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Editorial

The summer is over but it is still nicely warm as I write this in the middle of September. All the pop up camp sites have closed and the roads are a bit clearer as the tourist character has changed from families to retired couples. Hopefully the businesses have had a good end of season trading session.

The planning application for social housing off West Street is now on the Dorset Council planning portal – go to <https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/> and look for number 6/2021/0405; land to the rear of 90 to 102 West Street. The Parish Council will be holding a public meeting on 22nd of October for everyone to have their say. There are more details about this in the Parish Council news in this edition of the CVN.

The Corfe Castle Charity has asked me to remind everyone that they own alms-houses in the village at Jubilee House, St Edward's Close and Uvedale Court. The Charity would like to encourage anyone in, or with strong links to, the parish to apply to Mandy Meaker by email cccharity1602@outlook.com if they wish to be considered for Charity housing.

Stephen

Some useful Telephone Numbers

(there are more in the middle of the magazine)

Police non-emergency call line	101
National Electricity Number	105
NHS Emergency Medical Care Service	111
In the event of Gas Leak	0800 111999
Electricity Failure	0800 0727282
Swanage Police Station - out of hours calls rerouted	422004
Swanage Hospital	422282
National Trust outside office hours	07970-595963
Wareham Hospital	552433
Poole Hospital	01202 665511
Bournemouth Hospital	01202 303626
Dorset County Hospital	01305 251150
Corfe Castle Community Library	480760
Dorset CAB Advice Line: Mon – Fri 10am – 4pm	0800 144 8848
The Samaritans	01202 551999
Street Light Defect - SEC Contracting	0800 068 4145
Childline	0800 1111
Dorset Councilor – Cherry Brooks	07512897908

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SPLENDID SEPTEMBER FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH

A community that is engaged and working together can be a powerful force - Idowu Koyenikan.

Public Meeting for Community Land Trust Planning Application - Corfe Castle Parish Council are holding a public meeting followed by an extraordinary full council meeting to determine the official parish response to the planning application to erect 16 affordable homes and four open market homes including access, parking and associated landscaping, drainage and services works off West Street.

The Community Land Trust will give a 10-minute presentation with a brief overview of the application, followed by a 10-minute presentation on behalf of objectors. Following the presentations there will be a 40-minute session for questions from you the public.

Due to the nature of the meeting and the number of people who may wish to ask questions the Parish Council will restrict who can ask questions to those who live in Corfe Castle or have a strong connection in the village and who have registered before the meeting with their intention to raise a comment / question.

PUBLIC MEETING DETAILS:
LOCATION: Village Hall – Main Hall
DATE: Friday 22nd October 2021
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External Audit – The parish council have received the Notice of Conclusion of Audit, from the external auditors, which has been published on the website and posted on the West Street notice board. If you wish to order a copy of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) please contact the clerk on corfecastlepc@aol.com or in writing to 34 Egmont Road, Poole Dorset BH16 5BZ, please note a fee of £3 is chargeable.

Planning Applications – Corfe Castle Parish Council have received 3 planning applications this month:

- P/HOU/2021/02466 – Garth Cottage BH20 5EZ
Recommendation No objection
- P/HOU/2021/02598 – Tapers Barn BH20 5HY
Recommendation No objection, but that the footpath needs to be kept open.
- P/HOU/2021/02713 – 2 Ailwood Farm, BH20 5JA
Recommendation Assuming it is no longer a listed building no objection.

Full details can be found on the Dorset Council website <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning/planning-application-search-and-comment>.

Forward Planning – The council will soon start work on producing a document with the aim of showing our aims for what we want to achieve short and long term. Keep an eye on the Parish Council website for the document. www.corfecastlepc.org.uk.

Next Council Meeting – Monday 11th October at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter room.

Corfe Castle Parish Council contact details:

Clerk – Michelle Harrington, Telephone 01202 670105, email corfecastlepc@aol.com or write to 34 Egmont Road, Poole Dorset BH16 5BZ
Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/CorfeCastlePC>
Website - <https://www.corfecastlepc.org.uk>

Dorset Council update

Mobile Signage - There is still mobile signage around the parish with details such as “Do you need to go to A&E, if not dial 101” this is because it is part of the local resilience forums agreement (Dorset Council, Dorset Police, National Health etc) that whatever is the most urgent item on Covid will be published on these mobile boards, however if needed they can be updated with urgent traffic information at a moment's notice.

Blue Badge Consultation - There is a consultation on going at the moment with regards to Blue Badges as part of the overarching parking charges, along with overnight RV parking, in respect that in some car parks blue badge holders pay and in others they don't. There is a link to the survey on the DC website please feel free to take part.

The Purbeck Heath Grazing project – The Purbeck Heath Grazing project is up and running, with cattle grids being installed at Arne meaning some traffic diversions.

The aim of the project is to keep cows, pigs etc on the heath land area with less roaming restrictions.

Bins – Purbeck has a unique problem, people are being approached and offered packages to move, which DC simply cannot compete with, for example some companies offer to pay for HGV driver training, some offer a golden hand shack, one company is offering £2,500 to move to them. The Army will not come out and help, having asked for help previously on another issue and having been told they have other priorities.

A meeting took place on Monday 13th September with Portfolio holders, where it was discussed using Highway drivers to help cover the issue, and although the driver shortage is not an emergency it is being investigated to allow the use of Highways drivers to help.

During the summer there were issues with refuse vehicles being stuck in traffic jams, along with the ongoing issue which arise from people working at home, having more deliveries, creating more waste specifically recycling. The impact means sometimes crews may only have been able to complete three quarters of a round before the lorry is full and having to go back and empty and simply running out of time before finishing, however DC is investigating this.

If your bin is missed or you see a public bin overflowing report it through the DC website <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-litter/bins-recycling-and-litter>

Garden Waste – The portfolio holder for Garden Waste has said that if people wish to make a claim as this is a specifically paid for service, then refunds can be arranged, however please note this does not apply to general waste as that is a service covered by council tax and not paid for separately. Please contact via email wasteteam@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

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Know your Councillors – Cllr Liz Spicer-Short

I have served on the Parish Council for the past six years. My particular areas of responsibility are God's Acre, the defibrillators and rights of way. I also coordinate the surgery volunteers and with the Crazy 4 Corfe group ran the jigsaw library in the Mead Road phone box over the winter.

We live in East Street and are often around in the village with our dogs. Please do feel free to raise any issues of concern and if I do not know the answer, I'll do my best to find out.

Contact me. - Email cllrespicershortcpc@gmail.com



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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News from the Library



The 'Library Talks' Return with an Afternoon of Local Archive films.

The series of 'Talks in the Library' return this month (but note that they are not always in the library!). We kick off with *Purbeck in the Past on Film* on October 15th 2021 at 2.00pm in the village hall.

The first half of the 20th century was a period of enormous change across the country. Fortunately, a surprising amount of Purbeck life was recorded on film during the 1930's and 40's. This event is an opportunity to view some of these films. Featured among the films to be shown are farming in Church Knowle and the transition from horses to machines also, Corfe Castle and the artists who lived and worked here in the 1930's. Excerpts of a film made in the 2000's show changes to a location that everyone in the village will be familiar with but may have missed!

The intention is that as well as being of local interest the films will also spark the recollections of those present and some discussion.

This was postponed way back at the beginning of Covid 19. The event will be held in the village hall so we can make use of the new projection facilities. We can't be sure what Covid 19 precautions will be in force (or just be sensible to have) even at this stage so please register for this event via email to corfecastlelibrary@gmail.com or via the library.

Talks for the Next three Months

- October 15th 2021 – Martyn Jessop: *Purbeck in the Past on Film*
- November 26th 2021 - Deb Fullbrook and Elmo: *An Afternoon of Photography*.
- December 17th 2021: Zoe Squirrel: *An International Para Dressage Dream*

Further talks will be added as we progress through the year.



Purbeck in the Past on Film

October 15th 2021 at 2.00pm

Corfe Castle Village Hall.

Free but please register – see above.



Library Opening Hours

Monday 3.00 -5.00 p.m.

Wednesday 11.00 -12.00 a.m. and 3.00 -5.00 p.m.

Saturday 10.00 - 12.00 a.m.

Corfe Castle Village Hall CIO, in association with
Artsreach, are pleased to present:

Flats and Sharps

Flats and Sharps is a 4 piece bluegrass group from Penzance. A wide variety of influences results in a fresh outlook on foot-stomping bluegrass material as well as their own powerful and well-crafted songs. Expect strong harmonies, stonking solos and incredible stage presence!

Light refreshments will be available.

Saturday October 9th 2021 at 7.30pm

Tickets (£9 adult, £6 under 18) available from www.artsreach.co.uk or from David on 07590 352219

Corfe Castle Village Hall is a Covid-19 secure venue. Admission is by tickets purchased in advance only - none will be available at the door. Audience members are encouraged to wear face coverings and to consider doing a lateral flow test before attending. Seating will be allocated in advance with some social distancing. The hall will be well ventilated.



Welcome you to our lovely Pre School.

We provide a warm, welcoming, nurturing and inclusive environment that children thrive in. We have a purpose-built setting with access to an outside play area and the Primary school's Forest School.

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Our Kids Club is an extremely popular club that is open during the school holidays 8am - 5:30pm for 2yr – 11yr olds.

We are thrilled to be re-starting our Busy Bees parent and child group from Wednesday 29th September from 9:15am – 10:30am at the Corfe Castle Sports Pavilion. We welcome children from birth – 4yrs with their parent/carers.

For more details about any of the above, or any other queries, please give us a call on 01929 481631, find us on Facebook or send an email to corfecastlepreschl@uwclub.net



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email: corfecastle.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk**



Corfe Castle Primary School

The children have settled back into school well and are enjoying their new class teachers. It has been a wonderful start to the school year and it has been a real delight seeing how hard the children have been working. I am sure that your children are coming home tired at the end of a fabulous but busy school week. The extension to the school day has been a real success and has allowed us to fit the right amount of learning into the afternoon lessons.

There is a real sense of some form of normality coming back to school again and it has been a real pleasure to be able to participate in more activities. We have some children taking part in some of the Purbeck sports events over the next couple of weeks; this is something we are very excited about. Due to restrictions, these have been cancelled for the past 18 months. We also have different musicians coming into school to encourage children to take up an instrument. I am delighted that we have been able to have whole school assemblies again and to allow the children to sing. This has had a real impact in allowing us to feel like a small community again- something that I know we have all missed dearly.

Saving our planet:

We are having a big focus on the environment this year and Miss Harvey has worked hard on installing some new initiatives in school. We now have facilities to recycle batteries and felt tips pens in school. If you have any at home that you would like support to recycle, please feel free to send them into the school office. We have also arranged for a clothes recycling bin to be delivered into the school car park. To the best of my knowledge, there is not one available in the village and therefore we felt the school car park would be a good place to put this vital resource which is accessible to all the community., We are anticipating that it will be delivered by the end of September.

Thank you for your continued support- from all the team at Corfe Castle Primary School.

Church Knowle Parish Council

This month's meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council, as always on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 in the Church Knowle Village Hall, ranged from red paint to the control of dogs.

Red Paint.

A week of two a couple of interesting looking boxes arrived on the doorstep that were the painting kits for BT phone boxes that CKPC have now adopted. Having assured the Council that I had not been tempted to test them on everything from the front door to the cat, we considered what might be done to make use of these icons of British design and manufacture. They have lasted remarkably well and with maintenance are good for generations to come. The two boxes we have adopted have now had their telephones removed and the prevailing suggestion is to make them into information booths with information on the surrounding area. This will enable us to keep them smart while freeing them for other ideas in the future. The box at Furzebrook needs to be painted soonish as it is in a sorry state and a community painting event might be coming up.

The idea of a suggestion box to be collected by the Parish Council was floated and this could well be incorporated. In the meantime and ideas on phone boxes of anything else can be brought up at the monthly meetings, all are welcome, or sent to the clerk at the email at the bottom of the page.

Footpaths.

These are firmly on the agenda and a walking survey is imminent, the excellent Dorset Council rights of way officer Katie Black has been contacted and we will follow this through till they are put back in good order. Thank you to the people who have sent the detailed reports with photographs.

At this meeting a member of the public was granted access to look at the Parish Council Archives to see if he could prove that the historical footpath route does not pass through his front garden. Nobody actually walks through his front garden, there is another perfectly good route that has always been used, but he does not want maps showing the path going through his flower beds. This was a sentiment that was appreciated by the Council, many of whom are keen gardeners, and it offered to assist him in any way it could. Alas it seems that this has been going on for some years and the parties are entrenched.

Dogs.

Many people in the country own dogs and the importance of keeping these under control was discussed at the meeting. The law (Dangerous Dogs Act 1991) requires that all breeds of dog be kept under control and the person in charge of the dog at the time is responsible. This is particularly important in our area of the countryside where there is livestock to consider as well as walkers and hikers on the many public footpaths and rights of way in the parish.

Councillor Vacancies.

The Council was operating at a level of seven out of a full complement of nine councillors but the resignation due to external considerations of Tony Higgs whose steadfastness, experience, dedication and active contributions to the Council and the community will be sorely missed, leaves us with three vacancies. Anyone considering joining the Council can come along to a meeting to see what is involved and can easily apply to join. The process of advertising is overseen by the Dorset Council Electoral Services to ensure that the statutory requirements are met but it is unlikely that there will be more than three applicants (requiring an election) so anyone interested can easily join the Council.

Please contact Andrew Parsons (clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk) to apply or on any Council business.



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Charity number: 1167990

Corfe Castle Surgery

I just wanted to start by saying a big thank you to Corfe Castle Football club who held the Ivan Orchard shield match on Sunday 29th August and have donated to the Surgery from the generous proceeds. It was a fun match to watch and I would like to congratulate all of the players, current team and veterans on their stamina, they did an amazing job in the lovely sunshine! Many thanks to all the people involved in organising the match and of course to the family of Ivan who wanted to raise money for the Surgery and Swanage Stroke club.

We hope to have an update on the Covid booster vaccine by the time you are reading this, rest assured we will be contacting you as soon as we can.

We are pleased to announce that we have a new service available to us at the Surgery in way of an FCP. An FCP is;

A First Contact Practitioner, a physiotherapist who is professionally qualified to treat patients without a referral from a GP or other healthcare professional. FCPs provide the first point of contact whereby those who visit a GP for a musculoskeletal (MSK) problem will instead be able to have an appointment with an FCP physiotherapist.

This is an assessment service to determine if you need to be referred for physio or other investigations and not designed to be for ongoing treatment.

If you think you have a musculoskeletal problem, (relating to the muscles or skeleton; including bones, joints, or tendons) please ask the receptionist for a FCP appointment when booking. These appointments will be limited, and we expect to have Megan here at the Practice for one afternoon per week.

Stay safe.

Kerry Norman - Practice Manager

Patient Participation Group

The PPG is delighted that during the last few weeks we have, as hoped, been able to involve ourselves in more face-to-face activities.

The main event was Corfe Castle Football Club's Charity Football Match held in memory of Ivan Orchard, an old friend of the village. The Surgery and PPG came along to give it our support and to thank as many members of the Club

as possible for their very generous decision to donate half the money raised to the Surgery. Our new PPG banner had its first airing on the pavilion railings- it looked great! The event was a triumph. Congratulations to all those who overcame two frustrating Covid-related postponements and organised it superbly. August 29th was a perfect summer day (yes, there were a few of those) with wall-to-wall sunshine. The two teams played with great spirit. The full-time score of 4-4 led to a penalty shoot-out! The barbeque was delicious. We were all having such a good time that no one was in a hurry to leave or go on to the afternoon quiz. That included those of us PPG members who'd come along: we were given such a warm welcome! Very many thanks to the Club. We will let you know the amount raised by the Club to go towards getting a blood pressure monitor 'pod' for us all to use in the Surgery.

Our Carers' Time coffee mornings have resumed. Reminder: they are on the last Thursday of every month in the Community Room at the Village Hall from 10.0 till 12.0. The next one will be on Thursday 28th October. Be sure that if you come along you will be given a very warm welcome.

Several members of the PPG are helping the Surgery at their two Saturday annual flu vaccination clinics. The second one is on October 16th 9.0-12.0. Winter flu may be widespread this year and as we had so little contact with other people last year our immunity may be low so do come along and get jabbed if you can. Then after your jab, if the weather is kind, please join us for some restorative coffee and cake at the Surgery's Macmillan coffee morning. It will be in their garden to keep us all safe so we shall have to cancel it if the weather's dreadful. Let's hope for a golden October day. Macmillan is a charity close to our hearts. We'll hope to see you there.

September 23rd (after this goes to press) will have been an important day for the PPG as it will have held its first face-to-face meeting in over a year. Update next month. So much has changed since we last met and so much remains uncertain that our approach will be one of new beginnings. We will have reviewed the experiences of the last eighteen months and looked at what tentative plans we can make to move forward within the ongoing constraints of the pandemic. Our top priority will without doubt be, as always, to support the Surgery and the wellbeing of its staff and patients. Dr Lepper and his team deserve all the support we can give them as the winter sets in.

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Jon Phillips. Chairman, Friends of Corfe Castle Surgery.

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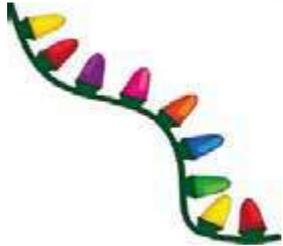


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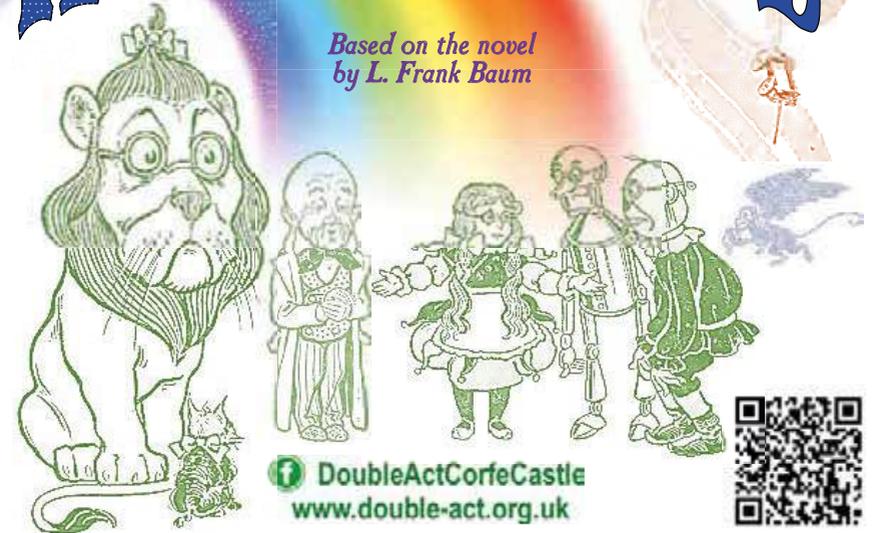
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Village Hall Coffee Morning:

The coffee morning on September 4th saw the return of stalls selling books, clothes and bric-a-brac. We will be offering the same "fill a bag for £1" opportunity at the next coffee morning on October 2nd. Many thanks for all those who attended last month; £293.41 was raised for Village Hall funds.

Covid 19:

The Trustees are mindful that the pandemic is not yet over and that our community contains many people who are or maybe just feel vulnerable and that they all have a right to expect a safe environment when using the village hall.

Bookings are still subject to the amended Special Conditions of Hire, as published on the website www.corfecastlevillagehall.co.uk. Users should note that cleaning and sanitizing must still be carried out before and after each event to ensure that the next users can feel they are entering a safe environment.

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Artsreach:

We are delighted that Artsreach are continuing to facilitate high class drama, dance and music events in rural village halls throughout Dorset. The talented four-piece bluegrass outfit **Flats and Sharps** will be entertaining us in Corfe Castle Village Hall on the evening of **Saturday October 9th** (see advert elsewhere in the CVN).

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- **Tues. Oct. 5th at 2.00pm** - Councillor Josey Parish of the Corfe Castle Parish Council Environmental Group giving a flavour of their role and sustainable projects, to which all Corfe Castle Probus Members and other guests are cordially invited.
- **Autumn Fayre** – Saturday. October 16th
- **Nov.** - Patti Sandham – Yoga
- **Dec.** – Christmas fun, making Christmas crackers and heart cards

At our last meeting we had an excellent and extremely interesting talk from Ann Brown from the Shire Hall Historic Court House. We also had a wonderful display of twiddle blankets made by our members. We were a little disappointed with the number of people attending but it was a glorious day and many people were away having a well-earned break now that the schools have returned. However we would welcome any feedback about how we could encourage more members to come to our monthly meetings.

Sat. morning Oct. 16th - Autumn Fayre in Village Hall with refreshments and a variety of stalls including delicious homemade cakes and savouries, raffle, collectibles, plants and produce eg jams and chutneys, books/toys for sale. There will also be a chocolate tombola. All contributions to any stall will be gratefully received including raffle prizes. This is a big fund-raising event for our two local charities, Dorset Children's Foundation and The Besom so it would be great to have a good turnout.

If you would like to run your own stall there will be a charge of £5 for adults and £3 for youth run stalls.

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If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.

1	October	Friday	Evening	Ball and Socket on stage at the Corfe Castle Village Hall
2	October	Saturday	10.15	Village Hall Coffee Morning
2	October	Saturday	7 for 7.30pm	Double Act family quiz – Corfe Castle Village Hall
5	October	Tuesday	2pm	Aquarius talk by Josey Parish on the Corfe Castle Environment group
7	October	Thursday	8 pm	Gardening Club talk by Rachel Fooks in the Corfe Castle Club.
9	October	Saturday	7.30 pm	Flats and Sharps Artsreach production – Village Hall
11	October	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall.
12	October	Tuesday	7pm	Movie Night – Official Secrets – Harmans Cross Village Hall
15	October	Friday	2.00pm	Purbeck in the Past on film – library film show in the Village Hall
16	October	Saturday	9.30am – 12 noon	Stalls in the Hall. Harmans Cross Village Hall
16	October	Saturday	10am – 12 noon	Aquarius autumn fair in Corfe Castle Village Hall
30	October	Sunday	11am – 4pm	Car boot sale for Swanage defibrillator – Greystone Court, Kingston

All details are correct as at publishing date, but please check with the organization involved before attending any events.

2	November	Tuesday	2pm	Aquarius talk on yoga by Patti Sandham – Corfe Castle Village Hall
11	November	Thursday	11am	Remembrance Day 2 minute silence – Corfe Castle Square
18 – 20	November	Thursday - Saturday	7.30 pm	Double Act Wizard of Oz in the Village Hall – Matinee 20 th at 2.30pm.
20	November	Saturday	2.30 pm	Double Act Wizard of Oz in the Village Hall Matinee
26	November	Friday	2pm	Deb Fulbrook – An afternoon of photography in the Library
28	November	Sunday	10am – 2pm	Christmas Gift Fair – Corfe Castle Village Hall
4	December	Saturday	4.30 for 5pm	Lights switch on and arrival of Father Christmas – Corfe Castle Square
4	December	Saturday	7 pm	CC Football Club Cheese and Wine Pig Racing Corfe Castle Village Hall
17	December	Friday	2 pm	An international Paralympic dressage dream – Zoe Squirrel - Library

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The Reverend Anne Bond writes:

Last month I promised to write about the downside of being a Christian, and to mention church. Perhaps I should say here that I am writing as the perfectly ordinary human being that I am, simply using my training as a priest to try and explain from my own experience about Christianity.

If you discover that God exists, everything changes. If your senses tell you that God actually IS, it follows that the Jesus story is likely to be true as well; so you want information about him, which means reading The Bible. But the Bible is daunting to tackle from scratch. The Scripture Union publishes various Bible Reading guides giving you a small section to read every day and then explaining it. That helps a lot. You can get them online.

Curiosity about Jesus isn't exactly a downside – but something else is. As you discover more about Jesus and learn to listen to God in your mind and heart, you develop that very inconvenient thing: an extremely bossy Conscience. This is a nuisance. It becomes much more difficult to *do what you know you ought not to do*. Conscience says No. It won't leave you alone. This becomes most obvious when it concerns relationships with people; you find yourself avoiding hurting people at all costs. And if you do hurt someone by mistake – or do something wrong – or deliberately don't do something you ought to have done – you feel really terrible, and the only way you can make yourself feel better is to tell God all about it, ask for forgiveness, resolve not to do it again, and then take action to remedy the situation.

Now: church. When I was a teenager and compelled to attend church at boarding school, I was so terribly bored by it I used to pray for a short illness so I could faint and be carried outside. (God never obliged!) I didn't enjoy church until I could understand it as a gathering of like-minded people together rejoicing in this extraordinary, invisible-but-present, force-for-good, source-of-love, personally communicating Influence we call God.

Church happens in many different ways: in huge churches, in little churches, in village halls, in schools, in peoples' houses, anywhere there is room for people to gather and (usually) sing. Some church services are formal, follow a pattern and use special words; others are simpler and in everyday language; but all of them try to fulfil the spiritual needs of the people gathered there. It is a good idea to find a church whose 'style' fits you, makes you feel comfortable and enables you to expand your awareness of God. Ideally, one should leave a church service feeling enlightened, uplifted and blessed.

With love, Anne.

Bible Readings - October 2021

Sunday October 3 rd	18 th Sunday after Trinity Psalm 8 Genesis 2: 18 – 24 Hebrews 1: 1 – 4; 2: 5 – 12 Mark 10: 2 – 16
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Sunday October 10 th	19 th Sunday after Trinity Psalm 90: 12 – end Amos 5: 6 – 7; 10 – 15 Hebrews 4: 12 – end Mark 10: 17 – 31
Sunday October 17 th	20 th Sunday after Trinity Psalm 91: 9 – end Isaiah 53: 4 – end Hebrews 5: 1 – 10 Mark 10: 35 – 45
Sunday October 24 th	Last Sunday after Trinity Psalm 126 Jeremiah 31: 7 – 9 Hebrews 7: 23 – end Mark 10: 46 – end
Sunday October 31 st	All Saints' Day Psalm 24: 1 – 6 Isaiah 25: 6 -9 Revelation 21: 1 – 6A John 11: 32 – 44
Sunday November 7 th	3 rd Sunday before Advent Psalm 62: 5 – end Jonah 3: 1 – 5; 10 Hebrews 9: 24 – end Mark 1: 14 – 20

NB There will be special readings for the Harvest Services

Sunday Services in October

From October 3rd the service at Corfe will be at 10.30am and at that time thereafter.

This service will be a celebration of harvest and we welcome gifts of dry/tinned goods which will be taken to the Swanage Food Bank. We plan to sing the hymns to organ accompaniment and for the choir to lead the singing. There will be simple refreshments after the service. It

will be good to meet again in this way – we will give thanks for that, as well as being mindful of the difficult time we have been through and continuing to pray for the ongoing situation and needs.’

On October 10th there will be a service for the whole of our St Aldhelm’s Benefice. This will be at St James’ Kingston, and Bishop Karen will preside and preach.

This means there won’t be a service at Corfe Castle on October 10th. Then, from October 17th the service at Corfe Castle will be at 10.30.

The service at Kingston on October 10th is to mark the union of the Purbeck Hills Parishes of Kingston, Langton and Worth to become one parish with one PCC. It is good and appropriate that as many as possible gather together to mark this important step in the life of our Benefice.

On October 31st there will be one service for the Corfe Valley parishes and this will be at Church Knowle at 10.30am. This was our practice before the pandemic and, hopefully, it will be a suitable time to begin this again. This will also be a service with a harvest theme.’

For details of the other services in the Benefice during October please see our email circulation or websites.

Ian



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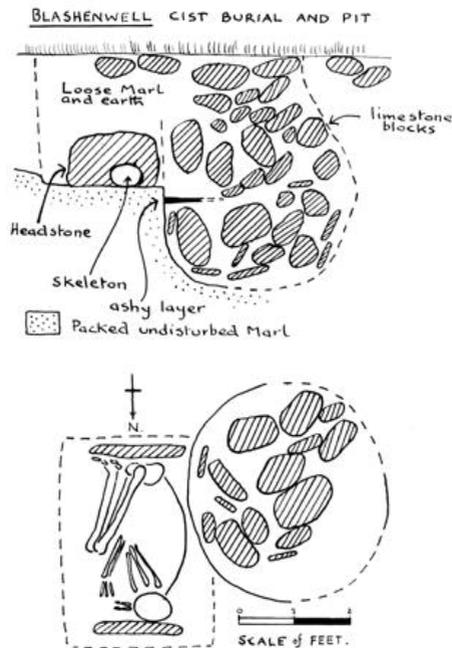
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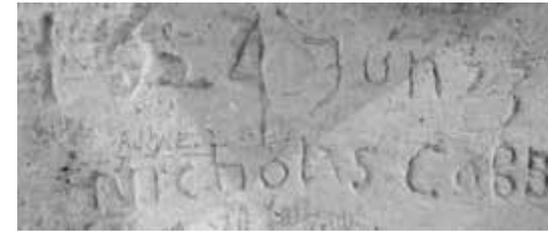
Burials in the Parish

Corfe must be one of the few villages that have three different graveyards owned by three separate organisations. The Diocese of Salisbury owns the churchyard around St Edwards which is run by a body appointed by the church called the Parochial Church Council (PCC for short). This is the oldest Christian burial ground in the village but there are 11 burial mounds (bowl barrows) on the Common dating back to the Bronze Age (over 4,000 years old) and Bronze Age cist burials have been found close to Blashenwell and on the north of the village. Cists were small stone-built, box-like coffins and the one close to Blashenwell was found by the late Tony Brown in the mid 1960s. He lived in the village at East Gate, East Street, where Francis Newbery, the artist lived – the artist who designed *The Gift of Four* in *The Square*.



The Cist Burial close to Blashenwell discovered by Tony Brown in 1965

As far as is known, no Roman burials have been found in the parish or any early Christian inscriptions like Lady St Mary, Wareham. The earliest inscription the parish has is carved into the stone by the door to the ringing chamber in St Edwards' tower dated 23 Jun 1624.



1624: The earliest graffiti done by Nicholas Cobb, a baker in the village

The Revd. Hutchins says that the church of St Edward the Martyr is ancient but even by his day, the church had been battered about a bit by the Roundheads so the burial register only starts in 1668. References to earlier deaths can be found in Wills and in records of the Ecclesiastical Court of Corfe Castle who was able to hold this special court as it was a Royal Peculiar. There are two early 15th century Purbeck marble tablets on the wall in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit which ask for prayers to be said for Robert Rynkyn, his wife Johanna, and their family. In return they paid for the stained glass east window in the church which no longer exists.



The distinctive Lombardic script memorial to Robert Rynkyn & his wife, Johanna

There is a child's Purbeck Marble coffin, also in the Chapel, dating to the 1100s, which is certainly the oldest known burial in the church. It would have occupied a SW angle (due to the carving on the coffin) inside St. Edwards. The remains of King Edward the Martyr, who was murdered here in 978, now reside in the Greek Orthodox Church at Brookwood Cemetery, Surrey.

The Old Cemetery, East Street, now owned by Dorset Council

By the 19th century, the churchyard surrounding St Edward's must have been reaching capacity and it was decided to create a new cemetery along East Street in a meadow called 'Kits Close' belonging to the Bankes family. By



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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club

As an Octogenarian I object, on the month's behalf, to October being moved from its rightful position as the 8th month (Oct = 8, think Octopus, octagon etc).

A fat lot of difference my puny objection is going to make, with millions of people used to and using the name for its current position, but I make it anyway!

Isn't that the way we too often feel about climate change, habitat loss, global warming and all things environmentally sensitive? With millions of people, and their governments, set in their, damaging, ways our objections and our actions are all too puny to make a significant difference.

Or are they? Come to our next meeting on **October 7th** in the CC Club for **8pm** and hear Rachel Fooks, from the CC Parish Council Environmental Group, speak. Her topic is "Helping the environment of Corfe Castle." I'm sure that Rachel will have plenty of suggestions for what we can do to make a difference.

Talking of differences – what a difference a day makes; a Saturday in mid-September to be precise. Five of us got together to restore a semblance of order to the gardens either side of the West Street Car park toilet block. So – Thank you Joy, Ann, Don and Jon for your sterling efforts. With restrictions easing we should now be able to return to more frequent work parties and keep it under control.

The November meeting (4th) will feature Simon Goldsack speaking on "Holme – The making of a new Public Garden." If you have visited recently you will know that it is something to behold, with amphitheatre, arboretum and more.

The recent dry spell has made me conscious of the amount of water our small garden needs to keep the plants happy and prolific. Also how much water we have lost through a water butt that dripped through a slow puncture (Butt since replaced).

Which brings me to Drips. If we have a tap that drips we put a bucket under it to save waste while we get a new washer. When we return, with washer in hand, 3 days later, we find that those small, irritating, drips have nearly filled the bucket. Amazing what a lot of drips can do!

What we do towards improving the environment and protecting our world for those who come after us may seem like we are tiny Drips in a big ocean of

need. But if we all drip together we shall soon fill a bucket of need, and enough bucketsful will, eventually, fill an ocean.

We who love our gardens also, by definition, value our environment.

Go on, be a Drip, like me.

'Drips of the world Unite!' David

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New drop-in has started at **Mill Lane, Wareham Office** - from **Tuesday October 20th, 12-2pm** on a first come, first served basis.



Village Remembrance 2021

The RBL at national level is planning celebrations for 100 years of essential support work for our veterans and their families.

In the village we are planning our normal arrangements.

Monday Nov 1st - Poppies will be on sale. Please be as generous as possible..

Later Tommy will be moved from St Edwards to the church lawns, and at a convenient time our school children will surround him with named wooden crosses of the fallen.



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| Thursday Nov 11 th
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If the Covid situation changes some of our details may also change.

The veterans and their families continue to be very grateful for our support.

George Preston Chairman CC Branch RBL

Corfe Castle Community Land Trust (CLT) - update

The Board of the CLT is pleased to confirm that the planning application has now been formally registered and that Dorset Council has placed it onto the planning portal so it is now available for public scrutiny and feedback.

The Corfe Castle Parish Council will be arranging a public meeting in due course at which the Chairman of the CLT will be presenting the scheme and Councillors will be inviting comments from villagers. Subsequently the Council will meet to consolidate their response to the application.

The CLT housing proposal is designed primarily to provide 16 affordable homes for rent to people with strong village connections. Key drivers of this project are to ensure the long term vibrancy of the village and support for our local schools and businesses.

Looking forward to Christmas.

Whilst enjoying these summer months our thoughts turn to the advent season and plans for the Christmas tree festival which will take place from 4th to 6th December. With charity funding being hit quite badly over the last eighteen months, we hope to once again hold a festival aimed at raising money and awareness to local good causes. We are grateful once again to Revd James Mercer and the Langton PCC for allowing us to take over St George's church Langton for a whole week at the beginning of December to put on the event. Although we cannot be certain if the festival be allowed to go ahead in the usual fashion, we will still work very hard to ensure it will be as enjoyable as previous years. If you would like to participate and decorate a tree for either yourself or your organisation please contact Sandy on (01929 424431) or download an application form which will be available on the church website.

Sandy Garner

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One of the CVN readers recently applied for a GHIC and was surprised to be charged £29.98. She was irritated as the old EHIC was free, but assumed it was something to do with Brexit. She soon found that the GHIC is free on the NHS website, which appears just below the one at the top of the search! On this occasion, a couple of lengthy phone calls to the bank gave the desired result – a refund of the “fee”. A subsequent application to the correct NHS website, yielded the cards within a few days.

The thing to look out for is the word “**Ad**” beside the search results. Just take your time to ensure you are really dealing with who you think you are dealing with!

Corfe Castle Charity

Corfe Castle Charity owns alms-houses in the village at Jubilee House, St Edward's Close and Uvedale Court. The Charity wishes to encourage anyone in, or with strong links to, the parish to apply to Mandy Meaker by email cccharity1602@outlook.com.

Swanage Tennis Club.

We're delighted that Swanage Tennis Club has been chosen to benefit from the Co-op Local Community Fund.

As you can imagine, the last 18 months have been really challenging for small community groups like ours. The pandemic has drastically affected our fundraising efforts, so we're grateful to have this partnership with the local Swanage Co-op.

There are just 10 weeks to go before the funding round closes, and we've just been notified that there's still £17,321.52 of unallocated money because some the local Co-op members haven't selected their local cause yet.

We're urging local members to choose us as their cause so we can deliver our project and help more people in Swanage and surrounding villages access high quality tennis activities.

We're raising funds to resurface and upgrade one of the six tennis courts at Beach Gardens to Astro turf. The new surface will provide improved tennis facilities for members of the public and the tennis club for years to come and for our future generation of tennis players.



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<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/51782>. We really hope that people will visit the Co-op website or download the Co-op app and select us as their Local Community Fund cause so we can continue making a difference.

Alison S M Phin - Swanage Tennis Club

Dear Friends of PICMF



After our joyful festival of music last month there's only one thing left for us to say: - **thank you!**

Thank you to each and every one of you who joined us at a concert, supported the festival, or volunteered your

time and energy behind the scenes. You know who you are and how grateful we are for your support. PICMF would not exist without you.

We are already making plans PICMF 2022, which will take place from **1 to 4 September**. Save the date, have a safe and happy year, and see you soon to make more glorious music in the Isle of Purbeck.

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Kimmeridge News

Kimmeridge BBQ

By the time you read this we will have celebrated with our first village social event for the best part of 2 years! The Village Committee is hosting a BBQ on the patio of the village hall in the museum. Let us hope the weather is good and we have enjoyed the stunning views of sunset over the bay!

Newcomers

I hope we haven't missed any village comings and goings! A big welcome to new people Simon and Sharon and their dogs Winnie and Martha! We hope you'll love living here as much as we do and will enjoy getting involved in village life. Perhaps we'll already have met you at the BBQ!

Coastguard

The Kimmeridge Coastguard volunteers have continued to respond to incidents in Kimmeridge, Swanage, Lulworth and all points between. We thought last year was really busy with 51 callouts; but by early September this figure had already been passed – looks like 2021 may be our busiest ever!

Advance Notice!

Get the date in your diaries, the annual grand village Bingo will be back on 6th Dec in the Village Hall, details to follow.

Vaccinations

Kimmeridge continues to support the vaccination programme in Wareham, with various people involved in stewarding, making drinks, working as Health Care Assistant in one of the vaccinating/monitoring rooms and vaccinating. For a small community we Kimmeridge is certainly pulling its weight!

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As we head into the autumn months it is all change under the sea in Kimmeridge Bay and the wider Purbeck Coast Marine Conservation Zone. The water temperature is starting to fall now, as those hardy sea swimmers will soon notice. Our snorkel trail in Kimmeridge Bay has been removed for the winter to avoid damage during the stormy period ahead. If you didn't get chance to try it out this year then we aim to reinstall it next May.

At this time of year the rock pools are full of babies, whether they be blennies, prawns or crabs. The coming months will be difficult for them as they fight to find food and stay safe from rough seas and winter storms. Some animals move to slightly deeper water to avoid the worst of the waves, while others will hunker down beneath large boulders, only emerging to feed when conditions allow. At this time of year most of the seaweeds in the bay slow down their growth or start to die back as the amount of sunlight is reduced. Other species prefer the weaker strength of the sun and start to grow on the seashore rocks. In particular look out for Purple Laver, a reddish seaweed that covers the rocks of the upper and middle shore and is treacherously slippery to walk on. Being extremely thin and delicate it cannot cope with the strong summer sun and only appears in the autumn and winter months. The unusual Peacock's Tail seaweed, a special feature of the Purbeck Coast Marine Conservation Zone, prefers the warmer water of summer and by October is looking very tatty and coming towards the end of its season. It will soon disappear altogether to emerge again in the rock pools next spring.

The Wild Seas Centre is open every day from 11am until 4pm until Sunday 31st October. Find us by the slipway on the eastern side of the bay.

For more information about Dorset Wildlife Trust, the Centre and our half term events visit www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/wild-seas-centre

Julie Hatcher - Wild Seas Centre Officer

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News from Harmans Cross Village Hall

I do hope some of you managed to visit us on Bank Holiday Monday for the HXVH fete. We had a fantastic day with loads of happy visitors, superb live entertainment from the Tuba Libres, Jamie Jigsaw and the dog show, and loads of stalls buzzing with people. Congratulations to all of those who won prizes in the raffle, thank you to all businesses that supported it and people who bought tickets. Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to donate £750 to our Swanage-based chosen charity Will Does.



Alison Clough, Chair of HXVH presents a cheque for £750 to Lesley Paddy, Founder of Will Does

We also had a fantastic evening a couple of nights later with Abba's Angels. We will try and get some pictures up on the HXVH website very soon, but they were brilliant and have promised to come back again.

It's starting to feel like we are returning to some normality now, and most of the regular groups are now back in the Hall – Cathy's yoga on Monday's, Tuesdays and Thursdays; Harmony Rocks choir on Wednesday afternoons; various U3A groups throughout; and many more besides.

Movie Nights are returning to the hall, every 2nd Tuesday of the month. Our first film showing is **Official Secrets**, starring Kiera Knightly, showing on **Tuesday 12th October**. This is the true story of a British whistle-blower Katharine Gunn who leaked information to the press about an illegal NSA spy operation designed to push the UN Security Council into sanctioning the 2003 invasion of Iraq. Tickets are £5 on the doors, which open at 7.00pm with the film showing at 7.30pm. The bar will also be open.

As a special treat for movie buffs, we have a 2nd film showing this month as part of the Purbeck Film Festival. On **Saturday 23rd October**, the Hall will host a showing of **Red Joan**. Doors again open at 7.00pm and please visit our website at www.harmancrosshall.co.uk/Movie-Nights/ for more details.

And finally, we also get **Stalls at the Hall** re-started this month, on **Saturday 16th October**. Entry is free to the public between 9.30am and Noon, with plenty of local stallholders offering local crafts, produce, plants and all manner of interesting stuff. Tea, coffee and cake will also be available. For anyone interested in having a stall, please contact David on 07769 826994 to book a table (weekdays 9.30 am to 7.00 pm please) or email to bookings@harmancrosshall.co.uk

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Pioneer View

Dear Friends,

This month's Pioneer view will take the form of an update on our Memorial tree and plaque scheme that is being rolled out in a number of communities served by the Growing Compassionate Communities' charity.

The Growing Compassionate Communities charity has been engaging and working with Town councils across Dorset to explore this scheme of planting a memorial tree and plaque as a tribute to those we have lost and to those that have been left behind during this Covid -19 pandemic.

We have been successful in our application to the Woodland Trust who are supporting this memorial scheme providing 15 saplings. They will arrive in Corfe Mullen between the 1st -15th of November. This space created by these trees and plaques will be a staging point where all our grief and loss can be acknowledged and recognised. It will be providing an opportunity where families and friends can visit simply to say goodbye and a space to remember those, we know that have passed and a place to reflect.

A poem to ponder on: *By Christina Rossetti*

Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turn to go yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more day by day
You tell me of our future that you plann'd:
Only remember me; you understand
It will be late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad.

Been able to say goodbye is part of the journey of grief. With every goodbye there is a hello. Hello to new beginnings and a fresh start. But let's not forget those we have lost nor those that are left behind.

Go well

Peter

Prisoner of War Camp at Norden

There is little information except that through family recollections there was a camp which contained Italian prisoners of war. It was, I believe a very small camp as I can find no record of it in the various lists of POW camps. The prisoners were sent out to work for local people on farms and smallholdings. Below is a photo of the area it occupied taken in 1947.



Photo copied from Dorset Explorer – GeoWessex – taken in 1947

In December 1941, Mr. Rhodes, the agent for the Bankes Estate, wrote to the authorities to complain that huts had been erected on land adjoining that which had already been requisitioned at Heather Lodge, Norden. They replied and pointed out that the land to which he referred had been requisitioned from Mr. Tubb of Halfway Farm.

A letter from the War Department in January 1947 to Mr. Rhodes stated that the land would shortly be surrendered, but before doing so, they were offering huts for sale. They comprised two timber huts 8 feet square. They referenced a third timber hut 54 feet by 16 feet, which was not for sale and which would be removed shortly.

I have supposed that these must have been huts used by the camp. So it was a very small affair. In the event, although there was interest in the better of the

two small huts, none was sold, and all were removed from the site. This just a short time before the above photo was taken.

(The letters I refer to are in the Dorset History Centre, carelessly I have lost the reference numbers.)

I remember the pumphouse, which presumably served the camp. It looked a little like a sentry box, built of bricks.

I have noted the building on the photo, although I have no idea what it was used for or whether it was to do with the camp or Big Bertha. The concrete base is still visible, to the right of the footpath as you go through the gate, past Arland House.

The gun which was in place on rails near the crossing gates next to the camp was always referred to as Big Bertha, although a quick Google search would tell you that this was the nickname given to a German gun. Does anyone know?

I remember my family speaking of an Italian prisoner who came to visit Corfe several times after the war. Maybe someone remembers hearing of him.

In response to the editor's note in last month's magazine. Mr. Sidney James Bussens, had been born in Norfolk in 1892, at some point moved to Swanage where he married Emmeline Vye. By 1939, the family were living at Weymouth. So he had moved on from Corfe before the war years. Francis Sidney Victor Budden, was indeed the butcher in the Square in 1939.

Acknowledgement to Ancestry for the last paragraph.

Sue Noel, September 2021



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The Old Stone Road

When we drive from the square along East Street, past Harmans Cross and on to Swanage, I wonder how many of us realise that our forefathers took an entirely different road.

The original Valley Road from Corfe was via West Street and then on to the high ground of the common to Lynch. The reason is obvious, as the far end of East Street was a marsh and the massive horse drawn sledges bearing marble and burr were forced to seek high ground. East Street led nowhere

The skilled stone dressers lived and worked in the West Street cottages and their supplies were brought to them from quarries at Downshay, Afflington, Quarr and Haycraft.

From Lynch the road passed Scowles Farm, (now Scoles Manor) which had a chapel prior to Norman times, and was an important centre. Even more so was the little town of Afflington which we are told housed some hundreds of stone workers. King Henry III granted it a Market and Fair. The Church is clearly marked on Morden's map of Dorset.

The Manor House belonged to Queen Elizabeth's Treasurer, Sir Christopher Hatton and he entertained his fellow courtiers there.

From Afflington, the road ran to Downshay with its house and quarries occupied by Benjamin Jesty the pioneer of smallpox injections who bravely experimented on his wife and sons. Past Haycraft, another important quarry village, we reach Quarr, which had a Manor occupied by the cousin of Celia Fiennes and described by her in her 17th Century travelogue.

To the weary walker Wilkswood was a place of refreshment. Six hundred years ago there was a small priory here and a chaplain was in residence until the Reformation. On we go past Quince Hill and Oakridge and Coombe and finally to Herston and Swanage.

This seems an unlikely journey, but it was the location of the medieval quarries which determined the route. The end of the roadway had to keep well away from the two mile creek which ran up from the sea to North Barn. There were pools and a swannery where now the road and railway run. The ground was marshy, wooded and quite impenetrable. There was of course a northern route (Sandy Hill lane) keeping to the high ground, but this was not used much for the stone trade.

The present day Ordnance map shows all these places and much of the route runs along established footpaths It is strange to reflect how these isolated spots now small farmsteads, once teemed with life and industry.

In imagination one can hear the hoarse cries of the sweating carters and sturdy quarriers as they plied their ancient craft in old-time Purbeck.

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	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
MONDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child Group	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.30 – 7.30pm	Adult	C C Village Hall
		Ballroom Dance	Donna 01202 243803
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furzebrook VH; even CK
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall
Each	7-9pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House
2nd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	By Zoom
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall
SUNDAY			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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