

The Benefice of Chew Valley West

comprising

Winford with Regil, Felton, Chew Stoke and Nempnett Thrubwell

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Diocese of Bath & Wells

ST KATHARINE'S, FELTON ● ST MARY & ST PETER, WINFORD ● ST JAMES, REGIL ●
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, NEMPNETT THRUBWELL ● ST ANDREW'S, CHEW STOKE

Sunday 6 November

11.00 am
3.00 pm

St. Mary & St. Peter, Winford
St. Katharine, Felton

Third before Advent

Family Eucharist
Evensong

Friday 11 November

10.45 am

St. James, Regil

Armistice Day

Act of Remembrance

Sunday 13 November

10.30 am
10.45 am
3.00 pm

St. Andrew, Chew Stoke
St. Mary & St. Peter, Winford
St. Katharine, Felton

Remembrance Sunday

Service of Remembrance
Service of Remembrance
Evensong with
Act of Remembrance

Sunday 20 November

8.30 am
11.00 am
6.30 pm

St. James, Regil
St. Katharine, Felton
St. Andrew, Chew Stoke

Christ the King

Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharist
Evensong

Sunday 27 November

9.00 am
10.30 am
6.30 pm

St. Mary & St. Peter, Winford
St. Andrew, Church Stoke
The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Nempnett Thrubwell

Advent Sunday

Morning Worship
Family Eucharist
Advent Readings
and Carols

Sunday 4 December

9.00 am
11.00 am
6.30 pm

St. Katharine, Felton
St. Mary & St. Peter, Winford
St. Andrew, Chew Stoke

Advent 2

Morning Worship
Family Eucharist
Evensong

Prayer Chain

For confidential prayer requests a Prayer Chain is in operation

Ring **01275 472820**

and within hours a number of people,

who value prayer and want in praying to help people in need, will be praying for you.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

How do you define 'strength'? For some, having strength is about overcoming physical challenges—training to run a marathon, or pushing yourself to lift heavier weights in the gym, for example. For others, strength is something both emotional and mental—taking on the many challenges which life seems to throw at us.

Sometimes we surprise ourselves by showing just how strong we are in these moments. I am continually blessed by conversations with those of you who are living with an illness, or who have been bereaved, or shaken by some other circumstance, but who still find enormous reserves of strength to keep going. Our communities are full of strong people who carry the weight of others, often in gentle unassuming ways and without thanks or acknowledgement. Family members, carers, those who work in our Health Service and for charities who serve our communities by giving strength to others. We should be grateful for them—the unsung strongmen and strongwomen in our communities!

With so much uncertainty in our world, it is easy to feel overwhelmed and weakened by fear. We have all been shocked by the recent escalation in the war in Ukraine, both in the dangerous rhetoric and the indiscriminate attacks on civilians. Many people are concerned about their finances this winter. Our national economy has been shaken recently, as have markets around the world as we face the reality of higher borrowing and higher prices.

To face the future without fear requires a source of strength. As Christians, we believe that source of strength is God. Let me share with you some powerful and reassuring verses from Isaiah 35:3 and 41:10.

Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God'.

God says, 'fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand'.

God strengthens us by his presence—he is always with us. God encourages us by his own strength—he is stronger than any situation we might face. God calls us to have faith in him—when we do, we never walk alone.

I pray that you will find the strength to put your faith in God and allow him, in turn, to be your source of strength.

Yours, in Christ,

Tan K. Mills +

Midweek Holy Communion

Holy Communion with Intercessions for Healing is held in our group of parishes on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 10.30am.



Wednesday 2nd November 2022

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

Wednesday 16th November 2022

St Andrew's, Chew Stoke at 10.30am

'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.' (Matthew 11:18)

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Appointment of a Curate

I am delighted to announce that the Bishop has given permission for me to appoint a Curate to the Benefice of Chew Valley West from June 2023. Fran Smettem will be joining us on completion of theological training at Rippon College Cuddesdon, Oxford, where she is currently in her final year.

Fran will serve along with me in our parishes (full time) until the end of 2026. She comes to us with a background in family ministry and brings many gifts, not least her musical ability. She will join us as a Lay Deacon before being ordained Deacon in September 2023 and, God willing, Priest in June 2024.

Please pray for Fran as she completes her studies and continues to grow in her vocation; pray also for me and all who minister in our parishes that we might continue to journey and grow together.

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Harvest Thanksgiving

Thank you to everyone who attended Harvest Thanksgiving Suppers in our villages over the past six weeks. Your generous support is very much appreciated.

Donations of non-perishable food items were gratefully received by the Food Bank at the Withywood Centre and The Sisters of the Community of the Church in Bristol.

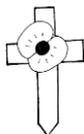
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Sparklers

November Sparklers will be held on **Monday 21 November 2022** in **Winford Church** at **1.45pm**.

Please spread the word to families who may be interested in an hour of fellowship, activities, conversation, and refreshments.

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Armistice & Remembrance Sunday

You are welcome to join us at our services on Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday:

Armistice Day	11 November 2022	St James, Regil at 10.45 am
Remembrance Sunday	13 November 2022	St Mary & St Peter, Winford at 10.45 am St Katharine, Felton at 3.00 pm

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Community Choir and Children's Choirs



Our next rehearsal will be on **Wednesday 9 November 2022** in St Mary & St Peter's, Winford beginning at 7.00pm. We are looking forward to our next Community Concert—'A Village Christmas'—on Thursday 15th December at 7.00pm. Details appear on Page

Our Children's Community Choirs **Mini Melodies** and **Jubilee!** have resumed on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in Chew Stoke Church School. Please see Mrs Carol Hope or the Rector for more information.

More details are available on our websites:
www.chewvalleywest.org/community-choir
www.chewvalleywest.org/childrens-choir

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Church Opening

St Katharine's Church, Felton is open during daylight on **Saturdays** and **Sundays**. Many people who use the common are grateful for this quiet space for prayer and reflection. Thank you to Sam, Lizzie and the team of volunteers who open and close the church.

St Mary & St Peter's Church, Winford is open during daylight **every day**. Morning Prayer is said daily, Monday-Thursday at 8.30 am. On Fridays at 8.30 am there is a time of Open Prayer.

St James's, Regil is open every day.

Confirmation

Four candidates from our parishes are preparing for Confirmation. This will take place in St Andrew's, Chew Stoke on Advent Sunday, 17 November 2022 at 10.30am. Please remember our candidates in your prayers and make a special effort to support them at this service.

The following candidates will be Confirmed by Rt Rev Alastair Redfern (formerly Bishop of Derby):

Alys Kilroy	Chew Stoke
Anna Howard	Nempnett Thrubwell
Liz Patch	Felton
Karen Holliday	Winford

St. James Church, Regil – Cleaning Rota – November (Remembrance)

Di Cox and Jane Keedwell

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Prayer

A reminder that a Prayer Request box is located in St Mary & St Peter's, Winford. Requests can be left confidentially at any stage. If you would like to speak with the Rector, please leave a contact number on the reverse.

Alternatively, you can submit a Prayer Request online via our website:

www.chewvalleywest.org/prayer

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Contemplative Prayer Group

Our **Contemplative Prayer Group** meets on the first Monday of each month between 10.00am and 11.00am in St Andrew's Church, Chew Stoke, led by Rev Dr Victor Barley.

Contemplative Prayer focuses on stillness and silence—praying in a way that listens to God and seeks the direction of the Holy Spirit. Each session will include a reading from Scripture, a reflection, and a time of prayer.

The group may be of particular interest to those who are living with long-term illnesses, and those who support them. However, the group is open to everyone.

The next meeting will be held in St Andrew's on **Monday 7th November**.

Teddy Bungee.

Thanks to all who helped and supported this event when £270.10 was raised in aid of Winford Church Restoration Fund. The excitement on the children's faces was a pleasure to see.

The Christian Aid Pakistan Flood Appeal

Retiring collections held on two Sundays during September at Winford Church amounted to £240.05.

A Message from The Rt Revd Michael Beasley, Bishop of Bath and Wells

As I prepare to be installed as the 80th Bishop of Bath and Wells on the 12 November, I have been reading and re-reading the charge given to me by the Archbishop of Canterbury when I was legally confirmed as bishop back in June. The charge can found be on the diocesan website. (Search for “Archbishop’s Charge”) Please do take a look at what it says.

The charge is terrifying. It calls me to walk the way of the cross. It urges me to rely not on my own strength, but on that provided by the Lord. The charge asks me to ‘speak out on behalf of the voiceless, and for the rights of all who are vulnerable’ (Proverbs 3:18). It reminds me that I am to be the shepherd of the flock entrusted to me. It also includes calls to be committed to the highest standards of safeguarding and care of the environment.

Reading my charge makes me wonder whether I have been invited to impersonate the Archangel Gabriell. Thankfully it also includes words which act to make the whole thing possible. Chief among these is this phrase: I am called to ‘build a church where each stone is valued’. Drawing on the writings of the First Letter of Peter (see Chapter 2), the charge calls me to remember that I’m not doing this all alone. We are doing it all together.

I’ve already been discovering this as I’ve travelled around Somerset attending worship in different churches and meeting new clergy colleagues. The installation will see people gather from across the county, committing together to our vision of ‘Living and Telling the Story of Jesus’. Undertaking that task with authenticity and integrity is the greatest charge of all. It’s one that I’m looking forward to sharing with you.

Every blessing

Bishop Michael

Bishop of Bath and Wells

A Formal, and not so Formal, Welcome

The final step of Bishop Michael becoming the 80th Bishop of Bath and Wells will take place when he is installed at a service at Wells Cathedral on Saturday, 12 November.

While Bishop Michael legally became Bishop of Bath and Wells in June, and has already been out and about visiting parishes and deaneries, the service in November marks his formal welcome to the diocese.

People from across Bath and Wells, many of whom have been involved in the selection and interview process, will have a role in the service. They include school children and young people, people from church communities across Bath and Wells, community and charity representatives, and local leaders of other faiths.

On the morning of the service, which will take place at 3.00 pm, Bishop Michael will attend morning prayer at Bath Abbey and travel back to Wells using a range of forms of transport, meeting and greeting the people of Bath and Wells along the way.

Bishop Michael says, “Before I was interviewed for the role of Bishop of Bath and Wells my wife Lizzie and I undertook a 60 mile walk around the diocese, so it felt only fitting to undertake a similar pilgrimage on the morning of my installation. I hope to meet many people of Bath and Wells along the way as I travel by foot, electric bike, bus, tractor and lorry from Bath, through Peasedown St John, Chilcompton and back into Wells in time for the service.”

The ticketed service will be livestreamed via the diocesan Facebook page so individuals and churches across the diocese and beyond can share in the occasion.

Felton/Regil/Winford Community Transport

Here are the trips for the next two months. We are down to 1 driver so can only do 1 trip per month:

If you would like to book for any of these ring me on **472440** or **07796 445091**. These are half day trips, usually leaving to come back at 12.15. **Jan Longden**

Date	Destination	Return fare
Friday 25 November	Clarks Village, Street	£6.00
Thursday 15 December	Cadbury Garden Centre	£6.00

A Village Christmas

A date for your diary: our next Community Concert, '**A Village Christmas**' will be held in St Mary & St Peter's Church, Winford on Thursday 15 December 2022 at 7.30pm. The concert will celebrate Christmas in word and song featuring our Chew Valley West Community Choir and our youth choir Jubilee!

This will be a free event with a retiring collection in aid of St Mary & St Peter's Restoration Appeal.

Winford C of E Primary School

are having a **Christmas Fayre on Saturday 10 December 2022**.

If you are a trader or have a talent with Christmas crafts, or create beautiful handmade gifts, this is your time to get in touch to book a stall at our event. If you are interested in trading at this event, please email:

winfordcofepta@gmail.com **Cost is £15.00 per stall**

Winford Community Shop News November 2022

A very important report this month, to remind everybody of our **AGM** in the Village Hall on Tuesday 29 November at 19.00 refreshments will be served and the current committee will be there from 18.30 to welcome you.

This is a vital meeting as our Chairman Phil Febrey and Treasurer Liz Weaver are both resigning their posts for personal reasons though they will still be involved. Both have been crucial since the establishment of the shop some 3 years ago and spend many hours/days a week ensuring that everything keeps working and they will be sorely missed.

The committee are determined to ensure the ongoing viability of the shop and are taking steps to cover all the hard work and roles they performed. However, we need new committee members and volunteers to assist in this valuable work and keep this great village asset working.

So please ensure you attend the AGM and think about in helping in some way, if you wish to become involved, please contact the shop or any of the committee at any time.

On behalf of the shop committee Simon Martin

Winford Coffee Morning.

Next coffee morning will be **Tuesday 8 November at The Prince of Waterloo from 11.00 am**.

Do come along to meet old friends and make new ones. This is a regular event held 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Contact **Lyndsay Newman, Village Agent 07967 345559**

November Diary at a Glance

Wed 2	Mobile Library *	Lulsgate, Coombe Dale Felton, George & Dragon Regil, Regil Green	10.40 – 11.00 am 11.05 – 11.25 am 11.40 am – 12 noon
Fri 4	Craft	Winford Village Hall	1.00 – 4.00 pm
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Tues 8	Winford Coffee Morning	Prince of Waterloo	11.00 am
Tues 8	Felton & Winford Tues Group	Felton Village Hall	7.45 pm
Wed 9	Mobile Library *	Winford, Bus Stop near Parsonage Court	11.35 am – 12.20 pm
Thurs 10	Felton Flower Show Soc	Felton Village Hall	7.30 pm
Wed 12	Community Choir	Winford Church	7.00 pm
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Wed 16	Mobile Library *	Lulsgate, Coombe Dale Felton, George & Dragon Regil, Regil Green	10.40 – 11.00 am 11.05 – 11.25 am 11.40 am – 12 noon
Thurs 17	Felton Flower Show Soc	Felton Village Hall	7.30 pm
Fri 18	Craft	Winford Village Hall	1.00 – 4.00 pm
Fri 18	Film Night	Felton Village Hall	See Page 10
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Mon 21	Winford Parish Council	Felton Village Hall	7.30 pm
Wed 23	Mobile Library *	Winford, Bus Stop near Parsonage Court	11.35 am – 12.20 pm
Fri 25	Mini Bus Trip	Clarks Village, Street	See Page 8
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Tues 29	AGM	Winford Community Shop	7.00 pm
Wed 30	Mobile Library *	Lulsgate, Coombe Dale Felton, George & Dragon Regil, Regil Green	10.40 – 11.00 am 11.05 – 11.25 am 11.40 am – 12 noon

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.* Timetable not available at time of publication. Please refer to NSC web page for current details.

News from Winford Village Hall (written on 11 October 2022)

The **Tea and Tech** sessions started again in September and are getting better attended. We have tea/coffee and cake and a good chat and people get a bit of help with their mobile phones and laptops too. It is held on the **3rd Tuesday of each month** in Winford village hall from **2.00 – 4.00 pm**. It is a drop-in session so no need to book or arrive at 2.00 pm unless you want to.

The Bingo Session in September was popular after a slow start with ticket sales. We were able to have a buffet so it was a bit more like old times. I would like to thank the people who supported this event and also the committee who worked so hard to put it on.

Our AGM took place on Wednesday 13 July at 7.30 pm in the village hall.

We continue to be in need of people to either join our committee or to form a small group of supporters prepared to think up and run good social events that would be popular with more members of the community. The present committee just hasn't got the energy any more!!! I am probably speaking for myself here!

Remember that if you want to see what is going on in the hall, or to make a booking, you can look on our website at www.winfordvillagehall.org **Denise Poole on behalf of the committee**

Felton & Winford Tuesday Group

Despite last month's speaker cancelling due to COVID, we had an excellent turnout. Karen started the evening by reading some of her poems, before we listened to the Pam Ayres poetry collection on CD. So nice to hear laughter in the room.

On the **8 November Debbie Forge** is coming to tell us about the **Carpenters Food Bank**. If you would like to bring along any donations of food Debbie would be most grateful, so long as it's in date!

I shall be taking menu selections for our **Christmas party (13 December)**, with payment if possible, either in cash or by cheque payable to Felton Tuesday Group. **2 courses with the usual extras £24.00 or 3 courses £27.00**. I look forward to seeing you on the 8th, **7.45 pm** start at the Village Hall. **Anne Cantwell**

Felton Flower Show Society

Just a couple of reminders for your diary

10 November at 7.30 pm

Gill Hazel will be speaking to us about '**Holland, its Flowers and Flower festivals**'.

This precedes our **AGM. £3.00 entry for non-members, to include refreshments.**

17 November at 7.30 pm

Demo and hands-on flower arranging evening with Janet. This will be a festive themed arrangement.

- 1) Mixture of Foliage: Berries, cones or Christmas things and a low dish.
- 2) Wreaths - to be made with strong but pliable twigs ie Willow (might need soaking) silver birch or similar.
- 3) Small jars to hold baubles, berries, small flowers or whatever you would like to add.

Felton Village Hall

Two dates for your diary in the next couple of months.

Firstly, on **18 November is Film Night showing 'Elvis' doors open at 7.00 pm for screening at 7.30 pm**. A fully licensed bar, tea coffee, biscuits and ices are available. This film has had great reviews and is well worth seeing. This is a complimentary event but if you wish to give a donation it would be appreciated.

Secondly, on **New Year's Eve we have local entertainer Ray Jones** who plays the guitar also a vocalist singing tunes from 60s to the present day. **Tickets cost £10.00 each and includes a glass of Prosecco at midnight**. The Buffet is an American Supper where you bring a plate of food and we all share, as most people have savoury things or cold meat left from Christmas. The fully licensed bar will be open and this promises to be a fun village event to bang in 2023.

To book your place please contact: **Angela Britton tel 01275 472223 or e mail r.britton151@btinternet.com**
100 club winners for October were £50 Mrs J Cook No. 252 and £25 Mrs V Dibble No. 175.

Your Local Neighbourhood Police Team

You can follow us on: **Facebook:** Portishead, Clevedon & Nailsea Neighbourhood

Twitter: @ASPNorthSom

Get in touch. **In an emergency always call 999 For non-emergency matters call us on 101** You can report a crime or incidents of ASB online at: **www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/ report** To report a crime anonymously, **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111** or visit **[ww.crimestoppersuk.org](http://www.crimestoppersuk.org)**

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Your Concerns?

Redwood Neighbourhood Team are keen to hear about the concerns you have in your areas. Intel for us is like pieces of a jigsaw puzzle and what may seem as something insignificant may be that final piece so that we have the whole picture. Printed above are the email addresses of all members of the Redwood team and we want to hear your concerns and develop our intelligence. As always we only expect you to email us if you want to express concerns but if you need to report a crime then it still needs to be 999 or 101.

- Suspicious Vehicles?
- Suspicious Behaviour?
- Drug use or supply?

These are a few examples of things that may be useful to us if you have concerns surrounding them, we are here to develop it so the more the merrier

Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal

By donating new, unwrapped toys and gifts for children who might not otherwise receive a Christmas present you can make a real difference to someone's life at Christmas.

Donations are being received **at Dundry Church on the 3 December 2.00 pm-5.00 pm**. We believe every child deserves a new gift at Christmas so we are unable to take used or second hand items for the Christmas appeal. Unfortunately we cannot accept homemade or knitted items either. **All gifts should be donated unwrapped to ease distribution**

Chew Valley Gadget Busters are here for you

November 9th and 23rd 12.30-2.30 pm, The Queens, Chew Magna

Chew Valley Gadget Busters are back, holding face to face sessions, thanks to The Queens pub in Chew Magna. Do you have problems using your laptop, iPad, tablet, phone or digital camera? Or maybe you want to make video calls, send photos or use WhatsApp to contact your friends and family, but don't know how.

Visit Gadget Busters who are here to help. Book an appointment by emailing cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com or turn up on the day. We are holding 2-hour sessions normally on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, from 12.30-2.30 pm at The Queens, Silver Street, Chew Magna. **But in November the dates are November 9th and 23rd** It costs £3.00 per session, all of which will go to charity.

We are still looking for more volunteers, so if you would like to become a Gadget Busters volunteer, please email cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com for more information.

Chew Valley Lunch Club

Lunch club takes place on **Thursdays at Chew Stoke Methodist Church at 12.30 for 1.00 pm. A two course meal is currently £6.** Please ring Maggie 07761 817 231 to book a place.

Chew Valley U3A

will hold its monthly meeting in **Ubley Parish Hall at 10.00am on Monday 21 November** when David Thomas will present the "**High and Dry Shanty Group**", who will entertain us with sea shanties from times past. Members and visitors will be most welcome.

Chew Valley Choral Society – Autumn Concert

Our Autumn Concert includes a beautiful selection of music, including:

Haydn – St. Nicholas Mass

Pergolesi – Magnificat

Vaughan Williams – Three Elizabethan Part Songs

and music by Bach, Buxtehude and Monteverdi.

Saturday 26 November at 7.30pm at St Andrew’s Church, Chew Magna, BS40 8PW

Tickets: **£15 (£6 for children and students)** Available through our website or on the door

www.chewvalleychoral.org.uk



Chew Valley Choral Society

Avon Wildlife Trust - Chew Valley Group

Thursday 24 November: Reptiles and Amphibians – in and around the Mendip Hills

An illustrated talk by John Dickson. John introduces us to the species of reptiles and amphibians found in and around the Mendip Hills. He talks about their life histories, local distribution, status and conservation efforts focused on them. John also discusses the Mendip Ponds Project, a significant piece of work reconnecting fragmented populations of great crested newts through the restoration of historic dewponds.

Chew Magna Old School Room, 7.45 pm. Admission £2.50 including refreshments.

Chew Valley Flower Club

We look forward to our open evening, on **7 November**, when **Lucy Ellis**, a national demonstrator of talent and expertise, will present "**Brightly Shone**", at **Bishop Sutton Hall**. If you would like to come and discover what we are all about, come and join us twice monthly at **Compton Martin Village Hall, at 7.30 pm**. You will be most welcome. **Joyce Burton. (01761 462560)**.

RNLI Chew Valley Branch

The difficulties experienced over the last few years have greatly affected our ability to raise funds locally, but we are now getting back on Track! We are pleased to announce that our renowned "Curry Lunch"

is to be held in **Ubley Village Hall on Friday 11 November from 12 noon**. Please support us and help keep the RNLI afloat!



Prior booking is essential. Please email the number wishing to attend to rnlichewvalley@gmail.com or leave a message on: **07484831789** All bookings will be confirmed as received. Numbers are limited to 100. Payment on the day please, by cash or cheque.

Please support our event or, if you wish to just donate, you will find details on the RNLI web site rnli.org for one off, regular or legacy donations. All support is most gratefully received.

Thank you. **A. Dodd (RNLI Chew Valley Committee)**

Barrow Gurney Cricket Club

Barrow Gurney's season ended last month in traditional style at the Double Wicket Competition.

A beautiful sunny autumn day saw 9 teams of two battle it out in 6 over segments with teams earning points for runs scored, wickets, catches and stumpings taken but with points being lost for wickets lost and catches dropped or avoided. With no final this year, the team with the most points after the initial round would be declared the winner. With the barbecue fired up and the bar open it was good to see a few spectators come to enjoy the fun.

Many thanks as always, to Jane Holdaway for scoring, Mark Forge for umpiring, Harry Brace for the barbecue, Pete Holdaway for managing the bar and preparing his final pitch of the season and, of course, to Ali Hood for organising and making up the rules as he went along!

The club now looks forward to its Awards evening at the County Ground in Bristol (report next month). For more information contact **Mark Forge on 07884 122301** or email **barrowgurneycricket@gmail.com** or see our website: **<https://barrowgurneycc.co.uk>**

Please help to prevent sheep being worried or killed by loose dogs

Each year large numbers of sheep are attacked and killed by loose dogs. Livestock worrying is a criminal offence and any dog has the ability to worry livestock, no matter how well trained.

As the owner you may be liable to prosecution and subject to a fine.

Under the Animals Act a dog may be shot if caught in the act of worrying livestock by a landowner.

Please keep your dog on a lead: although do let go of the lead if chased by cattle.

Thank you



Accessing North Somerset Council Officers Face to Face in Local Libraries

We have launched this service specifically to help those who cannot access services online or on the phone. It takes place in libraries across the area and people are seen on a first come first served basis. If the officer does not have an immediate answer to the enquiry, an appointment could be made for a later date or a call back arranged. Officers will be in the following locations **from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm**:

**Monday – Healthy Living Centre, WSM Tuesday – Pill Wednesday – Nailsea
Thursday – Yatton Friday – Portishead.**

Winford Parish Council Meeting- Monday 26 September 2022

Open Forum: The Chair introduced Wrington Ward Councillor Steve Hogg, who was also North Somerset Council (NSC) Executive Member for Transport and Highways. Fifty-six members of the public attended to raise questions and concerns about the use of Winford Manor by the Home Office as a holding centre for asylum seekers. Councillor Hogg reported on Wrington community's experiences with the Holiday Inn, which was being used for the same purpose. He explained that NSC had been working with the various agencies and local people to help integrate the asylum seekers at the Holiday Inn into the local community, and said that the NSC Executive were discussing how this type of help could be "scaled up" to include other areas. The Chair explained that, despite requesting it, the Parish Council had received no help at all from NSC or the Home Office, and had no more information than anyone else. They were however planning to meet with the owner in the near future. They would seek answers to the questions raised and publish these on their website as they became available. Councillor Hogg also gave a brief update on the situation regarding the loss of several vital rural bus services in North Somerset, including the 55. He acknowledged that this left Winford Parish with no public transport, and assured the meeting that he was determined to find a solution for rural areas. He hoped to have some options by February /March 2023.

Highways and footpaths: NSC had developed an online enquiry form for Councillors and Town & Parish Councils to log enquiries about potential road schemes. It was agreed that, given the short timescale for the first round, the Clerk would submit a request for safety improvements at the junction of Regil Lane with the B3130, with any other schemes being submitted later. The vegetation had been cut back again at this location by a contractor, paid for by the Parish Council.

In response to complaints from residents about the airport catering lorries driving through Winford and Felton, it was agreed to write to dnata about the unsuitability of their current business location and requesting that they find somewhere else to base their operations.

A possible local business sponsor of the school crossing patrol had been identified. It was agreed to raise the dangerous condition of the paving stones at Kingston Mead with NSC Highways again.

It was noted that work on the speed limit scheme at Felton was programmed to start on 17 October, for two weeks. Plans were also in place for changing the loading area outside the Community Shop to a time-limited parking area, and for yellow lining at the cattle grid gate. A red route (no stopping at any time) was due to be implemented on the A38, including the access road to Felton Allotments.

It was agreed to fund the replacement of the damaged grit bin at the junction of Old Hill and Kingdown Road.

NSC had said that contractors would be going in shortly to work on any footpath issues that had been reported. Another NSC Public Rights of Way Improvement Plan had been published, but with no guarantee that there would be any resources to deliver it. However, there were a number of funding streams that could be accessed, such as the Community Infrastructure Levy. The Clerk would chase NSC about progress with the application to divert the footpath running through the compost site.

Planning: It was agreed to seek clarification of the period within which an operator could not return to a site, once they had used up the 28 day permitted development right to operate airport parking. A possible breach of planning due to airport parking in a field off West Lane would be reported.

Compost site/allotments: It was agreed to write again to the Chief Executive of NSC, regarding the future arrangements for financial compensation for recycled green waste. Confirmation had not yet been received that the Parish Council's outgoings of around £6,600 since the last payment would be reimbursed.

Play Areas: It was agreed to accept a quote for the replacement of the basket swing frame at Vee Lane Play Area. This would be funded by grants of £2,051 and £2,052 from NSC Improving Play Spaces Fund and Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund respectively. The zip-wire at Vee Lane had been repaired at a cost of £175 +VAT. It was agreed to discuss the future maintenance/replacement of the wooden play equipment at the October meeting. It was noted that the hedges at Vee Lane would be cut shortly, with some left to be hedged once sufficiently grown.

Any other business: It was agreed to remind the Assistant Chief Constable that he had offered to arrange a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss staffing levels in the Nailsea Neighbourhood Policing Team.

A resident in Felton had enquired about running an outdoor charity event in Felton in November. The Parish Council was supportive, but there was uncertainty about the precise area and ownership of the land proposed for use and the need for a licence. It was agreed to advise that they consult with neighbouring properties and NSC Licencing Team.

It was agreed to write a letter to NSC, supporting a campaign to make North Somerset the first "Low Noise Firework" district, since this would benefit pets and livestock.

Next Meeting: Monday 21 November at 7.30 pm, Felton Village Hall

Chew Stoke Methodist Church

www.chewstoke-methodistchurch.co.uk

Minister: Reverend Martin Slocombe Tel 01761 411858

Email: Martin.slocombe@methodist.org.uk

Senior Steward: Denise Cutlan Tel. 01761 463139

Sunday Services at 10.30 am

A warm welcome awaits. Do come and join us.

Winford Baptist Chapel

Pastor
Secretary Alan Parker 01275 472149

Sunday: Evening Service 6.15 pm
Monday: Prayer & Bible Study 7.00 pm
Friday: Friday Club (7-11 years) Contact E. Parker 01275 472149

Communion Service third Sunday in the month
Coffee and biscuits served after every evening service.
Contact Pastor or Secretary for details

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High Street, Chew Magna BS40 8PR

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In the name of Jesus: Welcomed, Loved, Sent

Parish Priest: Fr Matt Anscombe (01275 833699) matt.anscombe@cliftondiocese.com

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Holy Mass (with the liturgy of the following Sunday) is celebrated every **Friday** morning at **10.30 am** followed by coffee. All welcome. The church is also open for private prayer each day (typically from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm)

Sunday Mass is at St Pius Xth at 9.00 am or St. Dunstan's, Keynsham at 11.00 am

All general enquiries to the Mission Area Office c/o St Pius Xth Church, Gatehouse Avenue, Withywood, Bristol BS13 9AB Tel: 0117 964 6922 www.calledtomorebristol.org.uk

Winford Parish Community Cars. For medical and care appointments: please call
01275 333430 (Mon – Fri) 9.00 am to 5.00 pm

Winford Parish Community Transport. (Mini Bus)

Jan Longden 01275 472440

Winford Parish Council

Chair	Paul Hatherell	472802
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Felton	Paul Hatherell	472802
	Glenis Shiner	472564 Helen Ingram
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	James Webster 472818	Phillip Febrey 472325
	Alison Johnson 474676	

Website - www.winfordpc.org.uk

Airport Working Party Gill Patch 474196

Compost Sales Bridget Smith 472798

Some Useful Telephone Numbers

Police	Non emergency	dial 101
Bristol Airport Community Relations Officer	Jacqui Mills	01275 473615
District Councillors: Winford Parish	Hugh Gregor	472603
	Email: hugh.gregor@n-somerset.gov.uk	
Backwell Parish	Bridget Petty	
Wrington Parish	Steve Hogg	01934 863283
Backwell Parish Council Clerk	Jane Stone	464653
North Somerset Council Emergency Number		
(for use out of hours, weekends and Bank Holidays)		01934 622669
Doctors Chew Medical Practice		01275 332420
Prescriptions (12 noon to 2.00 pm)	Please choose Option 3 on main phone line	
Wrington		01934 852906
Downside (Flax Bourton)		01275 850600

Avon Wildlife Trust	Annie Stewart	332482
Bristol Airport "Dedicated Noise Line"		473799
Bristol Airport Complaints (Emma Thomas)	customerrelations@bristolairport.com	
Chew Valley Choral Society	Catherine Hunt	07814 098 457
Chew Valley Children's Centre/Health Visitors		01225 395455
Chew Valley School – Head Teacher	Gareth Beynon	332272
Community Shop		472222
Cricket Club	Rory Gunter	01934 832383
Felton Evergreens	Tina Clements	01179 645668
Felton Flower Show Society	Viv Etheridge	472921
	Anne Cantwell	474647
Felton & Winford Tuesday Group	Anne Cantwell	474647
	Jackie Budd	472483
Felton Village Hall Committee Sec.	Angela Britton	472223
Felton Village Hall Cttee. Letting Secretary	Kathryn Tooth	07919 094 725
Floodline (24 hour)		0345 988 1188
Friday Club (7-11 years)	Elizabeth Parker	472149
Guides and Brownies	Sue Curtis	333361
Rainbow Guides	Jackie Morris	474858
Regil Village Hall	Sally Clements	472095
Sparklers for mums, carers & young babies	Sonia Clark	472019
Table Tennis	Len Budd	472483
Tug-of-War Day Committee	Pete Dyer	01934 823462
Village Agent	Lyndsay Newman	07967 345559
WI Market	Tamsin Free	01761 221674
Winford & Felton Craft	Elizabeth Parker	472149
	Shelagh Sutton	472641
Winford Pre-school	Maria Cross	472742
Winford Produce Show	Hugh Gregor	472603
Winford C of E Primary School		
Head Teacher	Nik Gardner	472730
Chair of Governors	John Miles	07427 191898
Winford Village Hall Bookings	Veronica Hinton	472085
Winford Village Hall Secretary	Denise Poole	472797