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1	4	Sun	Sunday Catch-up, outside the Hall if the weather allows.
1			10-11am
1	5	Mon	Household waste collection
1	11	Sun	Morning Service with Jane Hurd. 10am
1	12	Mon	Green bin collection
(14	Wed	Blue and black bins collection
Ì	18	Sun	Morning Service with Kim Baker. 10am
Į	19	Mon	Household waste collection
É	20	Tue	Parish Council Zoom mtg 6.45 for 7pm (same Zoom code as before)
	25	Sun	Parish Communion with Rev. Judith Thompson. 10am
1	26	Mon	Green bin collection
1	28	Wed	Blue and black bins collection
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	1	Sun	Sunday Catch-up in the Hall. 10-11am
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Useful Telephone Numbers

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JULY EDITORIAL

Recently, we joined the West Wiltshire Ramblers, a task I had been hoping to achieve for many years but had never had the free time to devote to regular organised countryside walks. We have not been disappointed with the variety or company this form of activity affords. One of the longer walks took a group of twenty around the fields and hills of Maiden Bradley and whilst climbing up onto Long Knoll we were rewarded with one of Bruce Munro's, installations in his field, similar to the yin and yang symbol. "In Ancient Chinese philosophy, yin and yang is a concept of dualism, describing how seemingly opposite or contrary forces may actually be complementary, interconnected, and interdependent in the natural world, and how they may give rise to each other as they interrelate to one another. Wikipedia".

Sadly, the village says goodbye to Sheila Foley as she moves away to pastures new. Sheila leaves with the grateful thanks of many for all the hard work she has done within the community, especially keeping the shop going through very difficult Covid times. Sheila will be missed but we wish her well in her new venture. With Sheila's departure and the fact that the shop was barely making ends meet, the shop will close on 2nd July. Many thanks to everyone involved in the shop enterprise, providing us with a wonderful selection of essential food and goods — this facility will also be missed.

Pat Kennedy 845397 pat@visa-office.com

MESSAGE FROM SHEILA

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all my wonderful friends for their best wishes and kind thoughts. I am truly overwhelmed by the friendship and love that has come my way and for the very generous gifts/donations received ...

7HANK YOU

My time in Maiden Bradley has been wonderful and I have met some truly amazing and kind people.

Although I am sad to move on it is time for me to have an adventure so I'm buying a motor home and heading off into the sunset......

I wish the village well.

Statement on the Clergy Vacancy in the Benefice of Mere, West Knoyle and Maiden Bradley:

Following the departure of The Reverend Carol Green to a new post in Devon, the Archdeacon of Sarum has met with the three Parochial Church Councils [PCCs] to plan the vacancy. The oversight of the three parishes will be led by the Rural Dean, The Reverend Pauline Reid, who is based in Longbridge Deverill. The ongoing pastoral care of the three communities, together with church services, will be met by local ministers wherever possible.

The Church Wardens, and PCC members will work with the Archdeacon to produce a statement of needs for future mission and ministry and it is hoped that this will be part of a local consultation, and shared widely. As with all parishes across the Diocese at present, there will need to be some consideration of potential changes of boundaries and ministry workloads, as well as the future funding of ministry. In order to maximise the income for future ministry, the Archdeacon aims to let the Vicarage in Mere during this vacancy.

The Church Wardens and Archdeacon will advise on progress when the way ahead is clearer.

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June					
1st Giles De Mare	£27.00	2nd Phoebe Muir	£13.50		
3rd Wendy Dewins	£8.20	4th Iain Sturgess	£5.30		

A Memorial Hall Thank you for all the support during lockdown

To all those contributors to the Hall Lottery, a very big thank you for helping maintain this vital social hub. Over this year alone £600+ has gone to you in prizes and £600+ to the maintenance of the Hall.

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Just before lockdown Sharon Edney and Adrian Wylie moved to Foxleaze on High Street. They were particularly attracted to the quantity of land behind the house and its potential to create a self-sufficient garden.

I went round in mid-June and interviewed them and took some photographs.

I understand that when you moved you had major plans for your new house. What was the first thing tackled?

Partly because we were not able to do any work on the house due to lock-down we tackled the garden first.

When we arrived the garden was just one large lawn with some rather overgrown woodland. Now we have created many vegetable and flower cultivation beds as well as managed wildflower areas. We have fruit and vegetable cages, greenhouses and a hospital area for sick plants!

At the bottom near the field there is a wooded area which had been used as a bit of a dump so there was a great deal of sifting and clearing and work to manage and retain the trees.

What alternative technologies do you have in the pipeline for the house?

Much of our planning involves the roof. We have put windows/rooflights in to increase the amount of natural light that comes in and thereby reduce the need for artificial light. We have a huge underground tank in the garden which is being filled by rainwater collected from the roof. This will then be used to water the garden with the help of a pump that is powered by electricity generated by the solar panels on the roof of the house.

When we bought the house we inherited 12 non-functioning solar panels. We managed to track down the problem to a faulty device in the system. The panels themselves work fine. We usually generate more power than we need so we are able to feed the surplus into the gird. We have learned to pace ourselves and adjust our usage by planning more power hungry activities around good

availability.

We are passionate about wildlife and have created a pond using a lot of the stone that we have dug out of the garden.

We love making our own things so we have adapted the garage as a workshop for home brewing, as well as making soaps & candles.





What has been the most difficult part of the process?

Living with the 3 months (so far) of the building works! We should get our house back in mid July! We run a care home for 5 young adults with special needs in Westbury. It is literally their home so we keep all essential PPE and medical stocks here to prevent their space becoming too hospital-like. Managing all that amid building work has often felt like spinning plates! The care home also accounts for why we have been rather invisible in the village since we moved here. We had to take every precaution during the lockdowns to avoid Covid for all.

What has been the easiest thing you have done which others might do in their house or garden?

Since we have been growing so much of our own food in the garden and greenhouse we have been able to eat almost exclusively seasonal food. The exceptions to this are lodged in our freezer, and preserving jars. Eating seasonally, growing and squirrelling away our produce for later in the year gives us so much pleasure! Foods become much more of a treat when there is scarcity because you have grown it in season, and of course the taste and nutrition are unmatched.

The excellent news is that as Sharon and Adrian are so passionate about environmental issues they and Jannine Baron have agreed to join me in a newly formed Greener Maiden Bradley Collective. That means that you will hear from them in the coming months instead of just me in this column. If there are others who would like to join us you would be most welcome so please drop me a line or give me a call.

Kate Moore; 844305 katemoore@silkmillstudios.co.uk





Some of our Community Gardeners photo by Geoff Smith.





AN ACCOUNT OF THE DAY THE FAMOUS 'KING OF THE BEGGARS' CAME TO MAIDEN BRADLEY.

One day, as Mr Carew was begging in the town of Maiden Bradley, as a poor shipwrecked seaman, he saw on the other side of the street a brother-sailor, begging just like himself. Seeing Mr. Carew, he crossed the way, and asked where he lay last night, what road he was going, and several other questions. This new acquaintance asked him if he had been at Sir Edward Seymour's? He answered, yes, and had received his alms: the stranger, therefore, left him at the alehouse, and went thither himself, where, having received the same alms that his new companion had, he returned to him again.

The next day they proceeded to the houses of several gentlemen in the neighbourhood. Among many others, they came to Lord Weymouth's, where it was agreed that Mr. Carew should be spokesman but the servants bid them begone, unless they could give a good account of themselves and the countries in which they pretended to have been, for, should Lord Weymouth come and detect them in any falsehood, he would horse-whip them without mercy. Our travellers were not the least daunted, Mr. Carew being conscious in himself that he could give a satisfactory account of Newfoundland, and the other affirming that he had been at Rome, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, &c. and could give as good a description of those countries as his lordship himself. Mr. Carew broke ice, telling the deplorable story of their misfortune in his usual lamentable tone. The housekeeper at first turned a deaf ear to their entreaty; but Mr. Carew, at the instigation of his companion, redoubled his importunity, so that at last the housekeeper gave them the greatest part of a cold shoulder of mutton, half a fine wheaten loaf, and a shilling, but did it with great haste and fear, lest his lordship should see her, and be angry.

The reader cannot but be surprised when we assure him that this companion of his was no less a person than Lord Weymouth himself, who, being desirous of sounding the tempers and dispositions of the gentlemen and other inhabitants of the neighbourhood, put himself into a habit so vastly beneath his birth and fortune, in order to obtain that discovery.

Mr. Carew and his companion having parted from each other, he took his way towards Frome; and the disguised lord, by a private way, returned to his own house, and there, divesting himself of his rags, put on his embroidered apparel, and re-assumed the dignity to which both his birth entitled him. I am informed, said his lordship, that two sailors have been at my house; and he ordered two men and horses to go after them, for he had heard they were impostors; and, if he found them such, he would treat them accordingly. The servants obeyed his commands without the least suspicion of the intricacy of this affair, and soon came up with Mr. Carew, whom they forcibly brought up to my lord. His lordship accosted him in a very rough stern manner, asking where the other fellow was, and told him he should be made to find him. Mr. Carew in the mean time stood thunder-struck, expecting nothing less than a commitment to prison.

After having thus terrified and threatened him for a considerable time, his lordship went out and again put on his rags, and was ushered into the room where his brother-beggar stood sweating for fear; then they compared notes together, in order that their accounts might agree when examined apart. The steward took Mr. Carew aside into a private chamber, and there pretending that the other fellow's relation contradicted his, and proved them both to be counterfeits, and nothing was omitted that might strike Mr. Carew with the greatest terror. My lord having thrown off his rags, and put on his fine apparel, Mr. Carew was again brought into his presence to receive his final sentence; when his lordship discovered himself to him.

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COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH NEWS

Police Community Volunteers working on behalf of the Wiltshire Police and Maiden Bradley



Welcome to Community Speed Watch News, May Issue, compiled and produced by the MaidenBradley Community Speed Watch Volunteers to keep the village aware of our activities.

Activity has been very active as usual this month with 10 sessions to date with 1631 vehicles counted and 32 vehicles logged for speeding. However the problem area Frome Road (B3092) it's a different picture with speeding at an average of 37mph. The doubling of CSW in this area is starting to have apositive effect. However for some it has no effect, for them 47mph seems to be the new 30mph.

As you are aware now we share with the Deverills CSW team on a week on week off basis. This seems to be working very well. If Maiden Bradley doesn't get you the Deverills will!!!



The knowledge that CSW teams are around has a calming effect. We are seeing some very poor driving by the old shop entrance. See photograph. This is a common occurrence with vehicles using the drop down to mount two wheels on the pavement and drive up past oncoming vehicles. Regardless of pedestrian traffic. This matter is now with the police and Highways.

The Speed Indicator Device as always has a very positive effect.

If you see an incident Call 999 if the driver is still on scene, or 101. Take the Reg. No.

Thank you for all your support in the CSW activities and for your support in the future.

Simon Wager

Simon Wager. Community Speed Watch Co-ordinator. Chairman Maiden Bradley Parish Counci

Spring Watch in The Rank

Back in February we were encouraged by the CPRE to do a Star Count. The idea being that the count identified the clarity of the atmosphere around us. (CPRE – Campaign to Preserve Rural England) The plan was first to identify the constellation of Orion and to count the visible stars within the upper part of the constellation the stars pick out an approximate rectangle and with the naked eye I counted the stars within the rectangle. I thought that the exercise would be easy, however I had to wait until late March for my first attempt at a count and failed. I did pick three evenings in the dark of the moon (when the moon was not full and lurking below the horizon) when the Met was in good in order and had another couple of goes. The location of my count was the middle of the Playing Field and I was able to count 21 stars on two nights within the week that the count was closed.

Maiden Bradley and district fared quite well and we are fortunate to have darkish skies around us therefore if you get your telescopes and binoculars out you will see the canopy of stars above us. If you want to see more the following link maybe helpful to you:

www.cpre.org.uk/what-we-care-about/nature-and-landscapes/dark-skies

If you are interested in the work of the CPRE google CPRE Wiltshire and you will find more data there. Whilst we are on the rural brief, you might consider taking a look at the Cranbourne Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Maiden Bradley is part of the 380 square miles of designated AONB.

The editorial notes the work of the West Wiltshire Ramblers Association and if you want to see more of the rural idyll within which we are so fortunate to live, get yourselves some walking boots or shoes and try some of the midweek shorter walks about 5 miles and the longer walks at the weekend which can be between 10 and 15 miles. www.ramblers.org.uk/west-wiltshire



Now what's been going on in The Rank? Lavender Oil Beetles have been in reduced numbers and may have been fodder for the Frogs and Hedgehogs or just suffering from the very wet weather in March. Hedgehogs have been foraging around in the front gardens clearing out the slugs as well and they have cleared plates of Hedgehog food left for them and this is evidenced on our trail camera recording. We know there is a healthy population of

hedgehogs in the area. If you believe you have them in your garden make a doorway through to your neighbours garden. If you want to feed them you can buy a proprietary hedgehog tinned food at Mole Valley or they quite like wet cat or dog food. Do not feed them bread or milk. Any found injured or ill or underweight, call the

Hedgehog rescue centre at Cheddar – Prickles and Paws - www.pricklesandpaws.org

We all know that spring was delayed this year and that meant my swift clock stopped. Normally we see sightings of swifts on the 9th May. This year that did not happen and in discussion with others the most accurate date for their arrival is 11th June, about a month late. Sadly their numbers are depleted and I can only assume there has been meteorological attrition as they venture to our shores. We have 5 nesting sights at 64 and only one seems to be occupied however that is tentative and as yet I am unable to confirm whether or not a pair have nested. If you have Swifts nesting in your roof and we know the buildings on the East side of Church Street is a popular nesting location please report the nesting site to the RSPB to put MB on the map as an establish swift colony. One of our residents rescued and reared by hand a fledging Swift (Taylor Swift (the bird) featured in MB News a couple of years ago). www.rspb.org.uk/.../safeguarding-species/swiftmapper

The other migrant visitors house martins are fewer in number this year and swallows are at about the same level of density and activity as last year. I have reports that swallows are nesting in a new location in the district. We need to be more caring about these birds perhaps building dedicated homes for them around the village would be a good idea. Nesting sights are being lost as old outbuildings get demolished or refurbished.

My last rant is trees, we are being encouraged to plant trees to mop up Carbon and in order to mark the Queen's 70th Jubilee, can we consider a Maiden Bradley initiative of a plantation of trees of a preferred species to mark the 70 years of the Queen's accession to the throne?

James Kennedy





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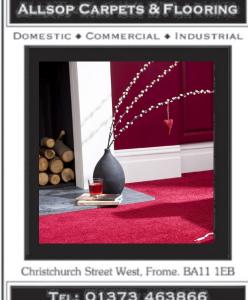


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Parish Council 8th June 2021

Wiltshire Council Planning - Application No: PL/2021/03721 Application Type: Full planning permission

Proposal: The construction of replacement agricultural silage clamps Site Address: Church Farm, Church Street, Maiden Bradley, Warminster, BA12 7HN

Resolved: Supported. Proposed Councillor Martin Gopsill Brown Seconded Councillor Susanna Brigden. All agreed

Parish Steward – the 24th of June 2021 is the date of the next Parish Steward visit. Council confirmed Unitary Councillor Bill Parks would liaise with Councillor Sebastian Seymour about the list of items he has identified following his walkabout.

Traffic Improvements - Councillor Simon Wager reported that resources have been assigned to progress the villages gates and to commence the 20mph speed limit assessment in Maiden Bradley. The below correspondence was noted. It was agreed that Councillor Simon Wager will attend the next CATG meeting and speak to the Senior Engineer on the dates, Council had been given by Martin Rose the previous Senior Engineer regarding this project. It was noted that no feedback from the metro counts for Back Lane and the Rank had been received to date.

Unfortunately, I am not in a position to give a timescale for completion just yet, but as soon as I receive further updates, I will inform you accordingly. Regards Kate Davey Eng Tech MIHE Senior Engineer Traffic Engineering Team.

Weight Watchers – Council agreed to support the below motion put forward by Councillor Alexandra Channer. The Clerk was instructed to send the below draft letter. Proposed Councillor Alexandra Channer Seconded Councillor Susana Brigden. All agreed.

Dear Councillor Richard Clewer

Maiden Bradley Parish Council expresses its support for the letter sent to you by Maiden Bradley Weightwatchers on 1 June 2021.

The Parish Council was extremely concerned to read the letter sent by Councillor Philip Whitehead on 20 April 2021. In this letter, he suggested that the B3092 weight limit which our councillors worked so hard to achieve in 2011, might be revised. We strongly oppose such a move on behalf of our community that has patiently waited for the weight limit to be implemented, at Wiltshire Unitary Council's advice.

We strongly support the proposal for the one-way use of the B3089, between the A350-A303, and hope that you will investigate this option, given the potential impact it could have on our community's lives.

We wish you well in your new role and look forward to hearing from you.

Church Railings - noted that the railing s have yet again been damaged by a vehicle. The Wiltshire Council Highways Team have been informed and have inspected the damage. The Highways Engineer Denise Nott has recommended that a white line is put alongside the road when the white lines are refreshed. Councillor Simon Wager reported that when the new railings are installed, it is expected that the working group will repaint them when the traffic calming is in place. Proposed Councillor Alexandra Channer Seconded Councillor Susanna Brigden. All agreed

Action Plan /Parish Plan

Parish Plan Interpretation Board - Councillor Alexandra De Renzy Channer reported on the Interpretation Board project. Council noted that the Estate have indicated that they will give a donation to make up the short fall for the additional costs the second draft will contain.

Council approved the below list be put forward to the designer. Proposed Councillor Alexandra Channer Seconded Councillor Susanna Brigden. All agreed.

- moving the map left to include the medieval village of Yarnfield and to mark the hamlet of Gare Hill. Add a couple of houses to mark the current hamlet of Yarnfield too.
- Illustrating Dower House and Manor House
- Marking the WW2 bunker on Long Knoll

One additional request:

• Is it possible to mark a Romano Celtic temple on the top of Brimsdown hill? The Parish Council wondered if the designer could use the same earth work symbol developed for the medieval village of Yarnfield as both sites are only visible because of ridges or mounds in the earth.

Feedback

- Directional arrows please can the directional arrows be in the same colour as the font e.g., orangey/brown, and can they be flowy in shape rather than straight and functional. In the names e.g., Stourhead / The Newt can we remove the /. So, you just have one name on top of the other.
- Tumulus the tumulus in the village behind the pub
- Village built up area all the illustrations of buildings to mark the village were approved and confirmation to add a line to indicate the houses on The Rank/Bradley Lane. Can the name The Rank be added to that small stretch of road.
- Long Knoll the tumulus on Long Knoll should be nearer the top of the hill. Is it possible to move it higher?
- Cows is it possible for the cow colours to be different? The two cows at the top of the map should ideally be white / or white and brown. Then the next cow is correct. And the bottom cow needs to be totally black. Just leave it as it is if it is too difficult now to change. Also, the cow by Penny's wood should be situated a bit higher.
- •Text there are some changes to the text the new agreed version to be sent

Year End Accounts/Consider the Annual Internal Audit Report - noted that the Internal Auditor had actioned a lighter touch audit using requested electronic copies of documentation and telephone discussions with the Clerk. Council noted the overall conclusion and approved the below report received from the Internal Auditor. The Audit has been sent to the External Auditor.

Overall Conclusion

Based on the satisfactory completion of our programme of work for the year, we have concluded that the Council has, again maintained adequate and effective internal control arrangements. We are pleased to report that there are no issues arising this year warranting formal comment and none warranting any recommendation.

We have noted that the Council has complied, as far as it is possible to do so, with Central government public-health directives as amended from time to time, whilst maintaining a consistently high standard of service provision. The Council has also taken all reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of its Staff, Members, and members of the public utilising the Council's facilities and services.

All modified and exceptional working practices have been formally Reviewed, Resolved and Recorded in the Council's Minutes and the Council is complimented for its management processes in this regard.

Once again, we note that the council retains the Quality Gold Level of the Local Council Award. We

commend not only the Clerk/RFO for her continued professional management and administration of the Council's finance and governance functions, but also the Members who have worked tirelessly to maintain services for their constituents during these unprecedented and challenging times. Once again, the manner in which the requested electronic documents and backup files were presented by Clerk & RFO for audit was of excellent standard, making this final review process as straightforward as possible.

We ask that members consider the content of this report and acknowledge that the report has been formally reviewed and adopted by Council.

Items for the next Agenda: Website update, Budget Report, Review Clerks Contract, Vat Reclaim, Noticeboard Refurbishment, SLCC National Conference, Footpath improvements - parish plan, The Rank consultation and the final version of the interpretation board.

As the law has now changed for Town and Parish Councils on virtual meetings, the Parish Council will in future meet in person at the Memorial Hall, but Parishioners will still be able to join virtually as there are regulation limitations on social distancing within the hall.

Date of the next meeting. The Council agreed that the 20^{th of} July 2021 would be the date of the next Parish Council meeting. The agenda will be published on the 9th July 2021. As always, the Parish Council meeting will be open at the start with an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions or make comments on any matter. The website www.maidenbradley.org can be accessed to read a copy of the Agenda and Minutes electronically or copies are displayed on the Millennium Notice Board at the Bus Stop.

The Zoom link to join the meetings virtually is displayed on the agendas, all are welcome.

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