

KINGSTON PARISH NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER
2020

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YOUR SPEED



DOWN THROUGH
THE VILLAGE



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Number 440
TWENTY IS
PLENTY



20 mph INJURES
30 KILLS



Another year is coming towards an end, a year that has been different from normal that we would not have believed possible 12 months ago.

At last there is some light at the end of the tunnel but we still have some way to go. Alas we will not be able to hold the parties this year as we normally do but hopefully the situation will allow families to get together for the festive season.

All of you who have joined our community during the year will hopefully be able to experience what this village is really all about before too long when all the activities which have been necessarily curtailed and cancelled since last March open up once more and we once more become the thriving community that we all love.

My thanks to all of you who have helped keep this newsletter alive with your articles and in particular my team of distributors who have delivered the newsletter to every household maintaining social distancing throughout I know our readers are very grateful.

Please remember that the newsletter will be published a week early next month due to the Christmas break. So if you have any items please let me have them in good time.

My Best Wishes to you all for a Happy and above all a Healthy Christmas

David

Merry
Christmas



Calling all villagers



*secret santa taking place in the village,
collection of gifts afternoon from 14.00 -16.00
at the fire station 13.12.2020*



collection of the gifts from 14.00 20.12.2020

*please purchase boy for a boy
girl for a girl*

max £10 budget

merry christmas Heather & Andy

PARISH CHURCH FLOWER ROTA



2020

Nov 21st-28th

Shioya Walters

If you are unable to do the flowers on a given date, please change with someone and let Carole know –
Tel 810566.

KINGSTON READING ROOM 200 CLUB

The numbers drawn in the October 2020 draw are as follows:

165	Catherine Emberson	£25
52	Jenny Ebsworth	£20
103	Margaret Kelly	£20
182	Sue Way	£15

Owen & Elaine Roberts
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WELCOME

Hi – we are Ann and Kevin and moved into [REDACTED] on November 3rd. I am a professional artist and writer. Kevin is retired and spends his time bee keeping and playing his guitar. We are both keen gardeners, nature and country lovers and are moving from rural Gloucestershire, where we have lived for most of our lives. Now looking forward a new adventure making a new home in rural Devon and meeting our new neighbours. ‘

Thank you for introducing yourselves to us. We are delighted to offer you a warm welcome and are sure that you will be very happy here. This is a very friendly village and when it is again possible we hope that you will become involved in at least some of the many activities available. You will find that this Newsletter will keep you informed throughout the year.
Editor

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TUESDAY MARKET TEA/COFFEE ROTA

2020



Sorry but the Market has to remain closed due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

We will be here for you if you need anything delivered. Shioya and Hannah will deliver eggs, and shopping to your door or if you just need a chat on 01548 810259

Mel will deliver meat to your door ring
Dartmouth Butchers
9am -4pm
01803 832631 or
6pm-8pm
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Viv will have veg on his wall in Yellands Park and can deliver.
I've got Natural and Organic soaps, 99% alcohol hand wash and magic cream for sore hands and skin also Hand Sanitizer.

Tina 07796975291

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library visits the village every 4th Tuesday at the Fire station from 11 am to 11.40 am
The following dates are projected but not confirmed.

2020/21

December 22 nd	January 19 th
February 16 th	March 16 th



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**Copy for December Newsletter by
Monday 14th December please**

Please note a week early due to Christmas.

Editor

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

(Also see Parish WEB site for further details)
 Morning Market every Tuesday 10 a.m. till noon
 Mother & Toddler Group every Wednesday 10-11.45 am
 (Bigbury Memorial Hall)

2020 Due to the Coronavirus pandemic these dates are provisional.
 Nov. 28th 10-12 noon Christmas Bazaar – Provisional
 Dec 16th Deadline for gifts for Daffodil House Christmas appeal
 To Vanessa Walker
 Dec 20th On line carol service via church WEB site
 Dec 25th 9.30am Holy Communion St James the Less limited spaces please book.

KEEPING FIT WITH TINA

Ladies Only

Come and have some fun while doing some
 Keep Fit for all abilities.

Wednesday nights 6.30 pm.

Secret weigh in.

Reading Room.

£2 per session.

Start back 6th January 2020

Tina 07796975291

Kingston Sing for Joy

Community singalong, purely for fun and the
 health/well-being benefits of singing. No
 experience necessary and all standards
 welcome

In the Church of St James the Less

7 pm to 8 pm on:-

Tuesday 21 April Tuesday 19 May

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Following on from our very successful Harvest appeal I would now like to ask you to support our Christmas project. We will be collecting items for Daffodil House in Plymouth which is a residential Women's Refuge for mothers and babies. We will be collecting all baby products, nappies, soap, shampoo, wipes etc. New or nearly new baby clothes (0-12 months), baby toys. For the mothers, bath products, shower gels, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, hand cream etc and also boxes of Christmas biscuits and chocolates.

All donations can be brought to my house, West View, Kingston or I will collect them from you. My number is 01548810497 and my email is vwwalker5@gmail.com Please could donations be in by December 16th.

Your help will bring some much needed Christmas cheer and support to some very vulnerable people.

Thank you so much

Vanessa Walker and all the Church Events Committee

Knit & Natter News December 2020

A big thank you to all the happy band of knitters who have joined our group over the past year & beyond who have provided so many lovely woollen hats, mitts/gloves & scarves for charities. Happy Christmas & New year everyone here's hoping that we will be back to some kind of "normal" to resume our gatherings here at Brae Cottage in 2021. If anyone else in the village would like to join us please let me know. Jennie Stanley (01548 810819) or stanz@stanz.plus.com

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Avian influenza (bird flu)

Poultry and other captive birds

An [Avian Influenza Prevention Zone](#) (PDF, 39.1KB, 6 pages) (AIPZ) has been declared across the whole of England effective from 5pm on 11 November 2020.

All poultry keepers in England (whether they have commercial flocks or just a few birds in a backyard flock) are required by law to take a range of biosecurity precautions.

If you keep poultry (including gamebirds or pet birds) or other captive birds, you must act now to reduce the risk of disease in your flock by following the relevant biosecurity measures required within the AIPZ. Your stock needs to be feed and watered under cover to prevent contamination from wild birds.

Good biosecurity improves the overall health and productivity of your flock by helping keep out poultry diseases such as avian influenza and limiting the spread of disease in an outbreak.

All bird gatherings within the AIPZ are prohibited therefore the general licence that had permitted bird gatherings has been revoked.

For more guidance please visit

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu>

If you find dead wild waterfowl (swans, geese or ducks) or other dead wild birds, such as gulls or birds of prey, you should report them to the Defra helpline (03459 33 55 77)

Public Health England advises that the risk to the public's health is very low. Food Standards Agency (FSA) has said that on the basis of the current scientific evidence, avian influenzas pose a very low food safety risk for UK consumers

Avian influenza is unconnected with coronavirus (COVID-19).

Voluntary registration

You can choose to register fewer than 50 birds, or birds you keep as pets. The Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) encourages you to register even if you do not have to by law.

By registering,

- APHA will be able to contact you if there's a disease outbreak (such as bird flu) in your area
- you'll help prevent the spread of disease and protect the national poultry flock

Thank you.

Nicola L J Pearce

Trading Standards Officer



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Do you keep chickens, ducks, geese...?

Help protect your birds from the risk of #birdflu

Did you know?

There is a constant risk of bird flu in the UK from wild birds. As it's highly contagious take action to protect your birds from catching it.

Remember

Any very sick birds, or unexplained deaths, must be assessed by your vet. By law suspicion of bird flu is notifiable and can affect poultry movement and trade.

Tip 1: Cleaning

Clean footwear before and after visiting your birds. Keep areas clean and tidy, and regularly disinfect hard surfaces. Humanely control rats and mice.

Tip 2: Feeding

Place your birds' food and water in fully enclosed areas that are protected from wild birds, and remove any spilled feed regularly.

Tip 3: Fencing

Keep your birds separate from wildlife and wild waterfowl by putting suitable fencing around the outdoor areas they access.

Tip 4: Register

www.gov.uk/guidance/poultry-registration Register your birds online and get alerts on any outbreaks of bird flu

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SECTION 14

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CROSS, KINGSTON) NOTICE 2020

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC & PARKING

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL hereby give NOTICE that

From WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2020
for a maximum of 5 days

Until FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER 2020 (both dates inclusive)

No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed or wait on the sections of Affected
Roads.

Roads affected -
VICARAGE CROSS TO CHURCH CROSS, KINGSTON

The alternative, signed, route for vehicles will be via - VICARAGE CROSS, LANGS
CROSS, YELLANDS PARK, AND VICE VERSA.

This temporary restriction is considered necessary to enable -
DEVON HIGHWAYS - INVESTIGATORY DIGS

For additional information contact:
SKANSKA CHRIS GREENHOUSE
Telephone: 0330 105 2719

Dated: WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2020

Meg Booth
Chief Officer of Highways, Infrastructure
Development & Waste
Devon Highways
Devon County Council
Lucombe House
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Ref. TTR02037740



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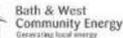
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Help Libraries Unlimited Get This Mobile Library On The Road



Libraries Unlimited launches a crowdfunder to get a mobile library on the road – bringing books and a lifeline to 80 rural communities in South Hams and West Devon.

The current mobile library, Gertie affectionately known as Gertie, is going into retirement. This van has given 14 years' service to rural communities, but sadly is becoming more and more difficult to keep on the road.

It travels 806 miles every month, stopping at 80 different places across the South Hams, skirts around Plymouth, travels across Dartmoor into West Devon and goes North into parts of Teignbridge too.

"The mobile library is really important, because a lot of the areas we go to are very rural. It keeps people in touch with the outside world and they can do something that they love, reading the books. I've got 80 different places that I go to and there's people at everyone single one." Heidi McCoy, Mobile Library Assistant (Ivybridge), Libraries Unlimited

This mobile library carries 2,000 books to rural communities every week and just last year, 11,368 books were borrowed by people, young and old. It is much more than a book delivery van though. The mobile library is an educational, social, wellbeing, and cultural service.

"It's a good service, even if you don't think you'll use it yourself, you may have an elderly relative that has no access to a big public library. Seeing as we're so rural, it isn't easy, there's no public transport to speak of for most of the villages, so it's a really useful service and well worth supporting" said one mobile library user.

Libraries Unlimited has found a second-hand van to replace Gertie. This second-hand van has been purchased thanks to a Devon County Council £15,000 grant. It's only done 29,000 miles, so will give years of service to our communities. However, it's currently geared for under-fives inside and out and we need help to get it back on the road to serve all the community.

"Purchased at £15,000 from eBay, just a tenth of the cost of a brand-new mobile library, this 6-year old van will improve the reliability of our service for rural communities. It desperately needs to be renovated to meet the needs of our book lending services and the communities who use them. We need to fundraise £15,000 to help get this new mobile library on the road" Rachel Gee, Service Development Manager (Rural Services), Libraries Unlimited.

Donations from the crowdfunder will be used to: remove existing internal lockers, furniture and shelving aimed at babies and under fives; reinforce the walls; source and fit new shelving systems; adapt the seating; replace the floor covering; and re-paint the van inside and out.

The personal connection and benefits communities experience from using this local mobile library service is abundant: "Books, reading is so important to everybody and to bring out the library to people is fantastic"; "It's a good place that people meet up who perhaps don't see one another"; "It's really good getting books of your choice, whenever you want. I like having it very much."

Donate to this essential service and keep the mobile library going for future generations.

To Donate at "Just Giving" copy the following link into your internet browser

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/get-mobile-library-on-road>

To give by text donation: Text BOOK to 70460 to donate £3

Texts cost £3 plus one standard rate message

You can also make a donation in person at any of our mobile libraries or donate by cheque (payable to Libraries Unlimited South West) to Mobile Library C/O Finance Team, Exeter Library, Castle Street, Exeter, EX4 3PQ.

The second-hand van has been purchased thanks to a Devon County Council £15,000 grant. With the help of our communities we can get it on the road.

For further mobile library information please visit devonlibraries.org.uk.

Libraries Unlimited is a registered charity (1170092) responsible for running Devon Libraries and Torbay Libraries. Libraries Unlimited is registered with the Fundraising Regulator.

Devon and Cornwall
ALERT

ActionFraud
National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre
0300 123 2040



Scam Warning - Fake Paypal Emails

Dear Subscriber,
Action Fraud is warning people selling items online to be on the lookout for criminals sending fake PayPal emails.

- Between January 2020 and September 2020, **21,349 crime reports** were made to Action Fraud about fake PayPal emails.
- Victims reported losing a total of **£7,891,077.44** during this time.
- Those targeted included people selling jewellery, furniture and electronics via online marketplaces.
- Reports of fake PayPal emails to Action Fraud made up a third of all reports of online shopping and auction fraud during this period.
- **How does it happen?**
Criminals have been targeting people selling items online, by sending them emails purporting to be from PayPal. The emails trick victims into believing they have received payment for the items they're selling on the platform. Typically, after receiving these emails, victims will ship the item to the criminal. This leaves them at a further disadvantage having not received any payment for the item and also no longer being in possession of it.
How can you protect yourself?
- **Sellers beware:** If you're selling items on an online marketplace, be aware of the warning signs that your buyer is a scammer. Scammers may have negative feedback history, or may have recently set up a new account to avoid getting poor feedback. Don't be persuaded into sending anything until you can verify you've received the payment.
- **Scam messages:** Don't click on the links or attachments in suspicious emails, and never respond to messages that ask for your personal or financial details.
- **How to spot the difference:** A PayPal email will address you by your first and last name, or your business name, and will never ask you for your full password, bank account, or credit card details in a message.

If you think you've been a victim of fraud, report it to Action Fraud online at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040.

Message Sent By
Action Fraud (Action Fraud, Administrator, National)





Church News

WE WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE IN CHURCH! There will be a Holy Communion service led by Rev. Matt Rowland on Christmas Day at 9-30 am. The number of seats will be limited owing to Covid-19 regulations and so people planning to attend are advised to book a ticket in advance. These can be booked with Brian Alloway either by phone (810692) or by email (bj6devon@gail.com) from 1st December onwards.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A CAROL SERVICE – but with a difference! It will be a collaborative offering with all five churches taking part. It will be available to view via the Modbury Mission website from December 20th.

Last month was a very unusual November indeed for the church. Sadly, the usual Remembrance Sunday service could not take place. However, seventy Modbury Mission parishioners, including several from Kingston, joined the Zoom service at 10:00 am led by Matt. The service included liturgy that was linked to Remembrance, hymns, prayers and a sermon by Rev. John Corrie. The service concluded in time for us to observe the 2 minutes' silence at 11:00 a.m. On Wednesday, November 11th, at the War Memorial, the roll of honour was read by Viv Freeman; two wreaths were laid and the 2 minutes' silence was observed. As I write, plans have not yet been announced regarding the possible re-opening of churches for services for the month of December but this is unlikely to be happening any time soon (see above for our special Christmas Day exception to this!). In the meantime, please know that the church continues to be open on Wednesday afternoons between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and from Sundays between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon for private prayer. There will be an exception to this on Sunday, December 27th as we have to abide by the 72 hour rule. There may be further Zoom church service meetings planned for December but this has not yet been decided. If you think you might like to join in but are not a member of the church, please make note of the instructions below. You can join either via the internet or a phone line.

1) The internet:

Join the zoom meeting by following this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7185886462>

When prompted enter in meeting ID: 718 588 6462

Once you have entered the zoom meeting please ensure your microphone is muted.

Please follow this **link for some tips** to using Zoom.

2) Telephone:

Ring: 02034 815240 (Regular call costs)

When prompted enter in Meeting ID using the numbers on your phone: 7185886462 then press #

Pressing the buttons * 6 will mute your phone.

If you know people who would like to join us but do not have access to the internet, please get in contact with them to explain how they can join the service via the telephone.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SAMARITAN'S PURSE NEWS, 2020

Jennie Stanley writes: What a fantastic effort!! In spite of the difficult circumstances we found ourselves in this year with COVID 19 restrictions, we managed to fill 37 boxes of Christmas gifts. Thank you so much for taking the trouble to drop off your own box or supply extra goods to complete one. Many thanks also to the knitting group who supplied so many beautifully crafted woollen hats,

mitts/gloves & scarves. The boxes are now in the Church awaiting collection so they can begin their journey to their final destination overseas in time for Christmas. If you want to see how delighted the youngsters are when they receive their gifts you can go to the Samaritan's Purse website www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk.

Have you considered becoming a **Friend of St James the Less church**? With the COVID restrictions in force for so many months now, it has resulted sadly, it has reduced our ability to meet together socially and at the same time, to support the village church financially as we would ideally wish to be able to do. If you feel you would like to become a friend of the church, especially now, in these difficult times, please contact Don Kelly (details below) and you will be very welcome! Friends are a group of people in the village who appreciate the very presence of our church and its graveyard, and understand the need to keep its entire fabric and function in working order. Friends are not necessarily worshippers and indeed, some have no religious faith. That is no barrier. By becoming a friend, you can be assured that our church and graveyard will still be here for the generations who follow us. Don Kelly will be delighted to give you further details on how to join and how your participation will help us all. His email is donaldkelly8@aol.com or phone number 810-358.



Tiggywinkle Times – Please continue to be vigilant, especially at night as our little creatures move much more slowly than we do. We need to help them to survive the upcoming Winter so they'll still be with us in the Spring!

DECEMBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

DECEMBER 16th – Deadline for your gifts to support Daffodil House Refuge for Mothers and Babies. Please deliver to Vanessa Walker Details see separate article

DECEMBER 20th – **Launch day for the On-line Carol Service via the church website.**

DECEMBER 25th – CHRISTMAS DAY: HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE AT 9:30 am AT OUR CHURCH with Rev. Matt Rowland presiding. Details listed above on how to reserve a seat.

The local contacts for St. James the Less, Kingston are our Church Wardens,

Brian Alloway, 810692, bj6devon@gmail.com

and Robert Beard, 810500, r.beard@scobbiscombe.co.uk

Brian and Robert will be pleased to help you find the right person to talk to and help with any church-related arrangements. Please note full information is also on the Parish website as well as the Modbury Team website:- www.modburyteam.org Kingston.

TO YOU ALL -

**A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS
FROM YOUR PARISH CHURCH
ST JAMES THE LESS, KINGSTON**

VILLAGE EMERGENCY PLAN

We are updating our Village Emergency Plan. We would like to know if anyone has any of the following items, which could be useful in emergency. VHF communication devices. Non electric, heating, lighting, cooking apparatus. If you would feel able to help with any of these, if we were to have an emergency, please contact Alison. 811234.

dce Devon Climate
Emergency

INTERIM DEVON CARBON PLAN

Creating a net-zero carbon Devon - where people and nature thrive.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

07.12.20 - 15.02.21

The Interim Devon Carbon Plan is our roadmap to addressing the climate emergency and creating a net-zero Devon where people and nature thrive.

We want to hear the views of businesses, community groups and all individuals on the plan.

Read and respond to the plan here:

www.devonclimateemergency.org.uk

Or request a paper copy and consultation questionnaire from your local library from January 1st or from environmentalpolicy@devon.gov.uk 0345 155 1015

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- **INTERIM DEVON CARBON PLAN**
- **Press release**
- The consultation of the Interim Devon Carbon Plan is now live! The plan is a collaborative roadmap to creating a net-zero Devon where people and nature thrive and is Devon's response to the global climate emergency,
- The time has now come for your chance to offer further thoughts and feedback. Residents are asked to take part in the Interim Devon Carbon Plan consultation, which lasts for 10 weeks and begins on Monday December 7.
- Devon Climate Emergency (DCE) partnership wants to hear your views on key actions which outline some of the transformational changes which are required to create a thriving net-zero Devon.
- The Interim Devon Carbon Plan will be updated to a final plan after the Citizens' Assembly, now in 2021 due to Covid-19.
- The actions cover a broad range of topics which will allow us to build back better. Addressing the climate and ecological emergency is an opportunity to create a fairer, healthier, more resilient and prosperous society.
- DCE is requesting feedback from Devon's citizens to indicate to what extent they agree with the proposed actions.
- Have your say at www.devonclimateemergency.org.uk/interimcarbonplan or request a paper copy and consultation questionnaire from your local library from January 1st.

HM Government **NHS**

Got any coronavirus symptoms?

Isolate and book a test.

Use the NHS COVID-19 app or go to gov.uk/coronavirus

High temperature

New continuous cough

Change/loss of smell/taste

STAY ALERT
CONTROL THE VIRUS
SAVE LIVES

Tenders Invited for the maintenance of Kingston Recreation Ground

On a regular basis from March through to September. Anyone interested in bidding should be reliable, be able to provide evidence of their own Public Liability Insurance, and have the correct equipment to complete tasks such as field mowing and strimming. For further details, please contact the Parish Clerk, Sue Green, no later than 14th December, by email: kingstonclerk@gmail.com or by telephone on 01548 810270.

New Residents – a Warm Welcome

is extended from Kingston Parish Council to all new residents. If you need any help or information please do contact the Parish Clerk, Sue Green: e-mail kingstonclerk@gmail.com or phone 01548 810270.

Recreation Ground Monitoring Team

Thank you from KPC; all is well in the Recreation Ground. Weeks ahead are:

30 th November	Simon Matson-Thomas	4 th January 2021	Sally Denham
7 th December	Michael Brake	11 th January	Q
14 th December	Jon Wakeling	18 th January	Colin Burton
21 st December	John Wurr	25 th January	Andrew McMillan
28 th December	Ali Lewis		

Remember COVID-19 is still about. Rules are on a poster in the Grounds.

Next Kingston Parish Council Meeting – 21st January

The January 2021 Council Meeting will be held using the Electronic Platform of Zoom unless there is a new directive from the Government which allows us to meet in the Reading Rooms. The venue will be confirmed in early January when the agenda is published. If Zoom is used, logon connections will be placed on the header of the Agenda, which will be on the Parish Website (www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk) and the Parish Noticeboard (situated on the Fire Station wall) by Thursday 14th January 2021. Or, contact the Parish Clerk, Sue Green (kingstonclerk@gmail.com).

COVID-19

If your income has changed and you're struggling to pay for basic household essentials, Devon County Council has made money available via District Councils to provide small emergency grants to people in financial hardship as a result of COVID-19. For more details, visit:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-in-devon/document/support-for-people-and-families/>

Winter Preparedness

We have not yet had snow and frosts have been very light so far with no ice on the roads. Nevertheless, as December arrives it is a good time to remind everyone that there are *grit supplies* in bins at certain strategic points in the village. However, please remember that the grit is supplied for the use on the *village highways only*. If it gets colder, Cllr. Mervyn Freeman will bring out the parish supplies of salt. If you should need to use this salt the ratio is **ONLY 1 tablespoon per square metre**.

Waste Collection

KPC are acutely aware of the ongoing problems with waste collection. We have mapped the split collections and where collections are being missed, and we are actively engaged with SHDC to resolve the issue. In the meantime, please continue to put your waste out in accordance with <https://southhams.fccenvironment.co.uk> and please keep Suzannah Grant informed (sgrantkpc@gmail.com) if you have any problems. In the meantime, collections over the forthcoming Christmas period are supposed to be as follows:

Normal Collection Day	Christmas Period Collection Day
Friday 25 th December	Tuesday 29 th December
Wednesday 30 th December	Saturday 2 nd January
Friday 1 st January	Tuesday 5 th January
Wednesday 6 th January	Friday 8 th January
Friday 8 th January	Monday 11 th January
Wednesday 13 th January	Thursday 14 th January
Friday 15 th January	Saturday 16 th January
<i>From Wednesday 20th/Friday 22nd January, back to normal!</i>	

Traffic Speed – Twenty is Plenty

There has been an increase in the number of cars travelling relatively fast through the village recently. Please keep your speed down in the village.

Thank You!

More than ever in these extraordinary times, ***thank you*** to all parishioners, supportive holiday homeowners and visitors who have helped to make Kingston such a valuable, caring and special community over the past 12 months. Thank you in particular to the **Reading Room Committee**, the **Tuesday Morning Market Team**, **KEG**, the **Recreation Ground Committee and Monitoring Team**, the **Tree and Foot Path Wardens** and all the **Drain Watchers**. Reports and messages are passed by parishioners to KPC throughout the year, to raise awareness of any pending problems that need your Councillors' attention. Thank you especially to our **Kingston Newsletter editor, David Carter, and his team** for delivering this newsletter every month without fail to all residents, and e-mailing it to many past residents and friends of Kingston.

Your Councillors are here for you

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Heather Summer Nutting.		(811294)
Sue Green – Parish Clerk.		(810270)

Kingston Parish Council wishes everyone a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year



READING ROOM SCHEDULE DECEMBER 2020

SUN 29	MON 30	TUE 1 Dec	WED 2	THU 3	FRI 4	SAT 5
		● 18:00 KEG Band Pract		● 18:00 - 22:00 FSG Soci		Craft Fair (Kim Watkins)
6 Craft Fair (Kim Watkins)	7	● 18:00 KEG Band Pract	9	10	11	12
13	14	● 18:00 KEG Band Pract	● 16:00 Balshavar's Feas	17	18	● 18:00 Flicks in the Sticl
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1 Jan	2

This schedule is up to the date that the newsletter was finalised . Please note that you can now see the Reading Room Schedule in real time via the Parish WEB site Parish WEB Site www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk Click on “ What’s On & Parish Newsletter” Click on “HERE”

Hiring Charges Kingston Reading Room



- Sessions are 8:30am to 1:30pm, 1:30pm to 6:30pm, 6:30pm to 11:30pm. If more time is needed to set up or clear away, then it should be booked.
- Hall users that satisfy the objects of the Reading Room charity Trust deed are charged at £6 per session. They must be non-profit (and may be subject to financial review) and open to all residents of Kingston Parish and be advertised in Kingston as such.
- Private events are charged at £7.50 per hour or part hour, including set up and clean up times.
 - Sole occupancy of the Reading Room for a full day is charged at £275.
 - Afternoon session children’s parties are charged at a concessionary rate of £10 per session.
 - The meeting room is charged at £5 per session.
 - Existing agreements will be honoured.
- Bookings are recorded in the Reading Room bookings calendar which is available on the Parish Council website . Please check the calendar before requesting a booking.

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN DECEMBER & JANUARY

	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
December 6 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship
December 13 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	All age service	Communion
December 20 th	Lay led service	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Carol service (6 pm)*
December 24 th /25 th	Special services*: see Team Website and posters in churches				
December 27 th					Communion*
January 3 rd	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship
January 10 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	All age service	Village service
January 17 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Sunday Worship
January 24 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion
January 31 st	Communion (10.30 am)				

*Please reserve a seat at www.modburyteam.org

Christmas with a difference

This year's Christmas will be the Christmas we didn't expect! Bubbles, no office parties, online nativities, smaller turkeys and less chairs around the dining room table.

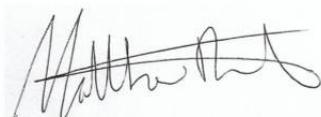
Over the summer we all pulled together to look out for one another, which makes me confident that our community will be able to do it again over this Christmas season.

The first Christmas was also full of unexpected events. From the way Jesus came – a manger instead of a throne. To who he really is – God became man. To the first visitors – shepherds not dignitaries. The life that would follow, and how we are called to respond – receiving his gift, not earning his approval. It was all so unexpected. My prayer for our parish is that the unexpected nature of this Christmas will help us see the first Christmas.

Depending on what the restrictions are, we may be allowed to meet. Some of our normal Christmas services will look a little different. You may find you have to reserve a space for some services. Instead of Christingle services we are hoping to have a Christingle treasure hunt in Modbury (but keep a look-out for any updates on this as it will depend on the prevailing regulations). Our website will give you all the details: www.modburyteam.org.

On the 20th of December we will be releasing on our website an online carol service for us all to enjoy together. Perhaps watch it with your family or bubble or, if we are allowed within the law, invite the person from down the street who doesn't have the internet to watch with a mince pie or two?

With every blessing for this unexpected Christmas!



Matt Rowland

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