made cake and tea afterwards. All are welcome. We already have several items to be read - so do join us for a fun afternoon and to give thanks for the Harvest.

Our village school will be in church for their Harvest service at 9am on **Tuesday 3rd October**; our Auction of Harvest Produce will take place in the evening at 7pm. Do join us for some more fun, refreshments and bid for lovely fresh local produce - ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO WATERAID.

Lydeard St Lawrence Messy Church Saturday 7th October

A planning group have met to put together some fun activities from 10.30am until 12 noon on Saturday 7th October in Lydeard St Lawrence Village Hall. The morning will be Harvest-themed, with a story, some songs and craft activities which can be taken home. Parents/carers are encouraged to stay with the children. There will be tea, coffee, squash and biscuits at the end.

All Souls' Service
Thursday 2nd November

The Commemoration of All Souls is on Thursday 2nd November, and there will be short service at 6.30pm in Lydeard St Lawrence Church to provide an opportunity for anyone to sit quietly and remember - and to light a candle in memory of a loved one or on behalf of someone else. All are welcome

Village Christingle
Saturday 2nd December

After last year's successful Christingle, this years will be on Saturday 2nd December in the Village Hall from 3:30-4:30pm. Come along and join us to make your own Christingle, and have some refreshments. After we've had refreshments we will be going to church just for a few minutes to circle the church, light our Christingles and sing a Christingle song. Everyone is very welcome to come and join the fun.

Lydeard St Lawrence Christmas Tree Festival 2017

Building on the success of last year's first Christmas Tree Festival, this year's will take place earlier in December: from Tuesday 5th to Friday 8th. All those who participated last year will be contacted during early October, with an invitation to be involved once again, details of trees etc., as well as several other people being contacted too.

It is hoped that the Festival will be larger than last year, as it is an easy and cheap method of advertising your organisation or business and also an exciting and fun social event. The trees should be available from the morning of Sunday 3rd December, and the church will be open for decorating from the afternoon of Sunday 3rd as well as all day on Monday 4th. The Festival itself will run from 3pm until 5pm on Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th December and from 3pm on Friday 8th when the Festival will end at 9pm after a Closing Ceremony, the raffle draw and singing carols by candlelight and tree lights.

PLEASE PUT THIS IN YOUR DIARY. It is a fund-raising event for the church, so that we can proceed further with toilet and refreshment facilities as well as other amenities for the use of the whole village and beyond.

Future Service Dates

Sunday 17th December, LSL Church 11.15am - VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE. Favourite carols will be sung, with the Christmas story being told. Anyone who would like to volunteer to be a reader, please let Revd. Maureen know. Again - everyone is welcome.

Sunday 24th December, Christmas Eve, at 11.30pm: Midnight Holy Communion in St Lawrence Church. This has not happened for quite a few years, but this year we are able to offer this. It does mean that there will not be a service on Christmas Day itself in St Lawrence Church, *but there will be a Christmas Day service at Combe Florey at 10.30am.*

Lydeard St Lawrence Pet Service
Sunday 10th September

Many thanks to those pets who brought their owners to the Pet Service on 10th September! We enjoyed a very short informal time together, during which one of the young people who came along read to us part of the story of Creation from the Bible; we gave thanks to God for the lives of our pets, for their devotion and love towards us and we reminded ourselves of our responsibility for their well-being. Those pets who attended were all dogs, but they seemed to enjoy meeting one another - some for the first time, and they had a good run around the church before receiving a blessing. Next year, we hope to welcome more pets with their owners and perhaps a greater variety - a pony or two, a gold fish ? Those who don't have a pet are still most welcome to come along to pray for pets they may have had in the past, and to share other people's pets!

Lydeard St Lawrence Church and Churchyard Clear Up Sunday 23rd September

Thank you, too, for those who came along for the Church and Churchyard Tidy-up on the morning of Saturday 23rd September. In fact, one or two decided to stay on after the refreshments to complete a particular task! There was lots of conversation, catching up, laughter and jolly hard work in the form of dusting, polishing, vacuuming, high-level cobweb removal, as well as levelling of ground in the churchyard and grubbing-out and trimming of hedges - all sustained by tea and coffee mid-morning, and bacon butties and hot dogs around 1 o'clock. The church building was sparkling and smelt very clean and polished when all was done. More work needs to be undertaken in the top right-hand corner of the churchyard where the hedge growth has encouraged the wall to collapse, so there is rebuilding to be done there. If anyone is keen to assist with this, please let Dick Foster know as he is co-ordinating this particular aspect of the work.

Did You Know?

All sorts of items have been found whilst clearing the ground at the top right-hand corner of the churchyard - broken memorial stones, old-fashioned glass bottles bearing the manufacturer's name on them, small paraffin heaters which are thought to have been used for heating various areas of the church in years gone by!

Sadly, not just dead flowers but also old flower containers from graves, and worn-out "oasis" have also been dumped in that area - items which will not decompose. It would be very helpful if, when dead flowers are removed from graves or from the flower vases in the church, rather than being dumped on a heap, they could be placed tidily in the compost bin which is situated by the wall at the top right-hand corner. The ground in that area has been levelled, and the plan is to grass it over by sowing grass seed and use some of the broken stones which have been found to provide a stepping-stone path across the grass to the bin. Please feel free to explore this area, and please - if you see anything left lying around which should be in the compost bin - pop it in. Thank you to all those who do this anyway. It's a huge help, and much appreciated as we try to keep the area a lovely place for people to sit and contemplate and enjoy the peace.

VILLAGE REPORTS AND NOTICES

New Year's Day Village Walk Monday 1st January 2018 11:00 in the Village Hall car Park

Come and join us for a merry amble 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 explore some of the footpaths and byways 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. (*I have specifically requested no rain, fewer styles and less mud than was provided last year! Ed*)

Lydeard St Lawrence Horticultural Show 2018

The 2018 Lydeard St Lawrence Horticultural Show will be in the Village Hall on Saturday 8th September 2018.

Lydeard St Lawrence Cricket Club AGM

The cricket club AGM will be held on Tuesday 24th October at 7:30 pm in the New Inn at Halse. All members welcome.

Phil Greenway, Club Chairman.

Lydeard St Lawrence Horticultural Show 2017

The Lydeard St Lawrence Horticultural Show on Saturday 9th September was huge success and rather fun. There were four divisions of classes all of which were very well supported. A splendid array of entries including some vast runner beans in the longest runner bean class, an excellent selection of Dundee Cakes in the Men Only baking class and several magnificent vegetable vehicles, one of which won best in show, led the judges to comment on the very high standard of all the entries displayed. The afternoon saw many of the competitors, as well as friends and neighbours from the village, browsing the hall and examining the exhibits to the delighted shrieks from many of those who had won. At three o'clock, Matt Hele announced the prize winners and Rev. Maureen handed out the certificates, cups and trophies. All in all a lovely afternoon. Here's to next year.

The prizes awarded were:

The Hannaford Bowl for Division A (Vegetables)	Liz McConnell
The Triggol Bowl for Division B (Flowers)	Bridget Carne
The Spring Flower Bowl for Division C (Children)	Benjamin Wattam
The Reed Bowl for Division D (Baking)	Vicki Wattam
The Routley Cup for the Men Only Baking	Nick Hall
The Boyce Tray for Highest number of points overall	Liz McConnell
The Chairman's Cup for Best In Show Exhibit	Sasha Beer

Thanks must go to the Don Hobson and his team of helpers, Pauline, Andy, Jill, Helen, Matt, Elena and Liz, who worked hard both before and on the day to make the whole event run smoothly. Thanks also to the four judges who had a very difficult task but carried out their responsibilities efficiently and diligently. And most of all, thanks to everyone for taking part.

A few Show Piccies here <https://photos.app.goo.gl/FF7hj0dx9ABWVX2u1>

VILLAGE AGENT

Your Village Agent is here to help!

Do you live alone, have a problem or dilemma and are not know how to turn to?

Do you need support to access the right people, services or agencies?

Are you finding it hard to make sense of information or services?

Are you an unpaid carer and need a little help and support?

Then I may be able to help!

Your Village Agent is available for appointments and drop-in visits at:

Lister House Surgery in Wiveliscombe – Monday (all day) and Friday Morning (14:00 – 18:00)

Milverton Surgery – Friday Morning (09:00 – 13:00)

Wivey House (The Square, Wiveliscombe) – Tuesday Morning (10:00 – 13:00)

I am also able to pop by and meet you in your own home or at a local place.

Village Agent Community Connect

Local residents are invited to join their Village Agent, Gaby Bellamy, and other local services at Wiveliscombe Community Centre, on Thursday October 5th between 10:00 and 14:00.



Bonfire Night

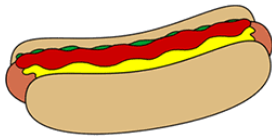


Soup
Bacon rolls
Hot dogs
Burgers
Meat combos

Saturday 4th November 2017
On The Playing Fields
Lydeard St Lawrence



6:00pm Gates open
6:30pm Bonfire Lighting
7:00pm Guy Competition
7:45 Fireworks Commence!



Beers
Exmoor Ales
Mulled wine
Soft Drinks

Family £10,
Adults £4,
Children under 18 £2,
Toddlers under 4 Free



Best Guy Competition
Adults over 12
Children
Prizes



CONTACTS

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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.bishopsllydeardbenefice.org

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