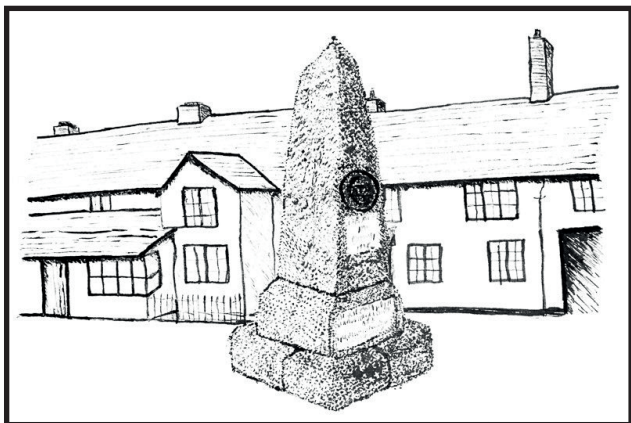




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PHOTO QUALITY

Firstly, I would like to apologise for the quality of many of the photos in the last few issues. I know the July/August edition was particularly bad!

Since then, we've managed to get some expert help with the printer settings, and the photos in this edition should be better. I will say more about this once we have seen this issue safely printed with good quality photos!

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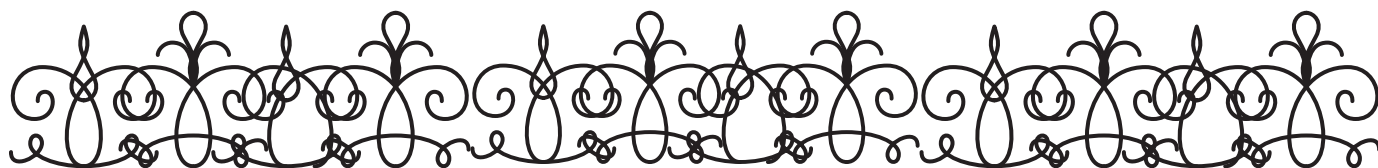
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Kilkhampton Churches and Services

St James The Great, Kilkhampton

<i>Priest-in-Charge:</i>	Reverend Teresa Folland	01288 352599
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<i>Sexton:</i>	Mr Alan Hockin	01288 321 710

Sunday 6th September – Festival of Creation in Christ (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Baptism. Reverend Teresa
Welcomers: Rita and Jennie. Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-11. Peter

Sunday 13th September – Trinity 15 (Green)

11am Morning Worship with Hilbre
Welcomers: Joyce and Margaret. Reading: Genesis 50: 15-21. Kevin

Sunday 20th September – Trinity 16 (Green)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Jane
Welcomers: Lynn and Myra. Reading: TBA. Tony

Sunday 27th September – Trinity 17 (Green)

11am Morning Prayer with Ian
Welcomers: Tracey and Jules. Reading: Ezekiel 18: 1-4 and 25-end. Hilbre

Thursday 1st October - 7pm - Harvest Evensong

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

Kilkhampton Methodist Chapel

MORNING SERVICE 11AM

<i>Church stewards:</i>	Mr. John Brooks , Killarney Park, Youlstone EX23 9PX Fiona Cleave , Higher Pigsdon Farm, Launcells EX23 9LQ Roland Nancekivell
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mike Metherell 01288 321248
<i>Room Bookings:</i>	Contact Fiona Cleave on 01288 321261

<u>Date</u>	<u>Preacher</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Coffee</u>
6th September	Mr. Barry Bryne	Joy Moore	Judith Heard
13th September	Local Arrangement	Vivienne Hunt	Joy Moore
20th September	Kim Larcombe	Sue Brooks	Sue & John Brooks
27th September	Rev. Meg Slingo	Susan Beswetherick	Marlene Bath

EDITORIAL



Dydh da pubonan! Hello everyone!

Well, I have really enjoyed staying in the Kilk/Bude area over the summer holidays. I know many people don't like the crowds, and it can be inconvenient at times, but it's also so lovely to see all the cafes full, with lots of people happy and enjoying time with their families and friends. Of course the weather has helped this year, and hopefully it will keep people thinking about having their holidays in the UK rather than abroad.

We've been having fun with the Parish News, mainly centred around the use of the new printer (duplicator). I received quite a few comments last month about the poor quality of the printed photos - and quite rightly too! We couldn't seem to get them to lighten, despite efforts in both newsletter production and also printer qualities.

Since then, we have had some amazing help in terms of all things related to the computer and printer. It makes such a difference when someone is

enthusiastic about solving problems - for me, it's always something that gives me a sinking feeling because I know I don't have the skills or knowledge to sort it out.

So, this issue is a trial to see whether everything will work better. I would love to share the details of the help we have had, but if we haven't quite fixed it, that may be a bad thing!

We still have some issues to sort out. I think one of the problems was that we expected the printer to work just as the previous one did, but there are some design and other things that make a difference to how we produce the newsletter. But at least now we have quite a bit of hope of sorting everything out.

We continue to have a great team of people involved in getting each issue to you, and we also seem to be attracting more advertising, which means we have less worry of how we will fund the production of KPN in the future. We do of course still have the support of the council if we run into any difficulties in the future. Thank you to all our advertisers, and if you are interested in adding an advert, see below for Alan's contact details. The adverts are particularly appreciated by people moving in to the village, especially if they are used to being surrounded by superstores and lots of services at their fingertips.

Until next time...

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 11th of each month.

If you have any queries, please contact Tracey Smith at kilkchurchlights@gmail.com or phone her on 321432 or 07740 520459

Cheques should be made payable to 'KILKHAMPTON PCC'.

Grenville Rooms

Room bookings: contact Alan or Tracey Hockin 07399 996720 or 01288 321710

Kilkhampston Parish News Editorial team

Please use the contact details below to enquire about anything related to advertising (Alan), or send in submissions for the editorial page (Jill). We are happy to be contacted in the first instance and we're happy to accept notices of events and news items. Adverts need to be submitted by 1st of the month for the following month, and editorial submissions by 12th of the month.

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St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors September 2026

PHIL FRENCH

Remembering with much love a very special Husband, Dad and Grampy
on his birthday, September 3rd.

You remain in our thoughts and hearts every day.

Love from Mer, Rob, Chris and all the family.

Xxx

EILEEN JONES

14 September 2022.

You have been gone from us for 4 years.

We miss you every day and the pain of losing you never goes away.

Never forgotten, always loved.

Love Sid, Philip, Angela, Alan, Sam and Maisie Emily.

ARTHUR SPRY

Remembering with love a wonderful Dad, Grandad and Great Grandad,
who passed away September 8th 2005.

We miss you so much.

Lyn, Dave and family.

KARL MERRETT

8th September.

On what would have been your 58th birthday.

Love you always and miss you forever.

Sam x Katy x Jack x

Mum x Dad x and Thomas x

SOMERFIELD

Alan and Kath would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes,
cards, gifts and donations to the Air Ambulance
on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

Church floodlighting sponsors: see information on page 3 of this newsletter

ALBERT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

If you look up the definition for the word 'hypocrisy' it says this: "the act of pretending to have moral standards, beliefs, or virtues that you do not actually hold, or telling other people to do one thing while you do the exact opposite" (Ref Google AI overview, accessed 11.08.26). Or "Do as I say but don't do as I do!"

Hypocrisy totally undermines a person's character; young people see it a mile off! Jesus was scathing about it if he saw it in people.

Why was it so much a big issue with him? Well, he had, and has had, more of an impact on the world than anyone else, and with Jesus, what you saw is

what you got. In other words he was what it said on the tin, and that's what he taught. We really don't like it if someone tells us to do one thing and they do another, it really rubs us up the wrong way.

So, we have to ask ourselves this question: 'am I really what it says on my tin?' If the answer to that is that there might be a little hypocrisy in there, sort it. It is like a weed – if you don't pull it up, it grows! If you want to know what Jesus thinks about hypocrisy read Matthew 12 v 33-37.

Bless you all and have a really great month

Albert Sloman, Pastor

FROM REV RICHARD

Walking is a good way to notice things. The other day I decided to take note of what I saw:

A woolly caterpillar, a black bird scuffling, a prowling cat, dew drops on leaves, a deer resting place and a smiling good morning face. I could go on and on... and did.

Now what did I hear? Cawing jackdaws, a tractor, rustling wind in the trees, clock chiming, a siren sounding and yet more "good mornings".

And on my face, the warm wind and sun.

The poet Thomas Hardy who came to Boscastle to work on St Juliot's church, on arriving at the Rectory he looked up and noticed a beautiful face looking from an upper window – it was the daughter of the Vicar. he fell in love with her and they later married.

When we too stop... and look... and let our surroundings sink in, (we won't always be fortunate enough to find the lady we love straight away), we may be thankful and feel blessed for the life within us.

Another poet W.H. Davies, on his long walk returning home from the First World War, caught that same feeling:

*"What is life if full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare"*

It is a good thing to walk slowly, sit, rest and look. People might then say of us:

*"He was a man who used to notice things,
All this must have been a familiar sight.
He was one who had an eye for such mysteries
And he used to notice things."*

One day I won't hear or see all these things -
But today I am going to watch, and take notice.

Rev Richard



We would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone who came along to our Afternoon Tea for Breast Cancer Now. Also thank you to those who helped us by donating cakes, raffle prizes and tombola items and not forgetting those who helped on the day. We are so grateful for all your support which enabled us to raise an AMAZING £1001. We have had lovely feedback from people and hope that everyone enjoyed it as much as we did. Hopefully we will do it again next year. Many thanks again, Trish and Martin Brennan.

St. James Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL LUNCH

Grenville Rooms

Sunday 4th October, 12.00 for
12.30pm

(Please note new time)

Cold meat/salad
Home-made Puddings
Cheese and Biscuits
Tea or Coffee

Tickets £12 – please ring
Joyce on 321292

Our local auctioneer Reg Hambley will
sell produce etc after the meal.
Proceeds for local charity.

Save the date!

Kilkhampton Christmas Fayre

Saturday 5th December 2026

More details will follow!

Join us for a festive evening of fun and
entertainment for all ages.

The Christmas Fayre committee would like to
thank everyone who supported our recent
Jumble Sale and Coffee Morning.

Thanks to your generosity, we raised
over **£900**, which will be reinvested into the
Christmas Fayre to help keep the event
affordable, as well as ensuring Father
Christmas has gifts for the children and that
there is plenty of festive entertainment for
everyone to enjoy.

We would also like to extend our sincere
thanks to **Alison Bartlett** for her generous
donation towards the Christmas Fayre. Your
support is greatly appreciated.

Flower Festival Thanks:

The organisers of this year's flower festival would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make our flower festival a success. All who helped set up and clear away. All the arrangers, who as usual provided beautiful and colourful displays. The PCC and Churchwardens for their co-operation. Everyone who organised and helped with the refreshments, and provided cakes etc. and Robert for the pasties on Sunday, it was all very much appreciated. We hope you all enjoyed our Flower Festival.

Photos: Some of the amazing detail of this year's displays

Top right: morris dancing

Bottom left: home made models of key Cornish attractions

Bottom right - a Cornish Pisky!





SATURDAY 5th SEPT

10.30AM - 12.00 NOON at

METHODIST CHURCH HALL

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

The Charity for September is R.N.L.I

STALLS

STALLS

KILK COMMUNITY LUNCH

Brought to you by Kilk Coffee & Cakes Team

2 COURSE HOT MEAL FOR £7

ON

Friday 25th September

At 12.30 pm

AT

THE GRENVILLE ROOMS

Limited numbers so please book
to ensure a place
contact 01288 321073



These recipes were demonstrated by Yvonne at Kilk Crafts – see page 8
Yvonne also brought along pre-prepared samples for all to taste!

Tomato and carrot soup with cheese soda

Tomato and carrot soup

Ingredients

1 large carrot (diced)
1 large onion (sliced)
1 tin chopped tomatoes (or 1 lb of fresh tomatoes chopped)
2 tbsp tomato puree
1½ pints of chicken or veg stock made with 3 stock cubes
1 tsp salt 2 tsp sugar
2 oz (50g) butter
¼ pint of milk Salt and black pepper

Method

Melt the butter in a large pan, then add the carrots and onions to saute until soft. Next add the tomatoes, puree and stock, then simmer until the carrots and onions are cooked. Add the sugar (to counteract the sharpness of the tomato puree) before blending everything in a liquidiser. Finally, add the milk and season to taste. A little more milk may be needed to get the consistency you prefer.

Cheese soda bread

Ingredients

17 ozs (480g) plain white flour (or half white, half wholemeal)
3½ oz (100g) grated parmesan cheese
5½ oz (155g) grated cheddar cheese
1 tsp salt
1 tsp baking powder
400 ml buttermilk (available in tubs from Morrisons)

Method

Heat oven to 200°C (fan). In a mixing bowl, sift together the dry ingredients, add the cheeses and mix together. Next add the buttermilk and gently combine with a wooden spoon. Turn the mixture out onto a floured board, roll it into a ball and then flatten it. (Do not over-handle the bread and get it into oven quickly, as once the buttermilk is added it reacts with the baking soda). Transfer to a baking sheet lined with baking parchment and cut a cross on top of the loaf. Bake in the oven for 30 minutes till golden brown and the bottom sounds hollow when tapped.

Yvonne Walkey

Stay and Play

Kilkhampton Methodist Church

Thursdays 10th & 24th Sept

9.30 am – 12 noon

For Children under 5 and their parents, grandparents or carers - please join us for tea/coffee and chat while the children play.

ALL WELCOME

For further information please call or message Fiona on

01288 321261 or 07854 141474



**Bude Choral
Society**

Join our choir!

Our new term starts 9th September

Rehearsals: Bude Methodist Church

7.15-9.15pm most Wednesdays

Interested?

Email info@budechoral.org.uk

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TREE BOOK GROUP: *BROKEN COUNTRY* by *Clare Leslie Hall*

Beth and her husband, Frank, are still grieving the loss of their son Bobby, and a gaping chasm has opened up in their marriage. However, when Gabriel Wolfe arrives back in the village, that chasm only widens. Gabriel was Beth's first love, and now, even though she knows it is wrong, she can't help but be drawn back towards him. It is not only Gabriel that she is drawn to, but his son Leo, who, close in age to that which her own son would have been, is a constant reminder of him. As passions and tensions simmer, a life is lost and a man stands on trial.

Much like 'Where the Crawdads Sing', this book has an element of mystery and thriller as well as historical romance. We learn from the first chapter that someone is dead, but it is not till much later that we discover who is dead and who is on trial. The story goes back and forth from past to present, and is very engaging right to the end.

I thought that Clare Hall handled the theme of grief and losing a child well, in terms of the enduring impact, and how that grief can wear away at a marriage. There feels to be an elephant in the room with Frank and Beth, which is Bobby. Also Beth's love and grief for Bobby ensured that I always had some sympathy for her, even when I found her character otherwise unlikable.

The initial relationship between Gabriel and Beth in the past was well depicted, capturing that intense feeling of first love, whilst also planting the seeds early on of insecurities in the relationship and factors that might come between them. When they meet again in the present, there is a feeling of something unfinished between them, and with Beth increasingly drawn to spending more time with Leo

to fill the missing hole of Bobby in her life, as well as her distance from Frank, this means the lines get blurred at this point. The dynamics were complicated. However, after a certain point, the love-story between Gabriel and Beth began to come across as forced, lacking any true depth. Furthermore, whilst I could still appreciate Beth's inner turmoil and that grief played a heavy hand in her actions, she simply comes across as too selfish, impulsive and fickle in the way she goes back and forth between Gabriel and Frank, not really caring for either of them, nor really seeming to truly take any responsibility for the devastation that occurs.

Frank was very hard not to like, very much the dependable, strong and silent archetype, and certainly Beth was completely undeserving of him. A criticism would be that Frank doesn't seem like a real person, he's too perfect and a paragon of virtue. Painting him so was unrealistic, but the author then painted Beth in a worse light for her treatment of him. Given the author was willing to show both Gabriel and Beth as having flaws, she could have made Frank's character more three-dimensional, whilst still keeping him likeable and dependable and the hero of the story. Much as I liked Frank, I felt somewhat removed from him, just because the author keeps him that way; I would have liked to get more of his perspective as it might have made him feel more real.

For anyone who appreciates a compelling, emotional journey with rich characters and layered storytelling, *Broken Country* will not disappoint.

Dorothy Flaxman

(contact derekflaxman@btinternet.com)

KILK KRAFTS REPORTS (from June and July meetings)



Yvonne making the soup

The first meeting in June saw the return of Yvonne Walkey with a cookery demonstration. Yvonne showed us how to make tomato & carrot soup with cheese soda bread. Yvonne's recipe's can be seen in this month's 'Parish Pantry on page 7. And in true "Blue Peter" style, Yvonne had prepared both dishes earlier so that everyone could taste each dish.

Right:
Yvonne's
cheese
soda
bread



For the second meeting in June, we welcomed Michelle Jardine who showed us how to paint on glass. We had a variety of paper templates, some acetate to practice on, tubes of paints with fine nozzles for the outlines, coloured paint pots, paint brushes and acrylic circle suncatcher blanks.

We chose our templates, attached the practice acetate and painted the outlines.

Once we felt more confident, we removed the acetate and attached the template to the acrylic blank to paint the lines and outlines. Because of the extreme heatwave, the outline paint dried quickly (but could be dried with a hairdryer if needed) before colouring

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between the lines with a paintbrush. Once our designs were complete, we dried the paint with a hairdryer and attached a coloured cord so we could hang our sun catchers up.



Some of the group's finished sun catchers

The first meeting of July saw the return of Jan Dickerson with flower arranging in a teacup. Members were asked to bring a teacup or similar sized vessel, some greenery and secateurs or scissors. Jan provided carnations and gypsophila, plus more greenery and



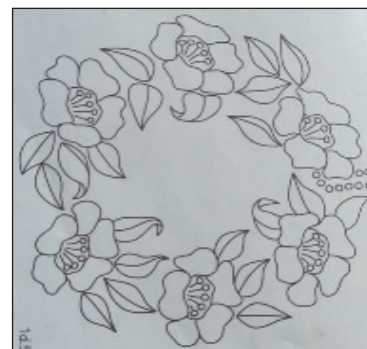
dishes if people did not have a cup.

She had pre-soaked the oasis and trimmed blocks to fit the member's cups. She explained that, once the flowers died and were removed, the oasis should not be re-used, as the holes trap air when re-soaked which causes bacteria to form. Also, water used to soak the oasis should be filtered before pouring down the sink to remove any particles of oasis which do not decompose.

Jan demonstrated covering the base of the arrangement with greenery before adding height with flowers and then more greenery to fill any gaps. Everyone spent an enjoyable hour creating their arrangements which were all very different!



Michelle's example of a finished sun catcher



One of the glass painting templates

For the final July meeting, we played bingo and brought plates of food for a tea party. Lorna and Joyce had found an unusual game called Tea Time Bingo on the internet. Each person had a sheet of 24 tea-time pictures instead of numbers plus with 25 counters with hearts printed on them. Lorna had 30 calling card counters with corresponding pictures on them and Joyce had a calling card record sheet to be able to check a call of "bingo" at the end of the game. We played for full houses only in view of time limitations, but it could be turned into a regular bingo game with lines as well as a full house to play for. Freda Hockin won the first game, Jan Dickerson won the second, joint winners Linda Stride and Vicky Chubb won the third and Caroline Tape won the fourth, each winner receiving a bunch of sunflowers. Following this, members tucked into the delicious food with tea and coffee in full tea party style. Before leaving, members sang happy birthday to Joan Garrett, who celebrates her 90th birthday this week.



KILK KRAFTS SEPTEMBER MEETINGS *(please note venues)*

Wednesday 9 Sept: Quiz and book swap
(Methodist Chapel)

Wednesday 23 Sept: Poppies on netting
(Grenville Rooms)

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)

Kilhampton Parish Council

Report of the regular meetings held on 6 July
and 3 August 2026 www.kilhampton-pc.gov.uk

6 JULY MEETING

Attendance: Reg Hambley (RH), Joanne Timmins (JT), Tim Cottle (TC), Lee Bond (LB), Ian Heard (IH), Keith Ovenden (KO), Cornwall Cllr Faye Emery (FE).

Apologies: Kingsley Bryant (KB), Phil Sluggett (PS), Vinnie James (VJ).

Chairman: Councillor Clive Vanstone

Clerk: Hannah Collett

Good evening to all 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 None

Planning Applications None

Matters

1. Car park and toilets: 153.00 taken. TC had spoken to the card machine company and asked for a price. To have cash and card would be: on site survey £375, 3 x contactless units £805 each, 3 x installation costs £725 each. Total charge £4965. If we went forward with this, emphasis was on the need to increase the charge to a minimum of 50p. Thanks to TC from the Chairman. TC to look into any ongoing costs etc.

2. Open Space Funding: To be discussed at August meeting

3. Enhanced LMP application: IH to check with PS

4. Clerk's wage and Chairman's expenses: Clerk left the room. Clerk returned and was informed that there would be an increase of just over 5% to her current wage. Thanks to all by the Clerk. The Chairman left the room. Discussions were held regarding current payment etc. Agreed to increase by £50. The Chairman returned and was informed of the decision. Thanks to all by the Chairman.

5. Other matters arising from the minutes: None

Reports

Footpaths: 1st cut done. Cornwall Council have visited the bridge – apparently is in schedule for this summer – per FE. TC asked if the first cut in the future could be done earlier due to the length of the footpaths and amount of ticks. Details of different areas that need to be attended to discussed. Felt there shouldn't be any wildlife restrictions. IH said they are now onto everything.

Playing fields and Lamb Park: TC said the container has been ordered. Digger work to be done. Levelling up of the car park and hedges to be cut before the fete. Lamb Park Trust has spent a lot of money re-seeding the grass. Mr Harry Nancekivell has done it all and sourced all the machinery. Letter of

thanks to be sent to Mr Nancekivell and Haywards for all their help and effort in getting this completed. KO asked if they have rollers? TC looking into getting one. Needs to get some advice. Pros and cons to rolling too frequently.

School: LB talked through. Governors meeting on Thursday.

Grenville Rooms: Nothing to be discussed.

Month's work All Ok.

Members

RH – Had a parishioner mention a loose manhole cover by Priestacott and the school on the A39, by the cottages. FE took details to report.

TC – Asked when any more lines would be done in the village. The Chairman stated there would be no more yellow lines painted.

IH – Asked regarding the tree again. The Chairman said quite a lot at the top. To sort next week.

KO – mentioned the defibrillators. The new battery has now been installed at North Close. We need to find somewhere to store the pads. Possibly the Spar as they are open most of the time. KO needs a couple of others to assist in this process – just so there is always someone available to answer emails and replenish any necessary parts etc. LB and JT happy to assist. KO to have email addresses and to show how it all opens and works etc.

LB – Nothing

JT – had a parishioner speak to her regarding the pizza shop. Black bags and a chair being left out overnight. JT spoke to the business and all sorted now, parishioner is pleased with the outcome.

FE – Aldercombe lane draining works in the summer programme – no dates given yet. TC said there was also a sewer issue. FE unaware. The Chairman will look at and inform if necessary.

FE – West Street was in schedule for patching but now postponed. No definite date given. Best to report issues each time as and when necessary. FE also asked if we had any thoughts on doing a Neighbourhood Priority Statement (previously the Neighbourhood Plan, now a shorter version). Gives information on where you would consider development and where you feel it would be a problem etc. Supposed to be much more straightforward. Possibly some pilot ones around – FE to try and find one for us.

Email received about school funding, LB replied to us with information. A lady wrote to Cornwall Council about it – they should be replying.

Road Safety Audit has been done. Report not completed yet. FE asked for the report to be sent to her. The Chairman mentioned the EV Charging discussed at the last meeting. Talked through.

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Apparently the Parish Council wouldn't own them and wouldn't receive anything back for 10 years.

Letter received from Cornwall Council asking about the value of our County Councillor Faye Emery to us as a Parish and their attendance etc. Clerk to reply stating how extremely valuable it is to have FE attend our meetings, all the details given and the assistance put in by FE as a professional contact is invaluable to us.

A letter of resignation had been received from VJ. The Chairman gave thanks to VJ for all her help and input whilst being on the Parish Council. The Chairman asked what the procedure now was – FE said Clerk needs to notify the electoral services. They will then send a notice of vacancy and this needs to be displayed for 14 working days.

Bus shelter work has begun – perspex costs have risen significantly. We are lucky with our suppliers though. Should be completed in a couple of weeks by the Chairman and KO.

Correspondence Anonymous letter received regarding activities taking place in the parish at Tamar Lakes. FE received a copy and will be going to have a look. The Chairman reiterated we do not deal with anonymous letters.

The Cormac meeting was cancelled, unbeknown to the Chairman who went to attend. We deal with Cornwall Highways. Apparently Cormac is owned by Cornwall Council.

Chubb recommendations were to have a defibrillator at The Grenville Rooms. They wanted to charge £900 for one. The Chairman asked opinions of the Councillors. TC felt we cannot have too many, RH also felt a good idea. RH proposed we purchase one through JaysAim again and keep them all the same in the village. All in favour. Clerk to email JaysAim and give details.

Finance

Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £118.00 Alan Somerfield; £72.00 Stephen Gifford; £5.95 TalkTalk; £18.71 Bridgmans; £58.80 Bridgmans; £420.00 Archies Garden Services; £2,400.00 Greenaway and Greenaway (container); £750.00 Chairman's payment. All in favour to be paid. Total balance before aforementioned payments £18,725.48. The Clerk informed that the VAT return claim has been sent.

Thanks to all by the Chairman. Declared the meeting closed.

3 AUGUST MEETING

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Public Speaking Session None

Planning Applications

1. PA26/04698 Rear dormer extension, replacement windows and door to rear and new front open porch. 10 Lower Village Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9QN. RH discussed location and that it was a new open porch on the front of the property. No issues. All in favour.

2. PA26/04633 Erection of one detached 3 bedroom dwelling with variation of condition 2 of appeal decision notice APP/D0840/W/23/3324645 09.01.2024 (following refusal notice PA23/02975 dated 16.06.2023). Location Applicant Grid Ref Land West Of Sunnyside East Road Kilkhampton Bude Mr Shane Storkey SKTD Ltd. RH reiterated that Cornwall Council had previously turned this down, as had we. The applicant went to appeal and won. There is no parking for this new build. Once built there will be a hedge on the B3254. No vehicle access at all and will be entered via a footpath at the back. Footprint of the property is minimally larger due to no parking area. We have refused this all along. It is the same development company. The appeal has gone through and it will happen regardless. Our issue was the parking. Now there is no parking being given at all. Cornwall Council won't refuse again. RH moved for approval on the basis that there will be NO access from the main B3254 road. KB seconded. All in favour and details to be given on our consultee comments.

3. PA26/05171 Remove hip, add gable and dormer extension to form loft conversion Location Applicant Grid Ref 1 Labernum Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall Ms J Evanson. RH stated that all the work will be on the rear of the property. Location discussed and pictures shown. No issues. JT proposed approval and PS seconded. All in favour.

Matters

1. Car park and toilets: £149.70 taken. TC asked if we could send a letter of congratulations to Mr and Mrs Somerfield on their 60th wedding anniversary. Ongoing charges for a card machine on the toilets would be approximately £45 every month on top of the £3-£4,000 to complete the work. Decided not to go ahead with this. KO asked if we could increase the coinage costs. TC felt 50p would be more than acceptable. Should be able to use the same machines. TC to look into. All in favour.

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2. Open Space Funding: The Chairman went to view the area discussed previously at Bovis estate. Felt it was a really good setup. Kompan do various options. Other members to view this area for ideas and opinions. To be discussed at the next meeting.

3. Enhanced LMP application: IH doesn't feel we have a lot we can put in for. Cornwall Council are sorting the bridge at some point. Apparently they have been up there looking around. IH to make lists of repairs required elsewhere.

4. Other matters arising from the minutes: JaysAim quote discussed again. Will be around £1500 for a like for like defibrillator plus a small amount of works. Email resent to all and KO to look into.

Reports

Footpaths: Already discussed.

Playing fields and Lamb Park: Tree was cut before the fete. A parishioner was concerned we were cutting down the entire tree. The Chairman explained the situation to her. Invoice to come in for the machinery etc. The Chairman said that we had also had the new container installed. RH and the Chairman had previously cleared the necessary area. Invoice also to be received for machinery hire.

School: LB not here

Grenville Rooms: Nothing to discuss. Defibrillator to be positioned on the front wall.

Month's work All ok.

Members

RH, PS, JT – Nothing

KB – Congratulations to IH and all on the Fete Committee for a wonderful weekend.

TC – The tree in the car park needs attention. Can we sort in the summer holidays? To be looked into. Some wires around the area

IH – The Head of Art at Budehaven School, Mrs Kim Jenner, organised the artwork in the shelter at Lamb Park. Could we send a letter of thanks. Clerk to sort

KO – A parishioner mentioned that the seat near the Co-op is getting very rickety. To be looked at and discussed at the next meeting. Two posts that hold the shelter at Lamb Park are really rusty. Need rust proofing ASAP. Also needs a coat of paint. All in favour for KO to sort. Lots of rubbish been reported at Lamb Park. IH to sort in the morning.

FE – mentioned that a parishioner had asked about EV charging. The Chairman reiterated that we cannot lose spaces at the Church car park. FE to ask the company to check on Lamb Park and see what they could offer. TC said that Wayside is Cornwall Council land which could be used. No date for Aldercombe Lane yet. KO mentioned that people had been putting wet wipes down the toilet and this

has messed with their system. FE added information to her list.

The Chairman had received a request for the soldier to be moved into the vestry for the duration of the flower festival. To be sorted for a week. The Chairman also mentioned that Mr Terry Sillifant had made repairs to the village coach and rebuilt the edging too. Clerk to send a letter of thanks.

The bus stop is now completed and looks really good. Thanks to KO and thanks back to the Chairman for everything. Enhanced the area immensely. Thanks again to the Fete Committee also.

With regard to the outstanding vacancy, no-one applied through Cornwall Council. We can therefore appoint someone ourselves. RH felt we should advertise again, on Facebook, and give a couple of weeks for people to write in. KB to organise notice on Facebook. Decision to be made at the next meeting.

Correspondence

B149 Notice of an application for registration of a person in adverse possession. The Chairman mentioned that for those that have been here a long time, they may remember that you used to be able to walk around the back of the shelter in Lamb Park. We did have issues, years ago, with people breaking glass and numerous other issues in that area. Therefore we had previously blocked the whole area off. The property behind began using the section. They have now realised that it currently belongs to the Parish Council. They are requesting that we sign this small section over to them, legally. They have had use of it for years and we have no issues in doing so. Due to the change of ownership, we need to state that we won't claim this piece of land. This solves the problems we used to encounter. RH proposed the Chairman sign the agreement and KB seconded. All in favour.

Letter received from Ms Karen Allin regarding hazardous trees in lower village. Discussed by the Chairman. Letter of reply to be sent to Ms Allin stating we are aware of the problems and are doing what we can to resolve it.

Finance Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £118.00 Alan Somerfield; £72.00 Stephen Gifford; £5.95 Talk Talk; £36.00 Mr R Hambley; £757.50 Archies Garden Services; £50.00 Archies Garden Services; £421.00 K & J Building Services; £60.27 Tim Cottle; £360.00 Ian Cornish; £420.00 Sign O Times. All in favour to be paid. Total balance before aforementioned payments £22,665.70.

Date of next regular meeting: 7th September 2026, 7.30pm, Grenville Rooms. KB and JT gave apologies for next meeting.

Thanks to all by the Chairman. Declared the meeting closed.

KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

It is strange writing this article for the start of the new academic year just as the school finishes the end of the previous year!

Since I last wrote to you, lots has happened in school. Children in Key Stage One visited Wooda, where they got to work with the local artist, Sue Read. We had our sports day and inter-house rounders, which were won by Hawker (yellow) and Grenville (blue) respectively.

The heatwaves were a challenge but the children were brilliant. We suspended uniform rules and spent lots of time working outside in the shade.

Academically, we were pleased with our SATs results which showed the children at Kilkhampston working above the national averages at the expected level in Reading, Writing, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling and at the higher standard in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. We also celebrated 100% of our children passing the Year One phonic screening test.

Now the attention turns naturally to the next academic year, which starts in early September. It is completely normal for children to feel nervous at the beginning of an academic year. What people may

not be aware of is that us teachers also feel nervous. In fact, even after twenty years in teaching, and ten years in this job, I still feel those butterflies on the morning of the new school year.

Over the next few weeks the life of our school will continue, as it has every year I have been here. There will be changes to the names of house captains, sports leaders, mental health buddies and librarians and many more, but the purpose and values of the roles will remain the same. Children may change class and/or teacher but the values and policies of the school will remain constant. Our underlying aim of being the 'Best you can be,' remains the same as always.

Equally unchanged is our commitment to all children and parents and carers to ensure that learners, regardless of their background and starting point, will make progress from their starting points. We are all committed as a staff and governor team to ensure that is planned for and achieved.

My next article will be in the October edition, when I will be able to give you more news and pictures about what is happening in school during the new term.

Michael Watson, Head Teacher

KILKHAMPTON FETE - A THANK YOU TO ALL

Kilkhampston fete committee would like to thank everyone who helped to make this year's fete and music festival successful. Tim, and all who helped erect and take down the marquees, and set up for the bands. All the bands who provided excellent music all weekend. Food vendors and stallholders, and the London Inn for the hog roast, and also for closing early on Friday & Saturday. To Joyce and all the ladies who helped with the delicious teas, and everyone who provided food for the teas, especially Robert for the scones - Thank You.



The arrival of fete royalty



Awaiting the coronation of the fete queen

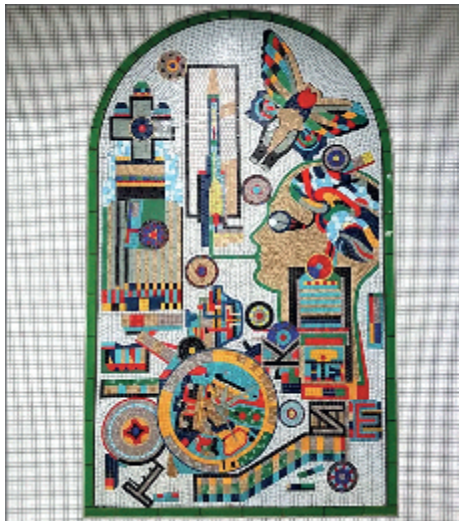
Thanks also to Balloon Man Stu and Claire the Face Painter for entertaining the children on Saturday, and everyone who helped on the bar over the weekend. Thank you Val for the lovely flowers, to our beautiful Queen and all her attendants and coachmen, and Clive, for driving the tractor. If we have left anyone out, apologies – so many people do so much to help out. Last but not least, Thank You to everyone who came along to support us. At least the weather was kinder this year!

Past and present members of the Fete Committee, and others, all worked very hard over the weekend, setting up and clearing up. A huge Thank You to you all.

BUDE LOOK GROUP

If you have travelled on the London Underground, you may have entered Tottenham Court Road Station or have seen the platform if you passed through. If so, you will have seen the amazing mosaics...

This artwork was created by Sir Eduardo Paolozzi, who was the focus of our discussion this month. Paolozzi undertook this commission in 1979, and it opened in 1986. He thought of the people on the platforms and decided to connect with the life above ground – cameras, music shops, saxophones, electronics, the British Museum, a Turkish bath and the Architectural Association students.



The Power of Transport, Paolozzi

Paolozzi, born in Scotland to Italian parents, is widely considered to be one of the first Pop artists and one of the few British artists to become internationally recognised immediately after the war. Once Pop Art became established however, Paolozzi turned his attention from collage and silk screens to many other mediums from mosaics, to sculpture, tapestry and even designs for Wedgwood pottery.



Real Gold 1949, Paolozzi



Blake's painting of 1795:
Newton – Personification of Man Limited by Reason

The 12-foot high sculpture by Paolozzi (right) was inspired by Blake's painting (left) but Paolozzi's goggle-wearing man is bound with iron straps and has bolts in his joints. It inspired a lot of discussion in our group.



Newton After William Blake, 1995, Paolozzi
Situated outside the British Library

Blake was deeply anti-scientific and believed that Newton forced humanity to turn its back on nature, art, and spirituality to focus strictly on cold mathematical calculations. So, what is Paolozzi communicating in his sculpture? Some think he is alluding to a new merging of art with science. But Paolozzi was very conscious of the destructive side of civilisation and often returns to the vision of a world overtaken by the forces of mechanisation. Most of us felt that that was what Paolozzi had in mind with the above sculpture. What do you think?

Bude Look Group meets once a month at the Parkhouse Centre, Bude.
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