



BROADMAYNE

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

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021-22

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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

When I wrote my report at this time last year, we were beginning to relax about COVID-19. We were patting ourselves on the back about Broadmayne's Emergency Response Team, its volunteers, and its community spirit of mutual support. I don't think that any of us would have predicted that a year later we would be looking at rising case numbers again and that the "new normal" would be living with infections at such a high level. Nor would we have anticipated the invasion of one sovereign state by another with the level of death and destruction we have witnessed.

In the midst of all this our lovely little village presses on, its life has returned to near normal, its residents continue to support and help each other, its shop continues to thrive and provide great support to the community, its pub continues to serve drinks and great meals, local issues continue to arise, and its Parish Council does its best to represent its constituents, to fight their battles, and to plan for the future.

Broadmayne is a very desirable place to live, and we are frequently aware of new people moving in. We welcome you if you are one of that number and hope that you will be very happy here. There is a lot going on in the village for you to get involved in and we hope you will. Check the activities listed on the community website ...

**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

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If you run an event or organisation, let the world know by sending details to
contact@broadmayne.org

The Parish Council started the year meeting on Zoom and it wasn't until July that we were able to meet face-to-face again. But, of course, either way we continued to study and comment on planning applications and consultations, consider issues raised by residents and take action where appropriate. During the year we were sad to lose two Councillors due to other pressures on their time. Both Phil Marriott and Chris Griffith are thanked for their contributions and will be missed. I am glad to say that we have been able to co-opt Karen Ellis and Paul Whittaker to fill their seats. We welcome and look forward to working with them.

We continue to pursue a couple of projects which should eventually be of benefit to the village, but which are slowed down by complexities out of our control. They are the potential Shared Use Route to Dorchester and developing a little open space and an information board at the Springhead, one of the sources of the Tadnoll Brook, on Knighton Lane. Cllr. Richard Macer-Wright is working on both these projects.

Cllr. Paul Whittaker has been key to the scheme to bring faster fibre broadband right to our homes and businesses in Broadmayne (FTTP) and his latest report is that it is going ahead, and engineers are conducting detailed feasibility studies. IF YOU HAVEN'T CLAIMED AND PLEDGED YOUR VOUCHER YET YOU CAN HELP THE PROJECT BY DOING SO, if you pledge your voucher now OpenReach will guarantee that you will be connected with no additional connection costs. Paul's contact details are at the head of this report.

Planning applications – Dorset Council has cut back on its notification of neighbours when considering an application. BPC has voluntarily taken on itself the task of delivering letters ourselves because we think neighbours need to know.

Many plans only affect a few people living near them but in August we heard the first talk of a potential application for a large residential development on the field adjacent to Broadmead. This has been of interest/concern to very many of you and the Parish Council has spent a lot of time on the issue. We have met the developers on several occasions, including at a public exhibition in the hall and during a site visit with their highways consultant. We have delivered, thanks to our volunteer team, updates and a questionnaire to help us understand the views of our residents. Finally, after our council meeting in January, when we heard from lots of you, we had a very short time to formalise our position and after a lot of work we submitted a very detailed set of objections. As I write this a further consultation period has started following revised plans being submitted.

Meanwhile, concerns continue to be expressed about the speed of traffic through the village and the council is supporting a move to revive the Community Speed Watch scheme that ran in the village a few years ago. Some volunteers have come forward, but more would help to spread the load. Becky Wallace is coordinating the village effort and will be organising training. Please contact her at becky.wallace@sky.com if you would like to help.

We were glad that the easing of COVID restrictions meant that we were able to go ahead with our normal Remembrance Sunday commemorations around the war memorial this year and we were pleased to see so many people gathering there.

The Parish Council has funds in reserve to support village organisations, community groups or projects. We would be very pleased to discuss grants with you so please contact a councillor or the Parish Clerk in the first place.

You and I have been supported through the year by a group of able councillors and Janet Davis our indefatigable clerk and I thank them all.

I look forward to seeing you at one or more of the events detailed opposite.

It is particularly important to attend the Annual Parish Meeting in order to review the year and involve yourself and your ideas in the future of the village.

Fortunately, since the first lockdowns Broadmayne hasn't needed to resort to its Emergency Plan again; however, we still have plenty of volunteers and a coordinator standing by should you need help with shopping, appointments, medication, etc..

Make a note of KEVIN DENHAM's contact numbers - 01305 854483 & 07810 658310

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 16th May – 7:30pm – Broadmayne Village Hall

After the three-year break, caused by the pandemic, you are once more invited to an Annual Parish meeting. The guest speaker will be Emma Teasdale, the Litter Free Dorset Project Officer from Dorset Council, who will be speaking to us about the current projects and campaigns which her team is working on. We will also be hearing from the Head Teacher of Broadmayne First School, our Dorset Councillor – Cllr Roland Tarr, from the police, and hopefully from you. We look forward to seeing you there.

This is an important meeting for residents if they want to influence the way forward for Broadmayne.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee – Broadmayne and West Knighton celebrations Sunday 5th June – from 12noon – Broadmayne Village Hall and Playing Field

We hope that you are already aware of an invitation to join in a **shared lunch** (bring a picnic). During the afternoon you can play games on the field, talk with friends (old and new), try a quiz and stay for a **Cream Tea** provided by the Broadmayne and West Knighton Parish Councils who will also be distributing **commemorative mugs** to the children under 12 who have registered their interest. Prizes for a child and an adult in **FANCY DRESS**.

D-Day Fest - Saturday 18th June - 11:30am - 11 pm Broadmayne Playing Field and Hall

A Community Festival remembering Broadmayne and West Knighton's role as a camp for American troops prior to the Normandy Landings.

There will be over 100 WW2 armoured and wheeled vehicles staying in the village.

The fun day of activities will include: - Live music, Living history stands and re-enactors, Classic cars, Vintage Steam Engines, Artisan stalls, Bar & food, Kids' games.

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

Neighbourhood Watch – Paul Whittaker

FINANCIAL MATTERS

The draft accounts for the financial year 2021-2022 form part of this report. These have yet to be seen by the internal auditor. The final version will be approved by the Parish Council at its June meeting, prior to submission to the external auditor.

Included in the balances are the following reserves: £3,000 for asset maintenance, £1,000 for temporary staffing cover, £900 in allotment deposits, £2,500 for election fees, £1,930 for environmental works and £19,436.43 in Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions.

Note that the Business Reward Saver (BRS) account contains the remainder of 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 fields improvement project. In the financial year just finished there was no expenditure from that account.

