

# KILKHAMPTON PARISH NEWS

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JULY & AUGUST 2024

*Welcome to the final issue before the KPN team's 'summer break'! There are lots of nice things going on in Kilk, lots of the usual summer celebrations but also a couple of new ones too. Enjoy the read, and see you in September!*

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## THE GRENVILLE ROOMS

### TEMPORARY BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS

Please note that from the end of August through to the end of September, anyone wishing to book the Grenville Rooms or have any enquiries, please contact Terry or Joan Sillifant on 01288 321 697.

Many thanks. Marlene Vanstone - Secretary

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## Grenville Rooms

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## EDITORIAL



Dydh da pubonan! Hello everyone!

I missed the boat slightly last month (is that a phrase common in Cornwall?). Anyway, I forgot to talk about Speak Cornish Week 2024, which was 22 to 30 June – so you might just read this in time to catch the end of it!

This year's theme was 'a warm Cornish welcome' – the aim is to encourage people just to say a few words to each other. The BBC website report on 16 June was very funny – the 5 words and phrases they chose to highlight were good morning (myttin da), good afternoon (dohajydh da), good evening (gorthugher da), good day/hello (dydh da), and 'more cake' (moy tesen) – the last one seemed a strange choice, surely it should have been more pasties!

It's great to see that the Cornish language is getting into the national news – I am pretty sure that it is due to the efforts of all the different

organisations that support the Cornish language revival. There was also a report in the Guardian saying that Cornish language is 'dehwelans dhyworth an marow' – back from the dead! Their report suggested 2 main reasons – lockdown, where many courses went online and people took an interest in learning Cornish more, and also singer-songwriter Gwenno's album 'Tresor', sung almost completely in Cornish, being nominated for the Mercury music prize for artistic achievement in 2022. I love the song we heard in our Cornish lessons, titled 'Eus Keus?' (is there cheese?), from Gwenno's 2018 album. Songs and rhymes are a great way for me of remembering words like keus, cheese. Gwenno's video is still available on youtube if anyone's interested, just search for Eus Keus, and it was filmed in different places across Cornwall which is lovely to see.

For me, I'm not yet confident to join a group to practice speaking Cornish, despite my tutor's encouragement! I did classes in winter and spring 2022-23, and the same 2023-24, but as soon as I decide to have a summer break, my intention of reading, writing and studying more seems to disappear! Na fors! (no matter!).

Enjoy the summer everyone, and see you in September for the next issue.

Oll an gwella, Jill

### ST JAMES CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING SPONSORSHIP

Please clearly write or type your notices for the church floodlighting page, put them in an envelope with the £5 fee, and give them in at the Spar by the 11<sup>th</sup> of each month.

If you have any queries, please contact Tracey Smith at [kilkchurchlights@gmail.com](mailto:kilkchurchlights@gmail.com)

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# **Kilkhampston Church Services**

## ***St James Church***

### LATE NOTICE:

Sunday 30th June – no service at St James. Everyone welcome to join our Methodist friends at 11am.

#### Sunday 7th July: Trinity 6 (Green)

10am (Note time) BENEFICE SERVICE at POUGHILL

Reverend Douglas with Reverend Teresa preaching.

No service at St. James the Great

#### Sunday 14th July: Trinity 7 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Hilbre

Welcomers: Jennie and Lyn. Reading: Amos 7: 7-15. Ian.

#### Sunday 21st July: Trinity 8 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Richard Ward-Smith

Welcomers: Margaret and Joyce. Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6. Peter.

#### Sunday 28th July: Trinity 9 (Green)

7pm Songs of Praise with Ian and Reverend Teresa (Metric Band and Bassline)

Welcomers: Myra and Tracey. Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-end. Kevin.

#### Sunday 4th August: Trinity 10 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Douglas

Welcomers: Rachel and Rita. Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4 and 9-15. Hilbre.

#### Sunday 11th August: Trinity 11 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Hilbre

Welcomers: Margaret and Lyn. Reading: 1 Kings 19: 4-8. Gillian.

#### Sunday 18th August: Trinity 12 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Teresa (Joint Service with Methodist)

Welcomers: Jennie and Joyce. Reading: Proverbs 9: 1-6. Tony.

#### Sunday 25th August: Trinity 13 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Ian

Welcomers: Myra and Tracey. Reading: Joshua 24: 1-2a and 14-18. Peter.

**If anyone is unable to make their appointed date please arrange a replacement**

**Daily Morning Prayer: 9am** Everyone welcome to drop in on any day

**ZOOM** Meeting ID 818 0754 3068 Password 342 493 Telephone 02030512874 or 02030515237

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## ***Methodist Chapel***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Preacher</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Coffee</u>
7th July	Local Arrangement	Pam Metherell	Sue & John Brooks
14th July	Rev. Richard Ward-Smith	Monica Heywood	Carol Bluett
21st July	Mrs. Chris Forster	Sandra Jones	Judith Heard
28th July	Rev. Shirley Henderson	Marlene Bath	Fiona Cleave
4th August	Mr. Barry Bryne	Carol Bluett	Sandra Jones
11th August	Rev. Richard Ward-Smith	Debbie Dawber	Debbie Dawber
18th August	UNITED at ST. JAMES	FLOWER FESTIVAL	
25th August	Rev. Shirley Henderson	Judith Heard	Pam Metherell

## FROM REV RICHARD

A Christening party: God's magnificent gift for all the family.

Last Sunday afternoon at M'stow church, a wonderful event took place. We christened a beautiful baby and welcomed her into the family of the church. Fifty-five close family members and friends stood all around to encircle and greet mum, dad, sister and baby, with their love to welcome her into her new life in the church. And of course, the three godparents, there to give their support and encouragement.

The baby was perfect (all babies are), dressed in the family's traditional baptismal outfit. She only cried when I splashed her with water. But who wouldn't? In times past this was thought of as seeing off the Devil. Well she did that all right!

This ceremony is packed full of symbols right from the start. It all takes place around the font, which is usually sited near the door, symbolising the beginning of her journey of life. To mark this I gave her a scallop shell, the symbol of a pilgrim, with her name and date on it. I earlier mentioned water, from our own holy St John's Well. And with this lovely cleansing and growing symbol, we named the child, as a way of saying that she belongs not just to us, but to God as well. At this point always have a child nearby to help dry the baby off... a dabber!

Following on, I marked the sign of the cross on the baby's forehead with a special, sweet smelling oil, blessed by the Bishop, no less. This is the sign of

Jesus Christ and although it is invisible, we can tell the child later that it is there and, hopefully, she will live in a way that shows she belongs to God. After this there is one last thing to do and that is to give the child a lighted candle (waving it carefully in front of her is always a way to get a smile). Of course, this symbolises Jesus, the light of the World. I pray that His light will show her the way to go. This candle is something to get out over the next anniversary years and to wave about and remember. I like to think that she will shine with the light of God every day of her life and so make the world around her a brighter, better place. And I surely believe that she will. At this moment it is time for the child and her parents to have a tour around the gathering to sort of get meet and greet everyone. More careful candle-waving too!

So to close this very lovely, little service of joy, I pray naturally, for the parents, that they may love and care for the child and be a wonderful example as she grows up in the world. Then the godparents, that they will do a good job. And finally, the whole gathering from the oldest to the youngest, who are there to circle us all, and be blessed with God's love. So everyone is prayed for and blessed.

Family gatherings tend to linger and chat for quite a while afterwards, catching up and stuff, before they realise that down at the community hall there is a cream tea waiting. Need I say more?

Rev Richard Monday 10th June 2024

## ALBERT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

A D-Day veteran was asked by a child in school "What stops wars?" The veteran had to think for a minute and then he replied "LOVE stops wars". When I heard that, I was reminded of the two greatest commandments in Matthew 22 v 37-40 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind". This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbour as yourself."

Love is a funny thing. At its best it takes us to a feeling like no other, but when love gets broken for whatever reason it can hurt like no other. Love is a risk because it may not be reciprocated and then the temptation is not to love at all, and in so doing you deprive yourself of love and all its benefits.

We live in a society that needs love more than it ever has; we live in a country that needs love more than

it ever has; and we live in a world that needs love more than it ever has. And it starts from the ground up, that's you and me showing love when we want to hate and that is so easy to say but really hard to do.

Take a look at how much God loves you and what that love cost when it was expressed in human form. That is our base line for love! You can read all about it in the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the New Testament.

How about we start practising today? What is the most loving thing that you can do for someone today? Just do it!

May the peace of God rest on you all.

Albert Sloman, Pastor

## St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors July & August 2024

### **Karl Merrett**

16th July

It's been 5 years since we lost you and not a day goes by that you aren't thought about.

Love you always, miss you forever.

Sam, Katy and Jack xxx

Mum and Dad xx

### **Rita Cann**

A big thank you to my family for a lovely 80th Birthday Party on the 26th, and to my friends for another gathering on the 29th, for the beautiful flowers and many cards and gifts from friends and neighbours, not forgetting the surprise cake in Church on Sunday.

Thank you one and all. God bless.

### **Charles Colwill Cleave**

Birthday remembrance for Dad, 9th July 1926.

'Treasured still with a love sincere'. John.

### **Babb**

Brother **Lewis** Babb passed away July 28th 1988.

Still in our thoughts and hearts. We still miss you and speak of you often.

Love from all your family xx

Also remembering dear grandson **Lewis**

on what would have been his 32nd birthday on July 12th.

Loved and never forgotten.

Always your Nan xxx

Congratulations to grandson **Frank** and **Nicole** for their marriage on 17th August.

Good luck to you both and little Oakley.

Love your Nan xxx

Happy Birthday **Frank** for the 9th August.

Wishing **Robyn** and **Sara** a very happy 2nd Wedding Anniversary on 13th August.

With love from Granny and all your family xxx

Loving memories of **Tillyann** on the 9th August.

God bless.

### **Georgie DeRosa**

Happy Birthday Georgie.

You would have turned 42 on 25th July

We miss you every day and will never stop loving you.

Love from Mum and Dad, Lyds, Maddy, Emma, Jordan, Rich, Dan,

Richard, Ellen, Meg and Colby

Xxx

### **Nigel Jordan**

Happy heavenly Birthday to our dear brother on 3rd July.

Always in our thoughts and hearts.

Loved and missed always.

From your brother Keith, sisters, nephews and nieces.

### **Kathleen Jordan**

Happy heavenly Birthday to our dear mum on 20th August.

Loved and missed always.

From your son Keith, daughters, and grandchildren.

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Remembering with love **Madge Spry**, a dear Mum and Gran,  
on her birthday 31st July.

Always in our hearts and thoughts.

Lyn, Dave and family.

Remembering with love **Arthur Spry**, a dear Dad,  
Granddad and Great Granddad on what would have been his 100th birthday 17th August.  
Always in our hearts and thoughts.

Lyn, Dave and family.

**Mike Cook**

Jeanette, Helen and family wish to thank everyone who took the time to send flowers  
and cards, for the many phone calls and visits after the recent passing of Michael.

Everyone has been so kind.

## *Kilkhampton Fete 2024*

*Saturday 20th July, 2pm to midnight*

### ***Come and join us at Lamb Park!***

As usual, the fete will start with the royalty coach arrival at Lamb Park

There is music throughout the day and evening

From 2pm: Metric Brass

Afternoon to evening: Andrew Vanstone, The Smokey Mountain Boys, Finley's  
band, Black Friday and The Hornywinks

And a great variety of food:

Afternoon teas and cakes, Danny & Eva's Caribbean food, Ben Denton with  
Greek food, Justine's kitchen with Polish food, Split Bean coffee, Burgers, and  
Pizza Ape

Bar will be open from 2pm until Midnight.

For the children: Balloon Man, Face Painting, Bouncy castles and games:

Tug of War, Splat the Rat and Bra Game!



### **2024 Fete Royalty:**

*Queen: Eliza Bunning*

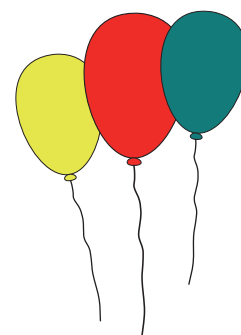
*Attendants: Harriet Drew and Miya Dawkins*

*Coachman: Harry Neal*

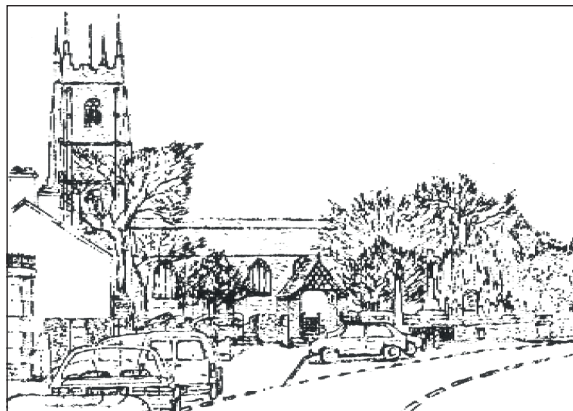
*Footmen: Henry Drew and Callum Thorne*

*Flower presenter: Joni Lacey*

*Cushion bearer: Iyla Shadrick*



*St James the Great*  
*Annual Gift Day*  
*Sunday 28th July*



*Kevin, our Churchwarden, will be pleased to receive your envelopes and donations at the Lych Gate from 10am*

Also on this day we are celebrating “Jimmy's Day”

Please come and join us at the Church from 3pm onwards – all welcome

We have gone back to many of the events of “Jimmy's Day” of old!

*Attractions will include:-*

Cream Teas and Barbeque (Under 16s: free hot dog or cream tea)

Children's Treasure Hunt

Bowling for the Pig

Tombola

Cake stall

Guess the number of sweets in the jar

Guess the weight of the sheep

Ukelele Band

The evening will conclude with “Songs of Praise” in the Church at 7pm, featuring Bude Metric Brass Band and special guests Bassline.

*Come along and be part of our St James the Great patronal festival*

**St James Church Flower Festival**

**16th to 18th August**

Don't forget the 2024 flower festival: 'History in the Making'

Any late queries, please contact Heather Thomas (01288 321336) or Jennie Siddalls (01288 321319)

Everyone welcome. Please come and support our Flower Festival

## **Bude Choral Society**

will be starting to learn a new choral work on **Wednesday September 4th**.

We always welcome new singers in all voice parts.

There are no auditions, but you are welcome to come along and try us out a couple of times before you decide whether or not to join.

The ability to sight-read is helpful, but not essential.

Should you decide to join us, there is a termly subscription, currently £40

The subscription covers music hire as well as all rehearsal costs.

If you receive benefits our treasurer can accommodate you - we don't want lack of funds to stop anyone from joining in and enjoying being part of Bude Choral Society.

### Rehearsals:

Wednesday evenings, 7.15 to 9.15pm, Parkhouse Centre, Bude.

The new term will start on Wednesday September 4th

We will be starting to learn Bach, Vivaldi and Cimarosa for our performance on:

November 30th 2024

Hope you feel you can try us out – you will be very welcome :)

For more information please visit our website [www.budechoral.org.uk](http://www.budechoral.org.uk)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/BudeChoralSociety](http://www.facebook.com/BudeChoralSociety)

*Lindsey Twiston Davies*

*On behalf of Bude Choral Society, Registered Charity no. 1101044*

STALLS



**KILHAMPTON  
COFFEE &  
CAKES**

STALLS

**SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July &  
3<sup>rd</sup> August**

**10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at**

**METHODIST CHURCH HALL**

**A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!**

The Charity for July is Bude Sea Pool and  
For August it is Beach Pastors

**KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH**

Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team



**2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £6**

ON

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July &  
30<sup>th</sup> August**

At 12.30 pm

AT

**THE GRENVILLE ROOMS**

Limited numbers so please book  
to ensure a place  
contact 01288 321073  
transport could be arranged

## KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

Although I am writing this article for you in June, it'll appear in the July and August edition of the Village News, thus making it my final article of the academic year. We are currently in the final half-term of the school year and very busy. Although long, the summer term flies by as it is so packed with activities and events.

We have already had school trips for Reception, Year One and Year Two, visiting Bridge Mill, near Bridgerule. Whilst there, the children got to do pond dipping, see and feed the farm animals and go for an exciting adventure through the long grass of the meadow. Our eldest children have also been able to take part in cycling proficiency. Next week the children in Year Five and Six will take part in a residential at Beam House near Torrington; for many children this will be their first stay away from home without their families.



*Members of our Quad Kids athletics team who came second at Budehaven in the recent competition*



*Pond dipping*



*Children from Sandymouth class meeting the chickens at Bridge Mill*



*Children from Northcott class in the meadow at Bridge Mill*



*Children taking part in cycling proficiency training*

We may be down to the last month of term but the children have still so much to look forward to. We have inter-house cricket and rounders, our sports day and school fair. We also have a visit from Really Wild Learning, where children will be able to view exotic animals in school! We are taking part in the Hall for Cornwall's outreach programme in early July where the children can experience live theatre on the playground! We will also be taking advantage of Bude Sea Pool to offer 'Swim Safe' workshops to our confident swimmers.

We are continuing with our improvements to the school with the removal of fences and old sheds on the playground, which has given the children even more play space. This work was completed thanks to the financial support of our Parent Teacher Association (PTA), whose dedication to the school is much appreciated.

Our Year Six pupils are beginning to think about moving on. They have already started meeting staff from their new secondary schools and in the next few weeks will be visiting their new schools for taster days. At the same time, we have started the process of meeting the newest members of our school family, the new Reception children and their families, who have already had a meeting and a 'stay and play,' session at the school.

It has been a very busy year at Kilkhampton Junior and Infant School full of the usual mix of challenges, rewarding experiences and memorable moments. Looking back over the year that saw us receive another 'Good' judgement at our most recent OFSTED inspection; open two state of the art classrooms and improve the learning spaces for all learners and revise and improve our history and geography curricula, I am struck and moved by the dedication and support from all of my colleagues, the governing body and the parental body.

I am truly blessed to have the privilege of leading such a wonderful village school and (although I know I am biased) working with the best colleagues and children!

I hope you all have a lovely summer, I am sure you will join with me in wishing our departing Year Six pupils all the best in the next step of their education, they have done themselves proud and enriched the life of the school.

Until September,

**Michael Watson, Head Teacher** [head@kilkhampton.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@kilkhampton.cornwall.sch.uk) Tel 01288 321259

*Well done  
Year Six –  
good luck  
at your  
new schools!*



## TREE BOOK GROUP: THE HOUSE ON THE STRAND

*by Daphne du Maurier*

*The House on the Strand* is a 1969 gothic novel by English author and playwright Daphne du Maurier. The novel is similar to du Maurier's other works in that its characters follow unorthodox narrative forms using their abilities to directly perceive, but not directly interact with, history. Influenced by contemporary trends in psychoanalysis and classic works such as Dante's *Divine Comedy*, it is told from the perspective of Dick Young, who trials a drug that sends him back in time to Cornwall in the 1300s. Suddenly his conception of the past and present become indistinct, inhabiting one another.

The novel begins in Kilmarth in the late 1960s, near a town called Tywardreath, whose English translation is the "House on the Strand". Young quits his job, taking up an offer to live on an ancient estate owned by Magnus Lane, a friend from his time at university who now works in London as a physicist and biologist. There, Magnus pressures him to participate in a drug trial as a subject. Young correctly suspects that Magnus developed the drug in secret and therefore cannot test it publicly. When he consumes the drug, Young discovers that he can suddenly see and enter an older landscape that emerges phantom-like around him. This

landscape belongs to the early 1300s. He is quickly enamoured by the stark contrast of this historically distant world to his modern one. He becomes interested in Roger who lives in Kilmarth and works as Sir Henry Champernoune's steward. Roger is in love with Isolda who is married to Sir Oliver Carminowe. Isolda carries out her own infidelity with Sir Otto Bodrugan, Sir Henry Champernoune's brother-in-law. Oliver discovers Bodrugan's actions and has his men kill him.

Young visits the past universe multiple times, returning to the narrative of Roger and Isolda. He finds it successively harder to reintegrate into the present day each time he leaves. Moreover, he is frustrated with being unable to intervene in the lives of the two as he postulates how they might better their lives. He tries to intervene several times but is penalised with a bout of nausea that ejects him to the present. He also finds that his physical participation in the past world does not protect him against the physical obstacles of the present.

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(derekflaxman@btinternet.com)

### **KILK KRAFTS JULY MEETINGS**

Wednesday 10 July

Lynn's crafts

Wednesday 24 July

Quiz and tea party

Venue:

*Methodist Chapel,  
Kilkhampton*

*Time: 2pm to 4.30pm*

*Cost: £2 per session  
plus small material  
costs as needed*

Any questions, contact:  
Joyce (01288 321292)  
Or  
Lorna (01288 321706)

### **KILK KRAFTS MEETINGS REPORTS**

The Kilk Krafts session on 8 May was on patchwork, led by Melissa, and over 25 members attended. Everyone was given a complete set of the materials they needed to make a lovely patch work mug mat.

First, 8 small squares of different material were folded around crescent-shaped pieces of paper, and lightly glued in place on the back around the edges. Then they were arranged to form the heart shape you can see in the photograph, and sewn together. The paper was then removed, although that was not possible for those that had been particularly enthusiastic with their glue! So some left their paper in, which still worked, but would cause a bit of a problem if the mats were ever washed.

Once the 8 pieces were sewn together, they were sewn onto a white background material. After this, the padding was added behind, then a second layer of material to enclose the padding. The mat could then be finished either with pinking shears or sewn with hidden edges. The two in the centre of the photograph were brought for demonstration and show the different effects of using pinking shears or sewing the edges in.

Everyone enjoyed the session but not all managed to finish their mats in the time they had, so the photo just shows some examples of the most-developed ones.



On 22nd May, Kilk Krafts had an invited speaker. This was Paul Martin, who runs Redsmart Printing at Wayside. His talk was entitled 'Me and Doc'.

Paul has been an extra on Doc Martin for a number of years, after a chance meeting of a lady buying several folders from the stationery shop where he worked for his parents. He asked what she needed them for and she said for scripts for a TV series being filmed in Cornwall. Paul gave her his details as a possibility of being an extra on set. He didn't hear anything for 3 months so had given up hope of appearing. Then one night he got a message to report by 7am the next morning if he was interested!

Luckily, working for his parents, he was able to take the time to go at such short notice. To be an extra you have to have plenty of patience as there is a lot of time waiting around to be called up. Sometimes you can be there all day and not get called, you do however get paid either way. Once called, the detail of your role is explained and you may have to do the same thing time and time again as the film crew shoot the scenes from different angles. The film is then all sent to the film editors to decide on the shoots they like, discarding reams of film they do not use.

Paul was also used as a double for Doc Martin – not because he looked like him, but he is similar in stature so was used in certain scenes. It was interesting to learn that the scenes in the doctor's surgery were all done in a shed set up to look like the inside of a surgery waiting room, reception etc. The only part of the actual house they used was the front door.

Paul met many of the cast, and showed photos he'd taken with them as a memory of his time on set. Now running his own business, he unfortunately doesn't have the time to do this anymore but enjoyed the experience while it lasted.

Many thanks to Paul from everyone at Kilk Krafts for such an interesting talk.

On 12th June, 24 Kilk Krafters, including another new person joining the group, came to paint using watercolours. Lorna had brought some beautiful gerberas of various colours for us to paint. Ably assisted by her art friend Janet, the flowers were placed in glass jars in threes, with different length stems, then the jars were placed in the middle of the tables so each person would have a different view of the flowers.



We started by doing a very light pencil sketch of the jar and flowers. Then Janet suggested we started by painting the glass jar and showed us an example she had done previously. By shading blues/greys, we were able to show the jar and the water. Then it was time to add the flowers – the gerbera is graduated in colour, building from the lighter shades then adding the darker edges to the petals. The centre of the flowers were a different colour too – these shadings helped to build up the painting. Because some of us were facing the flowers and some were sideways on, each painting was very different. Lorna and Janet came round to each table to help out by sharing their wealth of painting knowledge.

Once the jar and flowers were completed, a splash of colour was added around the jar to show it was sitting on something and not just levitating in the air. A very enjoyable session, many thanks to Lorna and Janet. Although the photo is lovely, it doesn't really do justice to the achievements of the group.

*Please note: after the July meetings (see page 10), there will be a summer break.*

*Kilk Krafts meetings will start again on the second Wednesday of September. Enjoy the summer!*



## **Kilkhampton Parish Council**

Report of the regular meeting held on  
10th June 2024 [www.kilkhampton-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kilkhampton-pc.gov.uk)

**Attendance:** Kingsley Bryant (KB), Reg Hambley (RH), Keith Ovenden (KO), Ian Heard (IH).

**Apologies:** Tim Cottle (TC), Lee Bond (LB), Phil Sluggett (PS), Vinnie James (VJ), Joanne Timmins (JT), Cornwall Cllr Shorne Tilbey (ST).

**Chairman:** Clive Vanstone (CV)

**Clerk:** Hannah Collett

Good evening to all by the Chairman. Welcome to a member of the public and apologies read through by the Chairman.

**Minutes** Approved by all and to be signed by the Chairman at the end of the meeting.

**Adopt Code of Conduct**

**Declaration of Interest** None

**Public Speaking Session**

The Chairman once again welcomed Mr John Zerafa. Mr Zerafa began by informing that he was new to the area and is currently in the process of moving down permanently. Mr Zerafa wanted to point out some of his concerns to the Parish Council.

Number 1: Mr Zerafa started with saying he is worried about lots of businesses that have been closing down in the village. He mentioned he thought Penstowe Park was re-opening – however he felt, as a businessman, it should already be open. Asked if there was anything the Parish Council could do about this. The Chairman said that the London Inn will most likely be re-opening as a public house soon. It is owned by a Trust and they have had interest in the business. Mr Zerafa couldn't understand why it had closed.

The Chairman also mentioned that the former "Londis shop" will possibly be opening up again – but unsure as to what business it will be.

The Chairman talked about Gillett's Chippy closing and stated that unfortunately there was nothing we could do about that – we, as a Parish Council, did oppose this closure. Thanks to Mr Zerafa for his concern on these matters.

Number 2: Mr Zerafa had concerns on the amount of dog fouling. Noticed there were only signs around the church and not on the streets. The Chairman stated that he had been on the Parish Council for 37 years and every year we have the same issues. Irresponsible dog owners.

Mr Zerafa wanted more signage. Where he is from, they have a QR code on the bins and then the council come and empty them. The Chairman told Mr Zerafa that unfortunately we cannot get any extra dog bins as the county will not take on any more bins to be emptied. We as a council have offered to purchase our own, but the county just will not add on any extra collections.

Number 3: Fly tipping. Mr Zerafa said he had seen a lot on Facebook. At the end of Priestacott Road there is fly tipping, also a cabin there which he felt should have planning permission. Also mentioned a septic tank there and a mound of rubbish also, that is so large Mr Zerafa felt this also requires permission. The Chairman told Mr Zerafa that he has previously been to the owner about concerns, unfortunately once again we have no power over what people put on their land.

Mr Zerafa said there is a diesel tank there too – said this would not be allowed where he is from. Felt this all needed sorting out.

Number 4: The 5 metres of entrance to his road is council owned – felt there are a lot of errors there and that it was built wrong. Mr Zerafa is dealing with Mr Harrison from Cornwall County Council. Is in negotiations with a few bodies. The Chairman stated we deal with a member of the Highways team - Mr Oliver Jones. We could also ask County Councillor Shorne Tilbey if he could contact you directly to discuss. Clerk to email and mention Mr Zerafa is here for two weeks and could they talk before he leaves. The Chairman said he was sorry Mr Zerafa has had some issues in the village since being here. Thanks for attending.

### **Chairman's Annual Report**

The Chairman read through the annual report on the previous year's happenings for the Parish Council (see page 16). Approved by all.

### **Planning Applications**

1 PA24/04149 Amendments of parking arrangements to Plot 1 and raise of FFL to better meet site levels. Location Former The Stables Inn Penstowe Park Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9QY Applicant Morton 5D Solutions (SW) Ltd. KB talked through these amendments, technical issues. Doesn't see any problems. KB proposed approval and RH seconded. All in favour.

### **Matters**

1. Car park and Toilets: £171.60. No other issues.
2. Lamb Park Play area: VJ not here.
3. Other matters arising from the minutes: None

### **Reports**

Footpaths: First cut done, continuing as required this week. Per IH.

Playing Fields and Lamb Park: AGM meeting held. TC will be taking on the Chairman's role of this Trust. TC is also in negotiation with a company on a new heat pump. The one currently is 17 years old. Detailed figures to be obtained.

School: LB not here.

Grenville Rooms: Ceiling issues have been looked at and to be sorted. The Chairman asked where we are at with the History Room. Items need to be

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moved up and into the room. The Chairman will look into with the relevant people.

**Month's work** Read through and approved by all.

### Members

KO – The playpark has been vandalised again. The seesaw seat has been ripped off. Also the rubber section that the seesaw bounces down onto is missing, leaving just a metal pole. Area to be sectioned off as out of use, due to being dangerous, until sorted. Rubbish being thrown around is also creating issues.

IH – mentioned the gate at Lamb Park will be done soon.

KB – concerned that issues at Lamb Park come up every meeting and asked if anything more we can do. To be kept in mind by all. There are a couple cars abandoned in the village – one at the end of Dipper Close and one in Barnacott layby. The Chairman had been informed that one had been notified to the relevant people already. Registrations to be taken. RH felt Councillor ST should be informed. KB to send pictures of relevant vehicles to Clerk for forwarding.

RH – mentioned that there had been a few complaints regarding the sewer works near East Road.

### Correspondence

Letter of thanks received from the Methodist Church for their annual payment.

Email regarding a request for an up to date copy of the Parish Plan received. Clerk to reply accordingly stating unfortunately there is no current plan in place.

Email received requesting EV charging ports to be put in place in the village. Clerk to email with thanks for concern and will be looked into. Put onto agenda for July.

### Finance

Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £72.00 S Gifford; £46.73 D & I Bridgmans; £480.00 Archie's Garden Services; £270.00 K & J Building Services. All in favour to be paid.

Date of next meeting: Monday 1st July 2024, Grenville Rooms, 7.30pm.

Thanks to all by the Chairman and declared the meeting closed.

### ABOUT OUR AFTERNOON TEA

*(see poster on the left):*

I am Trish, and with my husband Martin we are looking forward to holding an Afternoon Tea in aid of BREAST CANCER NOW

Funds are needed to continue vital research, raising awareness and give support to those affected by this horrible disease

Unfortunately, we all continue to hear of family, friends and colleagues being diagnosed

This charity is especially close to my heart, and this will be our 4th year hosting an Afternoon Tea

Over the last three years we have raised over £1600.

We moved to Kilkhampston about six months ago to be close to our daughter and family, and have been made to feel very welcome by everyone in the area

As well as tea and cakes, there will be a second-hand book stall and games

If anyone would like to donate a cake, or a tombola or raffle prize, it would be very much appreciated. Please contact me on 07415 668589

Do come and join us at the Grenville Rooms, Wednesday 7th August, 2-5pm

Bring a friend - everyone is welcome and we look forward to meeting you



# KILKHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

May 2024

Another busy year for the Parish Council. In no particular order, I will give a general report on some of our work and achievements.

We received 41 planning applications. They vary from a multiple housing application to a minor adjustment to an existing, but not completed, application.

We manage our footpath network. Maintaining and keeping the footpaths usable and also advising on what is a public footpath and what is not.

We fund the village litter picker who does a great job all year round.

This year, unfortunately, our village Post Office closed. The Parish Council, through the Grenville Rooms Management committee, are part-funding the current arrangement on Tuesday mornings. Please use this service or it may not survive.

We have been given ownership of the St James' Day coach. This ensures it will be available to the village for many years to come. A big thank you to the Trewin family for looking after it for so many years. Also thank you to Mr Bruce Bartlett for its safe keeping.

Every year we have the usual traffic problems on the A39. Soon we should see new traffic calming from the North and the possibility of an east side bus stop when the new entrance to Blackberry Lane is complete.

King Charles III Coronation was celebrated with a lunch in the Grenville Rooms, where Mrs Margaret Colwill was the Guest of Honour. Mrs Colwill has now seen 3 Coronations!

Every child in the village of primary school age and below received an inscribed china mug – a tradition for royal occasions in this village for many years.

A new defibrillator was installed at the MOT station.

We have liaised with Sanctuary Housing and are pleased to see the work being done on site.

A new group of enthusiastic volunteers came to us with a great idea for a Christmas event, and with a small amount of financial assistance (which has since been paid back), a wonderful night was had by all – especially the children.

A lease for extra land at Lamb Park has now been completed and the fence will soon be erected. The internal decoration of the sports pavilion is complete. A big thank you to Kilkhampston Football Club for the work they do maintaining our playing field.

Councillor Roland Nancekivell resigned his position on the Parish Council to devote more time to his work within the welfare of the farming community. We were lucky to have three people apply for the vacant position – a secret ballot was taken and we invited Ms Jo Timmins onto the Parish Council.

Our History Room in the Grenville Rooms is refurbished and nearly ready for use.

We are attending some of the climate change meetings in Bude.

The new Parish Council website is in use and now we have a member of the council promoting it and trying to get more information on it to increase the use. We especially need businesses to advertise on it (free of charge) to help promote more use.

We are pleased to be able to keep our public toilets open all year round.

Phase one of the upgrade to the play equipment at Lamb Park is completed. This is an expensive project. Just go and have a look at the new roundabout – it cost over £16,000.

The Parish Council, along with grants from the solar farm at Thurdon, have spent tens of thousands so far.

The Parish Council, with the help of our excellent Clerk, manage the finances which are independently audited every year. Our main problems are not with the capital projects we undertake, but with the day to day running costs of the buildings we own. Especially energy.

I have deliberately not named many people in this report because I fear leaving someone out.

As Chairman, I thank everyone who makes Kilkhampston a great Parish.

Thank you

Mr Clive Vanstone  
Chair, Kilkhampston Parish Council