

*A Magazine  
For the Villages of Folkington, Milton  
Street and Wilmington*



*July/August 2021  
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**SAINT MARY AND SAINT PETER  
WILMINGTON**

**PRIEST**

The Reverend Peter Blee  
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**CHURCH WARDEN**

Mrs Julie Little  
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**Dates and Events for Your Diary**

12th July	Long Man Parish Council Meeting	7.00 pm
16th July	Clay Play Day with J. Chiswell-Jones	

**(If you know anyone who does not have internet access or would prefer a hard copy, please print one off for them)**

**FROM THE PARSONAGE**

Two men turned up outside Berwick church late one Sunday afternoon at the end of a busy weekend in June. They had backpacks and were hot and tired. They were pilgrims walking from Southampton to Canterbury; one was Czech, the other Irish. They asked for water, food if possible and if there was somewhere they could sleep. They had only £5 and this was 'emergency money' that they were trying to save.

Having travelled in the mountains in Greece when I was young, the tradition of giving hospitality to strangers had made a big impression on me. The generosity towards us of poor people living in small villages even though they had never met us before has stayed with me. The two men got their food and overnight accommodation. And they helped take down a marquee and clear up after a church event.

A certain hesitancy and awkwardness in their initial request arose from the fact that they were two Jesuit novices who had been given the task of walking the route, depending on the help of others and faith in God as part of their formation. They never knew what kind of response they were going to get and they had had some negative experiences. Perhaps some were more fearful of letting them into their personal sphere as a result of Covid and nervous about getting involved with

two vulnerable people. As well as depending on the hospitality of others they also had to travel without phones.

It was interesting meeting these two people who had chosen such a path in life and were now finding it quite a tiring experience, not knowing what was coming each day and how people were going to respond. Their pilgrimage became a task in trusting God, as well as in the kindness of strangers.

The encounter reminded me just how much Covid can influence the way people respond to strangers and how easy it is to close your own personal world to others. I wonder how many people have become strangers through Covid as a result of lack of social contact, just how many strangers would really welcome the kindness of others. And it also made me think of the path of trust and faith in God, rather than plans and strategies, and just how uncomfortable and tiring it can be to live in that way. Also of how Jesus's first disciples must have experienced that difficult call of Jesus: 'come and follow me'. It is encouraging and challenging to meet people who are still responding to God's calling in the way those young men heard it.

**Peter Blee.**

## **BENEFICE NEWS**

### **Selmeston Church and Churchyard and Berwick Churchyard Books**

Both books are fascinating insights into the history of the churches and churchyards and a useful source of information on local and family history. Selmeston book - £12.95 and Berwick - £11. Please let Stephanie know if you would like to purchase a copy.

## **FAMILY SUPPORT WORK: JUNE 2021 UPDATE**

**Dear Friends,**

The last month has been a hive of activity at FSW and we can't believe it's June already! With our staff and our families getting used to being able to meet again, we have been able to provide face-to-face support in our families' homes for the first time in almost a year. This has been invaluable, particularly for complex cases where a phone call or Skype chat can't provide all the necessary support.

It has also been a joy to welcome our new family support practitioners. Gill joined us in May to cover Rye deanery, and at the beginning of June we welcomed

Sara (Storrington), Kirsty (Midhurst and Petworth) and Nidhi (Battle, Bexhill and Sidley). Our practitioner team now comprises 15 members of staff and covers 80% of Sussex. We are delighted to be operating in some totally new areas as well as being back in areas where we have not had a presence for some time. If you live local to any of our new staff, please do give them a warm welcome if you see them around.

We have also been very happy to organise events for our families. Families from Bognor, Crawley, Rustington and Worthing attended a fun day at Arundel Castle Cricket Foundation last week which enabled them to meet together, get active and enjoy the glorious sunshine.

Our events calendar continues to be very busy with Open Garden dates in East Sussex. We are delighted that this year's Open Gardens will be taking place, after Covid-19 forced nearly all openings to be cancelled last year. Run in conjunction with The National Garden Scheme, there are 26 garden openings in Spring/Summer 2021, which will help to raise vital funds for FSW's work. To find out more, visit:

<https://www.familysupportwork.org/get-involved/events/>

We will be at the South of England Show from 11-13 June, running a stand to encourage people to learn more about our work. If you are planning on attending the Show then we'd love to see you at stand B3. We are also welcoming registrations for our Amberley-Arundel sponsored walk on Thursday 12 August. Registration and sponsorship forms can be obtained by email to

[fundraising@familysupportwork.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@familysupportwork.org.uk)

or by calling the office on 01273 832963.

Finally, our food bank stocks are still running low and we would welcome donations of any non-perishable goods with the exception of dried pasta and tinned tomatoes. If you are able to organise a local collection then we can arrange for our van to come and collect from you – please contact Spencer in the office on 01273 832963.

Thank you for your continued practical support and your prayers as our work grows even more vital.

©Sussex Children's Charities for Family Support Work 1. This is a sponsored walk for Family Support Work, a registered charity (No. 1047804) and a member of the Sussex Children's Charities Group. All proceeds from this walk will go to Family Support Work.

## **May's work in numbers**

297 individual visits and 235 support calls with families supporting 37 grandparents, 359 parents and 346 children  
 24 supported meetings with other agencies carried out remotely  
 24 online group sessions held  
 371 food deliveries made

## **Prayer points**

Pray that our new practitioners will settle quickly into their new roles  
 Give thanks for the recent opportunities we have had to speak to new organisations about our work  
 Pray for our volunteers who are providing such vital support to our fundraising and family events

**FSW Director of Fundraising and Marketing**

## **NOTICES**

### **'I DO SET MY BOW' Online Live Talk by Julian Bell**

This is a still available YouTube programme, held on the 21st of June, where Julian Bell, in discussion with Peter Blee, talks about the development of his new painting 'I Do Set My Bow' for Berwick Church which celebrates the completion of the restoration of the paintings in the church.

**<https://youtu.be/EFs4E547URU>**

### **Clay Play Day with J. Chiswell-Jones Friday 16th July.**

Please book into Jonathan's pottery workshop as soon as possible if you'd like to take part. It helps him to plan and ensures you'll not be disappointed. It is intended for those who have not worked with clay before and is open to everyone. Cost £20. To book at place email Jonathan [jo@jcjpottery.co.uk](mailto:jo@jcjpottery.co.uk), 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. at JCJ Pottery, Peelings Manor Barns, Hankham Road, BN24 5AP  
 Tel 01323 469009.

## Good News: Our Churches Remain Open For Private Prayer.

We are delighted that Government regulations now permit us to open our church buildings for services and individual prayer and hope that anyone wishing to do so will feel safe to enter.

All churches in the Benefice are open every day and opening patterns are the same as they were previously in each parish.

The term individual is defined as follows: "A person or household entering the venue to pray on their own and not part of a group led prayer or communal act." (Robert Jenrick announcement)

If you do wish to use the church for private prayer, please be mindful of the importance of following government advice in respect of hand washing and social distancing.

Notices have been put up on church noticeboards, on the church doors and at the entry and exit points for each church, to provide specific guidance about the safety and hygiene arrangements in each church, as details may differ slightly due to the differences in the church buildings. For example: in some churches pews may be roped off to limit the amount of routine cleaning required and in some churches there is access to running water. Please read these notices carefully before entering the church.

- Hand sanitiser has been placed in the porch area of each church and also inside the church near the door.
- Please use this before entering and when exiting the church. NB. it is still wise to wash and dry your hands thoroughly with soap and water as soon as you get home, as an extra precaution.
- Please observe the social distancing rules and maintain a distance of 2 metres between yourself and others not in your household whilst in the church. Individual churches may have additional guidance about this so please observe any specific measures which have been put in place in individual churches.
- If the church appears too crowded to facilitate social distancing, please wait outside until it is safe to enter.

**Please do not enter the church if you or anyone in your household has symptoms of Covid 19 or if you have been advised to self - isolate because you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive.**

Cleaning schedules have been revised to ensure door handles, light switches and other areas likely to have been touched by others are cleaned daily when the church is opened but please be mindful of the fact that surfaces might have been contaminated later in the day and avoid touching surfaces unnecessarily.

Please note that we now have permission to resume funeral services. Contact the Reverend Peter Blee for further guidance on this. Contact details: **The Reverend Peter Blee – peter.blee@berwickchurch.org.uk or 01323 870512**

# WILMINGTON NEWS

## The Wilmington Yew

**Here is a very interesting report on the yew tree. This was commissioned by the Woodland Trust after our nomination for the Tree of the Year award.**

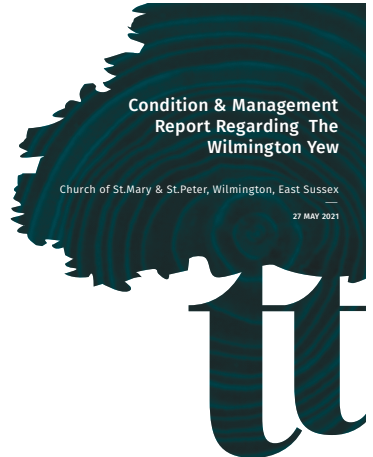
Paul Melarange of Thinktrees Ltd. has been instructed by Rob Daulby of The Woodland Trust to inspect three trees that were nominated in the English Tree of the Year Competition 2020. The Wilmington Yew, an ancient yew tree growing in the churchyard of the Church of St.Mary & St.Peter, is one of the nominated trees.

A site visit was carried out on 17th January 2021. A visual assessment of the tree was carried out from ground level. During my visit I took photographs to illustrate specific points in this report. A pictorial overview is included on the next page, which indicates the locations of the key features and characteristics that are discussed in the appraisal (section 4).

The Wilmington Yew, which is believed to be approximately 1600 years old, comprises two separate stems. Both of which have been supported by wooden props for many years. These were augmented with seven new props in 2019.

There is a steel chain which connects both stems. It is positioned at approximately 5m on the northern stem and at approximately 4m on the southern stem. It is likely that the amount that the southern stem leans has increased since the chain was installed. It would appear that the southern stem is now essentially hanging from the northern stem, rather than the two stems counter-balancing each other. The load that the weight of the southern stem is applying to the northern stem may be causing it to twist and split. If the splits increase in size, or additional splits occur, it may be necessary to remove the chain. If this intervention were to be required, it would be prudent to consult an engineer to advise on the suitability of the props to carry the loads produced by the stems without the additional support of the chain.

The tree demonstrates normal vitality for a tree in the 'ancient' age class, indicating that it is in good physiological condition.



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Some of the lowest branches are touching the ground, albeit very lightly. There is unlikely to be enough contact between the branches and the ground, at present, to enable layering to occur. Layering is a natural process whereby low branches can develop new roots systems if they are in continuous physical contact with the ground. This process has the potential to add to the stability of the tree and also perpetuate its survival. Consideration should be given to encouraging the low branches to layer. This may be achieved by pegging them down to restrict their movement.

The tree's age and the associated veteran features mean that the Wilmington Yew is of national, and potentially international, importance in terms of its significant cultural, historical, biological and arboricultural value. Consequently, it is frequently visited by the public. The tree overhangs the footpath to the church, which forms part of the Cuckmere Pilgrim Path, and is in close proximity to church itself. It is, therefore, advised that it is re-inspected every two and a half years, by a suitably qualified, experienced and insured arboriculturist.

**See the full report at: [Condition and Management Report Regarding The Wilmington Yew v2 \(1\).pdf](#)**

## **Donations to Wilmington Parish Church**

If you would like to make regular donations by Direct Debit please visit [www.parishgiving.org](http://www.parishgiving.org) and enter Parishcode 103050475 and follow the links.

'One-off' donations can be made by Bank Transfer to Wilmington PCC: Sort Code: 20-27-91, Account: 60970956.

**All donations most gratefully received.**

## **LONG MAN PARISH COUNCIL**

**Below are the notes taken from the Unadopted Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council Meeting. The Unadopted Minutes are circulated to the Parish Councillors and subsequently considered at the next Parish Council Meeting and if agreed, are signed as a true record. The Minutes can only be publicised after they have been approved, therefore in order for there to be no undue delay in keeping the residents of the parish informed about the meetings, the notes are printed in the Parish Magazine. The approved minutes are posted on the notice boards and on the website ([www.longmanpc.org](http://www.longmanpc.org)) shortly after the meeting in which they are approved.**



## **NOTES ON THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

### **Held via Zoom on Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.30pm**

**Those present were:** Councillors Pam Merritt, Jeremy Christey, Tyler Butterworth, Lizzie Chisholm Claire Reynolds (Clerk). No parishioners attended. Apologies had been received from Councillors Michael Bridges, Helen Baulcombe, Claire Church and Alison Cotton (Tree Warden), With regard to the Register of Members' Interests there were no changes to the current information supplied. There was no Declaration Of Interest.

#### **ANNUAL MEETING – 7.30PM**

**Elect a Chairman and receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office** - Councillor Pam Merritt was elected as Chairman for the coming year. **Elect a Vice Chairman and receive the Vice Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office** - Tyler Butterworth was elected as Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

**The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 13 May 2019 were approved and signed as a true record.** (Due to the Covid Pandemic an Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was not held in 2020 and therefore the last Annual Parish Council Meeting was held in 2019.

**Annual Accounts and Annual Governance Statement (Section 1):** The audited Accounts were circulated to the Councillors and copies were made available at the meeting – These were approved. Approval of the audited Accounts and Annual Report was proposed by Councillor Pam Merritt and seconded by Councillor Tyler Butterworth and unanimously agreed. Thanks was expressed to Mr James Stephens who had acted as LMPC Internal Auditor.

Councillor Merritt explained the requirements of the External Auditors for the year ending 31 March 2020. Part of these requirements was to approve the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Report (AGAR)) – These were approved

**Accounting Statements (Section 2)** - Following consideration all Councillors present approved this Statement.

**Exemption Certificate to be sent to the Auditors-** Following consideration all Councillors present approved this Statement.

#### **Representatives on other bodies:**

**Wealden District Association of Local Councils** - Minutes for this are received via email at present and it was agreed that this would continue for the forthcoming year.

**East Sussex Association of Local Councils (2 Councillors for November AGM)** - Minutes for this are received via email at present and it was agreed that this would continue for the forthcoming year.

**Cuckmere Flood Forum** - Minutes and correspondence for this are received via email and it was agreed that the Clerk would circulate out this information for the forthcoming year.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 7.45PM**

Councillor Merritt Chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**Public Discussion (15 minutes maximum).** There was no Public Discussion.

**The Minutes of the meeting dated 8 March 2021 were approved and signed as a true record.**

**Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2021** - A response from Wealden District Council had been received saying that they were looking into the query regarding building works at the traveller site in Milton Street.

**Report of the County Councillor – Councillor Stephen Shing** - Councillor Stephen Shing reported that Polling Day was tomorrow for the Local Elections. He has enjoyed working with Long Man Parish Council and, if re-elected, is looking forward to working with us in the future.

**Councillor Jeremy Christey** raised a query regarding fibre-broadband. Could it be installed and rolled out along the cycle way to Firle?

**Various information** regarding the Wilmington junction work have been received by Councillors. If re-elected Councillor Shing will look into both these things and report back. If not, it will be passed onto the newly elected Councillor.

**Report of the District Councillor – Councillor Michael Lunn** - Councillor Lunn was not present therefore no report was received.

### Reports of the Parish Councillors

**Folkington** - Folkington to Jevington bridlepath – ongoing problems with this. Councillor Chisholm to locate grid reference via the Ordnance Survey website and report the issues.

**Milton Street** - Councillor Butterworth highlighted the Planning Application that had been received for a polo pitch to be built at Milton Gate. Concerns had been raised and members of the public would be encouraged to express these concerns directly to Wealden District Council Planning Department.

**Wilmington** - There have been issues regarding loose dogs up on the Downs resulting in one dog losing its life having been chased onto the road. The Dog Warden to be informed.

**Councillor Merritt** to write and thank ESCC Rights of Way team for replacing the gate by the Long Man.

### Report of the Tree Warden – Alison Cotton

**SDNPA – Removal of ivy from trees in Milton Street** - Alison reported that she had been liaising with the resident and SDNPA regarding this matter and had been reassured that the work carried out had been necessary but realised there was sometimes a difficult balancing act between ensuring the safety of the public and respecting the flora and fauna within the SDNP.

**Platinum Jubilee Tree planting – 2022** - Alison reported that Arlington Community Club are looking into planting small copses and asked if Long Man Parish Council might like to do the same.

**Free tree giveaway** - Alison is looking into this and will report back at the next meeting.

**Ades Field trees issue** – Alison had been liaising with the resident, landowner and WDC Tree

Warden regarding the tall trees in the field at the bottom of some of the gardens in Ades Field. A letter will be sent to the landowner.

**Save the Oaks Scheme** – Alison reported that she had been given 10 oak trees under this scheme and they had been planted up last week.

**Dutch Elm Disease Resistant Scheme** - Alison to carry this forward.

**Planting query from resident** – Alison had assisted a resident on what and where to plant things in their garden following a request via Councillor Christey.

The Councillors thanked Alison for all her hard work over the past year with regards to tree issues and queries.

**Corona Virus** - Regular updates are being received from the Wealden Community Hub and there are links on the LMPC website.

**A27 news** - Regular updates on the A27 junction improvements are being received and circulated out to Councillors and put on the LMPC website.

### Report of the Clerk to the Council

**Finance Report** - The report was circulated at the meeting which revealed a bank balance of £13,064.98 in the Current Account (as at 30 March 2021). This figure included the £3690.95 which had been transferred into the account from the closure of the LMPC Savings Account and £250 for the Milton Street Phone Box Fund.

**Accounts for Payment:**

C Reynolds (Clerk's Salary for April 2021 and May 2021)	£742.56
STRIPES (1 <sup>st</sup> half year grass cut of the Triangle in Wilmington)	£150.00
ESCC (Four additional grass cuts in 2021/2022 as per LMPC email confirmation)	£279.60
ESALC and NALC 2021/2022 Subscriptions (ESALC=128.22 / NALC=27.97)	£156.19
S P Goacher (Payroll Services for 2020/2021–agreed via email and pd 31/03/2021)	£144.54
Came and Company (LMPC Insurance for 01/06/2021 – 31/05/2022)	£643.34
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£2116.23</b>

**Income:**

Wealden District Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Half Year Precept Payment for 2021/2022	<b>£4444.00</b>
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**Correspondence:**

- A thank you letter had been received from Kent, Sussex and Surrey Air Ambulance in respect of the £250.00 donation LMPC sent to them.
- The Clerk had been contacted by a previous Clerk with regards to Parish Council records that require archiving. The Clerk to collect files and liaise with The Keep at Falmer regarding this.

**Planning Applications and Decisions received and observations made since the last meeting. The following report was circulated:****South Downs National Park Authority**

**SDNP/20/05813/LDE – BATTLECROFT FARM, THE STREET, WILMINGTON, BN26 5SQ** - Lawful development certificate for an existing use – The permanent dwelling was

constructed between 2014 and June 2016. The property and its domestic curtilage has been occupied continuously as a permanent dwelling since 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 until the present day, without any form of break. **Decision: Refused 27/04/2021**

**SDNP/20/04066/FUL – OLD SCHOOL HOUSE, FOLKINGTON LANE, FOLKINGTON, -BN26 5SD** - Change of use from annexe to separate tourist accommodation. No change of use or Development apart from the above and relying on previous extant approvals. **LMPC supported this application (via email correspondence). Decision: Pending**

**SDNP/21/01808/HOUS – LARK RISE, FOLKINGTON LANE, FOLKINGTON, - POLEGATE, EAST SUSSEX, BN26 5SD** - Description: Erection of detached garage building and detached summerhouse building. **LMPC supported this application (via email correspondence). Decision: Pending**

**SDNP/21/01300/HOUS – HUNTERS DENE, THE STREET, WILMINGTON, BN26 5SL** - Description: External alterations and refurbishment to outbuilding (including insertion of 3no rooflights). **LMPC supported this application (via email correspondence). Decision: Pending**

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**WD/2019/2285/O - CROSSWAYS HOTEL, LEWES ROAD, WILMINGTON, BN26 5SG** - Description: THE ERECTION OF TWO NEW TWO-STOREY BUILDINGS CONTAINING TOTAL OF EIGHT SELF-CATERING TWO AND THREE-BEDROOM APARTMENTS. Additional highway details and Heritage Report received 2 July 2020 - **Decision: nothing on website. Property has recently been put on the market.**

**WD/2020/2388/FA - MILTON GATE FARM, MILTON STREET, POLEGATE, BN26 5RS** Description: VARIATION OF CONDITION 4 OF WD/1994/1767/F (ERECTION OF NEW FARMHOUSE) IN ORDER TO VARY THE AGRICULTURAL OCCUPANCY CONDITION TO LIMIT OCCUPANCY TO A PERSON SOLELY OR MAINLY EMPLOYED AS AN EQUESTRIAN OPERATOR OR A DEPENDENT OF SUCH A PERSON RESIDING WITH HIM OR HER. **Decision: Approved 25/03/2021**

**WD/2020/2265/F & WD/2020/2266/LB – HAYREED BARN, HAYREED LANE, WILMINGTON, BN26 6RR -** Description: CONVERSION OF EXISTING BUILDING TO CREATE SELF-CONTAINED ANNEXE. **Decision: Pending**

**WD/2021/0736/F – THE OLD HIDES, BAYLEY’S LANE, WILMINGTON -** Description: Conversion of vernacular barn to single dwelling including new access and drive. **Decision: Pending**

**Correspondence with SDNPA / WDC:** An invitation had been received from SDNPA to a virtual meeting on the 26 March 2021 with regards to an Update on Seven Sisters Country Park prior to the South Downs National Park Authority taking full ownership. This had been circulated to Councillors.

**Representation feedback from:**

**Wealden District Association of Local Councils -** Nothing to report.

**Cuckmere Flood Forum -** Minutes of the last meeting had been circulated to Councillors.

**Date of next meeting -** Monday 12 July at 7.30pm in Wilmington Village Hall. This is subject to Government Regulations regarding Covid.

**Vote of thanks -** Councillor Chisholm proposed a vote of thanks to the Clerk for all the work she has done.

**The Clerk for Long Man Parish Council is:**

**Claire Reynolds, 32 St Mellion Close, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 3UY**

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**Clerk’s hours are part-time (7 hours a week) and that generally she will be working for LMPC on Monday, Wednesday or Fridays.**

**Please feel free to email at anytime but please note they will only be picked up during working hours.**

**No phone calls after 6.30pm please.**

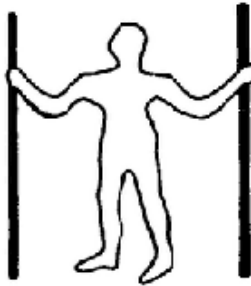
**Please let the Clerk know if you need the contact details of your local Councillor.**

**CoronaVirus Parish Assistance**

**If anyone is requiring assistance during the current situation please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Claire Reynolds, Parish Clerk, Long Man Parish Council in the first instance**

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## WILMINGTON, FOLKINGTON AND MILTON STREET VILLAGE CLUB

There is little to report other than that a successful Annual General Meeting and a committee meeting were held in July. As a result the committee met again on Wednesday 23 June 2021 at which a date for The Welcoming/Reopening Party and its content has been discussed and is being planned. A general email has been/will soon be sent out with details.

## Ice Lollies for Lemurs! Drusillas Keep Their Animals Cool For Summer!

Zookeepers at Drusillas Park have been finding new and creative ways to keep their animals cool this summer.

The team have been pulling out all the stops to protect their animals from the heat by making sure they have access to as much water as they need and creating extra shaded areas to keep them out of the sun.



Many of the furry residents have received food layered ice lollies created from some of their favourite snacks.

These cooling concoctions were served up to the cheeky Lemurs. Their icy offerings were packed full of fresh vegetables and herbs and the troop wasted no time in tucking into the refreshing ice pops.



Head Keeper, Sophie Leadbitter, commented: *"Animals do not perspire in the same way as humans do, so we use the ice blocks to keep them comfortable in the heat. Ultimately, the animals are after the rewards hidden within, but as they grab at and break down the ice lollies to get the food, their mouths and paws are cooled."*

*"Ice lollies are a great way to keep the animals cool, but they also serve an enrichment purpose as well. Making the animals work for their food in creative ways, helps to stimulate them mentally and physically and forces them to use their instincts to look for food as they would in the wild."*



The squirrel monkeys and meerkats were also treated to veggie ice pops to help them cool down, which the greedy groups devoured within minutes. Elsewhere in the zoo animals such as the flamingos have been combatting the heat by walking around their waterfall, the capybaras and beavers have been taking long dips in their pool and the red pandas have been napping the day away in the shade of their trees. Whilst children have been flocking to the splash pad at the Park to play in the fountains to keep cool!

**Drusillas Park is open daily from 10am. For more information please telephone 01323 874100 or visit [www.drusillas.co.uk](http://www.drusillas.co.uk)**

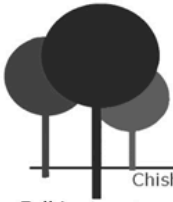
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## PUZZLE PAGES

**Our Summer main puzzle for August and September is a CROSSWORD with a theme of HOLIDAYS.**

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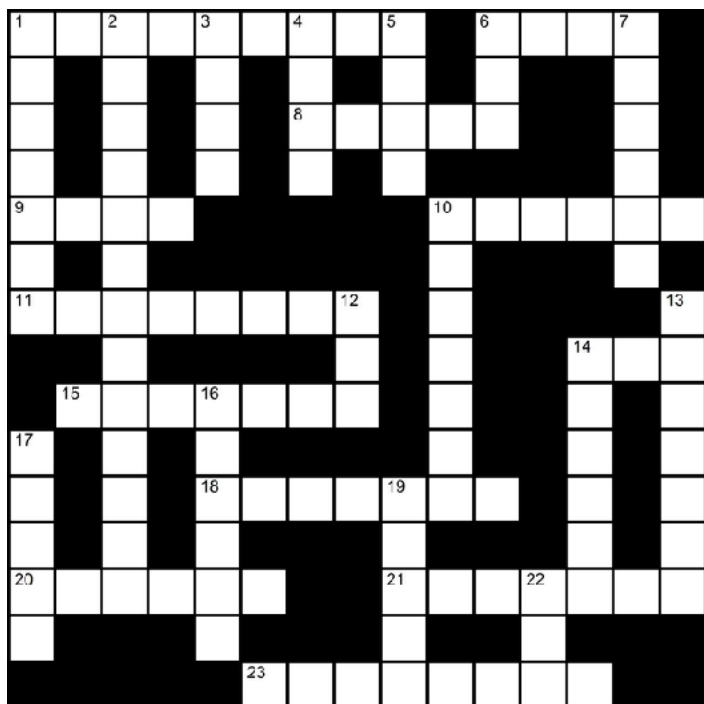
#### Across

- 1 Jointly owned property (9)
- 6 An iron hook with a handle; used for landing large fish; also a spar on a sailing vessel (4)
- 8 Large area of land preserved in its natural state as public property (5)
- 9 An elaborate party (usually outdoors) (4)
- 10 Liquid preparation having a soothing, antiseptic, protective or other medicinal action when applied to the skin (6)
- 11 System of money or other items used as a medium of exchange, esp. the money used in a particular country or area, (8)
- 14 A fashionable hotel usually in a resort area, esp. with equipment and facilities for exercising/improving physical fitness (3)
- 15 Latest and most admired style in clothes, cosmetics and/or behaviour (7)
- 18 One who goes posh-camping (7)
- 20 Long, narrow strip of water esp. made for boats or for irrigation (6)
- 21 Move about aimlessly or without any destination, often in search of food; but now has new usage in connection with taking your mobile or wifi to work abroad (7)
- 23 Document issued by a country to a citizen allowing that person to travel abroad and re-enter their home country (8)

#### Down

- 1 The amount of activity over a transport route or system during a given period of time (7)
- 2 The largest inland sea; between Europe, Africa and Asia (13)
- 3 Waves breaking on the shore (4)
- 4 Large mountain system in south-central Europe; scenic beauty and winter sports make them a popular tourist attraction (4)
- 5 Basic monetary unit of many members of the European Union (introduced 1999) (4)
- 6 A fossil fuel in a state other than solid or liquid; often used on holiday for cooking or heating (3)
- 7 The measure of protection offered by a sun-protective product (6)
- 10 Cases used to carry belongings when travelling (7)
- 12 Basic unit of money in Japan (3)
- 13 Act of travelling on foot (7)
- 14 Trip into a wild area to see and/or photograph wild animals in their own environment (6)
- 16 Instance of intense argument (as in bargaining) (6)
- 17 Area of sand sloping down to the water of a sea or lake (5)
- 19 Prince of Troy who abducted Helen from her husband Menelaus and provoked the Trojan War (5)
- 22 Mal de \_ \_ \_ ~ Motion sickness experienced while travelling on water (3)





Our JULY and AUGUST Sudoku puzzles are graded as :  
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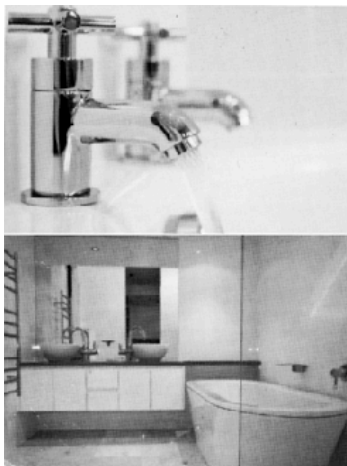
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# NOTES FROM SAINT PETER AD VINCULA - FOLKINGTON



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## **JULY, AUGUST AND EARLY SEPTEMBER SERVICES AND SUMMER NEWS FROM FOLKINGTON CHURCH AND VILLAGE**

### **Services for July and August**

**Sunday July 4th - 10.30am - Holy Communion - The Reverend Prebendary  
Stephen Stuckes  
and the Benefice Ministry Team  
Outside Refreshments**

**Sunday July 11th ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins for Sea Sunday and The Mission to  
Seafarers  
The Reverend Malcolm Elwis  
Outside Refreshments**

**Sunday July 18th ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins ~ Nelson Mandela Day  
The Reverend Neville Manning  
Outside Refreshments**

**Sunday July 25th ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins ~ James the Apostle  
The Reverend Colin Pritchard  
Refreshments**

**Sunday August 1st ~ 10.30am ~ Holy Communion ~ The Reverend  
Prebendary Stephen Stuckes  
and the Benefice Ministry Team  
Refreshments**

**Sunday August 8th ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins The Reverend Malcolm Elwis  
Refreshments**

**Sunday August 15th ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins ~ Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
The Reverend Colin Woodward  
Refreshments ~**

**Sunday August 22nd ~ 10.30am ~ Mattins Mr Alan Packard  
Refreshments ~**

**Sunday August 29th ~ 11am ~ United Benefice Service details to be confirmed.**

**Sunday September 5th ~ 10.30am ~ Holy Communion ~ The Reverend  
Prebendary Stephen Stuckes  
and the Benefice Ministry Team**

**Note for Sea Sunday ~ St .Peter's Church is a Parish Link with the Mission to Seafarers and has been for many years. We value this link greatly and always display their Magazine Flying Angel in our Prayer Corner/ Reading Pew.Refreshments will be offered after all these services. Before July 28th, parishioners will be asked to ` socially distance` and, weather permitting, try to drink their coffees and teas outside!**

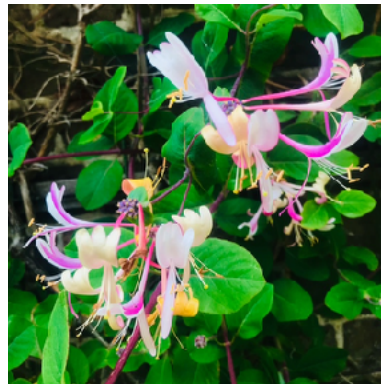
**Saint Peter's continues to be open for prayer on Wednesday/Friday and Sunday, and for part of Saturday.**

## **Summer News From St. Peter's Church, Folkington**

June has been a happy month in our village church with the easing of restrictions, giving parishioners a return to a service on every Sunday. Services have included Holy Communion on the first Sunday led by our Rector The Reverend Prebendary Stephen Stuckes, assisted by Kelly Ellis, the Benefice Pastoral Minister.

We were glad to see and hear Tim Berrett back on the organ after many months of absence. He played hymns and his usual lovely music before, during and after the service.

On the other June Sundays we welcomed The Reverend Malcolm Elwis, The Reverend Stuart Baker and The Reverend Neville Manning. We have missed our aspiring young organist, Nathaniel, while he has been working hard with challenging exams. We have wished him luck and look forward to his playing the organ in St Peter's again when he has time.





With the fine weather we have seen many visitors who come to southern Folkington on foot, by bicycle, by car and even on a horse. They always admire our churchyard with its beautiful wild flowers. This summer the marguerites, the cow parsley and pyramid orchids on the bank have been the stars of the show, following spring violets, primroses and dog roses.

On our present open days of Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, visitors have enjoyed the peace and tranquility of resting inside St. Peter's. We hope to soon be able to re-install our Visitors' Book, which is such a precious record of who visits the church. We value all the comments with people's impressions of their

visits.

Looking to the month of September, it is hoped that all parishioners and indeed Folkington residents, will support the Ride and Stride event on the second Saturday of September. This day is in aid of The Sussex Historic Churches Trust and is organised by Mrs Gwyneth Clarke of our congregation. We will hope and pray for good weather, enthusiastic participants and lots of supporters. Watch the table inside the church and the porch noticeboard!

### **The Ride and Stride**

This was cancelled last year but, will take place on Saturday 11th September from 09.00 until 17.00. The church will be open and manned, serving refreshments and hopefully we will be selling our usual plants and books. Anyone wishing to participate, either walking, cycling or horse riding to raise money for this very worthy cause can get in touch with Gwyneth Clarke (01323 721005) for the appropriate sponsor form. We have, in the past, been fortunate in obtaining interest free loans from the Sussex Historic Churches Trust for major repairs and restoration to Saint Peter's.



**We look forward to your support.**

**Please can you continue collecting bottle tops, wool, ribbon, cards and stamps for The Friends of Eastbourne Hospital. They are still beavering away, more so, since the pandemic. Collection boxes can be found by the organ in church. Thank you.**

## PUZZLE SOLUTIONS



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### **Prayer Requests**

If you have any prayer requests please pass them on – they can either be kept confidential or included in intercessions at our online services.

### **Suggestions or Comments**

Suggestions and comments as to what is offered online or what might be offered in addition are welcomed.

**Reverend Peter is available for visiting outdoors if permitted and available to talk on the phone. Please contact 01323 870512.**

**The times of the services are subject to change. Please look at the website ( [www.sussexdownlandchurches.org.uk](http://www.sussexdownlandchurches.org.uk) ) and check carefully on the Sunday link emails. If in any doubt please contact Stephanie Lewis-Grey on 01323 811136 or email at [benefice.administrator@berwickchurch.org.uk](mailto:benefice.administrator@berwickchurch.org.uk)**

**If you would like to take part, please email the Benefice Administrator to receive notice of each upcoming virtual service:  
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## Benefice Services for Late August and Early September

### August 22nd

9.00 am.	Zoom ~ Morning Prayer	tbc
9.30 am	Selmeston ~ Morning Prayer	tbc
10.00 am.	Wilmington ~ Morning Prayer	Peter Blee
11.00 am.	Berwick ~ Holy Communion	Peter Blee

### August 29th

9.00 am	Zoom ~ Morning Prayer	tbc
10.00 am	Selmeston United Benefice Service	Peter Blee

### September 5th

8.00 am	Alciston ~ Book of Common Prayer	Peter Blee
9.00 am.	Zoom ~ Morning Prayer	Peter Blee
10.00 am.	Wilmington ~ Holy Communion	Peter Blee
11.00 am.	Berwick ~ Holy Communion	Peter Blee

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

### Monday

5.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer - Youtube link sent out

### Tuesday

5.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer - Zoom link sent out

### Wednesday

9.30 a.m.

Morning Prayer - Zoom link sent out

### Wednesday

5.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer - Youtube link sent out

### Thursday

5.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer - Youtube link sent out evening before

**Our churches remain open for private prayer and reflection every day.  
Except for Arlington which is open only at the weekends.**

## METHODS

### SUNDAYS

9.00 a.m.

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### WEDNESDAYS

9.30 a.m.

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## Benefice Services for July and Most of August

### July 4th

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<b>9.00 am.</b>	<b>Zoom ~ Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>
<b>10.00 am.</b>	<b>Arlington ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>
<b>11.00 am.</b>	<b>Berwick ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>

### July 11th

<b>9.00 am.</b>	<b>Zoom ~ Morning Prayer</b>	<b>tbc</b>
<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Alciston ~ Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>
<b>10.00 am.</b>	<b>Wilmington ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>
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### July 18th

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<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Selmeston ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>
<b>10.00 am.</b>	<b>Arlington ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>tbc</b>
<b>11.00 am.</b>	<b>Berwick ~ Holy Communion</b>	<b>Peter Blee</b>

### July 25th

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### August 1st

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