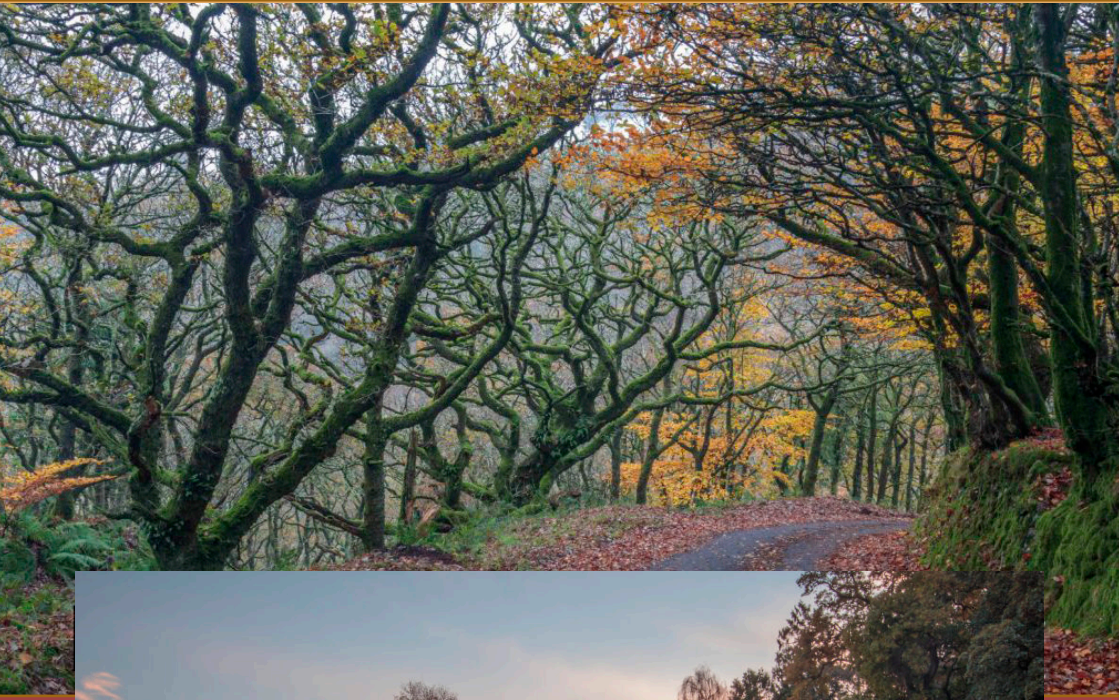


Maiden Bradley Parish News

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Autumn Images by Steve Gunter- one of the exhibitors at the Maiden Bradley Arts Festival over Bank Holiday Weekend



A lovely old bench given to
the Community Garden by Liz
and Patrick Nixon

Maiden Bradley Development Plan

Saturday October 5th, 2.00-4.30pm

Please come along to the village hall on Saturday 5th October to hear about the results of the consultation process we've conducted for the parish development plan.

2.00-4.30: The display will be open all afternoon, so you can wander around to see the results of the survey and consultation meetings and to read about the issues and ideas that you all raised.

2.30-3.15: You can join the public meeting where we'll present the key findings and the actions that the parish council proposes we put into our 5-year plan.

The purpose of this closing consultation meeting is to share with you the results of the survey and consultation events, and to receive your feedback about the priorities and actions the parish council proposes to adopt.

This is your plan about your village, so please take this opportunity to help us make Maiden Bradley a wonderful place to live.

And, remember, there is free tea and cake!

Thank you - Councillor Alex Channer

Diary for October 2019

- 1 Tue Speed Watch Team goes live
5 Sat The Somerset Arms public house closes for refurbishment
6 Sun Results consultation for Parish Development Plan – Hall 2-.4.30pm
7 Mon Catchup Sunday, coffee and croissants in the Hall 10-11am
Black Box, Blue and Green bin collections

Closing date for applications to Parish Council

- 8 Tue Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
12 Sat Church decoration for Harvest Festival 10am
13 Sun Harvest Festival – Dried goods to Warminster foodbank 11am
14 Mon Household waste collection
17 Thurs Welcome Club Meeting
20 Sun Book of Common Prayer Communion 10am
21 Mon Black Box, Green and Blue bins collections

Copy deadline for newsletter

- 24 Thurs Welcome Club Outing to Laycock and Cirencester
26 Sat Start of the Poppy Appeal collections
27 Sun Parish Communion 10am
28 Mon Household Waste collection
Prayer Meeting held every Wednesday at 6.30pm,
phone 01985 844817 for venue

Dr Harding's Surgery every Monday at the Memorial Hall except Bank Holidays 5-6 pm. Please bring your orders to Memorial Hall Surgery the week before they are due for the Doctor to process.

Refuse & Recycling Collections every Monday, for Bank Holiday changes see Wiltshire Council website.

Mother & Toddlers every Tuesday 10.00 am to 12 noon.

Useful telephone Nos.: The Pub: 844207; Memorial Hall bookings – 845303

Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or murrisona@parliament.uk:

Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096; Rev. Carol Wilson-Barker 01747 861859.

Bell Ringing every Tuesday 7 pm in the Bell Tower at the Church.

Beginners welcome 844475

Coffee Mornings every Friday in the Hall 10 am till 12 noon

Maiden Bradley Parish News – contributions are welcome and preferred in WORD format. Email pat@visa-office.com

**Magazine available online
at www.maidenbradleyvillage.org.uk**

Editorial

Over the last few months I have been approached by several residents regarding footpaths and dog walking. As a dog owner, you can perhaps imagine that I have my own views on the matter but a measured debate needs to be taken to the Parish Council so that all sides of the discussion can be aired. I would suggest that all interested parties attend the Parish Plan consultation to be held on Saturday 5th October where further information for footpaths will be available.

It is a sad time for the village with yet another community venue closing. The pub will re-open but not for a year or so when we trust that a bar and skittle alley will still be available for common use. Maybe now is the time for someone to start something new.....

Pat Kennedy 01985 845397 pat@visa-office.com

The Somerset Arms

Since Wadworth Brewery gave up their long lease of the Somerset Arms in January 2018, Andy and Lyn Hobbs have successfully managed the pub with their food and drink offerings. Planning Permission has been granted for the Estate to increase the number of letting bedrooms to 17, including an updated kitchen, a new skittle alley, improved beer garden and parking, and to generally modernise the pub for the Maiden Bradley community. This work will be undertaken in phases. The first phase is now underway to re-roof the old skittle alley so that bedrooms and bathrooms can be created in that building, with internal works to the main building and the new skittle alley to follow in 2020.

To facilitate this work the pub will be closed from 1st October with a re-opening scheduled for late 2020.

Eventually the Somerset Arms will be run by a company linked to the Estate and we look forward to providing an attractive and affordable place for villagers to meet and enjoy.

John Somerset

Maiden Bradley says goodbye to Andy and Lyn and wishes them all the best with their new venture.



Bishop's Letter-Remembering our future

'Little Imber on the down; seven miles from any town'. Like its better-known counterpart in Dorset, Tyneham, the 'lost' village of Imber was permanently evacuated in 1943, to provide a training area for US troops preparing for the allied invasion of Europe: one community's quiet sacrifice for the war effort. Deserted and overgrown, today Imber is a kind of ghost village, about as deep into Salisbury Plain as it is possible to be.

Adapted as a stage set for army manoeuvres, with the well-preserved parish church of St Giles as its centrepiece, Imber has also become something of a pilgrimage site for thousands of visitors who flock there during the twenty days each year access is granted. What draws them in such numbers? Abandoned places retain a unique fascination and Imber is, for many, a potent symbol of lost community- what the writer Georgina Boyes called 'the imagined village'. In this idealised and deeply nostalgic sense of place, the Anglican Church plays an almost iconic role – when the bells of St Giles toll, we are recalled to a longed-for common life.

The loss of place is perhaps the most powerful motive in modern social and political life. Globally, more people than ever before are uprooted from their home, by war and disaster; across the United Kingdom we are deeply unsettled and – whatever our allegiances- view the coming months with profound concern. Like the Psalmist, who writes 'in time of national humiliation' that 'we do not see our emblems' – the symbols of our belonging- as believers we are called by God to remember our future. Called back to the Lord's faithful provision in former generations and forward in hope to the place assured for us – won for us – in the Lord Jesus.

Everyone is, by different routes, seeking this way forward. As an enduring sign of faith, hope and communal resilience, our parishes and churches once again have a crucial part to play in signalling and settling the nation. In Christ is our way back- and our way forwards.

+Andrew Ramsbury



News from the Hall

YOUR VILLAGE HALL



**Memorial Hall AGM Monday 7th
October @7pm.
All welcome**

**Your village hall committee needs
you!
It is not too late to join.**

More information and nomination forms
available from Sheila Foley, 844218

Old Kitchen Store open Mon, Weds & Fridays 9am-11.30am.

The Post Office is in attendance every Tuesday 1pm- 3pm
when the shop will also be open

Look out for October half price bargains at the shop

Coffee mornings every Friday 10-12pm.

Come along for a cuppa, a chat & a giggle. Take a look at the community
library while you are there. Everybody welcome.

Film nights:

Saturday, 12th October-

Mary Popins Returns (PG)

Fish & Chips available from Mr. Chippy

Friday, 8th November

Stan and Ollie (PG)

Saturday, 23rd November

Aladdin (PG)

Fish & Chips available from Mr. Chippy

Hire the Hall for a private function- call 01985 845303

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH NEWS

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



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

The Speed Watch Teams go live in the 1st week of October having at last completed all the requirements to become a CSW Team. We now have been issued with our own device for checking vehicle speeds. This is a great advantage as we do not have to share with another CSW team.

You will have already noticed the yellow Speed Watch Are signs have appeared in the village. They are there to remind and advise drivers that the speed limit is 30mph.

The three teams will be working in 5 different locations around the village at times most suitable to traffic conditions. Please respect them there are carrying out their voluntary duties. Not to book as many vehicles as possible.

They are there to draw the driver's attention to remain in the given speed limit and be aware if they do not do so they will be reported.

Each month we will publish results from both the speed watch activities and data from the SID. Also we will publish any anecdotes incidents amusing or otherwise that occur during the month.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the CSW operations so if you feel and would like to help please contact a member of the team or visit the CSW table in the village hall on the 5th October at the consultation.

Finally statistics show that the majority of drivers caught in CSW areas are local people who live in the area.

Good Luck

**Simon Wager. Community Speed Watch Co-ordinator.
Vice Chairman Maiden Bradley Parish Council**

Vacancy on the Parish Council! Being a Councillor

Maiden Bradley Parish Council needs a new team member; if you think you would like to take the wishes of the Parish Plan forward are over 18 years of age contact the Clerk on 01985213436 or email maidenbradley@virginmedia.com for an application form.

What is a councillor?

Councillors are elected to represent an individual geographical unit on the council, known as a ward or- parish – in Maiden Bradley it is the entire parish. They are generally elected by the public every four years, but there is a Co-option space available on the Parish Council at the moment as Councillor Patrick Nixon has given his resignation to the Parish Council.

What do councillors do?

Councillors have three main components to their work.

1. Decision making- Through meetings and attending committees with other elected members, councillors decide which activities to support, where money should be spent, what services should be delivered and what policies should be implemented.

2. Monitoring- Councillors make sure that their decisions lead to efficient and effective services by keeping an eye on how well things are working.

3. Getting involved locally- As local representatives, councillors have responsibilities towards their constituents and local organisations. These responsibilities and duties often depend on what the councillor wants to achieve and how much time is available, and may include:

- Going to meetings of local organisations such as the Rural Police Neighbourhood Tasking Group
- Going to meetings of bodies affecting the wider community (The Warminster Area Board)
- Taking up issues on behalf of members of the public

How much time does it take up?

Quite often councillors say that their duties occupy them for about five to 21 hours a week. Obviously there are some councillors who spend more time than this- and some less, but in the main, being a parish councillor is an enjoyable way of contributing to your community, and helping to make it a better place to live and work.

As a councillor representing your community you will help keep it a great place to live and work. You will be supported in your role and will be expected to undertake training. You should be comfortable working electronically. You should have a positive outlook and a can-do attitude and be willing to work as part of a team. If after reading this notice you are interested in applying please contact the clerk to the council using the above details.

**The closing date for applications to be received by the Clerk is the
7th October 2019.**

HARVEST DECORATIONS

If you would like to join in with decorating the church, then please come along on Saturday 12th of October from 10.a.m onwards. It will be great to have lots of hands to share the decorating. If you cannot manage that morning then you can always come at a time to suit you best. Bring anything you have to spare in the garden and this can be supplemented with hedgerow berries. Fruit and veg also make the church feel very seasonal.

Any questions, ring Sue on 844244.

Poppy Appeal 2019

The Royal British Legion created the Poppy Appeal to help those returning from the First World War. Over a century on from the start of that conflict, the British Legion are still helping today's Armed Forces families in much the same way, whether for those suffering from the mental scars of battle, finding employment or helping with housing. The money raised through the Poppy Appeal goes directly to the Legion's welfare work, providing through-life care to anyone who has served in the British Armed Forces.

This vital welfare work is entirely dependent on the public's support - so can you please give generously and wear your poppy with pride.

Our house to house collections in Maiden Bradley are licensed to start on 26th October and continue until the 9th November. Those kindly collecting are David Morse (High Street, Frome View), Mary Stevens (The Knapp, Barcroft, the Rank and Frome Road), Diana Stevens (Church Street, Somerset Arms side), Sarah Neish (Church Street, outlying farms). The Village shop and pub will have static points.

Please remember that if you are a taxpayer, to use a gift aid envelope as last year over £200 was raised in this way in our village. The collectors have a supply of envelopes so do please ask for one.

Sarah Neish

Welcome Club

The Welcome Club meeting was held on Thursday 19th September at Horningsham Hall. We had very few members attend but those who did enjoyed some fun games of Bingo with Tom as the Caller so that made it even funnier. Our October meeting is on Thursday 17th and the October outing is to Laycock and Cirencester which will be the last outing of the season and held on Tuesday October 24th. please contact me if you are interested.

Pearl Hudson 844779

Have you signed up to Community Messaging?

Wiltshire Police use an email alert system called Community Messaging, also known as Neighbourhood Alert, across Wiltshire and Swindon to provide real time information to subscribing residents and businesses.

This is a free service and once subscribed you can choose what sort of alert to receive and how to receive them. This way the alerts will be tailored specifically to your interests and delivered by email, text or phone.

Community Messaging allows Wiltshire Police, and carefully selected partners, to help keep communities better informed about police and crime updates affecting their local area. The messages can even be sent to individual postcodes.

Although Wiltshire Police is the main source of information the system is also used by Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue, Wiltshire and Swindon Neighbourhood Watch, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Gas Emergency Service and Action Fraud (the national centre for fraud and cybercrime). All these partners provide relevant information to help keep you safe and secure.

You can respond directly to messages and rate the value/relevance of alerts on a scale of 1-5. Your feedback can be most useful to provide first hand intelligence relating to alerts but also to allow us to assess the effectiveness of the system so we keep messages and alerts relevant.

The relevance of alerts is controlled by users through the selection of specific schemes on the system; Neighbourhood watch is one popular choice but there are also groups for Community Speed Watch, Youth Clubs and Groups, Church Watch, Horse Watch, Farm Watch and many others. All can be selected or deselected as required and all have the ability for you to feed intelligence to crime prevention partners.

It should be emphasised that Community Messaging is not a way of reporting crimes - always call 999 in an emergency or 101 in a non-emergency situation.

Community Messaging doesn't replace the social media activity that the force uses to reach out to communities but works alongside it to make sure that messages are received in a timely way. With changes to the algorithms that the leading social media platforms use to distribute information you are possibly seeing far fewer of the posts issued than you did five years ago.

By signing up to Community Messaging you will be sure to receive the information directly. www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk



Parish Council September 2019

Parliamentary Candidate for The Liberal Democrats for South West Wiltshire Ellen Nicholson addressed Council at its September meeting. She mentioned that she is trying to get around the parishes to find out what's going on in the area. The Chairman informed her that the weight limit and traffic was really the largest issue within the community of Maiden Bradley. The upgrade for the A303 was mentioned as a priority by all Councillors to her.

Co-option & Vacancy – it was agreed to Co-opt Ian Ferguson to Replace Poppy Wilcox on the Council Team. He will action his Declaration of Acceptance at the October meeting and become a Public Servant of the Council. There is another vacancy on the Council to replace Councillor Patrick Nixon if you are interested in what it takes to be a Councillor and the work involved please contact the Clerk.

Highways

Parishioners are asked that if they see any highways issue to report it as soon as possible to Wiltshire

Council the Authority that deals with Highways Issues:

The Wiltshire Council app can be used to report any Highways issues from your mobile phone or online at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/mywiltshirelogin.htm>

Or by phone at Highways 0300 456 0105

Church Street Railings – no update has been received as to when the railings will be reinstated.

Planning

Application Ref: 19/08069/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal: - Insertion of roof dormers on the rear slope of roof to the existing loft conversion.

At: 36 Church Street, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7HW

Resolved: Supported

Application Ref: 19/07725/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal: - Remove existing conservatory and replace with garden room (of same size) constructed of natural materials in keeping with the property and local conservation area.

At: Somerset Cottage, Church Street, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7HW

Resolved: Supported

Planning Delegated Powers

Application Ref: 19/06091/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal: - Application of smooth soft white render over the pebbledash on the front wall of the property and paint the existing brickwork a charcoal grey. Installation of 2 low profile sun tunnels, front and rear.

At: Foxlease, High Street, Maiden Bradley, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 7JG

Decision: Supported

Notice of items to be taken into consideration at the next meeting in October.

Model Financial Regulations update, Freedom of Information Charges reviewed, Newsletter, Risk Assessment, Provision of Internal Audit Services for 2019/2020 (Internal Audit Quotations), confirm the Councillor to action the Internal Audit Check, to be approved and date arranged, Quarterly VAT Return, Clerk's Appraisal and Review Clerks Wages for inclusion in the draft budget, Re-enrolment The Pensions Regulator.

Date of the next meeting

Tuesday 8th October 2019 is the date of the next Parish Council meeting.

All are welcome to attend.

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.uk can be accessed to read a copy of the Agenda and minutes electronically or copies are displayed on the Community Notice Board at the Bus Stop. If you have access to Facebook, there is a Parish Council Facebook page do sign up and join the Community Information Board.

Sarah Jeffries the Clerk can be contacted by email:

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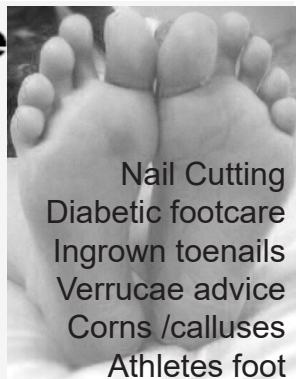
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