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The magazine for Rode, Tellisford, Woolverton and Farleigh Hungerford, part of Hardington Vale



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Dear Readers

I hope all is well with you. Please accept my sincere apologies for the fact that this issue of the magazine is reaching you later than usual. Over the years I've always done my best to ensure that issues of the magazine are available for distribution and purchase before the end of the previous month, but I'm afraid this month it was just not to be.

I can usually keep all the balls in the air but the addition of two consecutive computer breakdowns followed by "issues" with the brand-new replacement, and a nasty bug (one good thing, not Covid!) proved too much to achieve the deadlines this month I'm afraid.

I can only say I did do my best to get the magazine to you as soon as possible, as did our brilliant printer Darren, who broke all his previous production records once he received the final draft. I am also sure that our wonderful Distribution Team did their part in record time too once they got their hands on this issue. I cannot thank them all enough.

This month's experience has brought to the fore thoughts I have been having for some time that the time has come to step away from The Link. In recent years my life and plans have changed and being solely responsible for the content and production of the magazine has on occasions not been ideal and moving forward will likely become increasingly the case.

So, a new era approaches for The Link! And me!!

I have everything crossed that a small team or an individual can be organised to take over in the coming months.

Interested?

If you'd like to know more about what is involved, please don't hesitate to give me a call to discuss.

I hope this issue, now you finally have it, does not disappoint.

Warm wishes

*Gill*

*Leonard*

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# Church Reflection, News & Events

## REFLECTION

It makes a change... As I write this the weather has suddenly changed... Gone are the hot and sweaty nights when it seemed impossible to sleep while at the same time making it impossible to stay awake after lunch! We are in a season of change. We can see the climate change, the ripened fruit being harvested, leaves turn golden and begin to fall from the trees; we enjoy the cooler breezes, notice darkness when we wake in the mornings.



This time of change is an opportunity to reflect on where we are, what we are doing, what we might do. We might take time to review the activities that fill our lives, think about those people we connect with in our daily lives. Some of us are creatures of routine. I walk my “virtual dog” morning and evening. It is a sort of boundary between my “working” day and the rest of the day. Others have a more relaxed style of living, more spontaneous and less predictable.

I have been thinking about Moses recently – described in the book of Exodus – whose life went through some major and dramatic changes! He was an interesting character. He was born a Hebrew, a Jew, at a time when many Hebrews were imprisoned or enslaved and abused in Egypt, having had to move out of the land of their birth. Their situation might be compared with many communities across the world today, for example Uyghurs in China. The Hebrews were an oppressed community.

Moses was born into a situation where his life was threatened. We read that, in the hope of keeping him safe, Moses’ mother put him in a basket and hid him among rushes by the river. A daughter of Pharaoh’s family finds him and takes him home to live in the royal household while his mother is enabled to become his nursemaid. So, Moses, the Hebrew, was brought up in highly privileged circumstances. As he became an adult, the world was potentially his oyster!

Moses however had not forgotten his roots. He felt for his people, and one day, when he saw an Egyptian guard flogging a Hebrew slave, he took the law into his own hands and killed the guard. As a result of this Moses’ life fell apart: he had to flee to save his life and he hid in Midian where he became a shepherd in the wild countryside: quite a come down from his previous life.

So how might this relate to us? As we read on in Exodus, we find that one day, when looking after his sheep, Moses sees a bush burning. It burned but it was not burning up; it was not becoming a pile of ashes.

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He could have kept well away from this strange phenomenon; but instead, he stepped aside from his routine and approached the bush. As he did so he heard a voice speaking to him. What Moses heard he recognised as the voice of God, and it redirected his life.

The interesting thing about the redirection was that it used both the gifts and skills that Moses had, and it used the pain and passion that he felt for his people. He was to lead his people out of captivity. However, it was a different approach from the anger and violence he had vented on the guard. Moses responded to God's words in humility, and we read that he now recognised his own weaknesses – for example he was no good at public speaking– and allowed God to help and guide him.

So, in this time of seasonal change, is it time for us to make a change? We might consider making some changes in our patterns of life; we might see our families afresh, we might approach our relationships differently, we might work differently, we might see the world we live in differently. We might see some new thing we are called to do. And like Moses we can ask God to help us in our weakness, in any challenging changes we face; and like Moses who was forgiven for killing the Egyptian guard, we can ask God to forgive us for things we regret that we have done in the past.

*Michael Harrison*

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## **COFFEE MORNINGS AT BUCKLAND DINHAM**

Every third Saturday of the month, at 10 o'clock promptly, the church of St Michael's at Buckland Dinham opens its doors, puts up a big red notice on the notice board, plugs the kettle in and brings on the cakes.

For only £3:50, you can indulge yourself in your favourite cake while catching up with the rest of the village.

It's a chance to meet old friends and make new ones,  
and keep up to date with what's happening.  
Everyone's welcome (including dogs), with the money we collect going towards the upkeep of the church.

Dates for your diary are 14 October and 18 November.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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## NEWS FROM ST LAWRENCE

By the time you are reading this we will have celebrated this year's harvest with our Harvest Festival on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September and our harvest supper on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

It was lovely to see so many people attend our Harvest Festival and the church was looking beautiful with all the seasonal produce and flowers. See photos below. We are very grateful to our talented team of flower arrangers for all they do throughout the year.



We had a visit from the Bishop of Bath and Wells in the Parish over several days in early September. He led a communion service at Norton St Philip and the PCC (Parochial Church Council) had an opportunity to discuss the church's vision with him at an extraordinary PCC meeting the following day. He was happy to answer all of our questions and came across as a very friendly and thoughtful man who was delighted to see some of the things that go on in our parish.

Work on the first phase of the church roof renovation (the South Aisle and South side of the Nave) is due to start mid-November. The work on that phase will continue until mid-March. The formal bat survey report is awaited, but we are assured that working over this period will not be a problem. Unfortunately, it is the summer when they are active, and work must be avoided.

We are grateful to all those who have contributed to the appeal. However, we still need to raise further substantial funds to complete the project over the next three years - all offers of fundraising and donations will be very much appreciated.

*Sally Pickett and Geoff Banwell*

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## ALL SAINTS DAY AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, TELLISFORD

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at 6pm**

All Saints' Day is on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, and on that day at 6pm there will be a Service at All Saints' Church, Tellisford.

This Service will combine our village church's patronal festival of All Saints with celebrating All Souls Day, which in the church calendar is on the following day.

With poems, readings and hymns, we welcome everyone celebrating this village church and anyone wanting to remember those dear to them who have passed on, wherever and whenever that happened.

During the Service there will be an opportunity to hear the names of the dear departed, and to light candles honouring their memory. If you would like someone's name read out, please let me or Revd Caroline Walker know.

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“Saints are those who by their life  
and work make it clear and plain  
that God lives.”

*Nathan Soderblom*

“Dust we may be, but we are dust that  
dreams of glory, dust that is touched  
by the spirit and shot through with  
hope. We have bodies that will die,  
but we are not simply bodies; we are  
embodied spirits, created by God  
for eternal life.”

*To Trust and to Love,  
by Michael Mayne*

Detail from the Andrews  
window in Tellisford Church



## SOMERSET COUNCIL – RODE ISSUES

There have been a few issues in Rode recently worth mentioning.



Earlier this year I objected to Butcombe Brewery's licensing application for the Mill at Rode, along with over 50 residents, but it was granted with amended conditions after a very long Licensing Sub-committee hearing on 6<sup>th</sup> September. The application and subsequent amended conditions proposed later hours for live and recorded music and the sale of alcohol, an increase in the number of outdoor events, extended the external licensed area and relaxed certain restrictions. I thought this was likely to increase noise disturbance and create a public nuisance for nearby residents and businesses, but the Sub-committee thought otherwise. So it is now up to the brewery and management to live up to their promises and avoid causing a noise nuisance to the village. If there are problems, enforcement action can be taken, and the licence can be reviewed and potentially amended in future.

The Rode Hill/ Bradford Road junction Small Improvement Scheme has been completed and hopefully been made safer with more Stop signs and flashing lights to warn drivers of the need to stop and take care, but that all depends on drivers being attentive. We still await the public consultation on the proposed extension of the 30mph zone along the A361, and a new 20mph speed limit for the main village, but that should be very soon.

I am aware of two tragic fatal road accidents along the A361 near Rode recently, and others locally, so have raised the issue of road safety for discussion at the next Frome Area Local Community Network meeting, which is in Buckland Dinham village hall on Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and online. We should also be having an update on local discussions about a potential future reorganisation of schools in the area. Please see my website for details.

Somerset Council is now seeking residents' opinions on the principles that will be adopted for new development in the future Local Plan to help 'create places that put people at the heart of their design', in a new consultation – *Creating Places for People*. It is hoped this will guide developers towards creating attractive and high-quality environments, and inclusive and accessible places to live. Consultation lasts until 16<sup>th</sup> October, so please see my website for more.

Talking about development, after Norton St Philip Parish Council's successful Judicial Review of the *Mendip District Local Plan Part 2* removed five housing sites (which allocated 505 homes) in the north east of Mendip from the Local Plan earlier this year, a recent High Court Order recently compelled Somerset

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Council to start to identify replacement sites for 505 homes across the former Mendip district. Landowners will have responded to the recent ‘call for sites’, but we do not yet know where these are. Having a site allocated for development in a Local Plan really helps get planning permission. Somerset Council’s planning policy team will review the submissions and identify some which are available, suitable and deliverable by 2029 as preferred sites this autumn, and the Council is legally required to go to public consultation on its Preferred Options document by 31<sup>st</sup> December. Local councillors, parish councils and the local community will be informed and consulted in the process, so stay tuned.

Work on the wider new Somerset Local Plan, including a review of strategic policies for development across the Somerset Council area, has been started, with two rounds of consultation and Examination ahead, and adoption in 2028. Because of the long timescale, and the urgency of addressing climate change through planning policies promoting energy conservation and renewable energy to reduce fossil fuel dependency, I have supported calls at the recent Climate & Place Scrutiny Committee for the Council to prepare a dedicated Climate Change planning policy document with a quicker timescale, and I hope the Council adopts this.

I and Dawn have also had an online briefing with the proposers of the large solar farm to the east of Rode a few weeks ago, and were told they were removing the triangular field east of Bradford Road from the proposals and including other fields instead. We await news about the planning application, but the global benefits of renewable energy from a large solar farm will need to be considered alongside any local impacts.

Those of you concerned about river pollution will be interested to hear there is a ‘water themed’ Somerset Council Climate & Place Scrutiny Committee meeting in October, where we will hear from Wessex Water, the Environment Agency, Natural England and other experts. I will post details on my website.

Contrary to some rumours, Somerset Council is not in a financial crisis like Birmingham and is not in imminent danger of issuing a Section 114 notice under the Local Government Finance Act. However, like many county or unitary councils with adult and children’s care responsibilities, Somerset’s budgets are under pressure, due to inflation and increased costs, as well as inadequate and ever-reducing income from Government funding, and previous Council Tax freezes. The current spending forecast for 2023/24 is over budget by 5.3% (£26m of the £493.4m general budget). Adults and children’s care services are responsible for 80% of this, cost over 60% of the budget, and have seen a huge rise in demand since Covid. The Council will draw on its £154m of reserves this year, but the current level of care spending could put the council finances at risk

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in a few years. Councillors and parish councils are being briefed monthly, and the Council will work to reduce spending this year and in future. We await the Government's response to the very clear messaging from County and Unitary authorities about inflationary pressures on social care costs. The administration of the new Somerset Council is committed to working hard with all partners to find the best way through this challenging time for the whole of Somerset.

And finally, as one of your Somerset Councillors for the Frome North area, I need to keep in touch with local residents on what's going on and what your concerns and issues are. I do a monthly email newsletter, saved on my website [www.adamboyden.mycouncillor.org.uk](http://www.adamboyden.mycouncillor.org.uk). I attend parish council meetings (shared with Councillor Dawn Denton) and report back to those. This magazine is another important way to keep in touch so I will try and write in every month. I can always meet residents in person, in the Post Office café or anywhere else, to discuss important local matters, so please just get in touch! To subscribe to my newsletter or contact me about any issue please email [cllrboyden@gmail.com](mailto:cllrboyden@gmail.com) or my official email [adam.boyden@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:adam.boyden@somerset.gov.uk).

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### RODE ROXY UPDATE



As mentioned last month "Roxy's" winter season will start in November this year as the Hall is very booked up for the Panto.

We now have details of the films for the Autumn and early Winter, and they are:

- 3rd November - The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry
- 8th December - Allelujah
- 12th January 2024 – (hopefully) – The Old Oak - This is the new Ken Loach film and has only just be released to excellent reviews.

Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start.

*Adam Harris*



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## RODE REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PARADE



The annual Rode Remembrance Sunday Parade will be held on 12th November.

The Scout Group will be out in force and they will be joined by soldiers from 9 Regiment at Hulavington.

The parade will arrive at The Green at 10.45am. The Service will also be entirely outside again this year. Please come and join us.

*Howard Russell*  
Group Scout Leader



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## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

This Year's Poppy Appeal will run from the end of October to Remembrance Day. Our wonderful volunteers will be going house to house with a selection of poppy merchandise for you to buy. All proceeds go towards supporting the Armed forces, veterans and their families.



The Royal British Legion are proud to be introducing the new plastic free poppy this year, see image on the left. It is made from 100% paper. However, to reduce waste as we still have stock of the original poppies we will still also be offering these.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Jacqui Rottenbury*  
RBL Poppy Appeal Organiser

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## URGENT – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



See page 44 for details





## RODE'S TALKING CAFÉ

This popular initiative of Mendip Connections finally arrived in Rode last month but sadly got off to a very poor start in Rode with no one turning up! I do hope that the two this month garner more interest and that they can become as successful as ones held in other locations.



Talking Cafes are for everyone. The cafes offer a social opportunity and a warm space and are renowned for being a source of information and help to make connections providing signposting and help on activities, support, health and other issues.

I know of several local peer groups that have been established thanks to their help e.g. Frome Macular Society Group.

As they say if you don't use it, you'll lose it... I do hope that doesn't happen and that this "on our doorstep" opportunity that Mendip Connections are providing manages to take off.

When and where? Twice a month at Rode Chapel from 10.30am-12.30pm every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month – this month that's the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Do hope you can make the time to go along and check it out and meet our local Connector... I know she'd love to see you!

*Gill Leonard*  
Editor

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## 200 CLUB

The 200 club results for August are as follows:

1st prize £50 - T. Mulcrone

2nd prize £25 - John Roberts

Drawn by Wendy Dixon and Jack Barrett

*Jan Jupp*



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## “OUT OF THE BLUE”... IT'S NEARLY SHOWTIME!

The 'Out of the Blue' panto crew are getting very excited about meeting you all at Rode Memorial Hall on the 19th, 20th and 21st of October.

Everyone has been working hard to make the show something very special, but we are still missing the final piece of the jigsaw, namely you the audience.



No doubt you've seen the amazing post box topper in the high-street featuring a certain blue sheep and a Dalmatian dog (thank you the secret knitting sisters!), which is a bit of a clue to what the show is about. Mind you Barbara and Shep do tend towards a tendency to be divas, so we're still negotiating over their riders.

'Out of the Blue', has a classic pantomime format, with a twist of Rode added to the mix, and it will appeal to kids of all ages from 6 to 80. It's a family friendly story but we're yet to install the comfy chairs, so it might be a challenging evening for young children. The bar will be open from 6.30pm on show days, and there will be an interval between the two Acts.

'Out of the Blue', has been a labour of love for too many people to mention here and we hope you have as much fun watching it, as we had putting it together.

All the money we make will be donated to various village institutions including the Chapel and Memorial Hall as well as Guide Dogs for the Blind and Dorothy House. Tickets are available from the Post Office or online at Ticketebo ([www.ticketebo.co.uk/rode-village-pantomime](http://www.ticketebo.co.uk/rode-village-pantomime)). They cost £10 on the Thursday, and £12 on Friday and Saturday or on these days, you can buy 4 for £40.

We're looking forward to seeing you!

*Gary Holloway*

## PLAYING FIELD LOTTERY

Playing Field Lottery winners in August 2023, drawn by staff and customers in The Cross Keys.

1<sup>st</sup> - £50.00 .... Mr. & Mrs. D. Telling, Rode  
2<sup>nd</sup> - £25.00 .... Mr. G. Robinson, Rode  
3<sup>rd</sup> - £25.00 .... Mr. & Mrs. R. Dinnis, Rode  
Sunday Roast for two at The Cross Keys, courtesy of  
Mark and Hannah... Mr. G. Roberts, Rode.



If you'd like a chance to get a slice of this action remember only 200 tickets available and a share of £100 and 2 Sunday roasts all possible for a £1.00 ticket!

And remember you are supporting the Playing Field (which needs all the help it can get right now!) when you buy your ticket.

Tickets on sale at the Post Office, or directly from Jane and I.

Next draw Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

If you would like to do the draw or witness it, then please just turn up at the Cross Keys on draw night at 8pm.

*Keith Sharman*

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## RODE PLAYING FIELD'S SEPTEMBER JUMBLE SALE

Our thanks to all who generously contributed their Jumble to us for the sale and to all who came and bought the Jumble.

I am delighted to report that we raised £300!



The funds have been divided equally between Rode Playing Field and Rode Chapel.

Thank you.

*Ann Edney*

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## LAVERTON NEWS

### **Two weddings in Laverton! - from Debby Hill**

By the time you read this, Ed Rossiter and Ellie (Flowers by the Gate) Ellis will have celebrated their marriage at the Bath Spa Hotel on 30<sup>th</sup> September and Bob and Debby Hill will be gearing up for their daughter's wedding. Jenny Hill and Simon Reitter will be tying the knot in the church at Laverton, at 3pm on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Spectators will be very welcome and, with any luck, there'll be a photo for next month's magazine.

### **Laverton Foodbank - Update from Tracey Sessions**

Gilli and I have placed a collection box inside St. Mary's Church. Please leave your donations in the box or, if the church is closed, in the porch. All items will be gratefully received. However, the following are consistently needed:-

- Coffee, tea bags, UHT milk, hot chocolate, squash
- Sugar, custard, tinned fruit
- Tinned chilli, tinned curry, tinned stew, tinned vegetables
- Biscuits, crisps
- Hot dogs
- Corned beef
- Rice, noodles
- Sanitary towels, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste
- Washing up liquid, toilet roll.

We'll aim to collect donations every couple of weeks and keep everyone updated with how it's going and the success of the effort. Thank you for your generosity in advance.

### **A&IT Sunday Afternoon Tea Party - from Host Sara Jocelyn**

Tea for two, or 6, or 8 or 12 and with the drivers and kind helpers - tea for 19! Helpful neighbours brought pretty china, kettles, extra teapots, elegant sandwiches and stupendous buns and cakes. "No, no I mustn't have any more..." led to second and even third helpings of cake and the extra ones went home with the guests to be enjoyed later.

The party, expected to last about an hour and a half, began at 3 and was in still in full swing at 5.30. The 10 ladies and 2 gentlemen and their lovely drivers all seemed most happy to stay on – only the good little dachshund under the table must have been very bored, but he sat quietly under the tablecloth. Organised by Gill Leonard for guests From Rode, Laverton, Norton St Philip And Frome, and held At Row Farm House we all hope to meet again sometime.

*Virginia Garaux*

# Parish Youth News & Events

## FRANS – A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

After a break for summer FRANS are back and in full swing planning lots of fun and exciting events to raise money for the school this year.

It is always a pleasure to welcome in new families as they embark on their school journey, and we aim to add a little sparkle to their school adventure with our events.



I suppose it is also fitting to send our thanks to all the families that left the school earlier this year, most of whom will have played a part in supporting the school in some capacity.

As they say, it takes a village.

Special thanks must go to Brandon QH who has given blood sweat and tears in ensuring FRANS events were epic, lit up and fun with a bouncing soundtrack.

As our first event in the school year, in late September we held an international food festival linking into an international day at school.

In October we are looking forward to the annual Halloween disco.

This is just for the school children but has been a total scream the past few years. There will be spooky costumes galore alongside a bewitching soundtrack. Many more events are in the pipeline which we hope to welcome the community to.

If you would like to help towards school fundraising we welcome any donations at any time, even direct transfers (our bank account details are below):

Friends of Rode and Norton Schools

Account number: 31419160

Sort code: 309875



# Parish Youth News & Events

## FRESHFORD UNITED F.C. NEED YOU!

This year we will have a team in every age group from Under 5's to Under 15's (Minus Under 12's unfortunately) plus our adult team.

All teams are looking for more players of all ages, abilities, boys and girls.

We do give the option for everyone test it out and not commit we can offer a free tester session for 2 weeks to see how your child gets on before you have to commit to anything.

So, if your child is looking to get into football then please get in touch and come and test it out - or just come along and watch.

All age groups play and train each week, see below for locations:

- At Rode Paying Fields- our Under 9's, 10's and 11's.
- At Browns Park, Freshford - our Under 5's, 6's, 7's, 8's, 13's, 14's and Adults.
- At Westwood - our Under 15's.

We also are always looking for coaches, helpers, supporters and committee members to cover a wide range of roles of which some would only require an hour of your time a month at the most so please make contact me (details below) if you would like to get involved.

If you have a building project happening soon, we are after some rubble but mainly any soil at our pitches in Freshford so if you want to save the cost on skip hire, we would be willing to accept these for free, if you want to discuss this more, please speak to me on the number below.

As always, we welcome any support from the village and if you want to keep up to date with what is happening information is always available on our website [www.freshfordunitedfc.com](http://www.freshfordunitedfc.com)

*Chris Birleson*

Club Manager

T: 07738 741477 E: [cb@dentons.net](mailto:cb@dentons.net)



# Parish Youth News & Events

## RODE SCOUTS GROUP

The new school year started with Cub camp. Luckily the weather held out for them, and a good time was had by all. The tents were all put up pre-weekend waiting for the Cubs to join them on the Friday.



1<sup>st</sup> Rode (Scout Group)

The Cubs learned all sorts of new skills, dens were made, walls were built, fires were lit. But the most popular was the circus entertainment put on by the leaders - so popular that the parents are going to be given a chance to see the spectacular performance.



Georgie (Cub) says “Cub camp was so much fun. My favourite part was when the leaders dressed up as circus performers to entertain us as well as the food, particularly the roast dinner.”

I am really not sure who had the most fun, the Cubs or the Leaders. Well done everyone.

*Claire Le Page*

**Editor’s Note:** New Leaders are desperately needed for the Beavers – can you help? See page 44 for details.



## Parish Youth News & Events

Rode and Norton St Philip  
First School Federation  
Small Schools, Thinking Big



# OPEN DAYS

Friday 6th October & Wednesday 8th November  
or by appointment any other day

**Starting school in September 2024?**

Come and join the adventure at our federation

Tel: 01373 830523 / 01373 834327

[www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk](http://www.rodeandnortonschoolfederation.co.uk)



# Parish Youth News & Events



Open term time  
from 8:45am

**Beckington Pre-school**

Children aged 2-4  
welcome  
30 hours funding accepted

Beckington Baptist  
Church Hall  
www.beckingtonpre-school.co.uk  
01373 831492  
info@beckingtonpre-school.co.uk  
Find us on 

Charity no. 1035832

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## RODE WEEKLY PARENT/CARER & TODDLER GROUP

Mondays during term time

9.30-11.30pm

Rode Chapel



## TOTS AND TOYS

MUMS, DADS, CARERS AND GRANDPARENTS...

Are you at home with a baby, toddler or pre-schooler?

Would you like to meet up with others for a chat, tea/coffee and refreshments while the children play and sing?

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING 9.00am - 10.45am

in St Philip and St James church, Norton St Philip

£2 donation for refreshments

Further information, please contact Maria Fleming, Playgroup Leader email:

[totsandtoysnsp@gmail.com](mailto:totsandtoysnsp@gmail.com)

# Parish Health & Wellbeing



## SEASONAL INFLUENZA CAMPAIGN 2023

As mentioned in last month's magazine, September saw the start of our Flu Vaccination program.

We encourage those who are eligible for a free NHS flu vaccine to take up the offer for further information please visit: [nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/flu-influenza-vaccine/](https://nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/flu-influenza-vaccine/) Special arrangements are made for patients who are housebound or in residential or nursing care.

**Beckington Surgery**  
5<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday)

**Fromefield Surgery**  
14<sup>th</sup> October (Saturday)

### How to book your appointment

- Telephone the surgery after 2 p.m. on 01373 830316 or 01373 464731
- In person at Reception desk in Fromefield or Beckington Surgery
- Via your online Patient Access account

**STOP PRESS... Covid Vaccinations are now also available on the 14<sup>th</sup> October for those eligible for a free NHS vaccination. See above for details on how to make an appointment.**



# Parish Health & Wellbeing

## INTEGRATED PERSONAL CARE SURVEY

In Somerset, we want people to live healthy and independent lives, supported by thriving and connected communities, with timely and easy access to high quality and efficient support when they need it'. We want people to live their best lives and we plan to achieve this through a whole system personalised care approach.



**What is Personalised Care?** Understanding ‘what matters to you’ and what an individual’s strengths, experiences and needs are, is central to personalised care. Personalised care is an approach which means that people have choice and control over their physical and mental health and the way their care is planned and delivered - just as they do in other areas of their lives. A one-size-fits-all health and care system simply cannot meet the increasing complexity of people’s needs and expectations.

**Why does Personalised Care matter?** Personalised care is based on what matters to people and their individual strengths, needs and priorities. Personalised care helps a wide range of people make decisions about managing their health, so they can live the life they want to live, based on what matters to them, as well as the evidence-based, good quality information from the health and care professionals who support them. It supports people to be treated as individuals whose knowledge, values, preferences, family, and social circumstances are seen as being of crucial importance when deciding how to manage their care and support. At its core, personalised care is about ‘what does a good life look like for you’.

Personalised care represents a new relationship between people, professionals and the health and care system and provides a positive shift in power and decision making that enables people to feel informed, have a voice, to be heard and to be connected to each other and their communities. Evidence tells us that people are more likely to have improved outcomes and are less likely to be unhappy with their care and support when they have been involved in planning what is right for them. Other benefits include better understanding of health systems and health language, improved job satisfaction for health workers and improved access to care for all.

**What does Personalised Care look like?** The NHS has developed a comprehensive model of personalised care. It says that people can access personalised care through 6 different approaches:

- Patient choice
- Shared decision making

# Parish Health & Wellbeing

- Supported self-management and self-care
- Personalised care and support planning
- Social prescribing and community-based support
- Personal health budgets and integrated personal budgets

**Personalised Care Survey** - We would like to know and understand more about peoples' knowledge, understanding, views and experiences of personalised care in Somerset. We have created an online survey to gather as much insight as possible to ensure that individuals' and patients' voices are present and embedded in our work from the very beginning. We would be very grateful if you could share this email, with the following online survey link, with your networks and/or your organisations so we can hear as much useful feedback as possible. In the survey, we have also asked if people would like to join either/both a one-off focus group and a working group, to help us to develop our ideas for service improvement.

The survey can be found here via the following link or QR Code:  
<https://response.questback.com/nhssomerseticb/ngwtqdtmve>



*NHS Somerset Personalised Care Team*



**HM Government**

**NHS**

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# Parish Environment

## SOMERSET RECYCLING

### Recycling Sites Change to Winter Hours:

1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

From Sunday 1 October our 16 recycling sites will be changing to their autumn/winter opening hours. All sites will remain open on weekends from 9am to 4pm.

Midweek, opening days will vary from site to site, please check online. Most recycling sites will be open from 9am to 5pm to find your local recycling site visit our recycling sites opening hours webpage: [www.somerset.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-waste/recycling-sites-opening-hours/](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-waste/recycling-sites-opening-hours/)

### How to stay safe:

Our collection crews and teams at recycling facilities continue to see items, such as batteries, gas canisters and vapes put out incorrectly, either in refuse or recycling bins.

These items can easily catch fire, so it is important that they are handled correctly.

Don't be a fire-starter!



To help keep everyone safe we want to remind residents of the ways to dispose of the items:

- Gas canisters: do not put them out for collection, they can pose as a fire risk when going through the sorting process. All gas canisters should be taken to your local recycling site. Small canisters (camp stoves for example) can be disposed of for free, please speak to a member on-site about where to put them.
- Batteries: it is important that batteries are kept separate, never put in your refuse, as they could be crushed and cause a truck fire. Put them in a clear, tied bag and leave this on the top of your recycling.
- Vapes: disposable vapes can be recycled with small electricals. Put in an open bag alongside or on top of your recycling boxes. Reusable vapes can be recycled as small electricals and batteries.

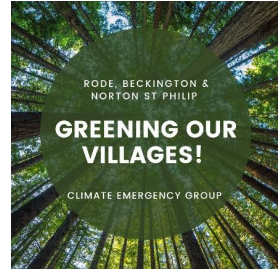
In the coming weeks you will see a new tag being added to your bags or boxes. This red tag will provide a reminder of what to do with these items.



# Parish Environment

## CLIMATE EMERGENCY UPDATE

**Proposed Solar Farm** - The planning application for the proposed new Solar Farm in Rode was due to be submitted in July, but has been delayed, and is now expected to be lodged with Somerset Council towards the end of September (so all the related documentation *should* be available on the Somerset Council website by the time you read this).



Low Carbon (the company behind the application) has informed the Parish Council that it has made a number of changes to the indicative plans which were made public earlier this year. These changes include the removal of the "triangle" (the land bounded by Rode Hill, Bradford Road, and the A361), which had been a concern raised at the consultation event held in May.

According to information provided by Low Carbon, just over 70 local residents attended the consultation event, with 38 opposed to the development, 28 supportive, and 8 neither supportive or unsupportive.

As with all planning applications of this nature, there will be the opportunity to comment on the proposals (details of how to do so can be found in the "View and Comment on a Planning Application" section of the Somerset Council website). The Parish Council anticipates responding to the application and is expected to discuss the matter at its meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October. The Climate Emergency Group is also planning to discuss the application at its next meeting (17<sup>th</sup> October).

**Grants Towards Insulating Your Home** - The Great British Insulation Scheme (GBIS) went live in mid-September, offering grants towards roof, loft, or cavity wall insulation. The initiative aims to help more than 300,000 households across England, Scotland and Wales cut their energy bills by an average of £300 to £400 annually.

The scheme is primarily targeted at those in lower council tax bands with less energy efficient homes - qualifying properties must have an Energy Performance Certificate rating of D or below and be in council tax bands A-D. To check whether you are eligible, go to the government website: [www.gov.uk/apply-great-british-insulation-scheme](http://www.gov.uk/apply-great-british-insulation-scheme).

Even if you're not eligible yourself, you may know someone locally who could be eligible – if so, please pass on the information.



# Parish Environment

**Prioritising Active Travel & Public Transport (“Creating Places for People”)** - Rode has recently seen a number of large-scale planning applications for residential housing which – if permitted – would have impacted negatively on walkers and cyclists, and the proposals made very little attempt to respond to villagers’ concerns in relation to increasing usage of private cars. However, from a planning policy perspective, such concerns seemed relatively unimportant.

Interestingly, Somerset Council is now putting forward proposals to change local planning policy and is consulting on ways to ensure developers create attractive, high-quality environments, and inclusive and accessible places for all, regardless of age, gender, mobility, or background, where people enjoy living. The objectives include improving air quality; reducing carbon footprints; creating safe and easy access to schools; and creating places that are more resilient to the impacts of climate change while protecting and enhancing nature and wildlife.

Somerset Council is proposing to prioritise active travel – cycling, walking and wheeling – along with public transport to reduce reliance on using private cars.

Rode Parish Council will be responding to the consultation, and is urging local residents to respond, too. You can find out more at [www.somerset.gov.uk/creating-places-for-people/](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/creating-places-for-people/) (or simply search for “Creating Places for People” on the Somerset Council website). Responding is very simple, there are just three multiple-choice questions, plus the option to add your own narrative comments.

**Get Involved/Keep in Touch** - The Climate Emergency Group has a monthly newsletter, which now reaches nearly 90 subscribers! If you’d like to join them, drop me a line at the email address below, or enter this link in your browser: <https://mailchi.mp/4b503e0ba20c/initial-sign-up> (sorry for the rather unfriendly web address!). The Climate Emergency Group is still small, and therefore the capacity to deliver projects on our own is limited. Primarily we aim to “initiate, inform, educate, encourage...” But we can also act as a focal point for residents to come together to deliver projects as a community. If you have an idea that could be worth exploring, please get in contact. And – if you’d like to join the Climate Emergency Group, you will be very welcome!

Our next meeting is **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, in the Memorial Hall (7pm).**

*Jim McAuliffe*

[jim.mcauliffe@btinternet.com](mailto:jim.mcauliffe@btinternet.com)

# Parish Groups

## MONDAY LUNCH CLUB

Reminder - we are back after our summer break Monday 2nd October!!

Don't forget to let me know well in advance if you plan on coming.

£5 for a two-course home cooked meal - great value and a great reason to get out and see your friends!!

Future dates for your diary:

- Monday 6th November
- Monday 4th December – Christmas Extravaganza!!

Look forward to seeing you.

*Alex Sing and The Lunch Club Team*

T: 01373 830836

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## RODE CRAFT CLUB

We each bring long whatever we are working on, share ideas and skills and enjoy each other's company over a cuppa and biscuits.

Weekly on Thursday afternoons, 2-4 pm at Rode Chapel.

There is no need to book or to commit to coming every week.

We have knitters, embroiderers, crocheters, card makers, leather workers and cross stitchers.

The list goes on!

We have all abilities too, from 'new to' crafters to the experienced.

We all help each other.

*Val Parker*





# Parish Groups

## RODE OVER 60'S REPORT

Around 30 members and visitors enjoyed our Quiz Afternoon on Friday 8th September.

You could hear the cogs creaking as the “little grey cells” worked away, as Hercule Poirot would say! Everyone enjoyed racking their brains searching for the answers. No Googling allowed! The anagram section proved tricky for some - easy for others! All for fun, no prizes, just friendly competition.

After all that, afternoon tea was devoured, and the raffle drawn. A happy afternoon!

Next Meeting - Friday 13th October. Peter Harris “History of Rode” 2.30pm Rode Memorial Hall. If any residents would like to come along to this very interesting talk, ring Pat Smith for details T: 830559.

WHY NOT... Join our club?

For a subscription of £10 for a year you get:

- Reduced cost coach trips, 3 a year
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- Christmas Carols Festive Tea
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Great value for just £10 a year. Come along and make new friends! Speak to Pat Smith for any other information T: 830 559.

Birthdays: There are no birthdays in October

*Gail Stinton*

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**OTHER CLUBS/GROUPS...** News and information about other clubs and groups in the parish is always welcome for our readers and if you're thinking of starting a new group, we'd love to help in promoting it.

*Gill Leonard*

Editor

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# Parish Groups

## RODE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB LAST VISIT OF 2023

On the afternoon of Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Rode Garden Club members met for the last visit this year at West Lavington Manor, where we hoped to be shown around by the head gardener and picnic in the grounds. The weather was kind once again, as about 20 members gathered. There was no gardener, but the groundsman told us where we could pick up maps of the garden. He would be leaving at 4:30 pm so our time would be limited as there was a lot to see.

Leaving the entrance area with a delightful pond, colourful beds and borders we headed for the herbaceous border where grasses added movement and colour in the sunny autumn light. Below that was a lovely Japanese Garden, with a stream and steppingstones down to a small bamboo hut. We went through the gate round to a rose garden, with delicious scents and a range of hues. The main lawn area with specimen trees, dropped down to a large pond and bog garden, complete with a luxurious duck house.



Further areas were a large collection of hydrangeas, a vinery, many fruit trees and flowers and bushes. Topiary has been used throughout to create interest, like the chess piece shrubs around the outdoor chess board. Guests could also play croquet and on a putting green. This large site involved quite a lot of walking but there were places to sit and relax everywhere. We had just enough time to

grab a drink and perhaps a piece of cake before leaving. A lovely place, perhaps suffering slightly from the recent loss of two gardeners.

This month we will be back in the Memorial Hall to hear Julia Robb talking on dahlias on the 9<sup>th</sup> October. Members and guests (£3) are welcome to come from 7:00 pm grab a drink, chat and perhaps pick up spare plants, including house plants at great prices. The talk begins at 7:30 pm.

*Sharman Flindall*

R&DGC E: [rodeanddistrictgardeningclub@outlook.com](mailto:rodeanddistrictgardeningclub@outlook.com)

# Parish Groups

## RODE WALKING GROUP - 2ND THURSDAY IN THE MONTH

September's walk was extremely lucky with the weather, we had a beautifully clear Autumn day and were able to appreciate far reaching views from the Westbury White Horse.



Next month's walk will be on Thursday 12 October, and we will return to Freshford to complete the walk that was planned for June but had to be adapted to a shorter walk in shade because of the unusually hot temperatures.

Meet at the car park on the A36 (opposite the junction with Branch Road which leads to Hinton Charterhouse) at 10 am.

If any of our new group members are unsure of these details, please contact me.

From there we walk down through woods to the river meadows and along to Iford bridge. Stopping at the Iford cafe for coffee, we then continue along the other riverbank back towards Freshford and climb back up through the woods to the car park.

Car sharing where possible and new members always welcome.

Contact me for further information if necessary.

*Liz Dinnis*

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# Parish Gardening

I'm writing this on a very wet and rainy Sunday.

Although June brought a period of sunshine and heat, it feels like it's been a disappointing summer and as we inevitably slide into autumn, I feel cheated!

The plants I grew from seed took an age to flower and the sunflowers at my front gate - *Helianthus* 'Red Sun' - have yet to flower at all although one of them is easily 8 feet tall.

Have they missed their chance?

I've spied terrific sunflowers at Springfield Barn and the magnificent Disco Dahlias grown by William up at Win Dell were a complete knockout, so clearly some Laverton Northeast gardeners have taken on the weather gods and won, but here at Laverton Central the wonderful *Cleome* 'Cherry Queen' produced just one solitary flower spike after weeks of careful nurture.

On the bright side (where and when was that exactly?) Chinese Aster (*Callistephis chinensis* 'Lady Coral Chamois') drew unkind comments but has finally produced beautiful blooms in shades of apricot/blush pink so they'll be back on the seed order for next year.

Ah the seed order.

Maybe next year I'll just do a bedding display spelling out the immortal phrase "Hope triumphs in the face of adversity" and be done with it...

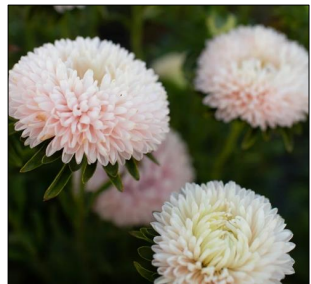
*Muddy Fingernails*



*Helianthus* 'Red Sun'



*Cleome* 'Cherry Queen'



*Callistephis chinensis* 'Lady Coral Chamois'

## Parish People

Hi, I'm Mel, and I'm originally from Oldham in Manchester. However, I've been fortunate enough to consider the delightful villages of Wiltshire and Somerset my home for over four decades.

After a varied career, where I was MD of several food production companies, I took semi-retirement in 2021. With a desire to downsize, my wife and I made the move to Rode from our previous residence just a few miles away in Heywood.

I've always had a passion for art, and now, in the autumn of my life, with more time on my hands, I've returned to my first love, painting.



My enthusiasm for painting was sparked at the age of 10 when I attended boarding school due to my parents relocating to Nigeria for work. I vividly remember my art teacher at the time, Lou, teaching me to view things differently and not merely accept them at face value. Though I initially thought he was referring to the artistic perspective, I now understand he meant it about life itself. Lou was the reason I pursued Art at Christ's College in Liverpool, where he himself had studied.

These days, I primarily work with oils and acrylics on textured boards or canvases, aiming to capture the beauty of this region. My focus extends to portraiture, capturing the essence of both people and our beloved pets. I also indulge in creating light-hearted sketches that amuse me or bring joy to my two beautiful grandchildren.

Earlier this year, I found inspiration in the snowy scenes of Rode Village and the heartwarming sight of the community singing carols beneath the Christmas tree in Beckington. These pieces, along with a collection of light-hearted Christmas sketches, have been transformed into Christmas cards, which I'm selling locally.

If you're interested, all the details you need to make a purchase are on page 43, so feel free to get in touch. Additionally, if you'd like to discuss any commissions or other art projects, I'd be delighted to explore them with you.

Warm regards

*Melvin Glynn*



# Parish Food & Drink



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Tuesday 9.00-17.30

Wednesday 9.00-13.00

Thursday 9.00-17.30

Friday 9.00-17.30

Saturday 9.00-13.00



We look forward to welcoming you to our modern shop and café to enjoy a warm welcome, home cooked food and buy local produce and goods.



## CHRISTMAS FOOD ORDERS

Due to difficulty finding suppliers and the cost increases we are unable to provide turkeys and veg boxes this year, however we will still be offering a selection from some of our trusted suppliers.

Order forms for the following suppliers will be available in the shop from 1st November 2023.

- Hobbs House Bakery - bread, pastries, mince pies etc.
- The Smoke Folk - smoked salmon, cheeses, nuts etc.
- Ivy house creamery - Milk, cream, butter.
- Padfield Porkies – Ham, pork sausages.
- Wiltshire Bacon

Sam and the team would like to thank you for your continued support.

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# Parish Food & Drink

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# Parish Food & Drink



## Farleigh Road FARM SHOP & CAFÉ



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### Introducing Kieran & Cath

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Pop in today and see what's they have!



### Have you tried our cafe yet?

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### Sunday Roast that are unrivaled!

We know, we know... everyone claims to do the best roast, but trust us, we do!

01225 720006

### Cafe Opening Times

Breakfast: 9:00-11.30

Lunch 12:00-3.30

Afternoon Tea Served Until 4:00

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# Parish Food & Drink



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## PARISH RECIPE

Do you have a favourite recipe that you'd like to share with our readers?

If you do, please send it in... you'll receive a bottle of Fussels' Rape Seed Oil courtesy of Fussels' Fine Foods for your trouble!

If you have a photograph of the finished dish, please do forward a copy of that too.

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# Forthcoming Parish Events



HEALTH  
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Your GP practice social prescribing and health coaching team

**RODE MONDAY  
LUNCH CLUB  
IS BACK  
See page 26**

**2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER  
12.15PM  
RODE MEMORIAL  
HALL**

**Dates for your diary:**

**6th November  
4th December –  
Christmas  
Extravaganza!!**

## Talking Café Rode Chapel

Looking to meet up to chat  
with other people?

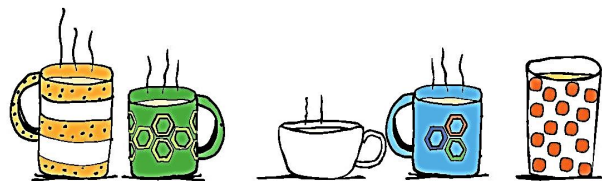


**When:** 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> October  
( Every first and third Tuesday)

**Time:** 10.30am – 12.30

**Where:** Rode Chapel

Talking cafes are a place to meet new people, make friends and chat to a Health Connector about activities, support groups and services in your community. Everyone is welcome.



Give us a call, we'll be happy to help  
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# Forthcoming Parish Events

## NORTON ST PHILIP CONCERT SERIES

### OCTOBER CONCERTS DETAILS

We have a fascinating and varied programme of concerts that have been scheduled for this Autumn on Thursday lunchtimes and Saturday evenings. Below is the October line-up...

**Thursday 5 October: 12.30 for 1pm Tickets £5**

**Reg Meuross** “A remarkable singer-songwriter” Radio 3 Tickets available now at <https://www.wegotickets.com/event/590931>

**Saturday 7 October: 7 for 7.30pm Tickets £12 in advance / £15 on the door**

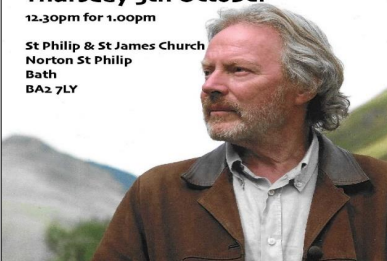
**Hungrytown** – a return visit by the acclaimed Americana duo tickets available now: <https://www.wegotickets.com/event/590468> or E: [kdlockley@gmail.com](mailto:kdlockley@gmail.com)

**Lunchtime Concert with  
REG MEUROSS**

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The Living Tradition  
‘Echoes of early Dylan, Tom Paxton and Leonard Cohen’  
The Guardian*

**Thursday 5th October**  
12.30pm for 1.00pm

**St Philip & St James Church**  
Norton St Philip  
Bath  
BA2 7LY



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Bath BA2 7LY

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Norton St Philip Concert Series

## Forget-me-not Café

**When?** Oct 16th 2.30 – 4 pm (3rd Mon of every month)

**Where?** St Philip and St James Church, NSP

Come and enjoy a cuppa and friendly people to chat with. We have a great café team, all Dementia Friends, who are looking forward to meeting you!



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# Forthcoming Parish Events

RODE VILLAGE PANTO GROUP PRESENTS

# OUT OF THE BLUE

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**THURSDAY 19TH, FRIDAY 20TH  
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**TICKETS - £10 THURSDAY  
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**DOORS & BAR OPEN 6.45PM / CURTAIN UP 7.30PM**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM RODE POST OFFICE & ONLINE**  **ALL PROFITS DONATED TO VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS, DOROTHY HOUSE HOSPICE & GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND**



**2AM SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
END OF BRITISH SUMMERTIME  
CLOCKS GO BACK BY ONE HOUR**

# Forthcoming Parish Events



**Support. Hope. Belonging.**

Facing life alone is hard, and when you feel there is no one there to support you it is a scary place to be. The charity Safe Families <https://safefamilies.uk> offers support, hope and belonging to improve the lives of those in our communities. They help link children, young people and families with local volunteers who can offer them help and support.

Why not come along and find out more?

**Sunday 29th October 10.30 a.m.**  
**St Philip and St James Norton St Philip**  
**Speaker: Lauren Jewhurst of Safe Families**

Followed by Bring and Share lunch and an opportunity to learn more about Safe Families and ask questions. Everyone very welcome.



**RODE HOEDOWN**

**Interested in helping to keep Rode a great place to live? Got ideas of things to do? Willing to help out once a month for 2 hours?**

The next Rode Hoedown is on 29<sup>th</sup> October and it is the *LAST* Hoedown of 2023!  
It would be great to hear from you.

**Contact Mike Salmon on**  
**07818 097030/mikesalmon123@icloud.com**  
**OR**  
**Jonathan Bowler on**  
**07340 221152/jbowlerii@icloud.com**



# Forthcoming Parish Events

A poster for the Norton St Philip Bonfire & Fireworks event. The background is a night sky filled with colorful fireworks in shades of purple, green, and orange. The text is white and centered. At the bottom, there is a silhouette of a crowd watching the event.

**NORTON ST PHILIP  
BONFIRE & FIREWORKS**

**SATURDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2023**

GATES OPEN 6 PM - BONFIRE LIT 6.30PM - FIREWORKS START 7 PM  
MULLED WINE - SPARKLERS - BBQ - BAR

ADMISSION ON THE DAY  
ADULTS - £6 CHILDREN - £4

FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY :-  
PLEASE DON'T BRING FIREWORKS WITH YOU  
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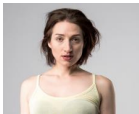
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2023 - NSP BONFIRE

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### NOVEMBER CONCERT DETAILS

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Thursday 2 November: 12.30 for 1pm

Lil Maxine

Austrian born, Bristol based jazz vocalist and songwriter of epic ballad and tight grooves with Charlie Sorensen (drums)

Tickets £5 <https://lilmaxine.com/>



Saturday 25 November: 7.30pm



The Magnificent Aks

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# Forthcoming Parish Events





3rd November  
The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry  
Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start



## Puddings and Prosecco! (or tea/coffee)

 Rode Memorial Hall

 Fri 10th Nov at 7pm

 £7 in advance (at Rode PQ) or  
£8 on the door (includes a pudding,  
a glass of prosecco and tea/coffee)

Come and enjoy a social and hear from Jo about the work of Starfish Project – a social enterprise supporting women in the sex trade in Asia. There will also be jewellery made by the women for sale but no obligation to buy. For more info:  
<https://starfishproject.org.uk/> 321jorobinson@gmail.com

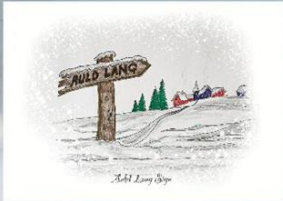


**RODE  
REMEMBRANCE  
SUNDAY PARADE  
12<sup>th</sup> November  
See page 10 for details**



- 8th December - Allelujah
- 12th January 2024 – (hopefully) – The Old Oak  
Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start.

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# Noticeboard



1<sup>st</sup> Rode (Scout Group)



Do you have a spare hour or so a week?

If so our Beaver evenings are full of adventures, learning, antics and fun. The Beavers are an amazing and inquisitive group of 6 and 7 years olds that come to our evenings to craft, learn, socialise and have new experiences.

We run on Wednesday at the NEW TIME of 5.30 to 6.30pm at the Scout Hut. We would love to hear from anyone who would like to join us in leading the group.

You don't need to be experienced with Scouting as we have plenty of training you can access.

Volunteers just need to be keen and willing to get their hands dirty – and happy to have a DBS Check.

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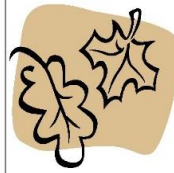
Beckington Memorial Hall Presents:

## Curry and Quiz Night

Raising money for playground renovations

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
7.00pm doors open, 7.30pm start

Teams of 4 max. 12.50 per player in adv. (£15.00 on the door)  
Price includes curry supper (vegetarian and meat options)  
Book tickets in advance at the Woolpack – cash only  
OR contact us to arrange payment via BACS



## AUTUMN FAYRE

Friends of St George's

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

**10:30am to 2pm**

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**ACCESSORIES**

**CHRISTMAS ITEMS**

**REFRESHMENTS**



On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September The Good Heart was thrilled to be amongst seven finalists in the BBC Somerset “Make A Difference” Awards. We were even more thrilled to be named “Community Group Of The Year” for 2023.

If you're a volunteer, funder or general well-wisher we'd like to say a big thank you for supporting The Good Heart in it's celebration, practice and exploration of kindness over the past five years. We couldn't have got here without you,

If you haven't yet visited The Good Heart, please do visit our website [www.thegoodheart.uk](http://www.thegoodheart.uk) and find out all about us. If you have any questions please email [welcome@thegoodheart.uk](mailto:welcome@thegoodheart.uk)

If you have, please pass on the word to anyone you know who hasn't, especially if they're in need of some kindness and warmheartedness,

# Noticeboard

## SANTA AND ELF RUN 2023



Dorothy House's ever-popular Santa and Elf Run is back for 2023. Taking place on Sunday 3 December, the event will see Santa's and Elves complete the 2.5 or 5km route at around the Hospice in Winsley as a walk or run, all to raise funds for vital end of life care in Bath, North Somerset and North and West Wiltshire!

This festive family fun run is open to all ages and takes place along a 2.5km course through the beautiful grounds of Dorothy House Hospice and starting and ending at Winsley Cricket Club. Participants can choose to do the 2.5km route once or twice to make it a 5km run.

The fun run starts at 11am on 3 December with registration open from 9:30am and a warm-up session at 10.50am. Sticking to the same entry costs as last year's fab event, it is £15 for 12+ years and £7.50 for 2-11 year olds. All 12+ year old participants will receive a Santa suit and 2-11 year olds will receive an Elf hat as part of their registration. The festive clothing is included in the entry fee plus refreshments after the run. All runners aged 16 years and under must be accompanied by an adult. All adult entrants are asked to raise a minimum sponsorship of £30 or make a donation in lieu of sponsorship to help support patient care at Dorothy House.

Last year's event raised an incredible £17,000 for the Hospice helping staff continue to deliver outstanding care to patients and families right across Bath and Wiltshire. Dan Varley, Community and Events Fundraiser at Dorothy House said: "Christmas is such a special time here at Dorothy House, and we're so pleased to be once again hosting the fantastic Santa and Elf Run in partnership with our wonderful friends at Winsley Cricket Club.



Funds raised at this event allow us to continue to deliver outstanding care to patients and their loved ones just like Kevin and his family and it is a brilliant community event for the whole family to get involved in."

Get ready to don a Santa suit or elf hat, have fun and raise some money for your much-loved Hospice. Sign up today: [www.dorothyhouse.org.uk/get-involved/events/santa-elf-run-2023/](http://www.dorothyhouse.org.uk/get-involved/events/santa-elf-run-2023/)



# Parish Council Meeting Minutes

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF RODE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN RODE MEMORIAL HALL ON MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.30 pm

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### UNCONFIRMED

**Present:** Cllr Mike Salmon (MS) – Chair, Cllr Ann Edney (AE), Cllr Peter Travis (PT), Cllr Jim McAuliffe (JM), Cllr Jonathan Bowler (JB), Cllr Moira Punt (MP) and Cllr Andy Pickett (AP)

**In attendance:** Cllr Dawn Denton (County Councillor) & Cllr Lucy Trimmell, and 4 parishioners in attendance.

**1. Parishioners Participation:** It was brought to the Parish Council's attention that numerous objections to the licence application for the Mill at Rode/Tellisford were under discussion. PC are waiting for the outcome in order to review. Noted police report.

A parishioner expressed disappointment at the parish council's response to the licence variation application by The Mill. It was pointed out by the Chair and other Councillors that efforts had been made within the limited time available.

**2. Apologies for absence:** Hugh Williams (Clerk), Cllr A Boyden (County Councillor) and Cllr Pat Restorick

**3. Approval of the minutes:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August were approved.

**4. Declarations of interest:** None.

**5. County Councillor's Report:** Cllr Dawn Denton reported that due to staff holidays and council budgeting, many projects were stalled. Dawn will update us after the LCN meeting on 5th October.

### **6. Actions from previous meeting:**

- i. The Mill: The application has been granted, the PC will hold an additional meeting to discuss the next steps.
- ii. Christchurch Graveyard : still to be arranged.
- iii. Hoedown: Telephone box painting completed satisfactory. Next Hoedowns 24/9 & 29/10. Details to be circulated.
- iv. Defibrillator: Approved VETS costs for call out volunteers. dates for training to be arranged.
- v. Paths: Clay Lane completed. Church Lane and The Mill under discussion.
- vi. Dog Bin for Playing Field: PC agreed to purchase the bin and suggested that PF purchased the attached pole.
- vii. PC agreed a quote to prune the copper beech tree on The Mead. (Pearn's Tree Services).

### **7. Climate Change Group.**

Meeting arranged for 17/10 at Rode Memorial Hall. Solar farm to be discussed.

### **8. Highways issues.**

- i. Speed limit and village gates awaiting update.
- ii. Bradford Rd and Rode Hill Junction- signs completed. Awaiting results.
- iii. Street Lights Turn off: TBA

# Parish Council Meeting Minutes

- iv. A36 slip road; No update, although responsibility of National Highways.
- v. The Sportsman: Awaiting proposals for work to be enforced.
- vi. A361 and access to Church farm: Awaiting results of Police action.

## **9. Planning:**

### **i) New applications:**

**2023/1522/TCA:** To reduce and reshape crown of magnolia tree and reduce crab apple by 1m – 23 Lower Street: No objections.

### **ii. Somerset decisions:**

**2023/0919/TCA:** Fell ash and elder trees on rear wall–36 High Street.

Approved

**2023/1379/TCA:** To pollard hornbeam to 10 feet – 33 High Street. Approved

**2023/1403/TCA:** To reduce ginkgo by 2-3m – Paviours Well Cottage, High Street. Approved

### **iii. Other**

**ENF/2023/0284:** The Old Coach House: Liability admitted by owners and awaiting update.

**ENF/2023/0296:** The Bell Public House: Awaiting update to find evidence for inspection.

## **10. Buses:**

New Timetable delivered to all residents in Rode.

## **11. Website:**

Ongoing, Possibility to launch in October. SALC recommendations to use separate emails.

## **12. Solar Farm:**

Ongoing. Awaiting application.

## **13. Items for next agenda.**

Regulating Speed at Bradford Road Junction/General Speeding/Dates for defibrillator training/Eagle contract/Creating Places for People consultation/S106 development plan.

## **14. Financial matters:**

**Payments:** The following payments were agreed:

J McAuliffe (energy training & Green Week)	£72.36
SALC (training)	£25.00
PKF Littlejohn (external audit)	£252.00
Eagle Grounds Maintenance	£792.00
Clerk Salary	£247.85
HMRC PAYE	£60.40
P Travis (bus timetables)	£160.00

## **15. Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting would be held in the Committee Room at the Memorial Hall on:

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 10.25pm.

Website: [rodevillage.com/parish-council](http://rodevillage.com/parish-council)

# ...and finally

## WHERE IN HARDINGTON VALE?

Where in Hardington Vale, would you see this scene?

Did you recognise the view in last month's photograph? It was the Tellisford Weir.



### Codeword

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### Last month's Sudoku

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## POEM OF THE MONTH

How innocent were these trees, that in  
Mist-green May, blown by a prospering breeze,  
Stood garlanded and gay;  
Who now in sundown glow  
Of serious colour clad confront me with their show  
As though resigned and sad,  
Trees, who unwhispering stand umber, bronze, gold;  
Pavilioning the land for one grown tired and old;  
Elm, chestnut, aspen and pine, I am merged in you,  
Who tell once more in tones of time,  
Your foliated farewell.

*Siegfried Sassoon, 'October Trees'*



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<b>Monday 2 Oct</b>	9.00 am	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Morning Prayer	
<b>Tuesday 3 Oct</b>	9.45 am 5.00 pm	<b>Rode Chapel</b> , Ecumenical Holy Communion <b>Tellisford</b> , Evening Prayer	
<b>Wednesday 4 Oct</b>	8.30 am 5.00 pm	<b>Hemington</b> , Morning Prayer <b>Rode Chapel</b> , Informal Prayer	
<b>Thursday 5 Oct</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Silent Prayer	
<b>Sunday 8 Oct</b>	9.00 am 10.30 am 11.00 am	<b>Rode St Lawrence</b> , Informal Breakfast <b>Norton St Philip</b> , Holy Communion <b>Laverton</b> , Matins	B Day C Walker/J Robinson
<b>Monday 9 Oct</b>	9.00 am	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Morning Prayer	
<b>Tuesday 10 Oct</b>	5.00 pm	<b>Laverton</b> , Evening Prayer	
<b>Wednesday 11 Oct</b>	8.30 am 5.00 pm	<b>Hemington</b> , Morning Prayer <b>Rode Chapel</b> , Informal Prayer	
<b>Thursday 12 Oct</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Silent Prayer	
<b>Sunday 15 Oct</b> PARISH WEEKEND AWAY	9.00 am 10.30 am 11.00 am 11.00 am	<b>Farleigh Hungerford</b> , Holy Communion <b>Rode St Lawrence</b> , Holy Communion <b>Laverton</b> , Matins <b>Buckland Dinham</b> , Iona Service	S Kivett S Kivett
<b>Monday 16 Oct</b>	9.00 am	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Morning Prayer	
<b>Tuesday 17 Oct</b>	5.00 pm	<b>Tellisford</b> , Evening Prayer	
<b>Wednesday 18 Oct</b>	8.30 am 5.00 pm	<b>Hemington</b> , Morning Prayer <b>Rode Chapel</b> , Informal Prayer	
<b>Thursday 19 Oct</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Silent Prayer	.
<b>Sunday 22 Oct</b>	9.00 am 10.30 am 10.30 am 11.00 am 11.00 am	<b>Tellisford</b> , Holy Communion <b>Rode St Lawrence</b> , Informal Worship <b>Norton St Philip</b> , Holy Communion <b>Laverton</b> , Matins <b>Buckland Dinham</b> , Holy Communion	C Walker J Robinson F Stewart/C Walker  P Swithinbank
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<b>Thursday 26 Oct</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Silent Prayer	
<b>Sunday 29 Oct</b>	10.30 am 6.00 pm	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , United Holy Communion Safe Families + bring & share lunch <b>Buckland Dinham</b> , Iona Service	C Walker/Speaker from Safe Families
<b>Monday 30 Oct</b>	9.00 am	<b>Norton St Philip</b> , Morning Prayer	
<b>Tuesday 31 Oct</b>	5.00 pm	<b>Tellisford</b> , Evening Prayer	
<b>Wednesday 1 Nov</b> <b>All Saints Day</b>	4.30 pm 6.00 pm	<b>Buckland Dinham</b> , All Souls Service <b>Tellisford</b> , All Souls Service	

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6 p.m. Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October

OCTOBER 2023 DIARY	
Mon 2 Oct	12.15pm Monday Lunch Club see page 26 for details
Tue 3 Oct	10.30am-12.30pm Rode Talking Café see pages 11 & 37 for details
Thu 5 Oct	12.30 for 1pm NSP Church Lunchtime Concert see page 38
Sat 7 Oct	7 for 7.30pm NSP Church Evening Concert see page 38 for details
Mon 9 Oct	7.30pm Rode & District Gardening Club (guests welcome) see page 28 for details 7.30pm Rode Parish Council Meeting see page 47 for details
Thu 12 Oct	10am Rode Walking Group see page 29 for details
Fri 13 Oct	2.30pm Rode Over 60s see page 27 for details
Mon 16 Oct	2.30-4pm Forgot Me Not Café see page 38 for details
Tue 17 Oct	10.30am-12.30pm Rode Talking Café see pages 11 & 37 for details
Thu 19 Oct to Sat 21 Oct	6.45 for 7.30pm Rode Pantomime "Out of the Blue" see pages 12 & 39 for details
Sun 22 Oct	3-4.30pm Home Hosted Afternoon Tea <b>COPY DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER LINK</b>
Fri 27 Oct	11.15 – 11.45am Mobile Library, High Street, Rode
Sun 29 Oct	2am British Summertime ends clocks go back 1 hour 10.30am Safe Families Charity Event see page 40 for details Rode Hoedown see page 40 for details
Tue 31 Oct	8pm RPF Lottery Draw, The Cross Keys see page 13 for details

YEAR PLANNER	
Fri 3 Nov	7 for 7.30pm Rode Roxy Return –see page 9 for further details
Sat 4 Nov	From 6pm Norton St Philip Firework Display see page 41 for details
Mon 6 Nov	12.15pm Monday Lunch Club see page 26 for details
Fri 10 Nov	7pm Puddings & Prosecco see page 42 for further details
Sat 11 Nov	REMEMBRANCE DAY - 2 minutes silence at 11am
Sun 12 Nov	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 2 minutes silence at 11am 10.45 Rode Remembrance Sunday Parade & Service see page 10 for details
Mon 4 Dec	12.15pm Monday Lunch Club Christmas Extravaganza see page 26 for details
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