

DIARY

JUNE 2	Walton Bay Bus Service Re-starts
JUNE 5	Open Meeting to Discuss the Future of St Paul's Church
JUNE 9	7.30pm Parish Council Meeting
JUNE 18	2.30pm Gardening Club
JUNE 19	2.30pm W I
JULY	Village Fete

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council AGM held on May 12th re-elected Cllr Brian Cannell to be Chairman. After many years of unstinting service in the role, Cllr Anne Charlesworth decided not to put herself forward for the post of Vice Chairman again, and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Mike Ralston will be the new Vice Chairman of the Parish Council. Cllrs Kent and Morgan will continue to represent the Council on the Village Hall Committee of Management, and Cllr Morgan will continue to be the Parish "on call" representative to the NSC Standards sub-committee.

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Village Hall from 8pm on May 12th. There were 17 residents present. Although this is not a Parish Council event, the Chairman of the Parish Council is required to preside if attending, so Cllr Cannell took the chair. With the most recent flooding issues so recently resolved, the most significant issues raised revolved around clarifying the relationships between various of the village organisations, World War I commemorations being put on by St Paul's Church and the East Clevedon Benefice, the imminent launch of the Walton-in-Gordano Parish website, and concern about dog waste.

Dog Waste: It is appreciated that this note may well not apply to residents of the Parish, but it hoped that they will, in any event, "spread the word"! Following from concerns voiced in the May Information Sheet about bagged dog waste on the common, the Annual Parish Meeting on May 12th was vocal in their irritation at the practice of dropping bagged litter - and of owners not clearing up their dog waste actually on public footpaths through the parish. Rural walks do not usually include dog waste bins - due mainly to problems of emptying - but the simple rule is, if it needs picking up, bag it and take it home... others do!

The next Parish Council Meeting will be at 7.30pm, on June 9th, in the Village Hall.

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ROUTE 88

The new bus route starts on Monday 2nd June linking Clevedon and Portishead. Don't forget It's HAIL and RIDE so you don't have to come to the bus stop. Use your bus pass for a free journey to Clevedon or Portishead. Get off to go shopping, visit the market or stay on for a tour of the area! Join me on Wednesday 4th June for ride on the 10.23 to Portishead. Don't forget, USE IT OR LOSE IT!

Submitted by Floss Morgan.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

On April 12 A lovely evening was had by one and all listening to the music of Duo Recado. The mandolin and guitar playing was superb. Everyone enjoyed the cafe style atmosphere with food, drink and candle lit tables. Well done to Grahame, Celia, Brenda, Roger and Co for a new event in the calendar which raised £153 for the Village Hall and St Paul's Church.

Tea Dance

This event was held in the Village Hall on Friday May 6, and was a great success. It was well attended and we all enjoyed an afternoon of great music, with John Jackson on the keyboard, dancing, tea and cakes with pleasant company and lots of laughter

Village Fete

We are commemorating WW2 this year and would like to include a collection of photographs from that time of people who served in the forces, on the land, in the factories, home guard and anyone who lived through those dark days. If you would like to join in please take your photographs to Emma at Cross Tree Store with your name and address on the back with, perhaps, a little separate note of what they did. All items can be collected during the week after the fete. For more details contact Brenda on 873408

W I

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 19 June at 2-30pm in the village hall. We will be listening to Mr. Cliff White telling us about The Antiques Roadshow. The competition will be "a small antique". I am sure we can all find something. Please don't forget to sign up for the President's Luncheon in July, and we are serving lunches and teas at the fete! If you can help serve or make a cake, please put your name on the list on Yvonne's table. Submitted by Rosemary Tucker.

GARDENING CLUB

Our visit to Westonbirt Arboretum was an unforgettable experience. In glorious weather we walked (or rode!) in the spectacular "Old Arboretum", with vast and unusual trees on all sides. The azaleas and rhododendrons were incredibly colourful and varied. Smaller and rarer shrubs were also in full and unusual flower. Later, we explored "Silk Wood". It's enormous, with wild flowers amongst the trees, birds on all sides in very good voice, and a striking carving of an 6 foot high stump. Our next meeting is on June 18, 2.30pm, at Alison's. Submitted by A Hollingsworth.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Services for June

Sunday 1st	3 pm	ROGATION SUNDAY
Sunday 8th	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15th	11.15am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 22nd	11.15am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 29th	11.15am	Morning Prayer

Open Meeting on our Church's future Thursday 5th at 7.30pm in the church. (see below)

Rogation Sunday

This year we are going to raise banners and wave flags – let' get some colour back into our Rogation service. With some rousing hymns and a hearty tea to follow it will be an informal service that everyone of all ages can enjoy.

An Invitation

We have been invited by all at St. Peter's and St. Paul's, Weston-in-Gordano to join them on Sunday 22nd June to celebrate their 700 years of continuous worship. Our new Bishop Peter Hancock will be present only a few days after he has taken up his post as the Bishop of Bath and Wells. We will be holding a simplified service in our church that morning.

Open Meeting Thursday 5th June 7.30pm in the church.

We have come to a time, forced on us by a lack of money, when we will have to make decisions about our future. At this meeting open to all we hope, with your help, to explore all the options available to us. Let me stress that no decision has been made one way or another at the moment; the church committee is open to all ideas which will go through a process of careful consultation and debate before we embark on any changes. We are stand at the cross roads, searching for the correct path to take. This does not need to be a negative thing. Maybe this leads to a renewed life in our village church. Your input will be greatly valued. Please join us.

'Footy and Sweep' World Cup Sweepstake

For just £5 a team you could win £50 if your team lifts the World Cup. Teams are available from Ruth on 876912. You are going to be inundated with football from June 12th onward so why not join in and have some fun? Mouseketeers A big thank you who have all have joined our growing band of Mouseketeers – St.Paul's for one! St. Paul's for all!

**COPY FOR THE JULY INFORMATION SHEET TO AUDREY HOLLINGSWORTH AT SPRING
HEAD COTTAGE BY MONDAY 23 JUNE, PLEASE.**