

# The Beacon

Ashwick, Oakhill & Binegar News

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## Church Services – October 2021

<b>Sunday, 3rd October</b>	10am	Communion	St. James, Ashwick
<b>Sunday, 10th October</b>	10am	Communion	All Saints, Oakhill
<b>Sunday, 17th October</b>	10am 4pm	Communion <b>Messy Church</b>	St. James, Ashwick <b>Ashwick Curch Rooms</b>
<b>Sunday, 24th October</b>	10am 11am	Communion Baptism	Holy Trinity, Binegar All Saints, Oakhill
<b>Sunday, 31st October</b>	4pm	<b>Service of Light</b>	<b>All Saints, Oakhill</b>

# Service of Light for loved ones

All Saints Church, Oakhill  
31st October  
4pm

*Remembering those who have died*





# View

## from the Hill

October is always a month I wanted to go quickly, my birthday had gone in September and Christmas seemed so far away. But November had bonfire night and in the small village where I grew up this was a big thing. Of course, today there are fewer bonfire parties than all those years ago! October didn't seem to have anything but shorter days and longer nights!

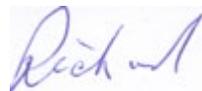
The end of summer and the onset of winter, another change in the seasons. Darkness increases each day, hastened by the clocks changing at the end of the month. The shops are full of orange and black and rather sinister decorations for Halloween. The pre-Christian festival of Samhain (pronounced 'sow-en') was not particularly associated with the dead but rather calling on protection in the dark months with the lighting of fires to invoke the sun's power as it waned.

In the ninth and tenth centuries the church formalised All Saints when the Christian martyrs were remembered and All Souls when loved ones who had died were remembered. This increased the intertwining of Christian and pre-Christian practice and the association of Halloween with the dead. In church we do not celebrate Halloween as a time of darkness but rather the lives of those who have held up the light of Christ in the past.

The past 18 months have been very hard across the world as we have all dealt with the pandemic. Many people have lost loved ones, some through Covid-19. Those who mourn have not been able to have the usual services and gatherings to say goodbye and remember. Wintertime can be lonely as we go out less and we miss the long days, Christmas often highlights loss as families around celebrating together cause us to reflect on loved ones no longer with us.

October 31st is a Sunday and this year we will have a special Service of Light in All Saints, Oakhill, when we remember those who have died. We will light candles in memory and celebration of their lives and pray for comfort and hope in the future.

All are welcome as we find comfort together, light in the darkness.



**Would you like to support the churches in our parish?**

**Please scan the QR code and make a donation online.**

**Thank you.**



# October Message

*Trevor Willmott, Assistant Bishop*

## Made for a purpose

Whenever I listen to one of Jesus' searching questions to his listeners, I find myself thinking "What would I do in these circumstances?"

If I were casting my nets, and Jesus said, "follow me", would I do it? I imagine many of us would be hoping that we never have to find out.

All too often, it's assumed that being called is just about the religious life to a particular ministry, lay or ordained in the life of the Church. Of course, it is about that for some of us, and thank God for that, but in the New Testament, vocation or calling has a much wider understanding.

St Paul talks to the Corinthians about this more general call when he writes "Now there are varieties of gifts but the same spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Every one of us is called to use the gift or gifts we've been given to help build up the body of Christ. That "building up" can never be confined to what we do on Sunday. Building up is about using the whole of life, including Monday to Saturday. The very act of working or being at home, school, work, leisure is vocational. Our daily behaviour becomes a sacrament and an offering.

The realisation that we are being called comes in many different ways. For some, it's like a sudden flash of light, as came to St. Paul on the Damascus Road. But for others, it's just not that clear. In my earlier work as a Director of Ordinands and Vocation, I listened to many people who described their sense of calling as a feeling of discomfort. "Like having a toothache" someone said - their "yes" a moving towards a sense of peace and clarity.

Perhaps, as you read this, you know what God is calling you to do. Perhaps you're still searching. But remember, God has made you for a purpose. And God will work that out, but in his own time, not yours. This month's Manna is focused on our forthcoming Archdeaconry Days which will take place early next year, February 6 to 12, with the theme of "God calls... everyone, everywhere". One thing I can guarantee: if you book in, you won't be alone, and you'll have a great day.

With my prayers and blessing

**Trevor**



# School Report @ Oakhill Church School

The sun shone brightly on Oakhill Church School on Thursday 16th September; the day to Commission their new Headteacher, Jude Clements.

The service took place on the school field, framed by the beautiful Somerset countryside, as the whole school community gathered together to mark this new chapter. Rev Richard Priestley led the service and welcomed visitors from the Bath and Wells Diocese, The Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust and Beacon Trinity Churches. The children sang as well as saying prayers for their new headteacher before Mrs Clements was presented with gifts which included a bible, a prayer book and keys to All Saints Church, for the school to use.

After the service the school community celebrated with a piece of delicious cake, which was made by Kirsty Baxendale. This is Mrs Clements' first headship and she is very excited to be leading the school into a new season.



## News in Brief from the Diocese of Bath & Wells

**Plant a tree in partnership:** In November, global leaders come together in Glasgow at COP26 to talk climate change. In Bath and Wells we are asking people to come together with farmers in their local area to plant trees. Farmer and our Rural Affairs Adviser, Rob Walrond, who is in talks with organisations who may supply the trees, says, "It's a great way Christians can make a practical difference in their communities. The fruits of these partnerships will benefit us all." Visit our website to find out more

**Modern Anti-Slavery Day:** It is estimated that around 40.3 million people in the world today are trapped in some form of modern slavery, including many thousands of people in the UK. Victims are men, women and children of all ages, ethnicities and nationalities.

Anti-Slavery Day 2021 on the 18 October is a national day to raise awareness of the need to eradicate all forms of slavery, human trafficking and exploitation.

This year, Sunday the 17 October the Church of England national online service led by Rt Revd Simon Burton-Jones Bishop of Tonbridge will be on the topic of modern slavery. 17 October will also be an opportunity for churches to focus their services and prayers on modern slavery to help raise awareness of the issue.

**Preparing to welcome Afghan refugees:** Many areas across the diocese of Bath and Wells are preparing to receive Afghan refugees. It's not yet known how many families will be coming, but in places such as Bath and Weston-super-Mare, organisations are already making preparations. Bath Welcomes Refugees have put out a call out for non-perishable foods, toiletries, and cleaning products and set up three collection points. Organisations across the diocese will also be looking for volunteers to help and support those families in need. Check your local organisations for more information.

# Community corner

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## From little acorns...

"Last autumn I collected a number of acorns and sowed them; they are growing nicely. Jays and squirrels have also sown a good number around the garden. I thought it would be a good idea to "Put the Oak back into Oakhill", so to speak, and to replace the Ashes which are dying all around us with Oaks. Two of my neighbours are happy to take some of the saplings and I wondered whether other people around the parish would like to give a home to some others - I have about fifty. If you would like some of these saplings, you might like to contact me either by email ([maureenbennett11@btinternet.com](mailto:maureenbennett11@btinternet.com)) or by phone - 01749 840508.

**Austin Bennett**

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## Diamond celebrations...

Congratulations to Molly and Grenville Reakes who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary in September!

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## Village Hall accreditation...

Congratulations to Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee on achieving Hallmark Level 1 Accreditation, a quality standard scheme for village halls. This was as a result of an independent assessment and is a national accreditation scheme that recognises good management and practice of community buildings. Good luck to the Committee as they work towards Levels 2 and 3 next year!

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## Times are changing...

British Summer Time ends at 2 am on **Sunday, 31st October** - don't forget to put your clocks back one hour!

## What's on...

More about these events can be found in the October Mag

### **Friday, 15th October**

#### **Live music with Cloud9**

Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee

### **Wednesday, 20th October**

#### **Mini-Exhibition**

Oakhill & Ashwick Local History Group

### **Friday, 29th October**

#### **Children's Halloween Disco**

Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee

### **Friday, 29th October**

#### **Quiz Night**

Memorial Hall, Binegar

### **Saturday, 30th October**

#### **Village Clean Up**

Memorial Hall, Binegar

### **Sunday, 31st October**

#### **Service of Light for Loved Ones**

All Saints Church

### **Saturday, 27th November**

#### **Christmas Market**

Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee

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## Contacts for local Clubs/Groups...

### **Whist Drive**

Mary Dampier - 01749 840649

### **Knit & Natter**

Carole Simmons - 07980 979365

### **Local History Group**

David and Lin Thorley - 01749 840200

### **Gardening Club**

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### **The Beacon Photography Group**

Jon Durrant - 01761 232520

### **Little Acorns Baby & Toddler Group**

Elsbeth Ralls

## This month's cover...

This month's photograph 'Autumn' was taken by Barbara Voules. Please send photos for the cover (portrait orientation, in colour) to: [magazine@beacontrinity.church](mailto:magazine@beacontrinity.church)  
Thank you.

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## Reader's photos...



Sunflowers in the Cotswolds, taken by Paul Treby.



Green woodpeckers, taken by Jon Durrant.



Holy Trinity, Binegar, from above.  
Drone shots taken by Paul O'Shaughnessy.



# Tales of old

**Wells fared badly in the Civil War.** It had been a centre of Archbishop Laud's church reforms, those that caused him to lose his head.

Charles I had lost a war over religion against the Scots. He needed money to pay them off. He summoned Parliament but it wanted only to air its grievances against King and Church. In January 1642, fearing for his safety, the King left London. In August, he raised the Royal Standard in Nottingham and so started the English Civil War.

Even before then, Wells Cathedral was attacked by Puritans who just saw idolatry in it. In April 1642, two local priests, brothers, abetted an attacker: "there being a very faire crucifixe at the upper end of the south end of the cathedral church ... behinde the Quier, this Londoner most moliciously threw a stone at it and broke it, the two Allens standing at the lower ende, watching that none came the whiles."

On the eve of War, North Somerset men entered Wells, smashed stained glass windows, plundered the bishop's palace and paraded a painting of the Virgin stuck on a pike at the head of a mock procession.

During the War, the Cathedral was again attacked. On 15 April 1643 troops "broke down divers pictures and crucifixes in the church and our Lady Chaple, likewise did plunder the bishop's pallace, and broke all such monuments or pictures they espied, either of religion, antiquity, or the Kings of England, and made havock".

On 10 May, soldiers under the command of Colonel Popham "rusht into the church, broke down the windows, organs, fonte, seats in the quire, the bishop's see [throne], besides many other villanies".

On 9 October 1646, Parliament abolished bishops, followed by Deans, Chapters and all Cathedral titles. Wells' Dean Raleigh was imprisoned and, in a scuffle, stabbed to death by his gaoler. Many clergy were reduced to menial jobs to support themselves and the Cathedral was ransacked for anything saleable. Theft and vandalism continued into the 1650s, though, oddly, the Puritans still felt able to use the Cathedral for preaching.

The war may have been religious, but a social revolution swept the land. A new class, men of means, bought up the Church's assets.

*Richard Higgins*

# Grenville's Ramblin's...

I've never had any real interest in the game of football, although in my school days the odd old tennis ball was occasionally kicked to death in the boy's play ground, an area consisting of soil and ashes mixed with harsh gravel. Of course, in those days most of us boys wore heavy studded leather boots with steel tips to toes and heels; hard on the ball as well as knees and ankles.

In those days, between the two world wars, I suppose many, if not most, small communities like Binegar and Oakhill would have had a football team made up of after-work enthusiasts, unlike today's large clubs that pay large wages and buy and sell players like a cattle market, while some clubs become what might be called big boys toys, owned by multimillionaires.

I don't know how gambling on the results of matches works these days, but I can remember my father doing what was called 'The Pools'. Mentioning the pools reminded me in a roundabout way of my national service days. Much of the time we were housed in groups of huts known as spiders; if I remember correctly, about twenty of us to a hut. On one occasion one of the occupants being a signaller brought in a large communication radio from the stores and tuned it in to a station called Radio Luxembourg for the latest pop tunes. Every so often the music would be interrupted for an advert by a fellow called Horace Batchelor from Keynsham, Bristol, offering to sell methods that he had invented for winning the football pools.

One of the problems with Radio Luxembourg was that its volume tended to wend in and out accompanied by a curious atmospheric whine, until about 10 pm when it tended to fade out altogether. Until, the operator having forgotten to turn it off, it would suddenly come alive in the early hours of the morning with an ear shattering blast of music, before being the recipient of a boot from the other end of the room.

Having rambled this far brings to mind our nation's recent hopes for our team in the European football competition. So, it was in an effort to be a bit patriotic, I decided to watch the two final games on the TV. However, speaking as one with little or no understanding of the game, the activity of the players, kicking and tripping, dragging opponents away from the ball, rather reminded me of the rough and tumble with the tennis ball in the old school play ground; I didn't watch the end of either game!

However, the day after the final game there were reports of so-called fans shouting racial abuse at some of the players and, quite rightly, calls that the offenders should be punished. Having said this, the problem as I see it is that punishment will have little if any effect on what is in the hearts and minds of the offenders.



*Grenville Reakes*

# The October Garden

EAST MENDIP GARDENING CLUB – JANE EVANS

Autumnal colours and first frosts make October a beautiful month. With crisp blue-skies presenting the perfect time to tidy up and cut back in the garden, there's still plenty of fruit and veg to harvest and store for the cold months ahead.

If the green house is fairly empty now is the time to clean and disinfect it allowing more light to prevent pests and diseases from over-wintering.

Bring half-hardy plants into a frost-free green house or protect with fleece.

Collect fallen leaves that harbour fungal spores and provide hiding places for snails and slugs, make leaf mould.

Whilst the soil is still warm lift and divide herbaceous perennials.

Lift dahlia and begonia tubers and gladioli corms to store over winter. Invert dahlia tubers to drain. Remove dead foliage before storing.

Clear fallen rose leaves and bin to prevent diseases such as black spot from over-wintering.

After tidying borders, mulch with bark chips, well



rotted manure, leaf mould or spent mushroom compost to insulate plant roots and control weeds.

October is the ideal time to plant hedges, move trees and shrubs.

Finish harvesting peas and beans, cut the plant to the ground leaving the root in the soil. The fixed nitrogen will be slowly released as the roots break down.

Harvest pumpkins and squashes before the first frost.

Hang tomato and pepper plants with green fruits upside down indoors to ripen.

Cut yellowing foliage of asparagus back to within 5cm of the ground.

Reuse old grow bags for sowing late salad crops, extend cropping into winter by growing under cloches or inside polytunnels.

Divide congested clumps of rhubarb by splitting into several pieces with a spade. Re-plant the healthiest pieces.

To test when apples are ripe, gently lift in the palm of the hand or give a gentle pull - they should come away easily.

Remove diseased fruits from the ground or branches so they don't infect next year's crops.

**Wrap grease bands around the trunks of apple trees to trap winter moth females whose caterpillars shred spring flowers.**

Apply a winter wash to the trunks and branches of fruit trees to kill off overwintering pests.

**Remove netting from fruit cages to allow birds to catch and eat any pests.**

Move tender plants into the green house to protect from early frosts, ensure there is sufficient space between them to keep well ventilated and reduce the risk of disease. Check plants for pests like aphids.

**Set up your greenhouse heater in case of early frosts.**

Continue to clear fallen leaves from the lawn to allow light to the grass.

**Rake any thatch from the surface of the lawn, repair dead patches.**

Aerate your lawn with a garden fork to avoid water logging and compaction over winter. There is still time to lay fresh turf.

**Check stored garlic and onions, remove rotting bulbs immediately, the neck of the bulbs are the first to go. Use onion bags to improve air flow.**

Check stored potatoes, remove any that are rotting. Use hessian sacks to allow the crop to breath, ensure all light is excluded.

**Reuse spent compost as a mulch.**

Give evergreen hedges a final trim so they look neat and tidy for winter.

**Once plants are dormant, lift and relocate any you want to move.**

Raise pots off the ground with bricks or 'pot-feet' to prevent water-logging.

**Invest in bird baths and bird feeders this autumn. Birds are a gardener's friend and keep pests down.**

For next year's colour sow hollyhocks, sweet peas, aquilegia, oriental poppies and hellebores now.

Pot up and over-winter in a greenhouse or cold frame ready to plant out next spring.





approved by the League. P Trussler and P Lambert went to Moorewood Rovers, and V Reakes and G Rogers to Ashwick and Binegar. Despite the Oakhill Club's demise, the transfers show something of the popularity of local football at that time: the number of teams in such a small area – today's footballers struggle to make up even one team in a much wider area.

Then in 1929 the Oakhill Club was again up and running. They decided to re-join the three competitions once more, but do not seem to have been as successful as previously.

During the 1930's the Club met with several set-backs. First, in 1930 Edgar Selway broke his leg during a match (a social was held to help him financially). Then, more seriously, two team members died: A Millard aged 23 in 1932 (after-effects of appendicitis) and then G Rogers aged 27 in 1935 (leaving a widow and small son). From 1937 little is to be heard of the Oakhill Football team – presumably it disbanded during the war years.

After the war the team reformed and were again successful. But details of their exploits would need another article.



Oakhill Football Club, team 1924-5

## Oakhill & Ashwick Local History Group: 2021 – Draft Programme

**October 20th**      **The History of Glass – TBC**  
*Dyan Hilton*

**November 17th**    **The Founding of the SAS**  
*Lorna Almonds-Windmill*

**December 15th**    **Christmas Event – “Christmas Frolics” Skittles & Hot Buffet at Poachers Pocket, Chelynych. BA4 4PY 6.30 for 7.00pm; Buffet @ 8pm.**  
 NB This is a Wednesday!

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are held in the Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Non-members welcome (@ £2). For further details call David or Lin on 01749 840200.

**Interested in our Local History?**

***OAKHILL & ASHWICK LOCAL HISTORY GROUP***

# **Mini- Exhibition!**

***see some items from our large archive on:***

**Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2021**

**Oakhill Village Hall, 7.30**

***all Welcome to view – and join  
us for a cuppa and a chat!***

A&O Village Hall hosts  
a live music event from

# Cloud9



*Bar &  
Raffle!*

Popular music through the decades

**FRIDAY 15TH  
OCTOBER**

*7.30pm*

Tickets £10 each via email  
[aandovhc.events@gmail.com](mailto:aandovhc.events@gmail.com)

Raising funds for the new VH kitchen &  
community cafe

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# Ashwick Parish Council Update

September 2021 – David Barlow & Kate Egan  
([ashwickparish@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ashwickparish@hotmail.co.uk))

## Finger Post

At long last the finger post outside the Oakhill Inn has been repaired and should now be pointing to the correct routes!

## Street Lighting

An order has been placed to add two additional streetlights along the High Street. One will be sited on the boundary between Coronation Terrace and Coronation Court and the second opposite the entry to the Telephone Exchange building.

## The War Memorial

Two volunteers have come forward to help Sarah Emery maintain the flower beds around the War Memorial. The Parish Council would like to thank Jackie Williams and Adrian Dunkley from the nursery, Withy Lane, for their generous offer of plants.

## Parish Notice Boards

There are two notice boards in the parish, one located by the Brewery buildings and the second at the Pound. The boards are divided in two with a locked side where the Parish Council places the Agendas and council minutes, the other side is for public use to advertise meetings and events in the village. Please keep these notices to A5 format and remove them after the event.

## Environmental Concerns

It is good to see that pavements along the High Street are being tidied, even some hedges have been trimmed back in an attempt to allow passage. Please take a look at your boundaries. Remember that if you live along Zion Hill you may also have access points along the High Street.

## Collaborative Bid

Binegar Parish Council together with Ashwick Parish Council are bidding for funding from the Mendip Communities Fund to celebrate the benefits of walking and enjoying our open green spaces. The bid is to place interpretation boards at each church and other agreed places with maps showing walks that can be accessed, facts about specific buildings seen and information about the fauna and flora seen along the route. The aim is to promote our physical and mental well being, to encourage social connection, cross boundary cooperation and promote our village histories.

Is there a particular walk you would recommend?

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th October with the agenda posted on the parish notice boards and website.

**Your Councillors are: Roy Bailey, David Barlow, Phil Briscoe, Andy Clemence, Jessica Elliott, Sarah Emery, David Gilson, David Hine, Lizzie Lewis, David Thorley and Bryan Wells.**



# News from the Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee

The Village Hall Committee are pleased to be able to tell you about 2 forthcoming events that we hope you can attend, both of which are raising funds for the new Village Hall Kitchen and Community Cafe project:

## **An Evening of Live Music with Cloud9 - Friday 15 October**

Popular duo, Cloud9, will be performing at the Village Hall on Friday 15th October. They play a mixture of popular music from across the decades so there is sure to be something to please everyone. There will be a licensed bar and raffle to help us raise funds for our refurbishment. Tickets are £10 each, and can be ordered by emailing [aandovhc.events@gmail.com](mailto:aandovhc.events@gmail.com). Space is limited so be sure to get your tickets early! Doors open 7.30pm

## **Christmas Market - Saturday 27 November**

We were forced to cancel the popular village Christmas Market last year, due to Covid lockdowns, but we are planning to be back, bigger and better than ever this year. The market will be held on Saturday 27th November, 11am - 3pm. We already have some amazing stalls lined up, but we have space for more - if you are interested in joining us as a stallholder, please contact the team at [aandovillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:aandovillagehall@gmail.com) to book a table (stalls cost £10 each - we can supply table and chairs). Entry for shoppers is free, so we hope that everyone in the village will come along to support us and our lovely stallholders, pick up some gorgeous gifts for family and friends and get the festive season started! There will be a pop up café, mince pies, raffle with incredible prizes and plenty of festive cheer!

## **Many more to come....**

We hope to be able to announce many more events soon, including a Children's Halloween Disco at the Village Hall on Friday, 29th October.

Events will be advertised here and on our Facebook page "Ashwick and Oakhill Village Hall" - as we work towards our goal to upgrade the Village Hall facilities and make them into a refreshed community space for everyone to enjoy. If the events aren't for you, or you simply can't make them, please consider making a donation to give your Village Hall a new purpose and ensure it continues to be an asset available to us all for years to come. As always, we would love to hear from you and can be contacted on [aandovillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:aandovillagehall@gmail.com).

**Kim Hare, Vice Chair - Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Committee**



## **Binegar and Gurney Slade Parish Council News**

### **Mendip Local Plan Part 2: Sites and Policies**

The following announcement has been received from the Mendip District Council Planning Team:

*"Following hearings in 2019 and 2020, the Inspectors report into the examination of Local Plan Part 2 has been published.*

*The report confirms that the Local Plan and policies are 'sound' and can be adopted subject to 'Main Modifications'.*

*There are no new changes to Modifications published for public consultation in January 2020 and February 2021.*

*This confirms the additional policies and sites allocated for development in the current version of the draft Plan.*

*The Inspector has also set out his reasons on the need for additional housing in the north east of the district – and the approach to identifying sites.*

*The report and schedule of modifications can be found on the Local Plan examination page: [www.mendip.gov.uk/localplanexamination](http://www.mendip.gov.uk/localplanexamination)*

*This will be reported to Cabinet on 4th October with formal adoption at Council to follow".*

On behalf of the Parish Council thank you to all who gave their time and feedback on the sites for consideration in our villages – some time ago now.

### **Free emergency preparedness training for Somerset residents**

Somerset's residents are invited to sign up to free, interactive online training with emergency responders and volunteer organisations throughout October, organised by the Somerset Prepared partnership.

The fourth annual Resilience event starts with live talks on Monday 4 October and aims to help communities become better prepared for emergencies as well as looking at wider preparedness measures that anyone can take.

Anyone who registers will receive an information pack, event pack and weekly emails signposting to videos and toolkits on a variety of subjects. Interactive training sessions with national training provider Communities Prepared are on offer, alongside live online presentations from emergency and community organisations, as well as national flood resilience expert Mary Dhonau.

To attend this free event, people can register their interest and book training sessions on the Somerset Prepared website [www.somersetprepared.org.uk](http://www.somersetprepared.org.uk)

### Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place in the Village Hall on Tuesday 5 October at 7:00p.m.

**Diane Abbott** Parish Clerk: [binegarpc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:binegarpc@hotmail.co.uk)  
[www.binegar-pc.org.uk](http://www.binegar-pc.org.uk)

Your councillors - Jon Abbott, Philip Blatchford, John Bridges, Cath Law, Phill Roberts, John Scadding and David Stone

# Autumn Village Clean Up

Please come along  
All welcome  
Join us at the  
Village Hall  
10.30am  
Saturday 30 October



## WEATHER REPORT: AUGUST 2021

From Roemead Farm.  
Written by  
Gerald Esain.

August was a cooler month than average, with the mean temperature around 20.0°C. The highest reading 23.1°C on the 14th and the 15th.

Very little rain fell in the second half of August. Rainfall total 62.5mm, around average for this site.

# Harvest Celebration

images by the Beacon Photography Group

*as seen on display in the Holy Trinity Church, Binegar for the 2021 Harvest Festival*



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The Beacon Photography Group meets online, every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm.  
We welcome new members – contact Jon Durrant on 01761 232520 to find out more.



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# Village Agent News

## October 2021



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### What is a Village Agent?

The Village Agent service is part of the Community Council for Somerset (CCS) and offers free, confidential, practical support to anyone in need, including community groups. We have unrivalled local knowledge, and are problem solving solution finders!

I'm Julie Brown, your local Village Agent - I love the challenge of making a positive impact in my local community for people who need it most. It is very rewarding when a plan comes together, and a person's life is enhanced by the work I have done. I also love to chat, if needed! I work with your local GP surgery and Adult Social Care team, so you have well rounded support.

### Sounds Interesting but WHO can a Village Agent help?

A Village Agent can help if....

- You are an unpaid Carer or looking after someone else informally & need a little help & support - for you and the person you care for.
- You are struggling with a problem that can be fixed or improved by accessing the right people or services in the local community, but don't know where to turn.
- You live alone and are feeling lonely and isolated.
- You are part of a community with a collective problem & need a kick start to solve.

### OK that's great - but HOW exactly can a Village Agent help?

It's probably easier to list the things Agents CAN'T do!

We don't like to pin down exactly how an Agent can help, as each person's situation is unique, but generally to make someone's everyday life better with the right connections, access to food, emergency funding or practical community-based solutions. A few recent examples are:

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- Delivered food to families and individuals who are shielding or isolating & set up an arrangement with the local food bank to supply food to clients.
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- Made sure that the clients are supported to get the financial help they need.
- Arranged translations for clients who don't speak fluent English but need our support.

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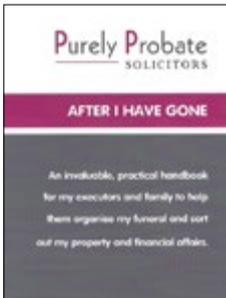
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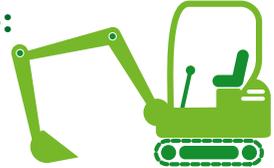
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