



WINTER 2021

Your Newsletter

For residents of Braysdown, Carlingcott, Peasedown St John and Woodborough

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Progress on the Recreation Ground



With the weather on our side, works at the Recreation Ground have been progressing well, and the installation of the new footpaths and accessible pedestrian gates should be completed before Christmas.

Those using a mobility scooter or wheelchair will need a Radar key to open any of the accessible gates to access the Recreation Ground, and for other spaces such as Ecewiche Green and Beacon Field. If you need a Radar key, please contact the Parish Office - we can provide you with one in exchange for a £5 deposit.

Remembrance Event

The Parish Council marked Remembrance Day this year by putting up poppies around the village and with a special display outside Beacon Hall, featuring a cross to represent each of those from the Parish who gave their lives in the First and Second World Wars.

Around 30 people including members of the Parish Council also attended a secular Remembrance Event held at Beacon Hall on Sunday 14th November, with music, songs, poems and film clips.



Memorial Tree

A reminder that we will once again have our Memorial Christmas Tree at Ashgrove Cemetery, for residents to add a tribute to family or friends who you might not see this Christmas. A supply of laminated (blank) festive labels and ties will be provided, together with a permanent marker, so that residents can write their own tributes and tie them on the tree. Alternatively, residents may prefer to bring their own small tribute to put on the tree, from home.



Hamper Delivery

Councillors will shortly be out delivering hampers to Older Residents in Peasedown St John, because we are once again unable to hold our Christmas Tea Party due to the ongoing Covid pandemic. If you have requested a hamper, it should be delivered to you around the 11th December 2021. Photo shows Cllr Jonathan Rich delivering some of last year's hampers.



Joy to the world! The Lord has come

'Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you:
He is Christ the Lord' Luke 2:11

Christmas 2021

The Anglican, Catholic and Methodist Churches of Peasedown St John warmly welcome you to join them during this festive season.

Sunday 12th December

Christingle Service

4.30pm – St John's Parish Church, Church Road

Sunday 19th December

Family Carols

10.30am – Methodist Church

Carols by Candlelight

6pm – Methodist Church

Friday 24th December CHRISTMAS EVE

Christingle Service

4.30pm – Methodist Church

Midnight Communion

11.30pm – Methodist Church

Carols at St Joseph's

5.30pm – St Joseph's Catholic Church, Ashgrove

Midnight Communion

11.30pm – St John's Parish Church, Church Road

Saturday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Day Celebration

10.30am – St John's Parish Church, Church Road

Christmas Day Mass

9am – St Joseph's Catholic Church, Ashgrove

Christmas Day Celebration

10.30am – Methodist Church

Sunday 26th December Boxing Day

Sunday Mass

9am – St Joseph's Catholic Church, Ashgrove

For further information please visit our websites
or call the following numbers:

St John's Parish Church
www.stjsgroup.church
07973 972018

Methodist Church
www.peasedownmethodist.co.uk
01761 439934

St Joseph's Catholic Church
01761 437073

Hedge Removal on Orchard Way



Following concerns expressed by some residents, we would like to clarify the situation regarding hedges along Orchard Way.

Since the estate around Orchard Way was built, several properties have moved their fences to the edge of the highway. Some of these have gone through planning permission and others have just actioned it, with planning enforcement following up afterwards. Many of the properties that back onto Orchard Way do own the pieces of land that the hedges are growing on, although they are meant to maintain them as a green area.

In all cases the Parish Council has objected to these hedges being removed on the grounds that it was intended that Orchard Way should act as a green corridor, and it will result in a loss of natural habitat for birds and wildlife.

However, B&NES Council Planning Department has, in recent years, taken a different view to the Parish Council and the Planning Enforcement Department has not pressed charges as they advised it was not expedient to do so. The Parish Council has followed this up with B&NES Council and spoken to many of the residents involved, but enforcement of such matters lies with B&NES Council [the Parish Council does not have the relevant legal powers].

If residents feel strongly about this issue we would ask them to contact the Planning Enforcement Department or their Ward Councillors.

**The Parish Council would like to wish you all
a very enjoyable Festive Season
and a very Happy New Year**

