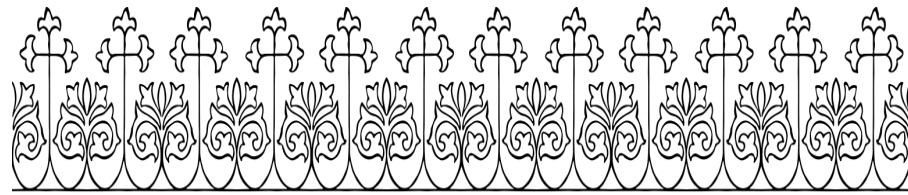




Parish News

Wick, Doynton, Dyrham and Hinton

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April 2025

Dear Friends,

The Easter eggs are on the shelf and, having journeyed through Lent, many of us are looking forward to the Easter celebrations. Easter brings with it a message of hope and a message of new life as we consider what Jesus did for us through His death and resurrection. Spring is full of new life, we witness it all around us as we see creation burst forth. The buds on the trees begin to flower, the lambs in the field playfully skip about and the air seems to be filled with so much promise and hope, especially when the sun's rays bring light and warmth to all it touches. It makes me think of a time when I was staying in France as we sat outside the local café watching a little kitten delight in simply being a kitten, playfully jumping about and basking in the golden sunshine. Children are like that too, they often take great delight in embracing how each new day brings fresh discoveries, filling them up with so many questions. Why is the sky blue, the grass green, or why do birds chirp and dogs bark? They are so curious about everything around them. Jesus calls us to come to Him as little children, he wants us to be both curious and excited about what He has to offer, which is life, a life in all its fullness, living each day, not just spring days, filled with awe and wonder about this amazing life we have been given through Him. I know for some of you who are struggling that life won't feel at all amazing at the moment but the Easter story reminds us that in all our suffering we all have the light of hope, a hope that one day, because of what Jesus did, giving His life for ours, all things will be made new and our sufferings will pass. So this Easter let me encourage you to come along to one of our Easter services and enjoy celebrating Easter and the message of new life - and with a bit of luck, there might even be a chance to share in some Easter eggs.

Happy Easter!

With love from

Rev Elaine

News from St Bartholomew's

We joined with the Chapel to commemorate the World Day of Prayer on 7th March, and it was a lovely experience. The service was written by women in the Cook Islands, so we had to grapple with some unfamiliar Maori names and pronunciations, which was fascinating. We were treated to a fantastic spread afterwards in the Chapel's newly decorated room, and we all had a lovely time!

Talking of nice food, and fun getting together with our Chapel family, the Lent group is going well; everyone I've spoken to about it says it is very enjoyable and informative. By the time this issue comes out, the meetings will have finished (*I think the last one is on 1st April*) and I'm sure that everyone involved will have gained something from it. All the Lent preparation leads to Easter of course - the most wonderful part of the church year! Details of all our Easter services are on the centre pages; do find one that sounds right for you, and come celebrate with us. Lamb-hunting, chocolate egg eating, you'll love it!

We have news about the churchyard, too - S Glos Council have offered support for our efforts to improve our biodiversity and we are working on a 5-year plan. I am thrilled that we now have **definite** plans to plant a native hedgerow along the back boundary, fruit trees will be planted to create a "mini orchard", and bat and bird boxes will be going up (if anyone could make or contribute these, they will be very gratefully accepted). We have redistributed a lot of the snowdrops, (we did think about buying some in, but we've seen them priced at £1.50 EACH (!) Shortly we aim to plan a session or two to clear out several very overgrown areas and we shall be calling on people in the local community to help with this, so watch this space! More details on page 18.

We hope that the churchyard will become a truly environmentally friendly area of calm and peace for all the local community to enjoy. To this end, we don't use pesticides which would contaminate the soil and atmosphere. And you would not believe the amount of plastic/artificial flowers I remove from the compost bins!

Doynton Parish Pump

The Memory Café at Doynton will meet on Thursday April 3rd, 2.00–4.00 p.m. at the village hall, with an Easter theme and the ever-popular ukelele band. Anyone with dementia or memory loss, with their family member or carer, is very welcome. For more information, see Facebook “The Memory Cafe at Doynton”, email mcdoynton [at] gmail.com or tel. 07817 311001. We would love to hear from potential volunteers, especially those living in Doynton. NB the May meeting will be on May 8th, not 1st, owing to local elections in the hall.

Doynton village market: next markets **April 5th and 19th**, 10.00–11.00 a.m., at the village hall. The March markets were well supported, accompanied by some better/sunnier weather. It felt like the year has finally woken up. We can truly say that we enjoy your company and seeing you all on the first and third Saturdays of the month. As we have said before, if you cannot make it and would like specific goods, or if you might be late coming, please ring or message us, we can keep something back for you, or arrange pick-up/delivery. We also take orders, and recently supplied a special birthday cake. Helping our customers out is something we love to do. With Easter approaching, we will be making some appropriate goodies, but as always, if there is anything you would like, please ask – tel. or message 07711 670704, before midday on the Wednesday before the market.

Take your places for the **swing band** music evening with the Wiltshire Police Band on Saturday **April 5th** (7.30 p.m.) at Holy Trinity church – a toe-tapping extravaganza to raise funds for Falcon Holidays for local children in need. Tickets £12.00 in advance or £15.00 on the door from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wiltshire-police-band>.

Be careful crossing the road on **Sunday April 6th**, when hundreds of cyclists will be passing through the village, ostensibly on a 116-kilometre **cycle ride**, but really for the “legendary catering” provided courtesy of Doynton and Wick WI. For details of the event and an artist’s impression of our very own village hall, see <https://www.pedalution.co.uk/events/barrys-bristol-bash-110/>.

At the March meeting of **Doynton and Wick WI**, Bob Rogers shared his deep love for the breathtaking scenery, magnificent beaches and peaceful way of life of the Outer Hebridean islands of Scotland, where Gaelic is still the first language. The tiny airport at Barra has norunway;

instead, the planes land on the beach among the cockle-gatherers. The speaker in April is Claire Bounds on “Scams”, and the competition is “a top tip for scam avoidance”. All welcome at Doynton village hall on **Wednesday April 9th**, 7.30 p.m.

Don’t forget **Warm Wednesdays:** 10.30 a.m.–12 noon at the village hall, for tea/coffee, sweet treats and a good gossip. We regularly welcome 20 guests or more, and one of these days we will succeed in getting the “boys” and “girls” tables to mix!

Advance notice of the **Annual Residents’ Meeting** and annual meetings of the Parish Council, which will take place on **Tuesday May 6th** (7.00 p.m.) at the village hall. This will be followed by a regular **Doynton Parish Council meeting**. Residents welcome at all meetings.

Doynton Parish Council event to commemorate the **80th anniversary of VE Day: Thursday May 8th** from 6.30 p.m. at Doynton Mill field, off Rookery Lane. Fish and chips £15, sausage and chips £12, halloumi and chips £13 (ticket includes one free drink). Lighting of the beacon at 9.30 p.m. Tickets from Elaine Roch (07799 280743), Lisa Williams (07974 771670), Sue Merrell or Warm Wednesday coffee mornings.

Doynton Village Fête: this year, the fête will take place on June 14th (1.00–4.00 p.m.) around the village hall and the orchard, with the usual range of summer attractions, including cream teas, barbeque, children’s sports, farm animals, Morris dancers, entertainer and brass band. Please put the date in your diary and bring any donations –bottles, home-made produce, plants, bric-a-brac, children’s toys, books, etc. – along on the morning of the fête.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support the **North Bristol & South Glos Foodbank** via the collecting box in the church porch. The need is greater than ever as the cost of living continues to rise. The foodbank provides three days’ nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people in crisis – more and more of them are in work but still unable to afford food. Working alongside local partners, the foodbank also connects people with expert advice on income, debt and support services to address the root causes of hunger. If you need to make use of the foodbank, please contact them on 0117 472 5172, or visit their website at nbsg.foodbank.org.uk. Our local “village agent”, Aimee Cherry-Williams, can help you to access the foodbank network and provide further support if needed – this is a completely free and confidential service, see https://orlo.uk/Village_Agents_plEmf



The Owl's Nest

Welcome to the news for **April**

Please email

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with your news items for the May

edition no later than

Sunday 20th April

Please send copy containing artwork/logos
etc as a **.png or .jpg** file, thank you

Anthea Watts writes:

On 27 February Michael Kuipers travelled from Clevedon for our meeting, and we learned some very useful information about Lasting Power of Attorney.

Future meetings

27 March - Zumba from your chair with Philomena Connolly

24 April - Children's Hospice South West with Heidi Roberts

22 May - Resolutions followed by a quiz - with wine and cheese

26 June - Visiting 30 cathedrals around England on horseback.

Forthcoming events

Ten of our members will be attending the group meeting at Marshfield on Friday 4 April, which is to be a Murder Mystery. We are looking forward to seeing our colleagues in the group.

Our members will be going in a boat trip and visit to the M Shed on Thursday 15 May.

A walk/picnic is to be organised for VE Day. Details to be confirmed later.

A bluebell walk to be arranged, with more information later.

We are always pleased to welcome new members to join our happy and friendly group. If you and/or a friend are interested in joining us or coming to any of the above events you would be most welcome. Please feel free to contact our President, Wendy Haynes, on 07930 851582 for more information.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

As a village, we are very lucky to have so many local services available to us locally so that we don't have to go into Bristol or Bath. Here is news of a new local business opening up - we are spoilt for choice!



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A big thank you to all our advertisers, past and present. Your continued support means that we can produce and distribute this magazine for another year.

An increasing number of people access this magazine via various websites now, so we are starting to think about how we continue to provide all the local news in the ways that are best for all our villagers.

If you have any opinions or suggestions for us, PLEASE let us know!

Please email wickparishmagazine@outlook.com with your views.



Dyrham & Hinton Diversions

Women's Institute



For our March meeting members enjoyed a fun filled evening of bingo lingo with the slight adaption of the bingo calling numbers. Members also enjoyed a fantastic cheese board feasting board accompanied by wine and refreshments.

Future meetings: (Meetings 2nd Thursday every month 7pm Dyrham & Hinton Village Hall)

- **10th April** - *Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen's Families Association (SSAFA) Charity Talk Guest speaker Jen Mackenzie. (Open meeting to community, family & friends if you wish to attend please email us as below)*



Dyrham & Hinton WI Book Club (Read Between the Wines):

Book Club members met on Wednesday 19th March at a member's house discuss the book *Conclave* by Robert Harris. A fascinating insular world of the Vatican. The pope is dead, and 118 cardinals are gathering to elect his successor in this portrait of power, corruption and deceit.

Our next read is "The Mercies" by Kiran Millwood Hargrave.

We welcome new members; ladies can attend up to 2 initial meetings without any obligations. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month. For further information please contact us at:

dyrhamandhintoncommitteewi@gmail.com



Boyd Valley Painting Group

The Boyd Valley painting group consists of a small band of like minded amateur artists who meet once a week at the Dyrham and Hinton village hall on a Thursday morning from 10.00am until 1.00pm.

The group consists of mixed artistic abilities using whichever medium they choose. It is a self help group with advice and encouragement freely given with the collective aim to improve individual standards, therefore creating a sense of achievement for those participants just starting out.

The group is run on a "not for profit" principle whereby all members share the modest cost of the hall hire between them.

Have you thought that you would like to paint or draw but did not know how to start or were too afraid or embarrassed to share your initial efforts with strangers Well, you are not unique in harbouring self doubt, we all had those feelings to start with but we were very soon freed from those restrictions by the support, encouragement and guidance of fellow group members.

If you would like to have a go and be part of a friendly group please call Andrew Hedges 01179372928 to learn more and register your interest. You will be made to feel most welcome.

St Peter's Church Roof Repair Project

The first phase of repairs at St Peter's has now been completed with the replacement of the lead valleys. These were very old and frequently leaked due to cracks in the old lead causing internal damage to the church. This was being exacerbated by the torrential rain from climate change which meant they also often overflowed.

The work was funded by the nearly £60,000 in grants and donations that we have managed to raise so far. We are now trying to raise a further £80,000 for the replacement of the lead on the tower roof. The final phase will be redecoration of the inside for the first time in 70 years. We welcome any ideas or support in raising the remaining funds. Please contact Pete Highway at pete.highway@googlemail.com with any suggestions.

Please send any contributions for the next Dyrham & Hinton Diversions to Angela Griffiths (angela.dahparishnews@gmail.com) by 18th April.

News from the URC Chapel



We are enjoying the Lent meetings with friends from the local churches, thinking about encountering God in the every day. This has encouraged much discussion around the buffet table.

Our services over the Easter weekend are as follows:

Good Friday: Short service starting at 10.30 led by Linda Byrne and followed by Hot Cross Buns and coffee/tea.



Easter Sunday – Easter Praise, followed by refreshments.

Do join us for one of the most important dates in the Church's diary.

Over the weekend of May 10th and 11th, to recognise **VE Day**, the Chapel will be displaying photographs and memorabilia of Wick and the surrounding area. We will be open on Saturday 10th from 11.00 until 4.30 pm and on Sunday from 1.00 until 4.30pm. Refreshments will be available.

Church Anniversary takes place on the first Sunday in July. Our Chapel will be 188 years old. Just imagine the changes that have taken place over these years.

And finally have you noticed the new notice board on the external wall of the Chapel with the words. 'No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.' **AND YOU ARE.**

News from your Parish Council

Village News for Wick & Abson www.wickabsonpcgov.uk

- **Parish Clerk email contact:** wickabson_parishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk
- **Council Tax 2025/2026:** At the autumn 2024 finance meeting, the PC agreed to increase the parish precept by the October 2024 RPI of 2.3% equating to £2 per household p.a. on average. SGC has increased the remainder of its council tax demand by 4.99%, as it did last year.
- **Local Plan phase 4 - S.19 Consultation:** following the residents meeting with SGC officers, ward councillors and Claire Young MP, the PC is drafting its response to the plan in terms of: 1. Is it sound; 2, is it legally compliant; 3. Has it been prepared with the duty to co-operate? (*more later – Ed*). The consultation period ends on Friday 11 April 2025. Information about making a submission may be found at: consultations.southglos.gov.uk
- **Village hall car park:** will be lined to maximise the spaces available.
- **Youth Club at Wick Village Hall:** the PC has agreed to continue match funding with SGC this weekly event for young people from 4pm to 6pm.
- **Planning:**
 - P24/02776/F: Land east of Manor Road (Beckside), Wick – resubmission of application – *objection for reasons stated previously.*
 - P24/02725/F: Bromford Housing, land adjacent 21 & 24 Boyd Close, Wick - create additional 6 parking spaces & turning area – resubmission with minor changes – *objection, loss of green space, increase in vehicle noise.*
 - P25/02564/LB: Tracy Park, Bath Road, Wick – listed building consent for internal & external repairs – *no objection.*
 - P25/00367/F: 67 Church Road, Wick – renewal of lapsed consent to demolish garage & self-build 1 no. 2 bed dwelling - *no objection.*
 - P25/00422/HH: 3 Bridge Close, Wick – retrospective consent for garage – *no objection.*
- **Next Parish Council meeting:**
7:15pm Thursday 10th April 2025, Wick Village Hall.

Wick Football Club



As we enter the final third of the season, all four Wick teams are in the mix for honours. The first team are well positioned in the top four, which for this new squad of your lads is a fantastic achievement. They have a difficult run in to the end of the season, but with top goal-scorer Cory Langdon, back from a hamstring injury, the sky is the limit. The reserves have suffered from a lack of games recently, so now must play catch up, but a top three finish is within their grasp. The Sunday side are in third place pressing for top honours, and a cup final to look forward to on Sunday 27th of April at Bristol Manor Farm FC, KO 10:30am.

The vets continue as they have done for many seasons, as the premier team in their league. They have one league remaining and if they win, it's up to other teams in the league to beat their record and pip them to the winning post. They are also in the league cup semi-final against title rivals Cribbs Vets on Sunday 6th of April. All in all a great achievement for Wick FC, so drop in and watch some great football and enjoy the welcoming clubhouse. Clubhouse is open from 1pm on matchdays selling hot/cold drinks, rolls and hot Cornish pasties.

New Assistant Linesman Needed – Next season, the club will be looking for an assistant linesman for all first team games. There are generally around thirty games a season, this is a paid role and if you are interested please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

Presentation Night – This year's event is being held at the ground on Saturday 10th of May, all welcome. Why not pop up and celebrate our success?

UP THE OWLS!

April Fixtures

1st Team (KO 2pm) MGCL

5th A Bromley Heath United
12th H Cheltenham Civil Service
15th A Frampton Utd (6.15pm)
19th H Bromley Heath Utd
24th A Almondsbury
26th H Ruardean Hill Rangers
3/5 H Broadwell Amateurs

Vets (KO 10:30am) 45's Div 1

26th A Cribbs Vets Cup Semi
27th H Barely Athletic

Reserves (KO 2pm) B&D Div 3

5th H Bristol Utd FC
8th H AFC Mangotsfield Res - (KO 6.30pm)
12th A FC Utd of Yate
15th H Nicholas Wanderers (KO 6.30pm)
19th A Oldland Abbotonians Colts

Sunday Team (KO 10:30am) Bristol Premier Sunday

6th H Bristol Academia
27th A Bristol Academia (at Bristol Manor Farm FC Cup Final)

If you would like details of all our sponsorship packages please contact Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

Wick Sports Ground

With phase one of the clubhouse refurbishment complete, we look forward to visitors enjoying the new look and layout.

With the warmer weather hopefully on the way, the sports ground is a fantastic open space to relax and enjoy the wonderful views. WSG are pleased to announce that it will play host to the village quiz night on the 26th of Apr. Wick FC will hold their presentation evening on the 10th of May. Bristol volleyball club will hold its annual summer tournament (now in its 20th year) at the ground between the 30th of May and the 1st of June. This year's annual pitch work will then start after the 1st of June.

Volunteers are always welcome as there is always work to do, so if you have a little bit of time and energy, and would like to help (however small), please get in touch with Matt Davis on 07977 510352.

Sunday Services April 2025

6th April - 5th Sunday of Lent: Passiontide

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Suzy Britton



HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

followed by APCM

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Holy Communion

Rev Steve Britton

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Hew Davis

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm Evensong

Rev Elaine Jones

13th April - Palm Sunday

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

followed by APCM

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Café Church



WICK CHAPEL

9.45am Breakfast Club

Worship Group

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Morning Prayer

Omar Beg

18th April - Good Friday

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am A contemplation

Rev Elaine Jones

ST PETER'S DYRHAM

2.00pm An hour at the Cross

Rev Elaine Jones

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Good Friday service

Linda Byrne

Hot Cross buns and coffee afterwards



20th April - Easter Sunday

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davis

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Holy Communion

To be confirmed

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Easter Praise

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

ST JAMES'S ABSON

10.30am Holy Communion

Rev Colin Lunt



27th April 2nd Sunday of Easter

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am Community Church

Rev Elaine Jones
and Jane Gillis

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Morning Worship

Rev Chris Dobson

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am The Holy Shed



ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Huw Davis

followed by APCM

4th May 3rd Sunday of Easter

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S WICK

10.00am All Together

Jane and Sarah

HOLY TRINITY DOYNTON

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Elaine Jones

WICK CHAPEL

10.30am Holy Communion

Worship Group

ST THOMAS'S PUCKLECHURCH

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Steve Britton

ST JAMES'S ABSON

6.30pm Evensong

Omar Beg

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Memory Café

A relaxed, informal and **free** drop in café, providing support for people with dementia along with a family member, carer, or friend.

The café meets from 2-4 on the first Thursday in every month in Doynton Village Hall- BS30 5SY

For our April meeting we will celebrate Easter and also welcome back the Ukulele group who will help us remember songs from musicals!

Our usual art activities, quizzes, jigsaws and singing are offered along with refreshments and friendly faces. The sessions always finish with the ever-popular singing followed by.. The BIG RED BALLOON!

In May we will welcome the return of our Ballroom Duo who will entertain us with their moves and even encourage a few onto the dance floor!

The date in May will be the 9th as our usual first Thursday of the month slot is taken for elections! .

Come along and enjoy the fun!

Tel 07817311001 for more info or find us on FaceBook



Environment challenge for April 2025

St Bartholomew's, WICK CHURCHYARD



There have been some informal meetings around the possibility of improving St Bartholomew's Churchyard area. There are a number of reasons for this:

- a) Much of the area behind the Church – especially along the boundary – has been neglected over the years and desperately needs attention
- b) Some trees and other bushes in-front of the Church are very overgrown and actually block the view to the Church completely which need reducing or even removing (if permitted)
- c) St Bartholomew's would like to enhance this area so it can be more eco-friendly, encourage all aspects of wildlife as well as generally improve the overall “look” of the large area which we have and make it a more enjoyable place to sit and contemplate, visit areas of remembrance, and even make use of the vast area at the back during summer months by making it more beautiful and accessible.

So far, a small team have visited the St Mary's Church in Marshfield – where they have already established areas of grass management, wild flowers, composting, bee hives etc, to enhance biodiversity.

We have also drawn up a plan of the area at St Bartholomew's as it is NOW, and would like to produce a plan to cover the next few years

There is a large area of snowdrops already growing (mainly hidden!) and small clusters have been re-planted around the Churchyard – ready for Spring 2026.

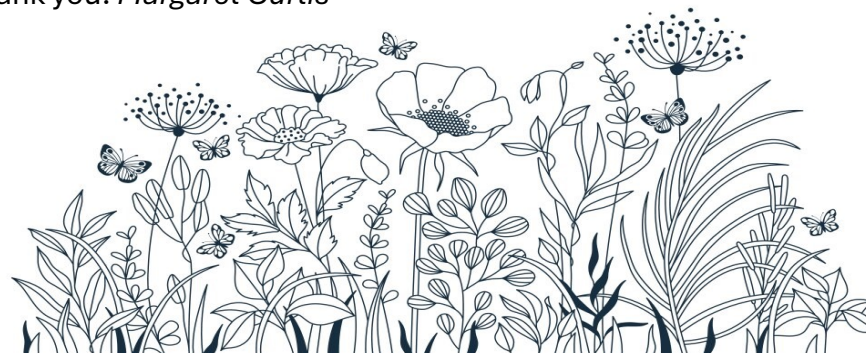
We have also had a visit from “Common Connections”, part of South Gloucester Council, who have suggested that we plant some fruit trees behind the Church – and this is being planned now.

We NEED VOLUNTEERS to help us! This need not be that onerous - we get together every few months – but we do need help with planning and, maybe at this stage, more importantly, we need people with garden equipment – including chain saws/hedge cutters etc to try to create some clear ground where things are simply too overgrown – as well as helpers to carry cuttings to a bonfire etc.....so we are asking for a work-party or two to help us get this underway.....

If you would like any further information, please speak to Suzy Britton, Margaret Parfitt, Margaret Curtis or Steve Burgess (*although Steve is away until May*), or please email : wickchurchwarden@gmail.com

Please do join us – you don't need to be a horticulturalist (none of us are!) just an interest in wildlife and a desire to make our Church Yard area beautiful.

Thank you: *Margaret Curtis*





S Glos council are putting the final touches to a Local Plan to build more houses. The alternative to a cohesive plan is to have every development go through the planning permission system, which is costly and time-consuming. Two new neighbourhoods with a total of 1,930 homes are planned for land east of the A4174 ring road between the B4465 and Carsons Road, while North Warmley New Neighbourhood will be created with 1,060 homes.

The plan said South Gloucestershire's population was forecast to increase to more than 350,000 over the next two decades, while 5,800 families were currently on the housing waiting list. The consultation period will open after full council approves the plan on February 12 before it is sent to the government's Planning Inspectorate for public examination in spring 2026.

If you feel strongly about this situation, there are several things you can do:

Read what S Glos are saying, to make sure you are fully informed:

South Gloucestershire New Local Plan | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council

Have a look at this particular page on the S Glos website. It gives you the opportunity to comment on the Plan

Commenting FAQ.pdf

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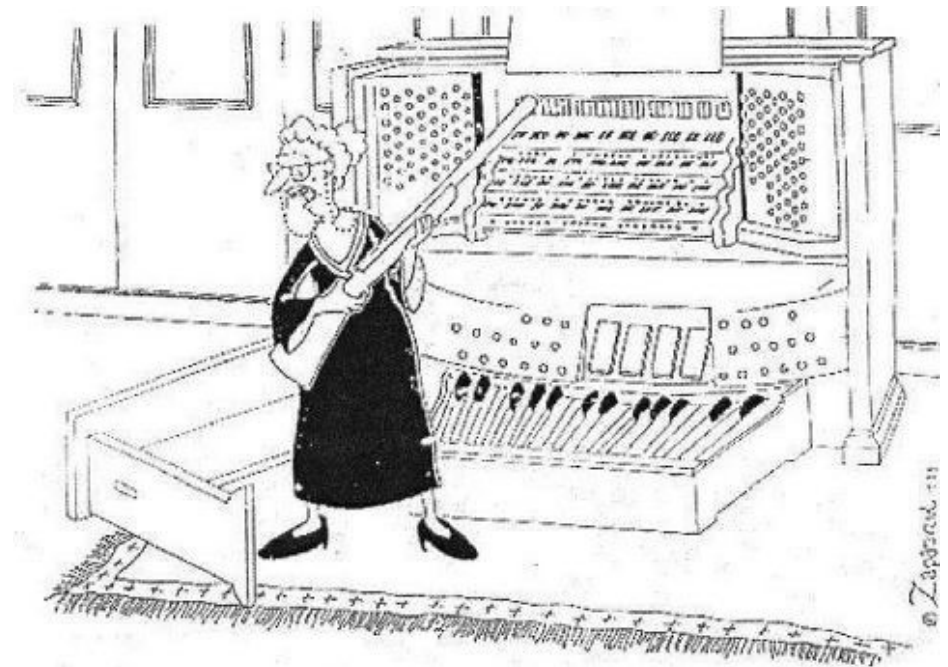
Foster carers play a vital role in looking after vulnerable children, they provide loving and stable homes for those who are unable to live with their birth families.

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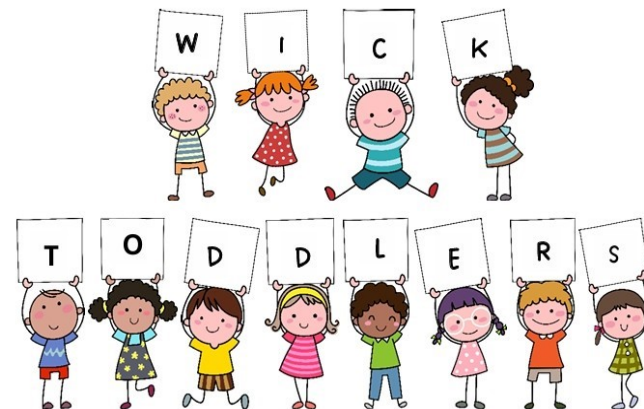
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May 3rd/10th Anne Reynolds



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May 3rd Mr & Mrs Fry

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