

BLEADON PARISH NEWS



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Weekly Opportunities to Visit the Clerk	
Bleadon Café every Tuesday, 9am-12pm	
Monthly Opportunities to Raise Questions and Listen to Discussions	
Full council meetings <u>every second Monday</u> of the month at the Coronation Hall at 7pm. Residents have 3 minutes each to speak with the council.	
Extra-ordinary Meetings – ad hoc dependent on issues raised	
Can be called by residents or BPC. <u>Dates</u> will be displayed in advance on noticeboards and BPC website	
Residents Annual Parish Meeting 2025 (APM)	
28th April 2025, 7:30pm at Coronation Hall - A meeting held for residents to openly discuss any parish issues and concerns, likes and dislikes. (This is NOT a council meeting) Key issues raised can be fed into the council's AMPC in May.	
Bleadon Parish Council's Annual Meeting 2024 (AMPC)	
May 2025, 7pm Similar format to the monthly meetings.	

Parish Council Chairman's Address



Dear Parishioners,

After 12 weeks without a village clock, the Parish Council is happy to report that it is fully regilded and restored within the budget of £7,000.

My thanks to everyone who contributed. Our thanks to Timsbury Clocks for an excellent job and to St Peter & St Paul Church for their cooperation. I hope it will not require regilding for another 60 years. The Parish Council has received many positive comments.

An information board is to be erected by the village cross with names of everyone who contributed so generously.

On a more serious matter, namely footpaths – from Rectory Lane to Purn Way, the clerk and I have been pressing North Somerset Council and Edenstone to get the wicket gate at the western end repaired. It is now six months since the path was resurfaced and it seems neither party wants to get the job completed.

For those of you who have any thoughts about their local lane, now that winter and the darker evenings are upon us, I would urge you to contact [North Somerset Highways Footpaths Team](#) or speak to one of our District Councillors, either [Cllr Terry Porter](#) or [Cllr Mike Solomon](#).

May I wish you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Cllr Mary Sheppard (Chairman)

New Noticeboards

New Parish noticeboards are now in place. The previous noticeboards were very tired and unfortunately two had to be retired on safety grounds. The new noticeboards have enclosed (locked) sections for 'official' business and community notices. There is also now an open central section which can be used for events or general information. The Parish Council will continue to manage the Council noticeboards and priority will continue to be given to community organisations and events. However, there is no longer the need to submit flyers/leaflets to the Council (by email, halls post box or via the village shop) – you can post them yourselves if you prefer. In total, there are 4 Parish Council noticeboards at the following locations:

Purn Way – adjacent to the Farm Shop

Celtic Way – adjacent to the Bus Stop at the junction with Roman Road

The Veale – adjacent to the bench

The Mill – adjacent to the layby

There is also a noticeboard at the Coronation Halls – on the wall by the main entrance – which is shared between the Coronation Halls and the Parish Council. This is primarily for Parish Council formal notices and information about hall activities. However, space permitting, it is also used to provide details of other events/activities.

Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank you for your all support this year.

Cllr Jo Gower-Crane (Editor)



Deadline for mid March 2025 to end of June 2025 edition is **16 Feb 25**.

Please contact: jogc@bleadonparishcouncil.co.uk

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This newsletter can be found in colour with links, on the BPC website at www.bleadonparishcouncil.co.uk/news-and-events/newsletters, with editions from Issue 1 onwards on Bleadon BOB at www.bleadon.org.uk/villagenews

Bleadon Farm Shop

Coming up on **Friday 6th Dec is our Christmas Late Opening evening until 8pm**. Don't miss the prize draw, mince pies, mulled wine, craft stalls, carol singing and much more!



Our **Christmas dinners** for groups of 8 or more start on Monday 2nd Dec, Mon-Fri. Call Bev to book your table and choose your menu on 01934 815584

Another date for your diary is our **Spring Wine Tasting** on Friday 7th February 2025. Includes a charcuterie platter, cheeseboard and petits fours @ £40 per person this is going to be a spectacular evening!



**Wishing all our customers
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

Charlotte & Alistair House

Christmas Opening times 2024

Date	Shop	Cafe	PO
Tues 24 th Dec Christmas Eve	9am-1pm	9am-12pm Breakfast/coffee only	9am-1pm
Wed 25 th Dec Christmas Day	Closed	Closed	Closed
Thurs 26 th Dec Boxing Day	Closed	Closed	Closed
Fri 27 th Dec	Normal	Opening	Hours
Sat 28 th Dec	Normal	Opening	Hours
Sun 29 th Dec	Normal	Opening	Hours
Mon 30 th Dec	Normal	Opening	Hours
Tues 31 st Dec New Year's Eve	Normal	Opening	Hours
Wed 1 st Jan 2025 New Year's Day	Closed	Closed	Closed
Thurs 2 nd Jan onwards	Normal	Opening	Hours

Reporting of Problems to North Somerset Council

Over the last couple of months, the Parish Council has reported some 40 issues to North Somerset Council relating to potholes, blocked drains, streetlight faults and unsafe surfaces. It would be fair to say that progress has been mixed.

Issues to do with streetlights have largely been addressed and we've seen some of the potholes filled. However, in other instances the responses are more vague and, unfortunately, in about a quarter of the cases after almost 3 months we haven't had a response.

The Parish Council is committed to getting the best for Bleadon residents. So, we will continue to press for resolutions. Whilst we are always happy to report issues on behalf of residents, we would also ask you to report issues for yourselves and let us know that you've made the report. In fairness to North Somerset Council, they will be managing many competing demands and one report may not register highly.

However, if lots of us are reporting the same issues then it may have more of an impact. And, in the context of current budget discussions it is important that we provide North Somerset Council with the details of where there are very genuine issues which need addressing within the Parish.

North Somerset Council use an on-line system for reporting faults. It is easy to use but as mentioned above it does have some limitations. The on-line reporting tool can be found at <https://n-somerset.gov.uk/report-or-request-it>

Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Bleadon Market



Coronation Halls Trust ([Chairty No. 1042602](#))

Silent Auction

February 22nd, 2025 – 7:30pm
Coronation Hall, Bleadon
Tickets £5 each

A chance to have a clear out of all the things you have been meaning to throw out, but haven't quite got round to it! Unwanted presents that are put in a drawer and forgotten about, even Christmas presents you don't really need!

This is a fun night with cheese, wine and a bar. All the proceeds will be helping with the upkeep our lovely halls, here in Bleadon.

Please contact Betty on 01934 812 183
To arrange collection, or delivery
[No rubbish, thank you]

Planning – or should that be Planting – Ahead

We've already started work on planting schemes for next year and there are going to be a few changes to the arrangements for this year:

We've already planted spring and summer flowering bulbs at both laybys on Roman Road – using native species to reflect the fact that the laybys are in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.



The process of fitting out the polytunnel at the allotments has started so that we can try and bring on plug plants rather than buy ready grown plants.



In the past we have been able to get some plants free from North Somerset Council but there is no certainty that this will continue.

To buy ready grown plants would cost us somewhere in the order of £700. By buying plug plants we think this cost will be around £300.

However, it does rely upon myself and the Clerk to bring the plants on and neither of us would confess to being particularly green fingered! So, we are definitely open to offers of support.

The Jubilee Gardens planting area has now been lined with a weed control membrane and filled with soil in readiness for planting up in the Spring.

Councillor Andy Scarisbrick
(Vice-chairman of Council)



ROBIN HOOD & THE BABES IN PURN WOOD
QUEENS ARMS PANTO 2024



6.30'ISH SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER

PRIZE RAFFLE IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES

Bleadon WI



Bleadon WI is a thriving group of 105 members meeting on the second Thursday of the month in the coronation hall. This year we have continued our community collections for the food and clothes bank and raised over £7600 for local charities such as the Children's Hospice Southwest.

We have subgroups covering creative writing, skittles, supper clubs, walking, several book clubs and an award-winning choir. We have enjoyed diverse speakers recently from Road safety, Food demonstrations from Amy Nancolis, dancing to keep fit and environmental awareness from Surfers Against Sewage.

After completing our knitted and crocheted poppies for remembrance day commemorations we will be concentrating on the W.I. carol concert. We will also be taking part in a **Christmas singalong at the Queens Arms pub on December 13th at 6pm**. Everyone is very welcome to join us at either event, we'd love to see or hear you there.

The Bleadon Belles

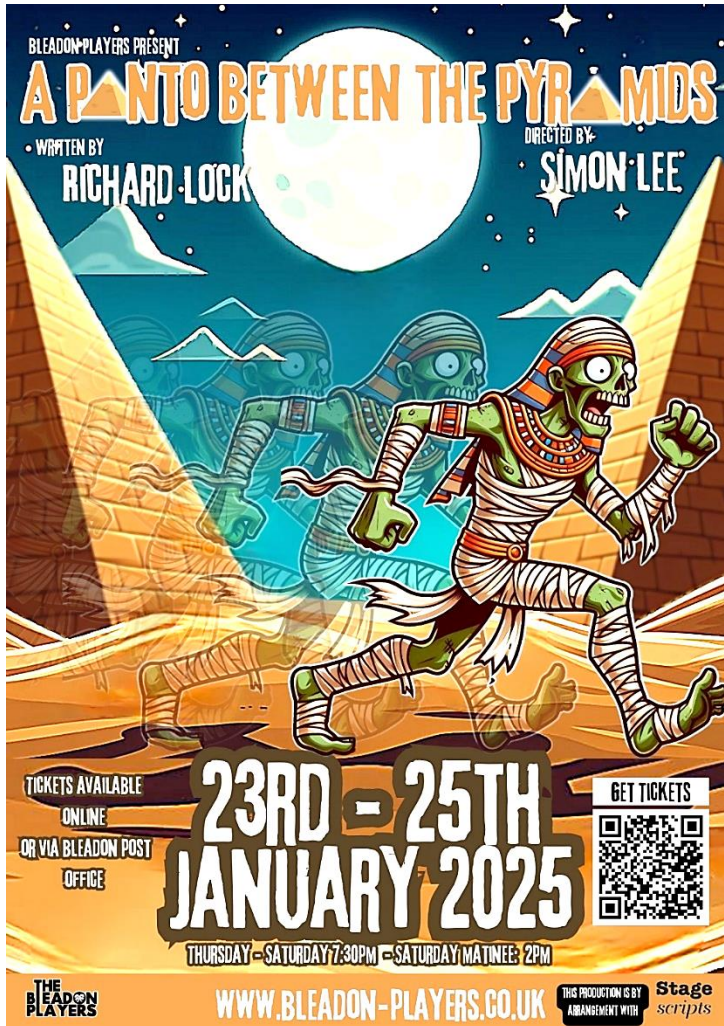
The Belles are busy preparing for the **WI Christmas Carol Service**. You are very welcome to join us at **Bleadon Parish Church on Friday 6th December at 6.30 pm**. In an exciting new venture we will be one of the choirs and bands performing at the **SS Great Britain Victorian Christmas on Sunday 8th December between 12 noon and 3pm**. You can come along, join in and enjoy all the other Christmas activities.

See: <https://www.ssgreatbritain.org/things-to-do/victorian-christmas-weekends/>



Bleadon Players Panto

A town in ancient Egypt is plagued by the Mummy's curse! But all is not quite what it seems as the 'curse' is actually fake news. The Evil Pharaoh Roche (he's nuts) aided by his bumbling assistant Scarab have managed to convince the whole town that a Mummy stalks around the streets at night.




BLEADON PLAYERS PRESENT
A PANTO BETWEEN THE PYRAMIDS
WRITTEN BY **RICHARD LOCK**
DIRECTED BY **SIMON LEE**

TICKETS AVAILABLE
ONLINE
OR VIA BLEADON POST
OFFICE

**23RD - 25TH
JANUARY 2025**

THURSDAY - SATURDAY 7:30PM - SATURDAY MATINEE: 2PM

GET TICKETS



THE BLEADON PLAYERS

WWW.BLEADON-PLAYERS.CO.UK

THE PRODUCTION IS BY
ARRANGEMENT WITH **Stage scripts**

Online family ticket is only £28

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bleadon-players>

Next Years Budget & Precept Setting

At its meeting on 9th December 2024, the Council hopes to be in a position to set its provisional budget for 2025/26. You may have picked up through the press that North Somerset Council is facing some budget challenges and part of its response to this is to suggest that Town and Parish Councils might ‘take on’ some services to prevent them being withdrawn.

Part of the ‘logic’ behind this proposal is that District/County level authorities such as North Somerset Council are capped (by Central Government) in terms of how much money they can raise locally, whereas Town and Parish Council are not capped. This isn’t a new approach and the Parish Council has previously taken on services which would otherwise have been withdrawn by North Somerset Council e.g. the public toilets. However, we do have some concerns and questions and are still waiting to see the detail behind these proposals and we have been urging North Somerset Council (since August) to be clear about its thinking so that we can be clear with you as parishioners about the services which might be affected.

Based upon our current understanding, the areas being considered by North Somerset Council for 2025/26 largely relate to services which are not anyway provided by North Somerset Council within Bleadon e.g. play areas, or where the budgetary effects might be relatively minor. As a consequence, we plan to set a provisional budget in December and finalise the budget and formally set the Parish Precept at our January meeting.

The preferred position of the Parish Council is to have no effective change in the Parish Precept compared to the current year. We still feel that this is achievable, but we will need to fully understand North Somerset Council’s position before coming to any final conclusion.

Councillor Ann Davies (Lead Councillor for Finance) and
Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Almost Time to Play

We are inching closer to finalising legal agreements which would see a significant sum of money being available to invest in play provision within the Parish. In the Summer we asked for some of your thoughts. Thank you to those that responded as it has helped shape our thinking. There were some specific issues raised but by way of a summary:

- The existing play area already provides for the 5-12 age range so it would be good to have more things for teenagers and toddlers.
- More accessible play equipment for children with disabilities or additional needs.
- Recognising the impact of noise arising from the play area with increased use.
- Keeping the rural nature of the play area.

Some of the issues raised are easier to address than others. For instance, I'm afraid we aren't going to be able to introduce zip lines or cycle/skate parks as we simply don't have the space. However, we do have some suggestions which we would like to put to you.





The first relates to the existing play area. On the following two pages of this pull-out section we've included some examples of items of equipment we're considering for the play area. You'll see that there is a 'Yes/No' box next to each image. If you think this is the sort of thing we should install, then please fill in the box of the relevant image (you can pick as many as you like), tear out this centre page and post it in the black 'Parish Council' postbox on the old front entrance of the Coronation Halls. The images are examples only. For instance, there are lots of different types of activity panels so we're asking for your view about activity panels generally rather than the particular one used in the image.

The second relates to the area we call 'Pea Green' which is the small area of space next to the toilet block. Our suggestion for this area is to install some gym type equipment for both older children and adults to use. We would potentially be looking at a range of equipment with some competitive 'side-by-side' machines and some focussed more upon movement and dexterity. One company has provided us with an image (at no cost) of how this might look. This is on the fourth page of this pull-out section. There is also a tick box next to this image.

The final part of this pull-out section is an open comments box for you to let us know about anything else which you might feel is relevant – including if you disagree with any of our suggestions - **Craig Bolt** (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Please remove this pull-out section and return it to the Parish Council.

You can let us know what you think by putting ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ against each item and returning this pull-out section to the Parish Council. You can do this by posting it in the **Parish Council letter box**, which is the black letter box on the old front entrance of the Coronation Halls – the entrance which faces on to Coronation Road. Alternatively, you can take a **photo and send it** to parishclerk@bleadonparishcouncil.co.uk

1. Inclusive Basket Swing	Yes/ No	2. Activity Panels	Yes/ No
			
3. See Saw	Yes/ No	4. Carousel	Yes/ No
			

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5. Climbing Net	Yes/ No	6. Swing Seat (Adult & Child)	Yes/ No
			
7. Communication Spot	Yes/ No	8. Sand Crane	Yes/ No
			

Artists Impression – Gym Equipment on Pea Green



Any installation would look to include equipment which addresses a wide age range. Some examples might include equipment designed to help with mobility as well as those designed for a more vigorous workout.



Do you think outdoor gym equipment is a good idea? Yes/No

Any other comments you would like to make:

Public Consultations

All general and planning policy consultations can be found on the North Somerset Council's (NSC) website at <https://n-somerset.inconsult.uk/>.

NSC Budget, Devolution and Regionalisation of Powers and Services

In order to balance its budget North Somerset Council must make total savings of over £53 million pounds over the three year period of 2025 to 2028 and review the services its providing. Its three-week [engagement exercise](#), intended to ‘understand the priorities of residents and stakeholders’, ended 22 November with a response to be published on 4 December. NSC is also in the process of potentially devolving services to the Towns & Parishes. However, finance no longer follows function, therefore any services taken on may result in an increase in Town & Parish precepts, without necessarily a corresponding decrease in Council Tax. We will keep you informed of progress via our monthly meeting agenda and minutes. Also, see ‘Next Years Budget & Precept Setting’ article above.

At its [17 September NSC Executive Committee](#) meeting councillors proposed **stated its initial preference to join the regional West of England Combined Authority (WECA)**. A member of the public [asked](#), “What are the disadvantages of having a regional WECA mayor? What powers will local people lose? Will NSC have a referendum on joining WECA and having a mayor” These questions and many more will be raised, and hopefully answered, during the devolution process.

The **NSC Local Plan**, that covers all aspects of planning and land use, including agriculture, **is due out for consultation in the New Year**, (See proposed [19 Nov additional development sites report](#) to NSC Scrutiny Committee, that considers Bleadon as one of the larger, most sustainable villages). On [16 October NSC Executive Committee](#), I [asked](#) Executive councillors how they will guarantee that energy, housing and biodiversity/rewilding plans will not adversely affect agriculture land; or the associated **rural culture and heritage of local farming, food production and food security**. Also, how councillors will protect rural communities from the pressure of the NPPF, of joining WECA under its regional mayor, or a duty to cooperate with neighbouring authority plans.

Cllr Jo Gower-Crane (lead for Public Consultations / Engagement)

1st Locking & Hutton – Our Ward Scout Group



Currently 1st Locking and Hutton Scout Group is one of the best-attended groups across the district. Did you know that the Scout group has been running for 85 years this year? **Part of our fundraising this year and next is to try and raise £30,000** for something very special for the group - Kandersteg 2026. Kandersteg is based in the hills of Switzerland and houses an all-year-round jamboree, one of Baden Powells (the founder of Scouting) wishes, and we would love to take the children there. We have already raised around £6000 and we will be continuing to raise where we can to make this a reality for the group, so everyone can experience something that otherwise they never could. We have a long way to go, maybe you would like to help? You can email steve.debruin@sky.com, call or text me on 07789074623, simply let us know, or donate on our just-giving page www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/scoutskanderstag1stlockingandhutton.

We are again bringing the **Santa Float** to the village again this year in December, raising much-needed funds to keep the group going through the year. We hope to see you there. Thank you all for your support, we are only a small part of a fantastic community, but nonetheless, we feel an important part of it in giving the children skills and memories that will last a lifetime.
Steve Debruin (Scout Leader)

Remembrance Day

This year the reading at St Peter & St Paul church, ‘Jeremiah Buys a Field During the Siege’, was read by Cllr Andy Scarisbrick (Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council), with a wreath being laid by the Chairman, Cllr Mary Sheppard, at the village market cross. A number of wreaths were also displayed in the church.



Edenstone Event



Discounted home energy surveys in North Somerset

A home energy survey is a great first step to make your home more sustainable, helping you to save energy and money in the long term. If you live in North Somerset, you can get an exclusive £250 discount on a home survey. With a survey, you can better understand the upgrades you could make to improve the energy efficiency of your home, sometimes called 'retrofit.'

To be eligible for £250 off a home survey, you must:

- Live in North Somerset.
- Own your home.
- Be able to book and complete your survey by 31 December 2024.

[Explore your survey options](#) and follow the instructions to book. The survey takes 1-2 hours and costs £199 with the voucher discount.

Centre for Sustainable Energy

Youth Club ([Charity No. 304492](#))



Some may wonder what goes on in the Soviet-style, grey, box-like building that looms over the Coronation car park. It's not very inviting from the outside, but inside you'll discover a colourful welcome for young, old and everyone in between.

Around 1967/68 the youth centre building was erected on land leased under a Trust Deed from the parish council. Prior to that the plot was used as an allotment. The parish council still own the land and we pay the council £50 each year as rent.

The building and its subsequent development as a youth club was largely down to the energetic support of local resident Colin Sandford. He and his wife Ann were employed by Somerset County Council as youth club leaders. Until this time the youth club operated out of the Coronation Hall, which was not an ideal arrangement.

The new youth club building opened in 1968 and was funded by grants 50% from Government, 25% Somerset County Council and 25% Mr Sandford's activities as an inspiring fundraiser. The sports room, music room and toilets were added to the front of the building in the early 70s.

Management of the Youth Club building is vested in a management committee composed of not more than nine adults. The committee are responsible for maintenance and management of the building. Ensuring that the building remains safe and welcoming for all users. Plus raising the funds to do so.

Since North Somerset Council withdrew support 12 years ago we commission the YMCA to provide a weekly youth club session. The YMCA provide the two or three professional staff to run the Thursday evening youth club session. Parents and youngsters can rest assured that they are in safe hands. Us slow horses are not involved with managing the youngsters or their challenges.

For many youngsters the youth club is their first social experience liberated from parents and school. For just £2 a session youngsters from 10 years up can enjoy the regular fixtures of table tennis, pool, table soccer, video gaming, making music, craft and cooking. Most just want to chill and hang out with friends on the sofas. Or run around the play area. Occasionally seeking advice from the YMCA youth workers. The 'sugar hit' tuck shop is always popular.

A community venue for all

It costs around £10,000 a year to maintain and operate the building, plus another £5,000 to run the youth club sessions. This means that significant funds have to be constantly raised through hiring out the venue and fund raising to keep things going. We have a wonderful community here in Bleadon that come to the fore when fund-raising events take place. We hope to see your support at the forthcoming Queens Arms panto and next year's May Fayre.

Keith Pyke

Bleadon Parish Council Says 'Thank you'

There are many people within the Parish who give up their time to try and make it a better place to live. There are teams of people who help us deliver this newsletter, plant up and water the flower tubs and help maintain the churchyard. Both sets of halls are managed by volunteers and much of the work of the Church could not happen without the support of volunteers. Even Parish Councillors are volunteers. Add to that the tireless work of those who organise the monthly markets and the range of other community and seasonal events and it's a heady mix of people committed to doing the best for Bleadon residents. We don't say it often enough, but 'Thank You' to all of those involved – and for those not yet involved, there is plenty waiting for you to sink your teeth into.

We also wanted to say 'Thank You' to those who don't live within the Parish but have, nevertheless, helped us solve some of our challenges: The Chief Executive Officer of Openreach who (on a Sunday morning!) personally intervened and authorised the removal of the telegraph pole next to the Youth Hall at no cost to the Parish; Individuals at Mendip Hills AONB for fully funding the works at Roman Road layby; Heidelberg Quarries (Cheddar) for donating the stone we have used to fill gabions in the churchyard to make safe a number of grave markers which would otherwise have had to be laid down; and the property team within the Diocese of Bath & Wells who responded so positively and quickly to the Parish Council's request to clear the heavily overgrown site adjacent to the Rectory.

Councillor Andy Scarisbrick (Vice-chairman of Council)

What Instead - Second Day of the May Day Fair

This was a weekend based around the Church and our Harvest Festival time. We invited exhibits for display in the Church over the weekend on the theme of Harvest/Autumn and we had lots of beautiful and colourful exhibits including fruit, vegetables and flowers, wreaths, etc. made by people in the village. During the Saturday there were refreshments and the Church was 'manned' by volunteers so that folk could come and look round at all the exhibits. The displays were left in place for our Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 6th Oct at 10.15 am. Rev. Tim Erridge-our Rector led the Service.

Our Harvest meal took place at the Riverside Holiday Park. They were happy to provide a Carvery lunch (standard or small plate) and a range of sweets/desserts for a reasonable price and we were looked after very well by the Manager Lee Grant and his team. By people booking free tickets from the Churchwardens we were able to give him expected numbers of attendees. They served 38 of us and everyone enjoyed their meal. It was lovely to share time together and getting to know some new people too. 28 people came along when we did this last year so it is catching – on!

After the meal we had a 'talk' from Jackie, a representative of the charity, The Ripple Effect (used to be called Send a Cow). Jackie told us about their work in various regions of South Africa, where they enable people to set themselves up to make some money to help their families and their village to obtain what they need, She had some very thought provoking stories and pictures to show what a difference they can make. **£320 was donated for the charity**, collected at the Service and after the meal.

The donated dried, tinned and bottled food donated, with the fresh vegetables and fruit used in the displays, were taken to the Food Bank in the Healthy Living Centre, Bournville. They sent Bleadon Church a lovely thank you letter both for the produce and packages from the Harvest Festival and also for the weekly donations given by members of the congregation during the rest of the year.

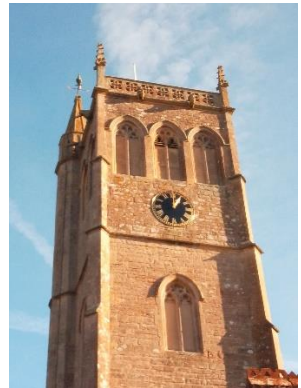
Thank you to all who created displays, volunteered in the Church, served refreshments, donated produce and/or money, came to the meal, gave people lifts, etc., - too many to mention by name. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and were chatting and getting to know each other better. It was a lovely event.

Sara Hughes

It's Back!

Looking resplendent, the restored clock face was put back in place a couple of weeks ago.

Our thanks to Timsbury Clocks for their work and to all those within the Church of St Peter & St Paul and the Diocese of Bath & Wells who made the project possible.



As the Chairman has indicated in her opening remarks, we are now working on an information panel to provide some background to the history of the clock and recognize benefactors – past and present.

Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Rooms for Hire

Whatever your requirement, whether it be for an event, meeting, or party, show your support for the community and hire a local space.

- Bleadon Café
 - Contact Charlotte on 01934 815584
- Church Room
 - Contact Sara Hughes – 01934 811008
- Coronation Hall & Jubilee Room
 - Contact Robin Flavell - 01934 812218 / 07724 010715
or email: bleadoncoronationhalls@gmail.com
- Youth Club
 - Contact Keith on 07757 012862
or email: keith.pyke@btopenworld.com





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Drop in and speak to PCSO Steve Hemmett, whether you want advice on how to protect your belongings, arrange for free bike security marking, more information about the work we are doing in your area, or you want to raise a concern about an issue in your community.

Time: 12:00 till 13:30

Date: 4/9/24 2/10/24 6/11/24 4/12/24
5/2/25 5/3/25

Their will be no attendance in January 2025

Location: Bleadon Riverside Holiday village
Bridgewater road BS240AN

For more information please visit:

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/your-area

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Cllr Roles & Responsibilities for the New Financial Year

Portfolio Responsibility	
Affordable housing	All Cllrs
Allotments	Cllr Sheppard
Bus Stops	Cllr Sugg
Churchyard/Church Walls	Cllr Sheppard
Climate Change & Biodiversity	Cllr Gower-Crane
Contactus/Social Activities/Targeted Support/Grants	Cllr Davies
Drains	Cllr Sugg
Finance	Cllr Davies
Food Security	Cllr Gower-Crane
Halls/Car Park Environs	Cllr Davies
Highways – Safety/Signage/Parking/PC laybys	Cllr Sugg
Historic Structures – Market Cross, Pump/Well	Cllr Sugg
Neighbourhood Watch & Community Safety	Vacant
Open Spaces Working Group Chair	Cllr Sheppard
Parish Clock	Parish Clerk
Parish News Working Group Chair	Cllr Gower-Crane
Planning	Cllr Clarke
Planting schemes	Cllr Scarisbrick
Public Engagement/Consultations	Cllr Gower-Crane
Public Rights of Way	Cllr Sugg
Public Toilets	Cllr Davies
Outside Organisations	
ALCA North Somerset Group	Cllr Clarke & Cllr Gower-Crane
Bleadon Youth Club	Cllr Scarisbrick
Church Liaison	Cllr Clarke
Coronation Hall Management Committee	Cllr Davies & Cllr Sheppard
NSC Standards Sub-Committee	Cllr Clarke
Play Area	All Cllrs as Trustees
District Councillors & MP	
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Bleadon Village

MONTHLY

MARKET

Saturday

7th

Dec

18th

Jan

15th

Feb

15th

March

Coronation Hall and Jubilee Hall

BS24 0PG

9.30am – 12 noon

30+ stalls with:

Fresh local produce.

Goat Meat, Milk, Cheese, Local Beef, Lamb, Pork, Bakery, Eggs.

Pies, Savouries, Preserves, Cakes, In Season Veg, Plants.

Books, Crafts, Jewellery, Collectables, Gifts, Toys.

Bric-a-Brac.

Something new every month.

Delicious locally sourced refreshments.

Find us on Facebook and Instagram

**Bleadon
Church
2024:**

**We invite
you to our
Special
Christmas
Services:**



Our Crib Service at 4.30pm on Christmas Eve: a special yet informal service for young and old alike. We sing carols and build our Crib together.

Our Christmas Eve Communion at 8.00pm: a unique moment of celebration in any year. All who seek to respond in love to the love of Jesus, "God with us", are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion.

Our Christmas Day informal worship at 10.15am: A simple space to sing carols and reflect together on the wonder of Christmas

All these services will take place in the church
(Find us at BS24 0PG)

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