



BROADMAYNE

P A R I S H C O U N C I L

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019-20 & 2020-21

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Meetings:	The Parish Council normally meets on the first Monday in the month, usually in the Methodist Church Hall, Main Street at 7.30 pm. Agendas and minutes are posted on the community website, www.broadmayne.org and on village notice boards. The public are always welcome to attend the Council meetings whether or not they have a specific issue to discuss.	

Review of the year by Cllr. Steve Diamond – Chairman

We could look back on 2020-21 as a disastrous twelve months, and it has certainly been challenging. But, as Ian Dury put it, there were “reasons to be cheerful”, so let us look at those first.

How proud of Broadmayne we all were when, at the start of the pandemic, over one hundred volunteers stepped forward to assist the Community Emergency Response Team. What a wonderful community spirit that showed. What a superb willingness to support fellow residents isolating in their homes by shopping for them, fetching their medication, walking their dog, delivering their paper, or even just talking to them on the phone.

Broadmayne was so fortunate to have an Emergency Plan on the shelf, a team structure at the ready and an Emergency Response Coordinator already identified. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to all the volunteers, the team leaders and of course to Aly Carroll our coordinator. The success of the CERT and the whole support network was recognised by the High Sherriff of Dorset who presented a special award at a socially distanced event in the village hall.

***STOP PRESS** During the preparation of this report we learned that Aly Carroll was taking advantage of this quieter phase of the pandemic to take a well-earned rest. Huge thanks to Aly for her dedication to the role and welcome to our new coordinator KEVIN DENHAM.*

Make a note of KEVIN's contact numbers - 01305 854483 & 07801 658310

The response of the Parish Council, through the mobilisation of the CERT and the volunteers, was featured by the National Association of Local Councils in their Coronavirus Case Studies publication in recognition of the council's work supporting residents during the pandemic.

The special efforts of Michaela Farn and her team at The Corner House Stores were also recognised by an award by the High Sheriff and I know that their “above and beyond” efforts for the community have been hugely appreciated, throughout the year, by so many residents.

Since my last report, the garage site has changed from a developing eyesore into Olds Mews and isn't that a vast improvement? The trials and tribulations of the building process are forgotten, and the centre of the village now looks very smart. Once we can get together again, we look forward to meeting the new residents from there and from Knight's Mayne, and others who have moved into the village over the last year. If you are a new resident, we welcome you, and hope that you will be very happy here and that you will contribute to the community.

During the year, several residents struggled with flash flooding affecting their properties. Of course, our Flood Warden, Cllr Macer-Wright, was heavily involved and Dorset Council have produced a full report on Broadmayne's problems and an action plan for tackling some of them (it is on the website under "The Parish" on the "Emergency Plan" page). It remains true that we are all responsible for keeping our own property safe as best as we can. The Parish Council provides sandbags in the village hall car park for emergency use.

Away from the headlines, the Parish Council worked diligently through more routine matters and discussed and commented on planning and tree matters and responded to many consultations. We continued to manage the allotment site and currently have a short waiting list. We have done our best to respond to villagers' concerns and are always anxious to hear from you. Many things are not in our direct control, but we will fight on your behalf and, as an example, we have struggled during the year with "the powers that be" over such issues as trying to keep the ridgeway at the top of Chalky Road free from caravans and travellers.

You may be aware that the council have been holding virtual meetings during the year, but we are planning to hold meetings in public again when we can, and I would urge you to bring your concerns to a meeting or just to attend to see what goes on.

Support your community

Following a year when we have all become more aware of our community and its needs, this could be a good time to revive a **Neighbourhood Watch scheme**. We already have a network of volunteers to build on - **could you be our Coordinator?** If you are interested, find out more at www.ourwatch.org.uk and get in touch with us at broadmayne@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

From the minutes - Two years of Parish Council Headlines

2019-20

- Emergency Plan finalised
- Application to develop 6 Chalky Road considered
- New Dorset Council Unitary Authority established
- 3 new bench seats installed
- Problem parking around the garage site discussed
- Village shop refurb praised
- Agreement with Dorset Council for the enhanced maintenance of some rights of way signed
- Road markings with space to walk finally installed
- Plans for the garage site approved
- Further defibrillator training provided
- Replacement for broken SID purchased
- Flooding incidents reported
- Sand-bag store established

2020-21

- Effects of building work at the garage and 6 Chalky Road monitored
- Scheme for limited parking at the shop initiated
- Responsibility for defibrillator adopted
- Concerns about travellers on the ridgeway pursued
- Activation of Emergency Plan supported
- Zoom Council meetings started
- Rights-of-way issues reported
- Campaign for off-road route to Dorchester restarted
- DC's declaration of a Climate and Ecological Emergency supported
- Flash flooding incidents continued
- Remembrance Sunday service streamed
- Dorset Council's Local Plan considered
- Bus shelter roof repaired

D-day memorial

The Parish Council and the Playing Field Association gave the go-ahead to the erection of a memorial to the American soldiers who were encamped around Broadmayne in the build-up to the D-day landings. The memorial is a piece of the foundation of one of the huts and was recovered from West Knighton by Steve George who has erected it, together with explanatory boards at the Chalky Road entrance to the children's play area. The Parish Council then chose to place one of its new benches there.

Exploring the Countryside around Broadmayne on foot or bicycle

One of the positives to come out of the past year is that many people have re-connected with the lovely Dorset countryside around us. To help with your explorations, Janet Davis (with support from a few other parishioners) has produced seven varied walks centred on Broadmayne and Gary Biles has contributed two off-road cycle routes (more to follow).

Full details and maps can be downloaded from the community website www.broadmayne.org

Find them from either the "The Parish" or the "Clubs and Activities" pages

Shared-use route from Broadmayne to Dorchester

During the year, this project has been revived. It has been a long-held aspiration of many residents to be able to travel to Dorchester on a bicycle, on a horse, or on foot, safely and largely off-road. Work began on the feasibility of the idea many years ago but was rather stifled by lack of progress at District and County levels. The current interest in getting out and about and a push for healthier, more environmentally-friendly, safer routes has encouraged the Parish Council to pick up the baton again. Led by Cllr. Richard Macer-Wright, a small team is making considerable progress this time. They and Dorset Council officers are looking at a route that would go off-road between Oakwood and the bend near West Knighton church and head north to the West Stafford bypass, hoping eventually to link up with the existing cycle path from the West Stafford railway bridge to the Came roundabout.

Why is Broadmayne here at all?

There is a theory that the first settlement here would have developed around a natural water source. This is most likely to have been the spring that gave rise to the Tadnoll Brook. Now that modern development has taken place, the observable springhead is beside the farm gate at the bottom of Knighton Lane.

Following suggestions by Robin Walls the Parish Council is backing a scheme that would see the springhead protected by a short wall, the start of the brook tidied up, and an information board erected. More ambitious plans for the area may follow.

We hope to apply for a grant from the Silverlake Conservation & Community Fund to pay for this work.

PLAYTIME

Does your family enjoy the children's play area(s) in Broadmayne and/or West Knighton?

Both are run by volunteers and both need more support. These are not onerous undertakings, just occasional meetings, and a few visits to inspect the equipment. This is your opportunity to "give something back" to the community. To get more details - contact:

Broadmayne cullerinpens1@aol.com, West Knighton contact: rktwilliams@btinternet.com

Are you working from home more? Have you taken to gaming?

Are you streaming more films?

Are you involved in more video calls with friends, family, work?

Is your internet connection holding you back?

One of your fellow parishioners (Paul Whittaker) has been working up a proposal for a community fibre partnership. Given enough support, and taking advantage of a government voucher scheme, Fibre To The Premises could be made available throughout Broadmayne and West Knighton. FTTP is extremely fast!

Paul needs a few more people “signed up” in order to make this work.

WHAT DOES “SIGNING UP” INVOLVE?

You would not be committing to take out an FTTP contract. You would not be parting with money. You would just be expressing an interest.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Whether you eventually took up the offer or not, FTTP capability throughout the two villages would be of huge benefit to the whole community. Imagine broadband speeds up to 25 times faster!

WHAT’S YOUR NEXT MOVE?

Contact Paul with any questions and get your name on the list to help establish FTTP capability.
paul.whittaker@live.com

As we all get used to “the new normal” don’t forget that all the many village activities and facilities will be opening up again and will need your support after such a strange time. The halls will gradually welcome back their regulars and be available once more for your family celebrations. It will be much easier to use the playing field, tennis court and children’s play area.

Remind yourself what is available by going to the “Clubs & Activities” and the “Amenities” pages of the community website www.broadmayne.org

Useful people to know

The Parish Council and the community are supported by people with specific interests/roles.

Ancient Monuments – Robin Walls

Rights of Way – Janet Davis

Webmaster – Steve Diamond

SID coordinator – David Eaglestone

Flood Warden – Richard Macer-Wright

AED (Defibrillator) coordinator – Phil Marriott

Rural Transport – Richard Macer-Wright

Allotment Watch – Kevin Denham

Environmental officer – Peter Lamb

Emergency coordinator – Kevin Denham

Deputy Flood Warden – Barry Eason

**For new and old residents alike
all the detail about Broadmayne that you need are in one handy place
your community website**

www.broadmayne.org

To be kept in touch by email whenever we post news, go to the site and “subscribe”
if you run an event or organisation, let the world know by sending details to
contact@broadmayne.org

GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Parish Council gives annual grants to the Parochial Church Council, to help with the maintenance of the cemetery and to the Playing Field Association (BPFA) to help with their running expenses.

We also have a specific budget which can be used to help community groups and we are keen to provide them with support. Examples of grants we have given in the past include £300 to the Table Tennis Group for a new table and £400 to Broadmayne Scouts for the purchase of camping equipment. We have also made contributions to Broadmayne World War II Society for entertainments at the D5 events in 2014 and 2016, and towards expenses at the hall e.g. for fire exit improvements. We have helped the BPFA with grants for the safety surfaces and towards the upgrade of the basketball area.

Many voluntary and community groups will have found this last year very difficult in terms of fundraising so please do not hesitate to get in touch with a member of the Council to discuss the possibility of applying for a grant. Application forms are available from the Clerk or can be downloaded from the website.

GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

The Parish Council receives a small percentage of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) money collected by Dorset Council in respect of new development in Broadmayne which can be used to fund the following: the provision, improvement, replacement, operation, or maintenance of infrastructure needed to support development, or anything else that helps to address the demands that new development is placing on their area. In the past couple of years, we have used CIL money for a grant towards the new play train in the children's play area, the installation of three benches around the village, and we are currently investigating providing some kissing gates to replace some difficult stiles. If you are involved in a specific community project that might benefit from funding, then please get in touch, or complete a grant application form.

BROADMAYNE IS YOUR VILLAGE – ITS FUTURE IS YOUR FUTURE

- Is it time that residents had more say in how Broadmayne develops?
- Are you concerned about the sustainability of its community and its facilities?
- Do you have views about the style and type of housing that we need?
- Are you anxious about the future of rural transport?
- Is Dorset Council too large and remote to fully understand Broadmayne's needs?

Many communities have concluded that developing and adopting a NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

is the way to establish some control of the sustainable development of their environment. Dorset Council supports these initiatives and says, "Neighbourhood planning is about giving local people a say over what new buildings will look like, where they will be built, and the confidence that they will have the support to cope with the demands of new development."

If you answered YES to any of the above questions you should read more about Neighbourhood Planning. Start here: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning-policy/west-dorset-and-weymouth-portland/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-planning.aspx> This link is available as a simple click on the "The Parish" or the "Parish Council" pages of www.broadmayne.org

Having a Neighbourhood Plan is becoming an increasingly important tool for a community interested in managing its future and thus is a very worthwhile project. Achieving it is no mean feat and needs to be led by a small team of enthusiastic residents. COULD YOU BE ONE OF THEM? This is not something on which the Parish Council can embark alone.

To express an interest, contact stevediamond1947@gmail.com or Tel: 852285

One of our recurring themes – USE IT OR LOSE IT

We are very happy to give this space to three of our most valuable assets

Michaela & Darrin
Sammie, Chris, Carole
Amanda & John
welcome you to



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Thank you for continuing to support
your local shop

These are some of the
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Dorchester - Crossways - Weymouth

Timetable valid from 17/01/2021 until further notice.

Mondays to Fridays

West Knighton, Lewell Way (SE-bound)	0753	1016	1216	1516	1736
Broadmayne, Charlmont Cross (SW-bound)	0755	1018	1218	1518	1738
Dorchester, Sandringham Court (NW-bound)	0801	1023	1223	1523	1743
Dorchester, Trinity Street (Stop C2)	0809	1028	1228	1528	1748
Dorchester, The Thomas Hardy School (W-bound)	—	—	—	—	—

Saturdays

West Knighton, Lewell Way (SE-bound)	1016	1216	1516	1736	—
Broadmayne, Charlmont Cross (SW-bound)	1018	1218	1518	1738	—
Dorchester, Sandringham Court (NW-bound)	1023	1223	1523	1743	—
Dorchester, Trinity Street (Stop C2)	1028	1228	1528	1748	—
Dorchester, The Thomas Hardy School (W-bound)	—	—	—	—	—

Sundays

no service

Bank Holidays

no service

Mondays to Fridays

Dorchester, The Thomas Hardy School (W-bound)	—	—	—	—	—
Dorchester, Trinity Street (Stop C2)	0835	1035	1335	1555	1755
Dorchester, Sandringham Court (SE-bound)	0840	1040	1340	1600	1800
Broadmayne, Charlmont Cross (NE-bound)	0845	1045	1345	1605	1805
West Knighton, Lewell Way (N-bound)	0847	1047	1347	1607	1807

Saturdays

Dorchester, The Thomas Hardy School (W-bound)	—	—	—	—	—
Dorchester, Trinity Street (Stop C2)	0835	1035	1335	1555	—
Dorchester, Sandringham Court (SE-bound)	0840	1040	1340	1600	—
Broadmayne, Charlmont Cross (NE-bound)	0845	1045	1345	1605	—
West Knighton, Lewell Way (N-bound)	0847	1047	1347	1607	—

Sundays

no service

Bank Holidays

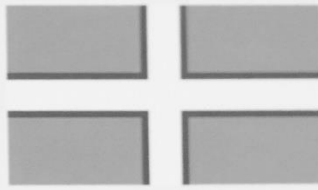
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FINANCIAL MATTERS

The accounts for the financial year 2020-2021 form part of this report. They were approved at the May meeting of the Parish Council, prior to submission to the external auditor.

Included in the balances are the following reserves: £3,000 for asset maintenance, £1,000 for temporary staff cover, £650 in allotment deposits, £2000 for election fees, £1032 for environmental works and £11,822 in Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions.

Note that the Business Reward Saver (BRS) account contained the money from the sale of 1 Crosstree Close plus the section 106 grant from West Dorset District Council and money from the Parish Council's reserves. This was set aside solely for the hall and playing field improvements project. In the financial year just finished there was no expenditure from that account.



2020/21

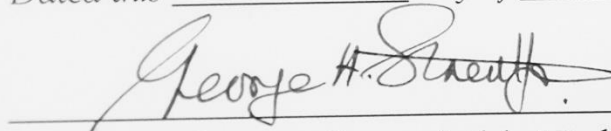


his special certificate was presented by
The High Sheriff of Dorset
to

Broadmayne Community Emergency Response Team

in recognition of
the collective and voluntary effort
of the community in supporting
those most in need during the
Coronavirus pandemic

Dated this 10th day of October



George Streatfeild, High Sheriff

