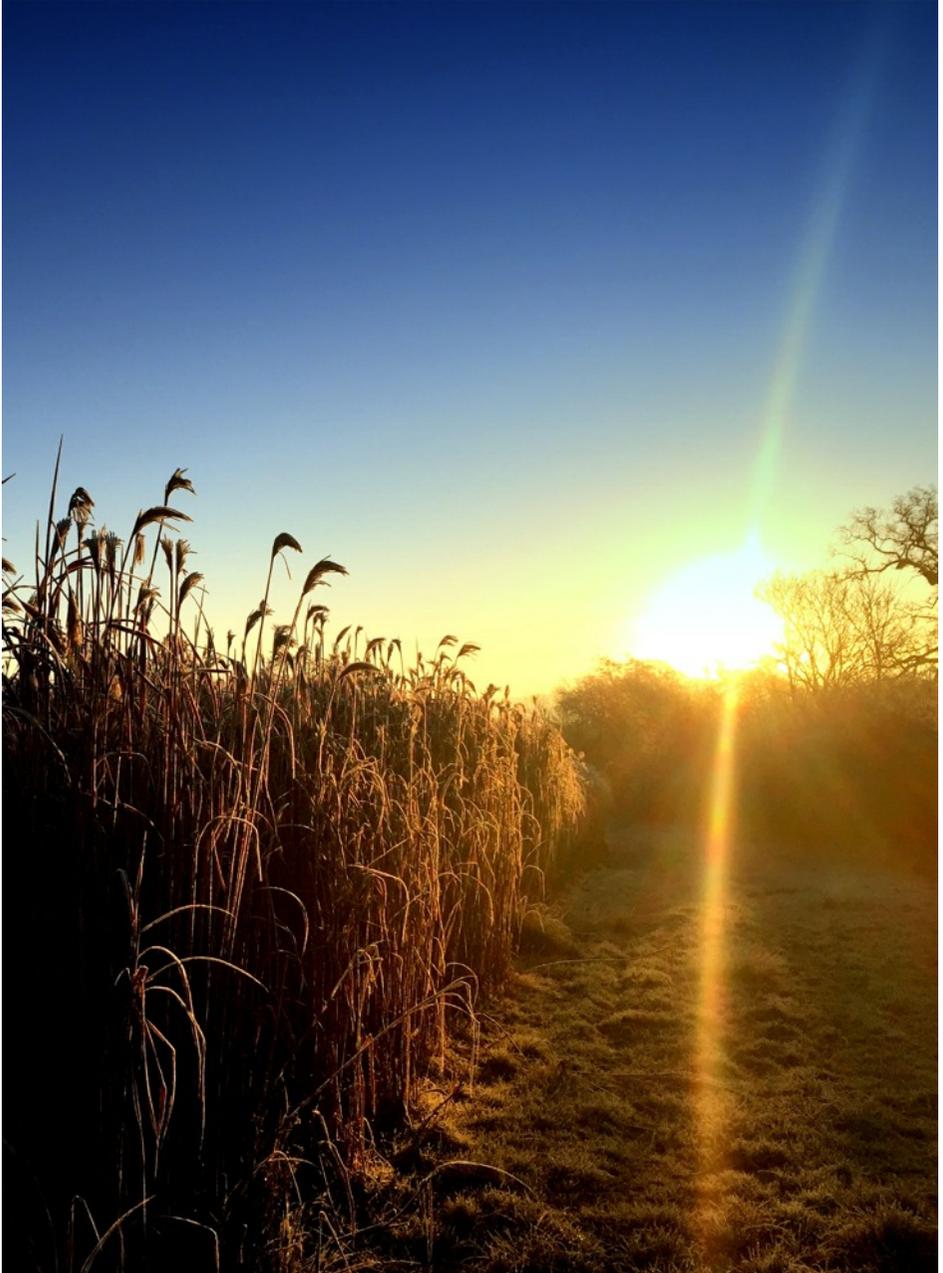


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Diary January 2015

3 rd Sat	Cinema Club – Memorial Hall	10.00 am
4 th Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am
5 th Mon	Bingo – Memorial Hall	7.30 for 8.00 pm
7 th Wed	Black Box & Blue Bin Collection	7.00 am
11 th Sun	Matins – Church	10.00 am
13 th Tue	Household & Garden Waste Collection	7.00 am
	Parish Council Meeting – Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
14 th Wed	Mobile Library – Memorial Hall	9.35-9.55 am
17 th Sat	Cinema Club – Memorial Hall	10.00 am
18 th Sun	Christingle Service – Church	10.00 am
19 th Mon	Black Box & Blue Bin Collection	7.00 am
22nd Thurs	Deadline for magazine submissions	
24 th Sat	Race & Supper Night – Memorial Hall	7.00 pm
25 th Sun	Holy Communion – Church	10.00 am
26 th Mon	Household & Garden Waste Collection	7.00 am
	Book Club – The Old School	8.00 pm
27 th Tue	W.I.Meeting – Stourton Village Hall	7.30 pm
28 th Wed	Mobile Library – Memorial Hall	9.35-9.55 am
31 st Sun	Cinema Club – Memorial Hall	10.00 am

February

1st Sun Plough Sunday Service – The Somerset Arms 3.30 pm

Mass times in Warminster and Mere:-

St.George's, Warminster – Saturday 6 pm (Vigil); Sunday 8 am 10 am
St. Mary's, Mere – Friday 10 am; Sunday 5 pm

Dr Harding's Surgery every Monday at the Memorial Hall except Bank Holidays 5-6 pm.
Due to pressure of work the Surgery at Silton, Bourton, is unable to accept repeat orders for medication by telephone. Please bring your orders to 36, Church Street the week before they are due so that the Doctor can collect them.

Dustbin Day every Monday for Bank Holiday changes see Wiltshire Council website.
Mother & Toddlers every Tuesday 10.00 am to 12 noon..

Useful telephone Nos.: The Village Shop: 844206; The Post Office: 845040; The Pub: 844207;
Memorial Hall bookings – Mel Thomas 845111 ; Dr. Andrew Murrison MP: 01225 358584 or
murrisona@parliament.uk: Mere Link Scheme 01747 860096

Maiden Bradley Parish News: contributions are welcome in any format. E-Mail:
pat@visa-office.com letter: Pat Kennedy, 64 The Rank, Maiden Bradley, Warminster BA12 7JF

From the Editor

Happy New Year everyone!

The team here at the News hope you all enjoyed a happy Christmas amongst family and friends and have not already broken your New Year's resolutions. Mine is to become better connected to the modern communications systems, smart phone, iPad etc. in order to juggle my many responsibilities successfully.

Calling all those who can knit! Having spent nearly four months this last year, visiting our new grandson in the premature baby unit, I realised just how much equipment and clothing is required to keep a tiny baby, alive. Amongst other things, soft, warm blankets are needed, sometimes several each day for each baby in its incubator.

Would you like to assist me in knitting some blankets for these babies? I knit simple stocking stitch rectangles in chunky baby wool and it is very quickly achieved, so if you can knit and would like to have a go, just let me know.

We hope that you enjoy this month's edition of the News and please send any contributions for the February issue, by 22nd January. Thanks.

Pat Kennedy
Editor – 845397 pat@visa-office.com

Notice board

Village Piano Exam Successes

At the recent Associated Board Music Exams, Louis Baudrain achieved his grade 2 piano and Elsie Swan Stevens achieved her grade 1 piano. Well done to both of them.

Saturday Cinema Club

The next Cinema Club will be on Saturday 3rd January 2015 at 10.30 am and then held every two weeks after that.

Mel Thomas - 845111

Village Hall Lottery

November

1 st	Mrs Hartnell	£21.75	2 nd	Christina Day	£10.85
3 rd	A. Brierley	£6.60	4 th	Mrs J. Sheppard	£4.30

December

1 st	Renelie Smith	£21.75	2 nd	A. Brierley	£10.85
3 rd	Jack Poole	£6.60	4 th	Mrs M. Stevens	£4.30

If you would like to help support your Village Hall, please get in contact with John Priestner on 844244 who has some spare numbers. Only 50p per number per month, you can have more than one number. Half the draw's income goes to the Village Hall and half goes in prizes.



Dear Friends,

Last year a friend of mine made a New Year's Resolution which she is proud to have kept. It was to shop locally rather than always get the car out to drive to a nearby town. She said it is more friendly to the planet and supports her neighbours' businesses and people. I thought that was a good idea and if you live in Maiden Bradley the shop has a wide choice of produce, a friendly

service and it supports a local amenity. Thanks to those who run the village shop both employed and the army of volunteers.

I don't find it so easy to stick to New Year's Resolutions. Methodist Christians have realised that and over many years have developed a service to encourage a good new start. They renew their commitment to serve Jesus saying sorry and being forgiven for past errors and moving with fresh courage into a New Year of seeking Jesus' way, receiving his peace and joy. That sort of start helps not only tackle local issues of unfairness but can give strength to make a better world too. There will be a Churches Together in Mere and District Covenant service in Mere Methodist Church at 3 pm on Sunday 4th January. Please come along, refreshments afterwards.

Maiden Bradley Church will have its Christingle Service at 10am on Sunday 18th January. We will remember God's love for all the world – it's a great relaxed service for children of all ages!

With every blessing for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Rev Carol

Christmas 2014 at All Saints' Church will be remembered by many for a long time, I imagine, because of the large number of people who attended the services and the wonderful atmosphere at all of them. My main memory is of the two Services that Carol took when so many children were there, so at home and eager to take part. The Crib Service on Christmas Eve was, of course, especially for them, but on Christmas morning they were once again happily recreating the Christmas story with the models that Carol provided for them while parents and grandparents enjoyed their worship.

For the first time our Carol Service on the Sunday before Christmas was in the evening and candlelit, and both then and for the Midnight Service on Christmas Eve the large congregations enjoyed very special occasions. Our thanks to Jane and Judith, as well as Carol, for leading us in these wonderful Services.

Meg Oliver

Family News

Our best wishes go to Eileen Seal who is about to return home after several weeks in Sutton Veny Nursing Home following a fall.

We hope that she will enjoy being back in her own home with friends calling in for there will be many of them on 14th January when she celebrates her 90th birthday. Congratulations Eileen!

Daisy Snook

The death of Daisy on Christmas Eve came as a great shock to us all because so many of us had been with her very shortly before her passing. The Carol Singers had visited her on the 22nd to sing her favourite carol for her in her living-room; I had shared Communion with her on the 23rd and many people had called in on Christmas Eve. There were several of her wonderful neighbours with her when she suddenly became unwell. To the end she was her usual bright self, looking immaculate and nowhere near her 101 years, always eager to learn of any village news. She was a much loved lady who will be greatly missed by many.

Her funeral service will take place at All Saints' Church on Friday, 16th January at noon, followed by burial in the Churchyard.

Meg Oliver

News From the Hall

Yet another busy month for the hall, it started off with a very successful Bingo evening, thanks to Brenda, Pearl and Mr Bingo Allday.



The Christmas lunch saw 38 sit down for a 4 course feast and every one agreed that it was well worth all the effort put in by the catering team including Di and Kim who came along to help out, a big thank you goes out to all who helped.

The following Friday saw 52 of the Mendip Health Walkers attend a light lunch of soup & sweet at the hall, they are already talking about coming back next year.

The committee would like to send a get well message to Eileen Seal after her accident earlier this month and wish her a speedy recovery.

The consultation room in the hall will be used by Dr Harding to hold his Monday Village Surgery until further notice.

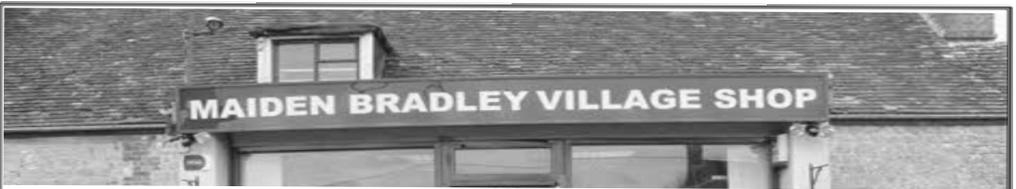
Donations for the bench have almost reached £1000 and work is under way in preparing the site where it will be situated. Any extra money raised will be used on the new War Memorial and garden.

A very big thank you goes to all those that have contributed.

Another date for your diary is [Saturday January 24th](#), we have organized a Race & Supper night tickets will cost £7.50 and will go on sale at the start of the new year. There will be a full bar and a 8 race card. Doors open at 7.00pm



The hall committee, wish to thank you all for your support throughout the year and all the best for the New Year



HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL FROM THE SHOP

Christmas was the busiest and best ever for the Shop so a huge thank you must go to Amanda for making it a bumper and record season! Thank you too to Mary and the team of volunteers. And finally a big THANK YOU to all the customers who supported the shop and made all Amanda's hard work worthwhile. The luxury hamper was won by Annie Betts and the 2nd/3rd prizes were won by Sue Loudon and Ray Kenzie.

Keep shopping in 2015!

Liz Nixon
Chairman Shop Committee

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Sunday	9am to midday

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Tues	1.30pm – 4.30pm
Wed	9.00am - 12.00pm
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Fri	9.00am - 1.00pm

January Recipe – Leftovers

Christmas Pudding

Crumble the leftovers of your Christmas Pudding.

Fry it in a little melted butter and a splash of brandy or liqueur of your choice, warming thoroughly. Place two or three scoops of vanilla ice cream in a bowl and spoon the reheated pudding over it.

Delicious!

Turkey

Chop the leftover cooked turkey, stuffing, sausages etc. into bite size pieces and line the base of a shallow oblong dish with the mixture. Make a white sauce (packet from village shop) season well and pour over the meat mixture. Roll out an oblong of bought pastry (buy it frozen, from the shop) and cover the meat. Brush the pastry lid with milk or egg. Cook for at least half an hour to ensure a thorough heating of the pie and the browning of the pastry. A very tasty way to enjoy more turkey!

Pat Kennedy

Christmas Time at Whitesheet Primary Academy

All the children from Whitesheet Primary Academy in Zeals and Kilmington enjoyed a splendid traditional Christmas Dinner followed by their very own Nativity play this week. The dinner, which was prepared in the Academies own kitchen, was served to all pupils, staff and voluntary helpers. Parents, grandparents and friends of the Academy then filled St Mary's Church in Kilmington for the Christmas Service and Nativity. The younger children acted out their version of the scene from the stables in Bethlehem while the whole Academy sang all the songs from Hosanna Rock. "It was a wonderful and very lively performance!" said one very proud Mum.

The Academy prides itself on the standard of music and many of the songs were accompanied by pupils on their ukuleles and guitars. There was also a tuneful support from the children on their recorders. The finale – a superb performance on the Academies own hand bells - followed the Nativity as they rang out 'Westminster Chimes' and 'Unto Us a Boy is Born'.



Whitesheet Academy has had many events during the year where the pupils have raised money for different charities and at the end of the service all the children sang Band Aid 30 'Do They Know It's Christmas' while a collection was made to be sent to help the Ebola Crisis. The congregation then joined in with 'Away in a Manger' and finished with a rousing 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas'.

Mrs. Karen Brooker, Academy Principal, told us, 'I am so immensely proud of all the children. The service today demonstrated the high

standards that we expect from all our children. Everyone was so moved when Lila, a year one pupil, sang a solo in the role of Mary. Tilda, another year one pupil, remembered a large number of lines in the role of Angel Gabriel. Tilda was then joined by three angels from the foundation stage who sang the first verse of Glory to God.'

Mrs Booker added, 'It really was wonderful. The older children sang really well and were extremely well supported by all our very talented musicians. Everyone – parents, teachers, and governors and, particularly the children, thoroughly enjoyed the whole day.'

For more information please contact:-

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Parish Council meeting minutes 9th December 2014

Chairman's announcements - The Chairman welcomed Sebastian Seymour to the meeting. The Open Spaces Study was distributed during the meeting to confirm the contents. Council noted and confirmed that the data was correct. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge to Wiltshire Council that there were no issues highlighted on the Study.

Planning

14/05328/FUL Dairy Cottage, Grange Farm Maiden Bradley with Yarnfield BA12 7HX

Proposal: Change of use of Dairy Cottage from agricultural to residential with associated alterations including new windows and doors to west and south elevation, new chimney to south elevation and 2 roof lights to east elevation.

Resolved: to support the application

14/10555/LBC Grange Farm Maiden Bradley Warminster BA12 7HX

Proposed: Development Alterations to existing garage including timber doors to existing openings and installation of roof lights to North West elevation

Resolved: to support the application

14/10743/TCA 71 High Street Maiden Bradley BA12 7JG

Proposal: T1 Apple – prune re growth and remove major deadwood T2 Silver Birch – Crown Lift to 8 feet reduce and reshape by 20%

Resolved: to support the application

14/10954/FUL: Field at Kingston Lane Maiden Bradley

Proposal: Retrospective change of use from agricultural land to a partridge rearing unit including temporary mobile rearing sheds and pens

Resolved: to support the application

Parish Steward/Highways - Council noted that the next community day would be the 28/05/15 at 10.00 am, the Community coordinator had requested to meet with the parish representative to highlight the works required on the 19/05/15 at 8.30 am or at another suitable time and date arranged.

If any Parishioner sees or is aware of anything which they feel needs attention in and around the parish highways, they are requested to contact Clarence from a Wiltshire landline number, call 0800 232323 From all other numbers, including mobiles, call 01225 777234: Or you can email clarence@wiltshire.gov.uk you can also contact Sarah Jeffries the Clerk so that the work can be added to the Community day.

Kingston Lane –Council noted the report from the Clerk regarding a meeting between the Area Highways Engineer, Imogen Dallimore the Community coordinator and Ben Dukes from the Estate, the issues highlighted along with the work provisionally agreed was discussed. The Clerk was instructed to approach the Highways Team with the view of obtaining a quote to action the work higher up the Lane as requested by the Estate and send this quotation directly to the Ben Jukes at the Estate.

Defibrillator Project – It was noted that 18 parishioners' had turned up to the training; it was seen as a successful and extremely informative evening. Discussing the request to hold a further event, Council felt that it was not thought to be worthy actioning another training event at present but if sufficient demand was had in the future it would think of putting another event on. The Clerk would like parishioners to contact her if they wished to attend another possible event, so Council can obtain the numbers of those possibly interested.

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Recreational Area - Swimming Pool – Council noted the reply from Wiltshire Councils Development Control Team that no planning permission was required to infill the Swimming pool. A £500.00 grant to the Trustees to infill the pool was agreed. The Clerks recommendation to Council that a review of the condition of the recreational area, condition of the Football posts and sport provision is actioned alongside the project to infill the swimming pool was agreed. It was agreed that Councillor Ben Gunstone would action the review and report back to Council.

Trees Trust – Tree Pack Awarded - The areas highlighted by parishioners were noted and Council confirmed to the Clerk that the project could now be handed over to Mr Mel Thomas and the Duke of Somerset to action.

General Reserves – It was noted that the Internal Auditor recommended at the previous audit that the retained funds (risk & contingency funding) should be retained as a minimum of £3200.00. Council confirmed to the Clerk to take into consideration this advice given and add a phased increase to the precept figure.

Draft Budget - Council discussed the draft budgets presented to Council. It noted the projects that are required for the 2015/2016 period within the parish, the issues the infill of the swimming pool will create with the toddler play area fencing, the review of the recreational area, along with the grants required by the Groups and Clubs and the running costs of the Council.

It was agreed to request from the two other Parish Councils the Clerk services that the contribution for the IT usage be increased from £7.50 to £8.00 per month.

It was noted that the Clerks present laptop is now over 4 years old and is showing signs that it will need replacing in the near future, the display driver is failing and the storage on it is becoming limited. The quotations for a replacement were noted and the cost for IT assistance was agreed to be included in the budget.

The Clerk highlighted to Council the Internal Audits report for the last financial year had stated the Clerk was contacted on the scale point's structure for her wages and so the percentage system approved previously was not correct. The Clerk apologised for this. It was approved that the Internal Auditors comment was adhered to and an adjustment was made for this. The Clerk would put a note in her personnel file so that this was considered in the future. The non-consolidated amount of £100.00, pro rata for part time clerks recommended by the SLCC and NALC was not approved.

The Defibrillator contract reserves were approved and £400.00 put aside under capital equipment reserves. £400.00 would be added each year so that in the next 4 year period the £1600.00 would be available for when the present contract ended.

It was also agreed to increase the reserves using the already approved phasing as advised by the Internal Auditor.

The final Precept request was approved at £12358.90 with the Grant received from the Government of £491.02, this would give a total of £12849.92. Proposed Councillor Angus Neish Seconded Councillor Patrick Nixon. The increase of the figure for the Parish Council part of the Council tax Invoice for a band D property would therefore increase by £7.60 for the year. As Parish Councils do not have any other means of raising revenue, it was agreed that a sound budget for future planning needed to be considered and it was felt that this budget would fulfil the Parish Councils commitments for the 2015/2016 year.

Good Neighbour Co coordinator Funding - Council agreed to support the Good Neighbour Scheme with a grant of £100.00 to be paid from the April budget and awarded at the Annual Meeting in May 2015.

Carer Support Wiltshire – Council noted the letter requesting if the parish council would consider awarding a grant to the Carer Support Wiltshire scheme, Council declined to support the request.

Neighbourhood Watch – There is also still a vacancy for the post of Neighbourhood Watch Representative for the parish. If you would be interested in taking on this post not only representing the Community but helping coordinate issues from the rural policing unit to all. The Rural Policing unit have one meeting every 3 months in Bishopstrow Village Hall with the other representatives in the area. It is a very friendly meeting with everyone working together. They have an email warning system re incidents in the area and it can be a very rewarding position. Do get in touch with your local Councillor, the Clerk or take a look at <http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/> for more details on Neighbourhood Watch.

Items for the next Agenda - VAT Claim, Play area review, Community Pay back cost re working on the recreational area

Date of the next meeting- The Council agreed that Tuesday 13th January 2015 would be the date of the next Parish Council meeting. As always, the Parish Council meeting will be open at the start with an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions or make comments on any matter. The website Southwilt.com (Maiden Bradley) can be accessed to read a copy of the Agenda and Minutes electronically or copies are displayed on the Community Notice Board at the village shop.

Sarah Jeffries can be contacted by email: maidenbradley@virginmedia.com or phone: 01985 213436 Parish Clerk 9 Beech Grove Warminster BA12 0AB

First anniversary announcement from DSAT

December 2014

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Dear Parents/carers,

The outstandingly high results and levels of attainment being made by Whitesheet Primary Academy in its first year as an academy are nothing short of remarkable. 1st December 2014 is the first anniversary of the school joining the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust (DSAT) and this achievement is something of which everyone concerned is justifiably very proud.

Whitesheet is a top achieving academy within DSAT: setting very high standards for curriculum, pupil progress, behaviour and achievement. Karen Brooker and her team have produced an extraordinary turn around in what is, in educational terms, a very short space of time.

Our policy of supporting successful schools is very much a case in point as far as Whitesheet Primary is concerned. We are delighted that pupil numbers have stabilised and we look forward to growth in the coming Academic years. The positive parental support for Whitesheet clearly demonstrates that the school is going from strength to strength.

Our year six pupils were able to move on from Whitesheet safe in the knowledge that they had each exceeded all targets in reading, writing and mathematics. The academy has been acknowledged for the very high number of children who had attained a level 5 or 6 particularly in writing (the norm for 13/14 year olds).

Whitesheet Primary Academy was the in the first school group of schools to join DSAT and we have been able to improve and develop together. DSAT is expanding steadily, now with five academies and is set to grow significantly in the next twelve months. All of our academies are benefiting from the support that our unique educational structure brings with it.

Success breeds success to the benefit of all concerned - pupils, parents and staff, as well as our local communities. DSAT strives to maintain the highest standard of the very best in education.

Best wishes,

Chief Executive Andy Guest

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