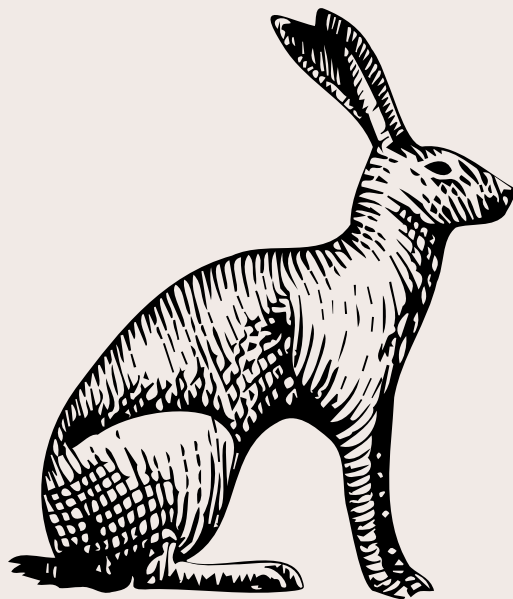


# Maiden Bradley Parish News

383 May 2021



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## May Diary

2	Sun	<b>Rogation Sunday in the bluebell woods at the bison farm in West Knoyle. Please come, there is plenty of parking. 10am</b>
3	Mon	Green recycling
5	Wed	Blue and black bin recycling
6	Thurs	POLLING DAY Village Hall 7am to 10pm
9	Sun	<b>Morning Service led by the congregation 10am</b>
10	Mon	Household waste collection
11	Tue	Parish Council Zoom Meeting. The code is <a href="https://zoom.us/join">https://zoom.us/join</a> 6.45 for 7pm
16	Sun	<b>Parish Communion. This will be the last service that Rev. Carol takes in Maiden Bradley. 10am</b>
17	Mon	Green recycling
19	Wed	Blue and black bin recycling
23	Sun	<b>St. Michael's Mere, Carol's farewell service. 10.30am</b>
24	Mon	Household waste collection
30	Sun	<b>Morning Service led by Jane Hurd. 10am</b>

## Useful Telephone Numbers

Speed Watch Co-ordinator	Simon Wager	<a href="mailto:simon.m.wager@gmail.com">simon.m.wager@gmail.com</a>
Nadder Oil Buying Club	Richard Willan	<a href="mailto:richard.willan@me.com">richard.willan@me.com</a> <a href="http://www.oilbuyingclub.com">www.oilbuyingclub.com</a>
Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator	Derek Stevens	01985 844428
Community Garden	Kate Moore	<a href="mailto:katemore@silkmillstudios.co.uk">katemore@silkmillstudios.co.uk</a> 01985 844305
Book Club	Jessica Johnson	01985 844174
Pilates		01985 511693
Cookery Demonstrations	Rosie Brown	01985 844236
Luncheon Club		01985 844779
Welcome Club Outings		01985 844779
Scrabble Club		01985 844919
Memorial Hall bookings		01985 845303
Dr Andrew Murrison MP		01225 358584 <a href="mailto:murrisona@parliament.uk">murrisona@parliament.uk</a>
Mere Link Scheme		01747 860096
Rev. Carol Wilson-Barker		01747 861859



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The post office is open in the Village Hall on Tuesdays 1-3pm

Bell Ringing 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 preferred in editable text format.

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Magazine available online on the village website:

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## EDITORIAL

Welcome to the modern-day coaching inn, The Bradley Hare, Maiden Bradley. The garden is now open for outside food and drinks service from Friday 30th April, opening fully as soon as the covid restrictions permit. A substantial investment has been made into the property providing twelve en-suite bedrooms, a restaurant, bar, breakfast/function room and extensive landscape garden and terrace areas. The style of the refurbishment is in keeping with the age of the property but incorporates all the convenience of modern "homes and gardens" standards with spacious accommodation, fibre optic connections and designer décor. The new Landlord Andrew, Head Chef Ben, and their fleet of designers and workers, hope to have now provided this village with a noteworthy venue. The News team were suitably impressed and we hope you are also.

Pat Kennedy



### Community litter pick

Saturday 15th May

10.00-12.00

Meet at the community garden on Kingston Lane

Equipment provided – gloves, litter pickers, bags

Hand sanitizer available.

Please follow social distance guidelines.

## NEWS FROM THE HALL

Hello Villagers – the sun is shining and the Hall is preparing to open again. A deep clean will be carried out thus ensuring the safety of all users although COVID safe practices will remain in place.

The new chairs have arrived and are looking very smart. Thanks go to all those who contributed. The old chairs have found a good home too - a new Wiltshire charity supporting youngsters with learning difficulties.

Refurbishment of the Memorial Hall toilet facilities has now been completed. Thanks go to the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) which is administered for Hills by Community First, the Rural Community Council for Wiltshire for their contribution of £1500.00 towards the final cost of this project. Thanks also go to the Fudge Trust and to the generosity of the late Ernest and Marjorie Fudge who made this donation possible.

Forthcoming events: Following the very successful Plant and Cake sale & raffle that took place last July we plan to repeat this event in June possibly joining forces with Kate Moore – see Greener Maiden Bradley page.

*Watch this space for detailed update.*

Meanwhile now is a great time to plant some seeds to pot up ready for the plant table. They will be just getting to the size when they need planting out into the ground ready to flower and make pollen and nectar for all the vital insects around us.



**The Maiden Bradley Produce Show returns in August – Hooray, this has been missed.**

Polling day (Election of Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire police area & Election of councillors to Wiltshire Council and to Town/Parish Councils) – don't forget to vote at the polling station in the Hall. Voting hours are from 7am to 10pm.

*Hall AGM on 30th June (details to follow)*

*Sheila Foley*

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## Family News

Welcome to David Puckey who has moved into Colin Dowson's old house.

David is working with the Listed Building department on upgrading his new home which is one of the oldest in the village.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE BELFRY.

DAVID, LIKE COLIN,  
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## Village Hall Lottery

MARCH

1st	Robert Morris	£27.00	2nd	Jannine Baron	£13.50
3rd	R. Green	£8.20	4th	Sharon Edwards	£5.30

APRIL

1st	Beth Stevens	£27.00	2nd	Ian Henry	£13.50
3rd	Tash Hesmondhalgh	£8.20	4th	Kate Burgess	£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.

If you would like to help support your Village Hall, please get in contact with John Priestner on 844244 who has some spare numbers.

Only 50p per number per month, you can have more than one number.

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## VILLAGE SALE AND FLOWER QUIZ

Many of us have done a bit of sorting out in past months of COVID incarceration.

Little collections of clothes and other household objects in houses all over the village may be hoping that they will go to new homes but worried that they may become... horror of horrors.... landfill! So what is the plan?

Barbera Gollinge (who also lives in The Square) and Kate are joining forces with the Village Hall Plant and Cake Sale to include other items for rescue, repurpose and recycling.

The date has yet to be finalised but it will be some time late in June.

Although restrictions should have eased by then we will of course still need to take account of Covid 19 and make sure that we do not create a virus super sale! We are carefully researching the best way to keep us all safe. We will also need to be quite strict about selecting items for sale that are nearly new and have genuine value to someone else. It will be a huge help if you only bring good items for the sale. On the day there will be no rummaging or trying on. Hopefully new futures will be found for things and some money will be made for our wonderful village hall. Watch this space for details.

Meanwhile now is a great time to plant some seeds for your garden and to pot up ready for the plant table. They will be just needing to go into the ground ready to flower and make pollen and nectar for all the insects around us that are so vital to our ecosystem.



Here is a little insect friendly flower quiz for you.  
(With thanks to creative commons for some of the images)



**MATCH THE NAME TO THE PICTURE**

SWEET WILLIAM

CRESTED POPPY

SWEET ALYSSUM

TRAILING BELLFLOWER

COSMOS

SUNFLOWER

SNAPDRAGON

FRENCH MARIGOLD

NASTURTIUM


Answers on page 12

# Corsley House Gardens

## Open Day

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021,  
11am-4pm (timed bookings)

*Teas, Coffees and Cakes*

*Rye Bakery Woodfired Pizzas and Pimm's Bar*

*Guided tours of Kitchen Garden and Historic outbuildings*

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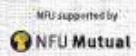
Walk round the herd and re-join the path when safe

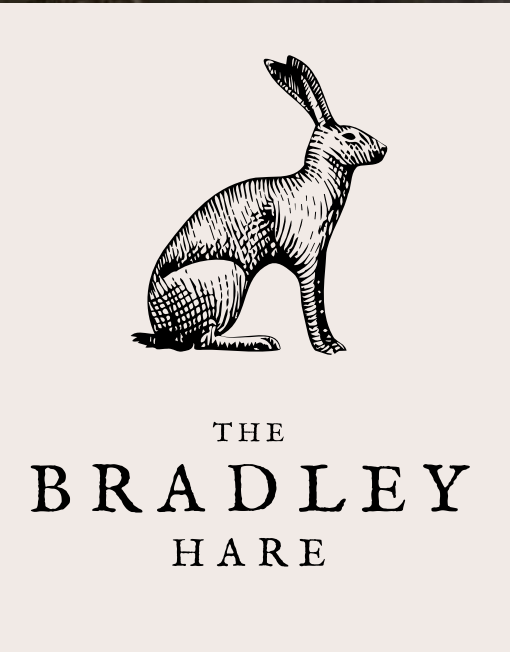
### IF CATTLE FOLLOW YOU STAY CALM

Walk quickly and quietly round the herd

### IF YOU FEEL THREATENED BY CATTLE

Release your dog and get to safety separately





# Progress Traffic Management

## Frome Road, High Street, Back Lane, Kingston Lane

To update regarding the above matters as received from the traffic engineer late last week.

### 1. White Gates and relative road signage Frome Road.

This scheme is in progress, awaiting resource to complete the design and implement as soon as possible.

### 2. Action 20mph High Street

The 20mph speed limit for High Street, Back Lane and Kingston Lane will be assessed together. Once the traffic surveys (metro counts) on Back Lane and Kingston Lane have been completed, if the criteria is met, the scheme will be taken forward to implementation as soon as possible.

Due to the Covid-19 lockdown there is a backlog of surveys which require attention. As soon as resource permits, these schemes will be progressed.

*Simon Wager*

Simon Wager  
Vice Chairman  
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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, compiled and produced by the Maiden Bradley Community Speed Watch Volunteers to keep the village aware of our activities.

The good news continues - by the end of this month 13 CSW sessions will have taken place.

Of the 8 sessions already taken place, 30 vehicles have been logged and reported for excessive speeding. That is in excess of 34mph. (In other words the regulation speed being monitored in this case 30mph plus 10% plus 1)

It is also interesting to note that the knowledge that CSW teams are active in the village again has had a calming effect in most areas, although not on one particular position.

The Speed Indicator Device also has a very calming effect on approaching vehicles.

There has also been a change in attitude from drivers in general. Whereas we used to get quite a lot of abuse, we don't seem to now. In fact most drivers seem to appreciate what we are doing and wave or give a thumbs up. Although I am not convinced it's our good looks that are having that effect.

We are always looking for volunteers, so if you wish to join the Maiden Bradley CSW teams please do contact me. Proper training is given and it really only requires up to one hours commitment per week or less.

It is important that if you see an incident, it should be reported. Make sure you get the registration number. Please use either call 999 if the driver is still on scene, or if the incident has passed, then call 101. Do not engage with said driver, just ensure you take the registration number.

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

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

20 April 2021

Dr A Channer & Mr I Ferguson  
Maiden Bradley Weightwatchers  
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Dear Dr Channer and Mr Ferguson

### Re. Maiden Bradley HGVs

Thank you for your email dated 20th March, in response to my previous letter to you. Please accept my apology for not getting back to you sooner.

Unfortunately, restricting freight use in one area always has a corresponding impact in others. When we consider freight movements, we consider the impact across the region. Removing HGV traffic from Maiden Bradley would transfer traffic on to the A350, and we have always had regard to safety problems at the junction of A350/A303 (as well as the potential for use of the B3089 you cite). We understand that citing this as an area that requires improvement by Highways England does not help Maiden Bradley.

Our resolution to implement an area wide weight restriction was, and remains, conditional on safety improvements being carried out at the Trunk Road junction – that remains the case.

I am of course aware of the option to revoke the weight restriction along the B3089 at Willoughby Hedge – that has been considered and rejected on safety grounds. The length of the B3089 between and including its junctions with the A303 to the west, and the A350 to the south already have a poor accident record. I would not be prepared to compromise safety further by returning that length of road to two-way HGV use.

Beyond that specific concern, I do not believe that the area wide restriction could be immediately introduced, even if we were to find a mutually acceptable solution to the A303 safety issue.

Prior to the Council advertising and conditionally resolving to introduce the weight restriction, a great deal of traffic, environmental and economic analysis was undertaken to inform that decision.

The data collection was undertaken around 2005, followed by a wide consultation. The Orders were advertised in 2009, and the resolution to make the conditional orders took place in 2011. Much has changed since then.

The forecast number (and origin/destination) of diverted lorries would almost certainly have to be reassessed, as would the carbon and economic impacts, associated with the added mileage. You will be aware that impacts on economy and environment require us to afford them an increasingly higher priority than perhaps they were given 10+ years ago. I appreciate that this is not the response you would wish, and I am happy to have further discussions in the future and open discussion again with Highways England with regard to the A350/A303 junction.

Yours sincerely

**Leader**  
**Direct line: 01225 718277**  
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## Parish Council 13th April 2021

Resignation of Councillor- Council noted that the Clerk had informed Wiltshire Council Elections Team that Ian Ferguson had resigned, the Elections Team replied with the below. Council noted that as the time limit for the elections is next month Council was unable to Co-opt in the time frame available.

With effect from 11 March 2021 (publication of the Notice of Election date), we have ceased producing the Notices of Vacancy. However, the wording for vacancies which occur during the six months lead up to full council elections, is that the Parish Council 'may' fill the seat by co-option.

### WILTSHIRE COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

Application Ref: 21/01382/LBC

Application for Listed Building Consent

Proposal: - Proposed internal works

At: 28-29 Church Street, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7HW

Decision: Approved with Conditions

Application Ref: 21/01643/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal: - Replace existing garage with new garage with office above.

At: 95 Frome Road, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7JA

Decisions: Target date for decision Tuesday 13th April 2021. Noted the decision had not been uploaded to the Website at the time of this meeting

Application Ref: 21/00755/TCA

Application for Work to Trees in a Cons Area

Proposal: - T1 Yew tree situated to the front of property. Reduce the house side by approx 1 metre and reduce all other sides by up to 2.5 metres to balance the width and spread. Reduce height by up to 2 metres. Work is to contain shape and size close to the property and road.

At: 41-42, Church Street, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7HW

Decision: Tuesday 9 March 2021 (No Objection)

Application Ref: 20/10822/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal: - Demolition of certain existing buildings, conversion of former office building to form 2 dwellings, and construction of 8 new dwellings, with associated highways, drainage, utilities, public open space, and green infrastructure

At: Former Sydenhams Yard, Bradley Lane, Maiden Bradley, BA12 7JR

Update from the Planning Officer: There have been several consultee responses regards this application which raise some issues, and these have been passed to the applicant. They are considering how these consultations can be incorporated into the scheme and/or whether some adjustments need to be made to the scheme. At the current time, I am therefore awaiting a response from the applicant about how they wish to proceed and therefore the application process is ongoing. The time frame of the application is therefore currently in the applicant's hands and I would suggest that a decision may not be issued until early April if not later depending on how they wish to proceed.

Charleston Homes – Council noted retrospectively the communications received from Charleston Homes to seek the Parish Council's informal, without-prejudice opinion about development of the whole site, although still with just 10 new homes, and the reply sent in regard to it.

Reply sent to Charleston Homes see below email Re: Former Sydenhams Yard, Maiden Bradley - Potential Alternative Development of 10 New Homes.

The comments, without prejudice, are as follows.

1. Incorporation of the adjacent "employment" site while retaining the same number of proposed dwellings would appear to be advantageous in that the potential total traffic generation might be reduced for the two sites. However, this might be partially offset by apparently larger fully detached dwellings with increased occupancy and car usage.

2. Reference to "historic pattern of courtyard development in the village" is largely inaccurate and the examples shown on the attached plans (coach yard, pub forecourt, shop approach, land adjacent to Chapel and Old Dower House yard) certainly do not represent residential courtyards. Interestingly, the most obvious (single?) example of a courtyard is not included (The Square). Neither is it accurate to describe, as on the proposals, a residential vehicular access as a "courtyard" simply because it is paved as a "shared surface".

3. I note that the previous "urban open plan" front gardens have been at least partially reduced, possibly as a result of comments made by the Wiltshire Urban Design officer, and this is an improvement in keeping with village character, although use of large, detached dwellings is not so.

4. Following our open Parish meeting regarding the project I see that a significant number of parishioners submitted representations to Wiltshire Council regarding traffic concerns.

In view of the above but as the Parish Council previously expressed conditional support for the project, we should perhaps repeat that support with reference to the same seven number conditions but also with reference to the above matters and a requirement that approval of Wiltshire Council is obtained with regard to appearance and design of the new layout.

Highways and Community Action Traffic Group update - Council approved the motion to request Wiltshire Council Highways action a metro count. (Traffic Counting Equipment. Robust counters that monitor vehicles, cyclists or pedestrians with 99% accuracy) on the Rank. Proposed Councillor Ray Kenzie Seconded Councillor Angus Neish. Councillor Simon Wager would communicate this to the Community Action Traffic Group to start the process, the Parish Council has to take.

The Rank Consultation- Councillor Simon Wager to draft a letter with the parameters of the detail sought from the parishioners, when approved, the Clerk will send out the residents of the Rank the consultation with a stamped and addressed envelope for ease of return to the Council.

Parish Plan Interpretation Board - Councillor Alexandra Channer updated Council on the project, the recommended quotation proposed by Alexandra Channer was agreed. It was requested that an additional capping board be placed along the top to save it from weather exposure. It was noted that this additional extra cost might not be within the quotations. Council approved under delegated financial powers for the Clerk for approve any additional cost to action the capping if required.

As the Budget for equipment was compromised by the total cost of the Interpretation Board project, it was agreed to move additional credit from the remaining year-end to the equipment budget for this year to cover the deficit. Council also noted retrospectively that The Bradley Hare Management have confirmed where the village interpretation board can be placed on the pub premises. To the left-hand side of the Milk Station. The Clerk has filed a copy of this correspondence approving the site so that the Parish Council has a written agreement for its placement.

Bus Stop Noticeboard Refurbishment- It was agreed that 3 quotations be sought for the replacement of the hard wood-stained frame and the cork backing of the noticeboard sections. A maintenance programme for every three years would be put in place and budgeted for within the next Budget. The Clerk would liaise with Councillor Simon Wager who had obtained a couple of quotations to get an idea of the costs involved.

Protocol Policy on remote meetings - Council approved the Chairman's proposal to put forward a motion to make an alteration to the wording to 3.0 Preparation of meetings on the Protocol Policy below and attached. This protocol was approved Tuesday 12th July 2020 minute number 19/429 and was now outside of the 6 month Standing Orders Regulations. The protocol in place was approved by Council when it moved to virtual meetings and are the rules by which the Clerk must work. The below recommended change will enable the Clerk to send out the Zoom meeting ID number and passcode to the Parish News Team outside of the legislative time frame under the Local Government Act 1972 S243 to which the protocol refers. Council is asked to approve that the meeting ID and passcode remains constant for each meeting unless, in the event of a security breach, the Clerk will change the passcode.

### 3.0. Preparation for Meetings

3.1. The meeting will be advertised on the Council's website and all members and officers due to attend will be issued with a notice and agenda by email. This will be within the usual timeframe for meeting notices.

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The Council would like to ask parishioners to contact the Clerk if any parishioners were experiencing issues with reading the minutes and Agenda on the noticeboard.

Force March- Danny Greeno Chief Executive Officer. The Veterans Charity asked if the Forces March could use the recreational area on Saturday 30th April 2022. Council approved the use.

Items for the next Agenda: Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman , Review Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, Review of delegation arrangements to committees, sub-committees, employees, and other local authorities, Review of the terms of references for committees if required, Appointment of any new committees, confirmation of the terms of reference, the number of members (including, if appropriate, substitute councillors) and receipt of nominations to them, Review of representation on or work with external bodies and arrangements for reporting back, Council's period of eligibility to exercise the power of General Competence expires the day before the annual meeting, to review and make arrangements to reaffirm eligibility, Review of the Council's and/or employees' memberships of other bodies, Review the Council's complaints procedure, Review the Council's procedures for handling requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Data Protection Act 1998, Review the Council's policy for dealing with the press/media, Review the Council's Filming, Photographing, & Social Media Policy, Review the Council's Complaints Procedure, Review the Council's Equal Opportunities, Review the Council's Lone and Isolated Working Policy, Review the Council's Community Engagement Statement of Intent, Review the Council's Petitions Policy Review the Council's Procedure for public sessions, Review the Council's Grant Awarding Policies and Procedures, Review the Council's Information and Communications Technology IT Email, Internet, and Phone Policy, Review the Council's Bullying and Harassment or dignity at work policy, Review the

Council's Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults, Review the Council's Staff and Councillor Training and Development Policy, Budget Report, Certify the Accounting Statements- Annual Year End Accounts, Consider the Annual Internal Audit Report, Approve Annual Governance Statement, Approve Accounting Statement, Publish the Audit on the Website, Approve the dates for the Public to exercise their rights and the 1st draft of the interpretation board.

Date of the next meeting. The Council agreed that the 11th of May 2021 would be the date of the next Parish Council meeting. The Agenda will be published on the 7th of April 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](http://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 virtual meetings is displayed on the Agendas, all are welcome.

Mrs Sarah Jeffries the Parish Clerk can be contacted by email on [maidenbradley@virginmedia.com](mailto:maidenbradley@virginmedia.com), by phone on 01985 213436, or post to Parish Clerk, 9 Beech Grove, Warminster, BA12 0AB



## **Best Kept Village Competition Judging 17 May – 13 June 2021**

The Parish Council is entering Maiden Bradley in the Best Kept Village Competition 2021.

### **We need your help to make sure the village is neat and tidy before the inspection between 17 May – 13 June.**

You can help on your own, or as a volunteer, with any of the following tasks:

- Clean the area at the front of your house
- Remove weeds from the pavements
- Pick up hedge cuttings on verges around the village loop and put back in the hedges
- Join the litter pick on 15 May 10.00-12.00, or pick up litter on your own
- Help volunteers to paint the railings by the church (contact Simon Wager)
- Help volunteers clear up the footpath entrance by The Rank (contact Alex Channer)

The focus of the competition is "on communal buildings and public areas such as village greens, footpaths, car parks, noticeboards, bus shelters etc. The judges will be looking for evidence of a vibrant village which puts time and effort into its Clubs and Organisations and keeps litter and general untidiness to a minimum. However, it is emphasised that it is not a "chocolate box" competition! Judging is based upon how well a village is presented, not on how pretty it is."

**Thank you for your help!**



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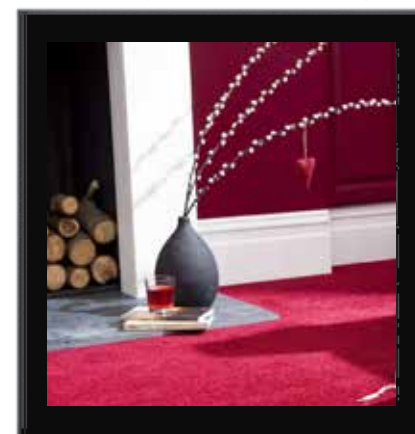
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