

# SPOTLIGHT

Seend & Bulkington



MARCH 2021

## **DIARY DATES FOR LATE FEBRUARY**

23rd Seend Parish Council Meeting

27<sup>th</sup> Jo McManus's sponsored run for Avon Needs Trees  
([www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/seendtrees](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/seendtrees))

## **DIARY DATES FOR MARCH 2021**

4<sup>th</sup> Melksham Area Board meeting

6<sup>th</sup> Fairtrade virtual coffee morning

9<sup>th</sup> Last date for commenting on Wiltshire Local Plan (see Cllr Seed's article)

**13<sup>th</sup> LAST DAY FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR APRIL SPOTLIGHT**

14<sup>th</sup> Mothering Sunday

17<sup>th</sup> Bulkington Parish Council meeting

21<sup>st</sup> Census Day

27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Road closure in Seend

30<sup>th</sup> Seend Parish Council Meeting

## **Newcomer to Seend or Bulkington?**

Visit [www.seend.org.uk](http://www.seend.org.uk), [www.bulkington.org.uk](http://www.bulkington.org.uk) and the Spotlight, Seend Community Centre and Seend Village Group **facebook** pages.

**Spotlight Contacts:** Contributions for the April 2021 edition (copy by Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March) can be emailed to [spotlight@seend.org.uk](mailto:spotlight@seend.org.uk) or delivered to Seend Post & Provisions. Editors: Tessa Doe (01380 828617) and Sue Isaac (828461). Please note that **you should always send emailed items to the Spotlight address**, not to Sue or Tessa – even if they have emailed you from their own email address – just in case they are not around. Fiona Johnson is the contact for delivery (828401), Jan Field (827140) for printing and Chris Brooker (828047) for advertising. Potential volunteer deliverers or printers can contact Fiona or Jan.

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**PDFs:** We cannot normally use PDF or jpg files of posters etc as they require a specific shape and space. Word documents (or compatible) – without any fancy formatting - give us the flexibility to adapt your wording and pictures to fit the space available. Thanks.

## **Welcome to March 2021 Spotlight**



Spring flowers and a bit of warmer weather make all the difference – although those frosty and snowy sunny days in early February had their own delights. Once again, we remember the late Joe Burbidge MBE’s campaign to plant daffodil bulbs all around the village, which we are still reaping the benefit of. Thanks also to anonymous people who have added to this beautification over the years.

We’re still unable to carry on being the sociable, active villages we usually are (as indicated by the long list of organisations inside the back cover) but that time will come again. In the meantime we know some groups have been enjoying ‘meetings’ via zoom or email, some of which are reported in this magazine. Maybe by the time you read this we will have more idea of when we can start meeting friends and family again. Meanwhile, The Brewery Inn and The Three Magpies and artisan chef Eric Lépine are all feeding us with delicious takeaways to brighten our lockdown.

We have news of the Neighbourhood Plan and from both our Parish Councils including information about the coming census and local elections – with an existing vacancy on Bulkington PC to fill before then. There is worrying yet exciting news from Avon Needs Trees. It seems that expensive archaeological investigation may be required before the project can continue. See in the ‘Announcements’ section.

Have a look at this month’s Spotlight online colour supplement for photos, including some of imaginative work by our Seend School pupils ([seend.org.uk](http://seend.org.uk)).

Stay optimistic and safe – and don’t forget that if Covid has hit you hard financially, as it has so many, the Seend Fund (see below) may be able to help to some degree.

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### **THE SEEND FUND - A REMINDER IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES**

If you find yourself in financial difficulties, struggling to keep warm or pay for food, the fund is here to help. In the past it has contributed towards a variety of things:

- \* Rent Payment
- \* Food
- \* Household fuel
- \* Electrical appliances
- \* School and work clothes
- \* School Trips
- \* Medical Equipment
- \* Vet bills
- \* Musical instruments
- \* Training
- \* Wheelchairs

Remember the Seend fund is your local fund. Anyone living in or closely associated with Seend, including our close neighbours in Bulkington and Poulshot, can apply by emailing the secretary ([anitashea@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anitashea@hotmail.co.uk)) or writing to her at 34 Seend Cleeve, Melksham SN12 6PY.

The Trustees promise complete confidentiality. Please don’t hesitate to contact the fund, saying how much you need, what for and when you need it by. The fund can’t make regular or huge donations but may be able to help carry you over to better times.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND VILLAGE INFORMATION**

*(Please let us know of any births, marriages, deaths, special birthdays, thanks, useful information etc that you would like to see included here.)*

### **LEO COLEY**

Leo passed away peacefully at home on 25th January 2021. He was 97 years old. Margaret Coley and her family would like to thank our many friends in Seend for the cards, letters and condolences at this time. "We were and are so glad we moved to this wonderful village."

### **SEEND COMMUNITY LINK SCHEME**

Trouble getting **out and about**? We can help with **transport**.

Link is a team of **volunteers** who assist residents in the area who are **elderly** or incapacitated and are **unable to use public transport**.

We are still operating during the crisis and can help with transport, **including to Covid vaccination centres**.

***For more information or to join us as a volunteer driver please get in touch.***

**Telephone 07532 055560 - [www.seend.org.uk/seend link](http://www.seend.org.uk/seend_link)**

### **POST AND PROVISIONS**



Jerome has asked us to point out that Seend Post and Provisions delivers not only veg baskets - as mentioned in the list of goods and services that can be delivered in Seend that appeared in February Spotlight - but also offers delivery of groceries - free for orders of over £20. See advert on back cover.

### **SEEND PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP NEWS**

#### **March 2021 Update**

It was October 2020 when we last wrote an update for Spotlight. We have not quite completed the job, but it has seemed like a cross between retirement and hibernation. Nevertheless we are still here responding to whatever comes our way, which is not much as the process is now mainly in Wiltshire Council's lap.

Regulation 16 has been completed and the Inspector we appointed has been back to us with a few minor points he wanted clarified. All the relevant documents are now on our website where they can be viewed. <https://www.seendparishplan.org> We are still here responding to whatever comes our way and know we will have to work on the Neighbourhood Plan one last time prior to the referendum, with the addition of the changes recommended by the examiner.

The fact we cannot hold a referendum on the Plan until May 2021, seemed a long wait but time passes and by the time you read this there will only be two months to go. But things may have to be postponed again, or perhaps a postal vote be

introduced? The expected climax to six years of work has become rather an anti-climax. I am sorry that this is how it is and just hope that your interest can be re-invigorated when we are eventually allowed to hold the vote. **It will then be over to you.** Obviously we hope you will vote **YES.**

Please stay safe, sensible and sane till then. It's not over yet.

Carola Thorpe on behalf of the S.P.N.P. Steering Group



## **AVON NEEDS TREES HAS HIT AN OBSTACLE** **– and needs your help**

I hope you are aware of Avon Needs Trees' plans to buy 19 acres of land between Rusty Lane and Bollands Hill, to create a mixture of permanent woodland, community orchard, meadows and ponds all publicly accessible. Indeed, we hope to get as many of you as possible tree planting and helping care for the site. We now have the money to go ahead with the purchase - with much help from the community and a £5000 grant from Melksham Area Board. We are truly grateful for your support – and we know that many of you are looking forward to getting actively involved.

**Possible buried heritage:** However, we have hit an obstacle. Our archaeology report came back last week and the magnetometry has revealed 'anomalies' across the site, with particular 'hot-spot' areas. If you would like to see the full report, please email [contact@avonneedstrees.org.uk](mailto:contact@avonneedstrees.org.uk). It is possible that these 'anomalies' are the result of pipework and previous ploughing (which disturbs the ions and can show up as a 'positive'). However, Wiltshire Archaeology speculate that there may have been some settlement here – possibly Roman – and therefore we cannot plant trees until further investigation is carried out.

**Our options:** In order to carry out our plans, Wiltshire Archaeology require trenches to be dug on 3-5% of the land. We are discussing this with the owner at the moment. We can exclude the particularly 'busy' areas of the site where there is a high chance of a discovery, and simply agree to keep these as meadow or glade, thus protecting any heritage below. However, the rest of the site, including the relatively blank areas, will need this 3-5% sampling. The work is likely to cost around £12,000 with VAT – to be confirmed. It is possible that we will get the 'all clear' and we will be able to carry out our original plans across most of the site.

However, if there are interesting discoveries we may be required to conduct a full 'site strip, map and record' before we are allowed to plant trees. At this point, as a small charity with environmental aims only, we would have to walk away.

**Your help:** We are asking for your understanding and support with this. This level of anomalies is highly unusual and could not have been anticipated. If there are local historians out there with more area knowledge, or long-dwelling residents with specific knowledge of the site, we'd be interested in hearing from you.

At the moment, information and support is what we require to inform our decision-making. If we decide to abandon the site at Seend, all donations given specifically for this site will be offered back. However, it is possible that this site could become an interesting mix of biodiversity good practice and human heritage – a real asset for Seend. But we will need funds for the initial investigatory work. If you can make a pledge, or would like to know more, please contact ANT's Chair, Nikki Jones, on [nikki.jones@avonneedstreets.org.uk](mailto:nikki.jones@avonneedstreets.org.uk). Very many thanks.

*(Latest update from Nikki: 'We are now advised that whatever we find in the initial trench work, it is unlikely to seriously impact our plans. We may have to leave some areas for meadow (and possibly future archaeology work) but these are likely to be small areas, leaving us free to plant over most. This is what we needed to hear.*

*The next step forward for us is to get the agreement on trench work written and signed off by Wiltshire Archaeology. We will then need to find separate money for the trench work - likely be around £12,000. Helpfully, Melksham Area Board have said that we can use their £5,000 for this. Everything will depend on getting the rest, but I'm hopeful. **Help from anyone in the village who wants to see this project happen would be truly welcome!**'(You can email Nikki to pledge money now to pay later, or donate on their website in the usual way.)*



## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

### **Local Elections – 6th May 2021**

The timetable for the local government elections is available to download from the Wiltshire Council website: [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/elections](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/elections), giving the deadline dates for registering to vote and for postal and proxy voting. There is also a nomination pack available to download for anyone wishing to become a parish councillor.

#### **People urged to vote by post and have their say in a safe way.**

Wiltshire Council are urging people to register to vote by post, with a number of elections and referendums due to take place later this spring.

On 6<sup>th</sup> May, registered voters will be able to have their say in the Police and Crime Commissioner, unitary, and town and parish council elections, as well as a number of neighbourhood planning referendums. Due to the ongoing pandemic, Wiltshire's Returning Officer is asking that as many people as possible register to vote via post.

To avoid the risk of fraud, a signature is required when applying for a postal vote. Anyone unable to print a postal vote application form at home should call 0300 456 0112 to arrange for a copy to be posted out.

For those who haven't already registered to vote by post, details on how to do so are included on the Household Enquiry Form that we recently sent to households. The Household Enquiry Form is to help us ensure our electoral register records are as up-to-date as possible. For further information, go to: [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/elections](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/elections)

## **Census 2021 – Sunday 21st March**

**[www/census.gov.uk](http://www/census.gov.uk)**

All households across Wiltshire along with the rest of England and Wales, will soon be asked to take part in Census 2021. The census is a ten-yearly survey that gives us the most accurate estimate of all people and households in England and Wales. It has been carried out every decade since 1801, with the exception of 1941.

This year's census will be the first run predominantly online, with households receiving a letter from early March with a unique access code, allowing them to complete the questionnaire on their computers, phones or tablets. Those residents who are unable to complete the Census digitally will be supported by a phone helpline, a network of Census Support Centres or by ordering a paper Census.

“A successful census will ensure everyone from local government to charities can put services and funding in the places where they are most needed,” said Jonny Corbett, the Census Engagement Manager for the area covered by Wiltshire Council. “This could mean things like doctors’ surgeries, schools and new transport routes. That’s why it is so important everyone takes part and we have made it easier for people to do so online on any device, with help and paper questionnaires for those that need them” he continued.

Census day will be on Sunday March 21st 2021. The census will include questions about your sex, age, work, health, education, household size and ethnicity. For the first time there will be a question asking people whether they have served in the armed forces which accords veteran status to them as part of the new Armed Forces covenant, as well as voluntary questions for those aged 16 and over on sexual orientation and gender identity. Initial results will be available within 12 months, although personal records will be locked away for 100 years, kept safe for future generations. Residents can be assured that the Census form is completely confidential and personal data is not shared until the Census is opened up 100 years later. Anyone who has researched their family history will know the value of the historical censuses used to find out about their ancestors. Many family historians will be eagerly awaiting the publication of the 1921 census due to be made available in January 2022. So please play your part and take the time to complete this important census. There is a census page on the parish council website under News, which includes a list of common questions and answers.

For more information visit [census.gov.uk](http://census.gov.uk), follow @CensusWiltshire on Twitter or contact Jonny Corbett by email at [jonathan.corbett70@field.census.gov.uk](mailto:jonathan.corbett70@field.census.gov.uk).

### **Road Closure**

**27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> March - A361 High Street (Part), Seend (Ref: TTRO 7053)**

Notice is hereby given that the Wiltshire Council has made an Order to close temporarily to all traffic: A361 High Street (Part), Seend; from its junction with School Road to its junction with Dial Close. **To enable:** BT to carry out installing 87m of 1-way poly duct in footway.

**Alternative route:** via A361 (unaffected length) - A365 - A350 and vice versa.

**The closure and diversion route will be clearly indicated by traffic signs.**

This Order will come into operation on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and the closure will be required until 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021. It is anticipated that the works will take the stated duration to complete depending upon weather conditions. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses where possible, although delays are likely due to the nature of the works. The Order will have a maximum duration of 18 months.

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## **CHURCH NEWS**

### **PASTORAL LETTER**

Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days. This quote for me sums up how we should approach Lent: "As the best way to appreciate a sunrise is to be there in the darkness before dawn, so the only way to appreciate Easter is to have come to it through lent".

Over the last few weeks the Wellsprings benefice has been going through some dark times. Several of our members have been given difficult diagnoses, we have lost some very dear members of our congregations; and there is the painful separation where loved ones are in care homes, as well as other issues that our church members are facing into. With the current limitations and difficulties caused by the pandemic, we could spiral into despair and wonder "What are you doing God?" "Why are you not answering our prayers?" But as we have been struggling with this shocking news, we have realised that this is the wrong question to ask. God never sends suffering. Suffering and death is part of our human condition; it's what all humanity experiences at some time in life. Our faith takes us into new realms of hope in the midst of that suffering.

Christmas teaches us that God came to earth to walk alongside and suffer with his people and that he walked through the wilderness and through Gethsemane on the way to the cross, feeling all the feelings that we have when we suffer and face into death. And he promises us so much. "Come to me, all who are heavy laden, and I will give you rest"; blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted". My peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid". And all through the Bible this theme- "The Lord, himself, goes before you and will be there with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

And God not only walks beside us to be our courage, our strength and our peace – he also transforms all darkness with his light; all despair with his hope; all confusion with his peace and all circumstances with his unconditional love.

Transforming love – that's the message of the Christian faith. The question is not "What are you doing God?" but "What are you going to do with all this God?" How are you going to transform and bless us in these difficult days? What are you going to teach us? How can you bring us together to support one another? How are you going to make us more prayerful, more loving and serving and giving? How are you going

to make us more vulnerable and honest with one another? How are you going to make us stronger together to be the community you have called us to be?

If you are going through a hard journey at the moment and need a listening ear then please do not hesitate to contact our ministry team. And know that we are praying for the love and peace of God to surround you all. We are praying for comfort for all those who are bereaved; courage for all who are facing into hard situations; peace for those who feel lonely and bereft, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow.

Every blessing Rev Ali

“I asked for strength that I might achieve; He made me weak that I might obey. I asked for health that I might do greater things; I was given grace that I might do better things. I asked for riches that I might be happy; I was given poverty that I might be wise. I asked for power that I might have the praise of men; I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God. I asked for all things that I might enjoy life; I was given life that I might enjoy all things. I received nothing that I asked for, all that I hoped for. My prayer was answered, I was most blessed.”



## **CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH 2021**

**The Parishes of Holy Cross, Seend, Christ Church, Bulkington and St. Peter's, Poulshot**

All services will be available on zoom only, apart from the outdoor services which you are welcome to attend in person (covid regulations permitting).

### **Sunday 7th March (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent)**

10 am Holy Communion

### **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March (Mothering Sunday)**

10 am Outdoor service at St Peter's, Poulshot \*

### **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent)**

10 am Holy Communion

### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March (Palm Sunday)**

10 am Outdoor service at Holy Cross, Seend \*

6 pm Evening service – Liturgy of the Passion

### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

6 pm Daily compline from Christ Church, Worton

### **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

6pm Daily compline from Holy Cross, Seend

### **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

6pm Daily compline from St Peter's, Poulshot

\* If weather is poor or covid regulations change, the service will be zoomed from inside church without a congregation present.

We will continue with morning prayer via Zoom at **9:00am on Wednesday and Friday mornings**. We will also continue with evening prayer, led by Rev Joshva, on **Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm**.

All of our churches, except Christ Church, Worton and Marston, will be open for private prayer between 9:00am and 5:00pm each Sunday. Anyone attending our churches for private prayer are reminded to check-in (on paper or using the NHS app) and adhere to the covid safety notices displayed.

**All services and prayers will be live streamed via Zoom.**  
**You can access them via our website below or use the link**  
**<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6778119535>**.

### **From the Registers:**

#### **Funerals**

Rowena Lack on 7<sup>th</sup> January at Seend.

Leo Coley on 17<sup>th</sup> February at Seend.

No baptisms or weddings this month.

**Please visit our website [www.wellspringsbenefice.co.uk](http://www.wellspringsbenefice.co.uk) for more details of all our services, latest updates and to keep in touch.**

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## **BULKINGTON NEWS**

### **Parish Council Team**

**(please refer to the online edition for appropriate photographs)**

**Hannah Becket: Clerk** [theclerk@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:theclerk@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Meet our Parish Clerk: Mum to two young children, as our Parish Clerk Hannah is your go-to for things like jobs for the Parish Steward, Agendas and Minutes for Parish Council Meetings and any general questions.

**Amy Powell: Acting Chair** [Amy.Powell@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Amy.Powell@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Mum of a young boy, working full-time in technology governance and risk and long-standing member of the council team. Amy's passion for improving the recreational ground has helped drive the improvements made recently – she has also penned (and funded) the village Newsletters you have been receiving.

**Simon Downey: Councillor** [Simon.Downey@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Simon.Downey@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Father of three grown up children, and full-time employee of a national special police force – Simon's calm logic helps drive our team and his interest in social events and community spirit have already resulted in some great Fireworks displays and events.

**Alex Breach: Councillor** [Alex.Breach@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Alex.Breach@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Father of two young boys and full-time local farmer, Alex is a new member of the council team and is proving to be a great link between the farming community and the village.

**Andrew Grabham: Councillor** [Andrew.Grabham@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Andrew.Grabham@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Father of two young children business owner, passionate about being an active

member of the village and helping where he can. Andrew's business experience is really helping with the Accounting and Finance of the PC.

**Carla Haslam: Councillor** [Carla.Haslam@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Carla.Haslam@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Mum to one little boy and Deputy Head Teacher – Carla is new to Bulkington and the Parish Council Team and is using her keen interest in the Playground to lead the Playground Committee to make a space for all to enjoy. Please do reach out to Carla or our Clerk if you would like to join the Playground Committee.

**Julie Anderson-Hill: Councillor** [Julie.Anderson-Hill@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:Julie.Anderson-Hill@bulkington-pc.co.uk)

Mother to young adult son and former Council transformation change professional. Julie is a long-standing member of the village with a keen interest in enabling transformational change to create a positive impact on the community

**Councillor Vacancy: We have a Vacancy for a Parish Councillor - If you are interested in becoming part of the team please contact Hannah our Parish Clerk.**

**Draft Summary Minutes of the Bulkington Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 at 7pm online via Microsoft Teams pending official approval**

**Councillors:** Amy Powell (Acting Chair), Andrew Grabham, Alex Breach, Carla Haslam, Simon Downey, Julie Anderson-Hill. **Public:** Sue Barratt, Calum Ogilvie, Cllr Seed, Cllr Reay, Rebecca Lockwood-Norris

Full Minutes available: [Bulkington Parish Council - Home \(btck.co.uk\)](http://Bulkington Parish Council - Home (btck.co.uk))

**Report received from Councillor Seed:** Introduced the community housing presentation and explained the value of community housing to the village, the value of a housing needs survey and that progress or otherwise was the choice of the Parish Council and village.

**PCSO Janet:**

- No crime reports from Bulkington in the last month
- police signage about good practice in farmers' fields keep being removed. The dog fouling in fields has a terrible knock-on effect for the farmers so these signs are important. The signs will be replaced, and we appeal to the public to not remove them. The Parish Council will closely monitor this situation.
- Wiltshire Police are patrolling the recreational area and public spaces to ensure that lockdown regulations are being adhered to

**Councillor Reay:** the prospective Conservative Candidate for the Devizes Rural West Division for the upcoming Wiltshire Council elections joined us for the meeting and introduced herself. Should she be elected; Tamara is keen to join our monthly meetings and to support us in our grant applications and local matters.

**Presentation from Rebecca Lockwood Norris (Community Led Housing**

**Project Manager at Homes of Our Own):** We were approached by Homes of our Own about the possibility of building a maximum of 10 Community Led houses in Bulkington as part of Devizes bid to build 1000 new affordable homes. Rebecca's presentation was a great opportunity to learn about what Affordable Housing is and how it works and gave the councillors the opportunity to ask questions. The Council

Team will hold a separate, extraordinary meeting about the prospect of housing in Bulkington in the coming weeks. The Team plan to discuss a potential survey for the village to determine if there is a community interest in pursuing this.

**Finance:**

Clerk Pay January: £221.60

Defibrillator replacement parts: £126.93

Administration charge for Notice of Exemption: £48

Total Expenditure approved this month: £396.53

Balance after payments made: £2050.57.

To further streamline the PC finances and make them as transparent as possible, the two current accounts the PC holds have been rolled into one.

**Playing Field Enhancement:**

Cantilever Swing timber replacement: The PC Team are working to replace the broken swing timber but are struggling to find a supplier for the wood needed.

**Playground Committee:** The newly formed team have applied for Area Board Funding grant to cover the removal of unsafe items and repair those that can be repaired within that figure. The application is for £1000 –the maximum they were able to bid for in this instance. The Area Board have invited the Playground Committee to present their case at the next Area Board on the 3rd of February.

[www.Bulkington.Org](http://www.Bulkington.Org): [www.bulkington.org.uk](http://www.bulkington.org.uk) is being moved to a new provider as it will no longer be supported by the existing provider without a significant charge. Councillor Amy is transferring the data herself, modernising the layout and mobile compatibility and removing outdated documents and information. Amy's generous offer saves the village the cost of paying for BT to continue hosting the site or of hiring a third party to move the content to a new provider for us. This proposal was unanimously approved. Going forward, the new website will be updated by members of the PC and the Clerk along with Sue Barrett and Calum Ogilvie who currently run the website. The Parish Council would like to thank Sue and Callum for all their hard work in maintaining and updating the village website to date.

**Rights of way access:** A member of the public has requested that five stiles in the Bulkington area are repaired. Alex has agreed to pass this concern on to the relevant landowners so these can be fixed and brought back in line with regulations.

**Precept paperwork:** The Precept paperwork has been submitted

**Election Year:** With the upcoming Election the team have requested information on any preparation required. The Clerk is due to receive an update shortly and will pass around the team when it arrives.

**The Parish Council team meet on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7pm.**

Please contact our Clerk ([theclerk@bulkington-pc.co.uk](mailto:theclerk@bulkington-pc.co.uk)) for location or call details as this will depend on the Covid-19 guidelines at the time. We welcome villagers to attend our meetings or to contribute via email or talking to a Councillor or the Clerk directly before the meeting.

## **BULKINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

Our village hall, like everybody else, has been in lockdown for many months with only weekly safety inspection visits carried out for insurance and maintenance purposes. The lockdown has resulted in zero income which happily has been relieved by a grant enabling us to pay for electricity, rates and maintenance without going broke. We are looking forward to the end of lockdown so that once again we can have the Parish Council Meetings, Ladies Group Meetings and resume service with the Children's Birthday Parties on the Great Bulkington Railway. We expect to be hosting the local elections on 6<sup>th</sup> May and regulations require that the hall be deep cleaned before and after the event in order to give maximum anti-virus protection to voters and staff and future users.

During the past year we have sadly lost our Chair Angela due to sickness and are in the process of also losing Rosie who is moving from the village. We are therefore in need of a couple of volunteers to join us on our committee. Normally we meet about six times a year for perhaps an hour - so the job is not hard work! Please contact me if you can help.

Nev Boulton Acting Chairman - 01380 828 101

## **BULKINGTON "100 CLUB"**

We held our Big Bumper "100 Club" draw in December and the winners were :-

£75 No. 16 Roger Marsh  
£50 No. 86 Tina Fagan  
£35 No. 89 Bev Kerslake  
£25 No. 6 James Love  
£15 No. 43 Sue Noad



Congratulations to the winners! We will continue to hold our draws whenever restrictions allow through this difficult time (if necessary with the witnesses at the correct distance) so good luck to all our members for a win in the near future!

Phyl Yarde

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## **SEEND CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS**



AT THE HEART OF  
OUR COMMUNITY

### **SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Yes, you guessed it – sadly we are still not allowed to re-open other than for certain permitted activities such as Support groups. In writing this message, it feels like I'm stuck on repeat, I'm stuck on repeat, I'm..

Undoubtedly, you will all know that feeling well by now!

However, as the vaccination programme continues, and with the other Government measures in place, we are very much hoping that we shall be able to reintroduce many of the usual activities for our Members and their guests during the warmer months. I am sure everyone is looking forward to 'going out' whether for an activity such as table tennis, Emma's 'Body Blast' exercise class, a game of snooker or just to

chat with friends over a pint (or three) at the Bar! Finally, we very much appreciate the support shown by our members whilst we remain closed. Thank you all!

We shall bring you news just as soon as it is safe and possible to do so. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates once restrictions start to ease. In the meantime, all booking and other enquiries should be sent to our email address below.

[seendcommunitycentre@gmail.com](mailto:seendcommunitycentre@gmail.com) - [www.seendcommunitycentre.com](http://www.seendcommunitycentre.com)

Hatty Stafford Charles, Chairman

### **100+ CLUB DRAW**

#### **January Results**

1	No 5	J Hawkins	£30
2	No 16	A Shea	£25
3	No 160	A Ewing	£20
4	No 11	C Rigg	£15
5	No 111	P Grinham	£10
6	No 41	L Morgan	£10



Thanks to the residents of Seend Cleeve who helped with the draw.

Alison Bottomley.



### **SEEND WI**

The Committee is finalizing plans for future Zoom meetings and details will be sent out in due course. For members, a full programme has been prepared for 2021 for when we are able to resume meetings in the hall. The National Federation of WIs continues to offer a wide range of talks and courses online, which members can access for a small fee.

If you are not currently a member of WI but are interested in finding out more, do contact us and we shall be pleased to share our future plans with you. Non members are always welcome and can attend one meeting without any obligation to join.

In normal times meetings take place in the Pavilion, Rusty Lane at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise notified. For more information, please contact Joyce Harvey on 01380 828511 or check [www.seendwi.weebly.com](http://www.seendwi.weebly.com).

Joyce Harvey



### **SEEND & DISTRICT RAMBLERS**

As things stand the planned AGM in March will not go ahead. The committee are yet to set a new date, when some normality resumes a decision will be made. We will keep an eye on Government announcements and once we are able to walk as a group safely, we will contact members via email with details. Hopefully, those members who were due to lead a walk in 2020 will be willing to lead once restrictions are lifted. Until then keep well, warm and stay safe everyone.

The Ramblers

## SEEND SCHOOL

### Lockdown Learning

Now that we are all experts at home learning(!) we thought it would be nice to focus this month on celebrating all that has been going on both in school and at home.

So some examples of all the wonderful work being done can be seen in the Spotlight online colour supplement at [seend.org.uk](http://seend.org.uk)



Catherine Iles, Pupil Services Administrator



### SEEND PLAYGROUP

The children have enjoyed looking for colours around the room, outside and at home. Mixing paints has been exciting for the children e.g. one hand painted blue one hand painted yellow and they rub their hands together to get green and they print it onto the paper. We will be continuing with colours and numbers 7-10 after half term.

Sadly, with Covid 19 still around, we cannot have parents in for a coffee morning on 1st April for an Easter parade. We will make crowns with the children at playgroup. Hopefully weather permitting we can find cardboard eggs in the garden.

Opening on a Thursday afternoon has been successful, so we will be continuing. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday opening times are 8.45 a.m. to 2.45 p.m. Our last day of term is Thursday 1st April for Easter holidays.

Rose Dick (Playleader) 01380 828003



### ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

We were saddened to hear that 97 year old **Leo Coley** passed away peacefully at home with his family, after a short illness, on 25<sup>th</sup>

January. Leo was a long standing member of Seend Branch and always represented the veterans of World War 2 at the annual Remembrance Sunday parade and service. Our sincere condolences go to Margaret and her family.

**The date of our next committee meeting** will be held at 7.00pm on 15 April via Zoom.

Anita Heatley, Public Relations

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### SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

*NB. The following minutes are a shortened version of the full minutes taken at the Parish Council meeting on 26th January 2021. These have not yet been ratified by the Parish Council and may be subject to change. A full copy of the minutes can be found on our website: [www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk)*

The meeting held on 26th January was attended by nine Councillors with Mr James in the Chair, Mrs Sue Bond (Clerk), Councillor Jonathon Seed and Tamara Reay (new Cons candiatate). Apologies from Mr Paul Manning and Mr John Padfield.

**Local Councillor Matters - Melksham Bypass** - Councillor Seed said that the consultation period had now ended. He was asked if it was possible to find out what the public response was to the consultation, but he said that this was not possible. The next phase will be the undertaking of the land surveys and to ensure that funding is in place. The next public consultation was likely to be in the Summer. The next Melksham Area Board meeting is on 3rd February. He reported that **Avon Needs Trees** had applied for a £5,000 grant to go towards the purchase of the land in Seend. **Local Plan Review** – this is out for consultation. Mrs Heatley asked whether our **moving into the Devizes ward** would have any bearing on the proposed number of houses to be built in the Melksham area. Councillor Seed said that he would investigate this. **Park Farm** – Councillor Seed had no update on Park Farm, but would look into it.

**Minutes and Matters Arising:** The Minutes of the 24th November were approved. **Noticeboard for Rew Farm** – this had now been ordered. **Kissing Gate replacement** on field behind The Manor should be fitted in the next few weeks. **War Memorial** – This had now been professionally cleaned by James Long Masons. They had also corrected the initial of one of the WW1 soldiers which had been wrongly done when the war memorial was erected. **Tree Replacement in The Lye** – the Clerk has had confirmation that a new tree will be planted shortly. **Cross Parish boundary PROW**. Mrs Vince has not yet had a response from Keevil Parish Council. **Police Matters – Incidents reported.**

Dec 20 - High Street, Seend, a walk-in burglary, car keys stolen (but not the vehicle) – police advice to keep external doors locked

26 Dec 20 on Seend Fork - a car skidded on the ice – no other reports.

20 Jan 21 – fly tipping in Park Lane, Seend Cleeve – reported to police

During the summer, PCSO Janet Gould was putting up notices issued by the Rural Crime Inspector, on many footpath stiles but someone has been taking them down – these notices are to encourage good practice and respect for the farmer's fields and crops, for walkers and dog walkers using the fields and footpaths. During the current Covid pandemic, Wiltshire Police has a dedicated patrol car manned by PCSOs to attend any Covid breaches reported to Wilts Police and to patrol our area in recreational and public spaces to ensure people are adhering to the regulations. They are abstracted from their regular duties and take it in turn to carry out these patrols.

**Neighbourhood Plan** – Examination Stage - Mrs A'Bear reported that the Neighbourhood Plan was now in the examination stage. The NPSG had to choose an examiner out of a choice of four. This needed to have the approval of the Parish Council, but because the deadline was between the November and January PC meetings, the decision had to be made, and a letter was sent by the Chairman on behalf of the PC approving the selection of two out of the four. Mrs A'Bear said that they submitted two choices and Mr John Slater was appointed by Wiltshire Council. The Councillors confirmed that they were happy with the course of action taken by the NPSG and the PC Chairman. Mrs A'Bear said that the examiner had visited the Parish on 13th January and had come back to them with a number of questions for

Wiltshire Council and the steering group. She said that a response had been prepared with the help of Place Studios. Wiltshire Council to produce their own response. Mrs A' Bear said that the Parish Council also had an opportunity to further comment on two areas in the NP that Wiltshire Council had raised with regard to flooding and highway concerns. She had drafted a response and asked for Councillors' feedback. As they had not seen the draft, it was agreed that this would be circulated after the meeting for the Councillors approval.

**Local Plan Review** – Wiltshire Council are undertaking a review of the Local Plan which is looking at the supply of housing in Wiltshire up to 2036. This is out for public consultation. In the review there is an expectation that there should be more housing built in rural villages. For Seend, there is a suggested 30 new homes to be built by 2036.

There are consultation events taking place at the end of January and early February. Mrs A' Bear and the Clerk will be attending the virtual meetings. The Parish Council will need to complete the survey in response to the consultation document "Empowering Rural Communities".

**Highways – CATG** – The Chairman said that he had attended the December meeting. He reported that our Highway Improvement Request for a high friction coloured surface across the A361 road between Inmarsh Lane and Spout Lane where there are already dropped kerbs would be considered by Highways and costings provided by the next CATG meeting in March. An order to install new warning signs either side of the Seend Cleeve junction on the C20 has been placed with the contractors. It is hoped that this will be carried out by the end of January. The next CATG meeting is on 4th March 2021. Metro Count, Bollands Hill – This count took place over the week beginning 2nd November. The results showed the following: 7-day average speed was 42.1mph northbound and 41.8 southbound. Weekday average traffic both directions combined was 2,833 and 17,002 for the week. The percentage type of vehicles was as follows:

Cars and vans – 90%

Motorbikes/cyclists – 0.7%

Lorries 2-axle - 8.3%

Lorries 3-axle – 0.4%

Lorries articulated - 0.6%

### **Planning Matters**

Application Ref: 20/10746/LBC - 1 & 2 Weavers Cottages, High Street, Seend

Proposal: Replacement of windows. No additional extensions or alterations to building. All Councillors approved.

Application Ref: 20/10104/FUL - Seend Park, High Street, Seend SN12 6NZ

Proposal:- New garage and improvement works to front drive within curtilage of Grade II Listed House. No alterations to the house. Councillors opposed this application. (See full minutes on website).

Application Ref: 21/00442/TCA - Seend Lodge, High Street, Seend SN12 6NU

Proposal: T1 Beech. Remove limb overhanging the neighbours chimney and remove major dead wood. Councillors approved this application.

**Tree Matters – Copse at Dial Close** - The Clerk reported that getting approval from Wiltshire Council for the PC to undertake some tree maintenance work here was proving very difficult. The trees were on different strips of land either side of the pavement and were the responsibility of two different departments of Wiltshire Council. The Councillors discussed whether it was worth continuing with this project as it was clearly proving very problematic. It was agreed to wait to see what Highways say before making any further decisions.

**Avon Needs Trees** are applying for an Environmental Impact Assessment that will enable them to plant more than two hectares of trees on the land it is hoping to purchase in Seend. In order to succeed, it needs to show that their project has the support of the local community. The Clerk had circulated a draft letter of support to be sent from the Parish Council. All Councillors happy for this letter to be sent.

**Correspondence – Church Clock** – An email had been received from Secretary to the PCC of Seend Church. The PCC have applied for a faculty to repaint the clock face. They will be using Smiths of Derby to undertake the work. The cost will be in the region of £5,000 and are asking the Parish Council if it would like to make a financial contribution. Councillors noted that an annual donation is made to church restoration but felt that as the clock was important to the community, it should make a contribution. It was suggested that money from the Sandridge Solar Community Benefit Fund could be used. All Councillors agreed to make a contribution of £500.

**Cost of Elections** – Since Wiltshire Council became a unitary authority in 2009, the Council has funded the four-yearly election costs incurred by town and parish councils with the unitary elections. Cabinet are recommending the introduction of a scheme for recharging a proportion of the combined election costs of the elections to town and parish councils. If this is agreed, it is proposed that payment of any contribution is deferred until 2022-23 to enable town and parish councils to factor this in their precepting for 2022-23.

**Furlong Close, Rowde** – A residential home for vulnerable adults. A decision has been made by Hft and Wiltshire Council to close this home. There is a campaign to fight the closure. Seend PC to send a letter opposing the closure.

**Financial Matters** – Bank reconciliation to end of September ££30,068.56

**Items for Note - Rusty Lane** – The Clerk said that she had reported the condition of this path through MyWiltshire and an email to the Rights of Way Warden. **War**

**Memorial Centenary** – Mrs Heatley said that the planned commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the War Memorial due to take place on 8th February was now being postponed until September.

**Date of Next Meeting** - The next Parish Council meetings are 23rd February and 30th March 2021.

## **WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR NEWS FROM JONATHON SEED**

Planning is something that local government is required to manage, often on behalf of central government. Planning for future housing in the County is also required, not only by central government but also so that we can manage local housing expansion. The Current Housing Plan consultation is underway with comments required by mid-March. This Plan is a particularly difficult one for us locally and it is not one that I feel has been shared well with local villages. With very little consultation, and decisions that were buried in hundreds of pages of reports, the Cabinet of Wiltshire Council adopted recommendations for further consultation by consultants who have little or no local knowledge. We need to inject that local knowledge. Our area is being expected to take significant numbers of extra houses and the villages of Semington, Steeple Ashton, Keevil, Bulkington and Great Hinton are being arbitrarily moved to HMA (Housing Market Area) without any direct reference to Parish Councils or villagers. The evidence for these extra houses is not firm and we can still influence final decisions. I have been meeting with the Cabinet Member for Planning and senior planning officers in order to negotiate a better settlement for our area. This is a major local issue and we all need to get involved if we want to influence the final decision.

So these planning proposals need careful local analysis because it is clear to me that the consideration and local analysis by decision makers could be better. I urge residents to get involved in this Planning consultation and contact me if they need help. The consultation on the Local Plan is still open until 9<sup>th</sup> March and can be found at [wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-policy-local-plan-review-consultation](http://wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-policy-local-plan-review-consultation)

Please have your say or let me have your views so that I can represent them - that is what you elect me for!

Jonathon Seed

Wiltshire Councillor for Summerham and Seend & Chairman, Melksham Area Board

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## **BITS AND BOBS**

### **NURTURE NATURE**

#### **Grey Squirrels**

To prevent grey squirrels from stealing your peanuts chop up fresh salad peppers and mix these with your bird food. Time it so the bird food runs out at the same time the peppers start to rot, and they can all be cleaned out at the same time. Squirrels dislike all parts of the capsicum pepper; even growing the plant can deter them. They're also allergic to peppermint, so dab some peppermint oil on the items squirrels nibble, remembering to refresh after rain. Squirrels not only steal your bird food, but also destroy habitat, and eat eggs, nestlings, fledglings and even adult birds when they can. They often rob birds' nests or break into them to eat what is inside. (Rats also).

## Some Collective Nouns for Bird Species

A brace of ducks,	An exaltation of larks, (on the Red List for scarcity and decline)
A dole of doves,	A fall of woodcocks, (on the Red List for scarcity and decline)
A dropping of pigeons,	A deceit of lapwings, (on the Red List for scarcity and decline)
A cast of falcons/hawks,	A wake of buzzards,
A clutch of chicks,	A charm of goldfinches,
A company of widgeons,	A murder of crows,
A conspiracy of ravens, (ravens do fly over the village – they have a distinctive croak call)	A chime of wrens,
A convocation of eagles,	A herd of swans.
A covey of coots,	
A drumming of grouse,	

This is not an inexhaustible list, please write in with any others you know for future editions.

The Red List will be explained in a later edition of the magazine.

## Hints and Tips for Gardening for Wildlife

Most birds rely on a variety of foods, such as insects, slugs, snails, worms, pollen, fruit, buds and seeds. Having a range of these available should attract a variety of birds to your garden.

### Planting Ideas

Create diverse habitats and food sources to attract a wide range of insects, birds and small mammals. Anything that attracts insects will subsequently attract birds.

Pollen-rich flowers will always look good and offer plenty of food for insects, especially for bees which can only access the pollen from single flowers, not double.

Different height levels will attract different types of birds – many species prefer to nest at particular heights.

Tall hedges often have many species of birds nesting at the same time and provide habitat for a wide range of other creatures. Why not plant a natural hedge including hornbeam, hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, wild cherry, guelder rose and dog rose? Not leylandii!

Climbers attract insects and provide extra height and levels of habitat, especially valuable in the small garden where space is at a premium. Try jasmine, ivy, clematis and honeysuckle, especially to attract Spotted Flycatchers, a Red List summer visitor.

Dense ground cover will protect small animals and birds from predators, try fuchsia, berberis, pyracantha and perennials (spiky plants will deter predators). Also, when trained on a house or around windows such plants act as burglar deterrents!

Bushy shrubs and trees provide extra nesting sites and escape routes from predator attacks – amelanchia and hazel, vibernum, holly and mahonia are good examples.

Many shrubs like buddleia and forsythia and fruiting trees such as cherry, damson, plum, apple, pear and medlar, even mulberry if you can source one, attract bees, butterflies and other insects, and birds, such as bullfinches, like to eat the buds too. More planting ideas next month.

Otis Tarda



Help for domestic abuse victims in Wiltshire is just a phone call away and available 24/7.

Swindon Domestic Abuse Support Service (SWA) is now providing

support to victims of domestic violence across the whole of Wiltshire on behalf of Wiltshire County Council. Their advisors are trained in all areas of abuse across all age groups. If you are worried about your situation, you can call them in confidence on 01793 610610.

### **UPDATE FROM AGE UK WILTSHIRE**

We are supporting clients to apply for the Wiltshire Surviving Winter Grant this year (in partnership with Wiltshire Community Foundation and Wiltshire Warm & Safe) which, if applying through Age UK Wiltshire, is a one-off grant of £150 (up to £250 for some clients). We can support clients who meet all the following criteria:

- over pension age (client and/or partner)
- have household income (excluding disability benefits) less than £16,190pa OR in receipt of a means-tested benefit
- considered to be in fuel poverty by AUKW– e.g. high heating costs, struggling to afford to heat their home, hard-to-heat homes, significantly underusing heating.
- able to provide evidence of their means-tested benefit and a suitable bank account to pay the money into.

We continue to take applications for our free telephone befriending service and are branching out into other things like telephone book groups, although we now have a short waiting list. We can also refer into free Age UK national telephone befriending. We are still supporting clients with Attendance Allowance/DLA application forms which is now done through free telephone appointments and turnaround time for us contacting and completing the appointment is around two weeks or less (with it being backdated to the date of referral to us). We continue to offer telephone and email advice and support in the usual areas of advice like welfare benefits for older people, housing options and issues and care and support options.

All of the above can be arranged through our Information & Advice team by calling us on 0808 196 2424 or emailing us [enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk). You can read about our other services on our website here: <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire/>



® **Fairtrade Fortnight - Devizes Fairtrade Group invites you to a virtual coffee morning on the theme of Climate, Fairtrade and You on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am.**

You can join us by asking Jasper Selwyn for the link to the event. It will be an informal Zoom meeting with plenty of opportunity to chat and discuss ideas around Fairtrade.

Introduction to Fairtrade - Meet the farmers (videos) - Discussion  
Yes / No quiz (group activity) – Discussion - Veronica's quiz  
Traidcraft - Where to buy Fairtrade

Settle down with a cup of tea or coffee and cake, ideally Fairtrade of course, and join us for an enjoyable morning. Jasper's email: [jasperselwyn@hotmail.com](mailto:jasperselwyn@hotmail.com)



Edington Arts has a proposed music season organised, and, subject to whatever regulations are in place at the time, our calendar for live music in Edington Priory Church is as follows:

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm: Fine Arts Brass.** Baroque to Tango from five international brass players; two trumpets, french horn, trombone and tuba.

**Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10am-5pm: The Edington Arts Choral Workshop**, lead by Jeremy Summerly. Britten's 'Rejoice in the Lamb' and Elgar's 'Great is the Lord'. Organist; Richard Pinel.

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, at 7.30pm: The Oxford Bach Soloists**, conducted by Tom Hammond-Davies. This hugely respected and internationally regarded string ensemble and soloists present 'Bach's Virtuosi'.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December** time tbc: **Advent Concert** from the Choir of Keble College, Oxford, conducted by Paul Brough.

Detailed Box Office and other information will be posted on [www.edingtonarts.org](http://www.edingtonarts.org), as soon as we have a confirmed plan, and tickets for May 8th will be on sale after Easter. Keep everything crossed for a successful easing of lockdown rules!

## **NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME IN WILTSHIRE**

If Covid restrictions allow, Corsham Court and Fonthill House gardens will be open to the public to raise funds for nursing and health charities on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Details on [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk)

### **And finally.....**

*My computer files have been corrupted and replaced with pictures of the New Zealand rugby team.*

*It must be a haka.*



Don't forget to look at our online edition and colour photo supplement!  
[www.seend.org.uk/spotlight.shtml](http://www.seend.org.uk/spotlight.shtml)

**USEFUL CONTACTS: Please tell Spotlight if your group's contact details change**

**Church:** Revd Ali Bridewell. 01380 739064. Revd Joshva John, 01380 828137. Benefice Administrator: Sarah Leckie 07938 270815. PCC Secretary: Anne Ewing, (828557). Churchwardens: Seend: Len Murray, 828513; Bulkington: Mrs Liz Futter 828485, Mike Rose 01380 871665; LPAs: Liz Futter 828485, Rosie Forsey 828843, Len Murray 828513, Sue Noad 870343, Sue Rose 871665, Hilary Hutchings 828129, Tina Yockney 827139. Bell Tower Captain: L Murray 828513.

**Irene Usher Memorial Pavilion** bookings – [www.seendlyefield.org/bookings.html](http://www.seendlyefield.org/bookings.html) or 828970

**Bulkington Village Hall** - Nev Boulton 828101 or Roger Futter 828485

**Seend Community Centre** – To contact please e-mail [seendcommunitycentre@gmail.com](mailto:seendcommunitycentre@gmail.com)

**Seend Shuttle: Enquiries:** [seendshuttle@gmail.com](mailto:seendshuttle@gmail.com) or Alison 07951 030491

**Seend Parish Council Clerk** – Mrs Sue Bond 07706 850859 [www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk)

**Seend's Wiltshire Councillor** - Jonathon Seed 01380 850695 [jonathon.seed@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:jonathon.seed@wiltshire.gov.uk)

**Seend Village Website:** [www.seend.org.uk](http://www.seend.org.uk) – webmaster Neil Yockney 827139.

**Seend School** – 828334

**Seend Fund:** 01380 828757

**Bulkington Website:** [www.bulkington.org.uk](http://www.bulkington.org.uk)

**Rights of Way Warden** – Paul Millard, 01225 712821

**Melksham Area Board** – 07917 721371

**Police:** PCSO 6039 Janet GOULD - Mobile 07471029772 – [janet.gould@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:janet.gould@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

**MP:** Danny Kruger -email:[danny.kruger.mp@parliament.UK](mailto:danny.kruger.mp@parliament.UK) Devizes Office 01380 711425

**100+Club Draw** – Alison Bottomley - [avbottomley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:avbottomley@yahoo.co.uk)

**Book Clubs** - the original: Sylvia Ewin 828325 - the other: Frank Teasdale 828617(+ Brewery)

**Cricket Club** – Brian Hunt 828581

**Fawlty Players Panto Group** - Tessa Doe 828617 & Seend Village Pantomime on fb

**Fete** – Liam Bergin – [liam@thirdberg.com](mailto:liam@thirdberg.com) or 07738 269739

**Flower Show** – Carole Vince 828579

**Football** – Trevor Vowles

**FoSS (Friends of Seend School)** Nick Collinge-Cubberley, [friendsofseendschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofseendschool@gmail.com)

**Historic Houses Club** - Mary Warren 01225707357 or Neil Yockney 827139

**LINK Scheme** - 075320 55560

**Lye Field Committee** – [www.seendlyefield.org](http://www.seendlyefield.org)

**Neighbourhood Watch** - Brian Hunt (Seend) 828581; Cavan Moroney (Sells Green) 828606; Owen Burton (Seend Cleeve) 828820; John Scott (Bulkington) 828026.

**Preschool** - Rose Dick (Playleader) 828003

**Poetry Group** - Tessa Doe 828617

**Ramblers** - Sandy James 01380 739235

**Royal British Legion** – PR: Anita Heatley 828491. Welfare: Christine O'Reilly 01380 828888/07791 157060

**Seend Baby & Toddler Group** – Rachel Downham 07947 867701

**Seend CLT** – [www.seendclt.org](http://www.seendclt.org) [info@seendclt.org](mailto:info@seendclt.org)

**Seend Singers** - Bob McCulloch 828508

**Short Mat Bowls Club** - Colin Waldeck 828946

**Table tennis** – Chris Brooker, 828047

**Tennis Club** – Liam Bergin 07738 269739

**Theatre Club** - Sylvia Ewin 828325; Marion Whitehead 828612

**WEA** – Tessa Doe 828617

**Wheelchairs to borrow** - Sue and Graham Jones in Seend Cleeve, tel: 01380 828354

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