

Kingswood Grapevine

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Dates For Your Diary

Tues	6 th	March	R.N.L.I talk	Cotswold Edge Golf Club	7.30pm for 8.00pm
Tues	13 th	"	W.I talk on "Chocolate Making"	Village Hall	7.30pm
Sat	24 th	"	Village Come Dine with Me		

APRIL ISSUE DEADLINE:

FRIDAY MARCH 23rd

Tues	27 th	March	K.V.A Annual General Meeting	Village Hall	8.00pm
Sat	7 th	April	Music at St. Mary's - Light		
Tues	3 rd	"	Village Hall A.G.M	Village Hall	8.00pm
Sat	23 rd	June	St. Mary's Church Fete		

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### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

CONTACTS FOR VILLAGE GROUPS: Over the next two years, at least 50 new families will move into the village, mainly in Chestnut Park. Most will not know much about the identities or opportunities of the different village organisations. KVA will be putting together a list, which it will distribute to each new house. If you would like your village group included, please give the group name, website, contact name, phone number and email address and/or house address to Rod Alexander at 843398 or (preferably)

[rodplume@gmail.com](mailto:rodplume@gmail.com).

KVA Annual General Meeting. **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 8.00pm** in the Hall. Join us for a few drinks and nibbles at a short meeting and see how we earned and distributed our funds.

### COMMUNITY WELLBEING SERVICE - STROUD AND BERKELEY VALE

Many things affect our health and wellbeing, such as where we live, how we spend our time, our financial situation, and our relationship with friends and family.

Sometimes we all need a helping hand, someone to listen to us when we are struggling, or perhaps someone to find out what help is available in our local community.

INDEPENDENCE TRUST is proud to have been commissioned to deliver the new COMMUNITY WELLBEING SERVICE for residents of STROUD AND BERKELEY VALE.

The Community Wellbeing Service has been commissioned by NHS Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group and Gloucestershire County Council. It brings together Village and Community Agents and Social Prescribing in a new, exciting service for local people.

There is a Community Wellbeing Agent local to you; and they will also become a familiar face at your local GP practice.

Whom is the service for?

The service is free and available to anyone over the age of 16 living in Gloucestershire, or who is registered with a Gloucestershire GP.

The Community Wellbeing Agents have extensive knowledge of local services. We can:

- Talk to you about the challenges you may be facing and what would help you
- Offer advice, information and practical support
- Actively signpost you to services that can help you find solutions to everyday problems
- Discuss your interests and hobbies and help you find local groups you can get involved in

Would you like to find out more?

Ring us on 0345 863 8323 and press option 2 for the Community Wellbeing Service or visit our website: [www.independencetrust.co.uk](http://www.independencetrust.co.uk).

We look forward to hearing from you.

### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall AGM will be at 8.00pm on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018** in the village hall. All welcome, especially volunteers for the committee.

### Neighbourhood Watch

Many of you will have seen the Neighbourhood Watch warning about an attempted fraud on one of the village's much loved pensioners. It is a great pleasure to report that not only was payment forestalled by the swift action of one of Watch representatives, but a rota of neighbours ensured the returning "builder" was met by the lady's 18 stone "minder". The "builder" beat a retreat, unlikely to return. Meanwhile, the police on receipt of the, albeit fake, vehicle number, put out a nationwide search. Their comments included "amazing, sparky, excellent, proud!" and "brought tears to our eyes!" Well done Kingswood.

### ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH

St Mary's Garden Fete - The annual St Mary's Garden Fete will be held as usual in the gardens of Amercombe, 11 High Street, from 1pm on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018**. A new exciting theme is currently in preparation as well as lots of stalls including the ever popular treasure hunt, games, bar, B-B-Q and teas. Please put this date in your diaries and we look forward to seeing you then, further information will follow in coming months. Enquires to Tricia Broadfoot 844436

### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE PLAYGROUP AND TODDLERS [www.kingswoodvillageplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.kingswoodvillageplaygroup.org.uk)

Playgroup (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.00 – 1pm) and Baby Toddler group (Wednesday 9.30am -11.30am) run at Kingswood Village Hall in term times. If you would like to find out more please visit our new website or contact us by emailing [playgroupkingswood@gmail.com](mailto:playgroupkingswood@gmail.com). Children attending playgroup have been learning about winter throughout January and February. They have learnt about caring for wild birds in the winter time and made some bird cake to put out at home. They were encouraged to take part in the RSPB's annual bird count and have been identifying birds on the playing field.

### Kingswood Defib Awareness Group

We are now raising money to fund a third defibrillator, to complete the coverage for the main village. We have so far raised about half the required sum. This next defib will, hopefully, be located in Abbey St on the wall of the school by its main entrance. This location will conveniently serve the school, Tubbs Turf, the Church and Chapel, and all those living and working in the North end of the village, who are all currently more than the prescribed distance from the defib at the shop. If you have any fund-raising ideas or wish to make a donation, please contact David Owen: [owen@kingswoodgl12.plus.com](mailto:owen@kingswoodgl12.plus.com) Tel: 844463

**KINGSWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH - Contact Jennie 842803 or email [jennieamesbury@bitinternet.co.uk](mailto:jennieamesbury@bitinternet.co.uk)**

or via our website at [www.kingswoodcongregational.org.uk](http://www.kingswoodcongregational.org.uk) for up to date information about our morning and evening services check our Facebook page.

**COFFEE AND CHAT** Every Wednesday in the Lower Schoolroom, The Walk from 9.30am – 11.00am. Come along to our new venture, take a break from your normal routine and join us. (Contact Lin on 01453 843461).

As Easter approaches dates to remember - Mothering Sunday Café Church in the Schoolroom to which everyone is welcome to experience a different way of doing church. Palm Sunday meet on the Chipping for a service at 10.30 then on to St Mary's. Good Friday 10.30am Communion Service followed by Stations of the Cross and then meet in St Mary's for hot cross buns. Churches Together leaflets will be out soon so please check these for dates for Easter etc.

#### **R.N.L.I Wotton-under-Edge Branch**

Guest Speaker Evening - **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** - Clifton Suspension Bridge

This year's Guest Speaker evening will be held at the Cotswold Edge Golf Club on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – 7.30pm for 8pm - when Gordon Young, a volunteer tour-guide at the Clifton Suspension Bridge, will present an illustrated talk about this iconic world symbol of Bristol. The talk will embrace the early history, troubled financial matters resulting in construction being abandoned, eventual completion and celebratory opening, plus lively little-known anecdotes of its subsequent history. Tickets (£10 each) from John Barnett [jabwrnli@gmail.com](mailto:jabwrnli@gmail.com) 01453 844709, Andrew Harper (Kingswood) 843529, Westward Travel (Wotton) or [www.wuernli.btck.co.uk](http://www.wuernli.btck.co.uk)

#### **Kingswood Parish Council**

**Wild about Kingswood** – Richard from Stroud Valleys Project is at the Chestnut Park site every Monday from 11.00am. Please go along and say hello and if you have time please join in and help to manage the land. We are currently learning how to lay the hedges. Come along and learn a new skill. Volunteers are urgently required; please contact the clerk to find out more!

Please can residents not use the wildlife area to get rid of their grass cuttings.

**Dog Fouling and Litter**- The parish council has received a number of complaints on dog fouling particularly at the playing field. Please can all dog owners ensure that their dog is under control and not in the area with the play equipment. All dog owners must ensure that they are picking up after their dog. This includes children walking dogs as well! Please can all parents ensure that children are aware of this responsibility. Please can information be passed to the clerk of any person observed not picking up after their dog or who has let their dog run out of control.

**Annual Parish Meeting**- It is hoped that this will be on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at the village hall. We are awaiting confirmation of the date. This is a meeting of the community and not a parish council meeting. Please let the parish council know what speaker you would like to hear from. Suggestions received to date are representatives from South Gloucestershire Council on development in South Gloucestershire, The Greenway Group on the proposed cycleway link between Wotton, Charfield and Kingswood and Stroud District Council on Council Tax.

**The Dinneywicks Inn - LOCALISM ACT 2011 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER INTO A RELEVANT DISPOSAL**

DINNEYWICKS INN, THE CHIPPING, KINGSWOOD, WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE GL12 8RT

ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE REFERENCE 2017/0009/ASSETC

On 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018, Stroud District Council received a notice under section 95(2) of the Localism Act 2011 (the Act) from the owner of the above land, which is listed as an Asset of Community Value. The notice confirms the intention of the owner to enter into a relevant disposal (as defined in section 96 of the Act) of the above land.

In accordance with section 95 of the Act:

- The interim moratorium period will end on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018;
- The full moratorium period will end on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018; and
- The protected period will end on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

The full moratorium period will be triggered upon receipt from a community interest group (as defined in regulation 12 of the Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012/2421) of a written request to be treated as a potential bidder in relation to the land. Any such written request must be made not later than 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and should be sent to: The Neighbourhood Planning Officer, Planning Strategy, Stroud District Council

The Dinneywicks Inn was registered as a Community Asset at the request of members of the community. The registration of the pub as a Community Asset means it can only be sold in the first instance as a going concern. The registration gives the community the opportunity if they wish to come forward and express an interest of making an offer to buy the pub. If no offer is made by the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018, the landowner is able to sell the Dinneywicks to any other buyer who wishes to purchase the Dinneywicks and run it as a pub. Therefore, the 2nd moratorium will not be triggered. Any person buying the Dinneywicks Inn with the intention of running it as a pub should be reassured by the registration as it shows how much value the community put on having a working village pub as part of their community.

**Parish Council meetings**- The parish council meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month. A meeting is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month if there is business which cannot wait until the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the next month. Full details of all meetings can be found on Kingswood Parish Council's website. The next scheduled meeting is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15pm at the village hall. Members of the community are welcome to attend and take part in the public session at the beginning of the meeting.

**Communication** - Please visit the KPC web site on [www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) and follow and 'like' the parish council on the Kingswood Parish Council Facebook Page. The Clerk Mary Leonard, New Rose Cottage Chapel Lane, Hillesley GL12 7RQ, Tel 01453 844659, Email [clerk@kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) [www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**KINGSWOOD ABBEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** More details from the President, Sheila Kerr on 844865.

Kingswood Abbey WI enjoyed an evening of some members Family History at their February meeting. One member could trace her family in Kingswood back to the 1600s.

The next meeting on **Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** at the Village Hall at 7.30pm will be on Chocolate making. Hopefully there will be lots of samples to taste! Visitors welcome. £3 admission.

There are now a few places open for membership, any lady wishing to know more about the WI is welcome to come to a meeting.

#### **MUSIC at ST MARY'S - LIGHT Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

Last year, in order to broaden the appeal of the long-running MUSIC AT ST MARY'S concert series, we held MUSIC AT ST MARY'S - LIGHT. With songs from the shows and all manner of popular music, it proved a great success.

The mastermind behind that evening and one of the main contributors to the various items was Rachel Howgego. She is preparing another exciting and varied programme for **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April**. Tickets, as last year, are £8 (Children £4) from David Hatton (842483) [dgrhatton@gmail.com](mailto:dgrhatton@gmail.com)

**The Village Diary can be viewed on the Grapevine website. For an entry please email Grapevine or telephone Gill on 842734.**

