

IBBERTON, BELCHALWELL & WOOLLAND NEWS

Welcome to the Ibberton, Belchalwell & Woolland News.

Thank you to the residents who responded to the paper slip with an email to ibbertonnews@gmail.com ,
belchalwellnews@gmail.com , woollandnews@gmail.com.

If you have any information you wish to appear in the newsletter please email ibbertonnews@gmail.com The next edition will be around the beginning of February, 2024

A copy of this Newsletter will be on the Village Hall Web site - www.ibbertonvillagehall.co.uk

Hazelbury Bryan and the Hillside Parishes Benefice

<https://hazelburybryanhillsideparishes.co.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/369357260969623>

Details of services, Churches and Clergy Team

St. Eustace Church News

Harvest Celebrations



We are so fortunate in our rural community to experience first-hand the plants ripening their fruiting bodies and to then harvest these crops to enhance our diets. Thank you everyone who decorated the church, attended the family service led by Jenny Knotwell-Sissons or visited to church at another time to enjoy the arrangements.

All the produce was donated to The Vale Pantry.

If you would like to be involved in decorating our beautiful building, only on three occasions a year - Christmas, Easter and Harvest please email steustaceibberton@gmail.com text 07771561099 or speak to members of the PCC.



The finalisation of the stabilising project works is being undertaken at the moment. As soon as the full details are known, a schedule of works has been formalised, grants have been applied for, etc, the PCC will hold an open meeting to explain what the project will entail. Thank you for your patience.

St. Eustace Church, Ibberton Christmas Arrangements

- **Carol Singing - Thursday 14th December 6 pm Cutlers Close 6.30 pm** Meet at Cutlers Close. All donations are for the Friends of Blandford Hospital Charity - carol sheets will be provided.
All are welcome to join us, especially children who have always enjoyed the experience. If you would like to donate before, you might be out that evening, please drop the money through Woolland View letterbox.
- **Sunday 17th December Family Service led by Jenny Knotwell-Sissons. All are very welcome**



- **Christmas Day - Monday 25th December**

9.00 am	Ibberton	Holy Communion	Jestyn Coke - by extension
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The PCC would like to thank everyone who has attended services, helped with the church maintenance, especially the Church yard, decorated the church, has organised and / or supported fund-raising events throughout the year it has been very much appreciated.

We would especially like to thank Fiona Closier who organised a Safari Supper & raffle, on behalf of the PCC. £850 was raised in total. The Weldmar Hospicecare & The Somerset & Dorset Air Ambulance received a donation of 50% each.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

(Thank you, Derek, for lighting the Church again this Christmas)

Woolland News

The electrical supply has been fully restored to Woolland Church but the subsequent compulsory testing revealed that the heaters cannot legally be reconnected due to their dilapidated condition. Therefore, the PCC are seeking advice on the possible replacement of some of the heaters.

Notwithstanding that the Poppy collection is currently taking place - many thanks to all for donating so generously - and the Guy Fawkes celebration, which could be taking place tonight if conditions allow, thoughts must turn towards Christmas events in the village. The currently proposed time of our Carol Service is Sunday, 17th December at 6.30 pm and residents and visitors alike are warmly encouraged to



come along to hear the much-loved Christmas story and swell the carol singing. Festive refreshments will be served after the service - do please come to these popular services if you can.

Midnight Mass will be celebrated at 10.00 pm on Christmas Eve. It will be a 1662 Prayer Book service. We will be decorating the church on Saturday, 16th December and if you can spare festive foliage and, perhaps, stay to help decorate that will be welcome. Alternatively, your timely contributions can be left in the porch beforehand.

Finally, we wish you and all of our highly-regarded Ministry Team a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Julie Robson

Belchalwell News

Many thanks to all of you who came to our 'Call My Bluff' evening in October. It was a great success and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to Ivan Croad and his team of "comedians" for coming and giving us all such an entertaining evening. The hot meals followed by all the delicious desserts provided by our hardworking ladies were also much appreciated. A generous donation was made to the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance plus a total of £771 raised for Belchalwell Church funds.



Looking forward to Christmas, our traditional Carol Service will be held on Sunday 17th December at 3pm when we look forward to starting the Christmas week with as many of you as possible by singing much loved carols followed by sharing a glass of mulled wine together.

On Wednesday 20th December we intend to go Carol Singing around the village (weather permitting) raising money for the Macmillan Nurses. Meet promptly at 6.30pm outside Bellease Farm. Come along and join us if you can.

Next please note! For the first time on Christmas Eve, we are holding a Holy Communion service at 10pm. This will be a great opportunity to usher in Christmas with all our neighbours and friends, so please come along and make this a Christmas occasion to remember.

Finally, we look forward a few weeks and take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and above all Healthy New Year 2024!

Brenda Courage



Ibberton Village What's App Group

If you would like to join, please message 07771561099 to be added to the group

Ibberton Parish Council News

www.ibbertonparishcouncil.btck.co.uk

Next Parish Council Meeting Monday 4th December, 2023



Stakeholder Information

dorsetcouncil.gov.uk • [@TravelDorset](https://twitter.com/TravelDorset)

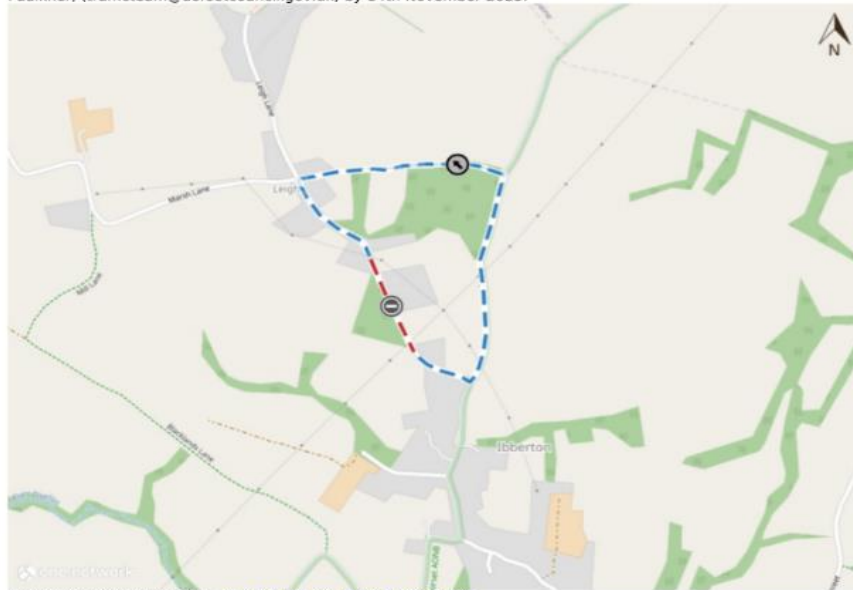
Stakeholder document, dated: 10th October 2023
Ref: T/F.176.23.

PROPOSED TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALLOTMENT HILL, IBBERTON

I have received an application from Openreach to close ALLOTMENT HILL, IBBERTON from outside Woolland View, Leigh to outside Holmwood, Ibberton (in both directions), a distance of approximately 180 metres. The closure has been requested to allow Openreach to replace a telegraph pole. These works are programmed to commence on 6th December 2023.

Openreach will publicise the road closure in a number of ways: they will place information boards on the road in this area to inform the travelling public of the works; they will carry out a letter drop to local residents directly affected by the works; and they will sign a vehicular diversion route using the local road network. The following map shows the extent of the closure and the diversion route.

This document is for information only, however if you have any concerns about this proposal, please contact Tom Faulkner, (trafficteam@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) by 14th November 2023.



View all roadworks in your area - dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roadworks-events

Sofie Hopkins, Parish Clerk

Ibberton, Belchalwell & Woolland Village Hall News

Thank you to all who attended the recent film night shows 'Puss in Boots: The Last Wish' and 'Barbie'

Look out for our Spring offering

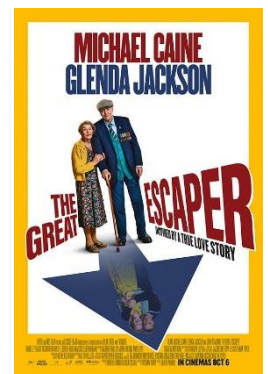
Family Film Thursday 15th February, 2024 @ 6.30 pm either

Paw Patrol, The Mighty Movie, Trolls Band Together, Wonka or Migration

Family ticket £12.50, Child £2.50, Adult £5- to be confirmed

Friday 23rd February, 2024 @ 7.30 pm THE GREAT ESCAPER

staring, Michael Caine, Glenda Jackson, John Standing! £5



The films are shown with a licence from Filmbank and costs the Village Hall £104 on each occasion. Audience total is fed back to Filmbank and added to the total viewings since the film was released. If you would like to borrow the DVD's please contact ibbertonnews@gmail.com any donations will contribute to the hall charity.

Artsreach Show - Basset Friday 10th November

A sell out audience, including families with young children, experienced the beautiful harmonies of 'Basset- the band, not the dog!' The Toronto based indie-folk duo, started their latest tour in the US before their trip to Europe. The Acoustic songwriters Sam Clark and Yasmine Shelton engaged us in their deep love of the natural world with their gorgeously meditative performance. They explored themes of life in change, their travels around Northern Ontario, the Canadian and American prairies and the many characters who have crossed their paths. They are 2024 Finalists for the Canadian Folk Awards. Over 90% of the Artsreach audience came from local villages, one of the aims of the Rural Touring scheme, along with bringing quality arts and diverse experiences to the community, reducing travel time and injecting some income into the locality. (The Hall Funds keep 20% of the door and the bar, refreshments and raffle monies.) Without the funding Artsreach receives from The Arts Council England and Dorset County Council this would be unaffordable. www.bassettheband.com
Visit <https://artsreach.co.uk/> to look what is coming up in the local area soon.

We are grateful to The National Lottery Community Fund for awarding us with the money to purchase the LED lights used during the performance. A birthday party will be using them to create a disco atmosphere soon!

Advance Publicity: Artsreach Show

HARBOTTLE AND JONAS

Afternoon Sunday 3 March 2024

"One of the finest folk duos in the country" Mike Davies, Alternative Roots

Partners in life and music, dynamic Devon based folk duo Harbottle & Jonas are one of the most exciting acts on the UK circuit today, combining a love of the richness of traditional folk with their own original and powerful songwriting. Dave and Freya have developed a distinct and compelling signature sound, blending concertina, harmonium, cittern, stomp box, acoustic guitar and banjo with their beautiful and closely intertwined vocal harmonies.



"Spellbinding originals" - Musicians Union

"Disarmingly honest and spine-tingling" - RocknReel (R2)

"Awash with strong songs & excellent musicianship" - Folk Radio UK

"Fine contemporary folk music" - Tom Robinson, BBC Radio 6 Music

"Stunning songwriting and heart-rending arrangements" - Americana UK

<https://www.harbottleandjonas.com>

<https://harbottleandjonas.bandcamp.com/album/the-beacon>

The three lives of the 130-year-old 'temporary' building

The Ibberton, Belchalwell and Woolland Village Hall – from a tin church to a thriving community hub, with state of the art big screen facilities

Nestled in the tranquil embrace of North Dorset lies the Ibberton, Belchalwell and Woolland Village Hall. The unassuming building has constantly evolved over the course of its 130-year existence to continue meeting the ever-changing needs of its three small rural communities.

In 1892, when the roofs of the local churches in Ibberton and Belchalwell had crumbled, local carpenter George Loder, undertook the construction of a temporary corrugated-iron church on glebe land at Ibberton. The simple structure served as a place of worship and community gathering while Reverend L. S. Plowman began extensive fundraising efforts to restore the churches. In July 1909, Ibberton and Belchalwell welcomed back their places of worship, and the temporary church took on a new role as a Church Room for meetings, clubs, and entertainment. The hall's altar was transformed into a makeshift stage, and was the setting for much homegrown entertainment including singing, handbells and acting with improvised costumes. Christmas parties were a much-loved regular event and they continue to this day.

A Village Hall

In 1948, the hall and its surrounding glebe land were sold to the Pitt-Rivers Estate, ushering in a new era as the Church Room became the official Village Hall, with its own committee and trustees. In 1977 the hall was finally purchased for £250. The hall's story took another turn in 1996 when 'temporary' centenary was discovered to



be leaning. With grants and local fundraising efforts, steel girders were installed to strengthen the structure. Three years later the 107-year-old windows were needing attention. At the same time grants allowed the electric heating and the 1950's kitchen – complete with a butler sink and camping gas stove – were updated, and a disabled toilet and ramp access were added. In 2001, a grand reopening marked a new chapter in the hall's history, with the modern amenities creating a vibrant community hub.

Another facelift

The latest hall project has just completed – a major upgrade of the audiovisual equipment, with LED stage lighting, and an electric film screen and projector. This new upgraded equipment will enable the trustees and committee to offer new ways to bring the community together through films, theatre and live music, bringing the big screen into the small hall. The hall also has a new gigabit fibre broadband connection supplied by Wessex Internet, which will enable streaming of

live arts performances, talks and training. They will be further enhanced by the energy efficient, maintainable, stage professional lighting.

As it looks forward to the next 130 years, the Ibberton, Belchalwell and Woolland Village Hall stands as a testament to the enduring spirit of rural communities, and is still here thanks to the dedication of its residents and the support of generous organisations.

Next film night:

Barbie

Thursday 16th November
7.30pm | £5



Popcorn and ice cream,
bar and raffle

ibbertonvillagehall@gmail.com
or 07771 561099 for tickets

Ibberton, Belchalwell & Woolland Village Hall Audio Visual Upgrade

SECOND SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL LOTTERY AWARDS FOR ALL GRANT



Thank you again to the National Lottery Community Fund and the Lottery players for enabling our 131-year-old corrugated iron clad village hall to further update for the 21st century. The project consisted of replacing the stage lanterns with LED equipment and its accompanying wiring and control, installing an electric film screen and projector and integrating this into our existing audio system which now has Bluetooth capability. This has enabled the hall to replace the previous portable film screen and projector.

We thank <https://www.dacombesofwimborne.com/> for their advice, patience and kindness to the Village Hall throughout the whole project.



Thank you, National Lottery Community Fund for awarding Ibberton, Belchalwell and Woolland Village Hall with a second opportunity award which further updates the Hall for the coming century. First, a foremost we must thank all the people who play the National Lottery and make these grants available.

At the launch family film show an audience of children, parents, grandparents and adults enjoyed 'Puss in Boots: The Last Wish' with popcorn, ice creams and a bar of soft and alcoholic drinks. 'Welcoming, relaxed, friendly and cosy atmosphere' were some of the comments made as people left the hall.

Visit www.ibbertonvillagehall.co.uk to read more about this project

Previous Grants Received

2000 On 9th May the hall was awarded a National Lottery Grant of £47,000 award towards a £60,000 refurbishment project. This included a portable stage, stage lighting, disabled access and toilet, inside gent's toilet and an updated kitchen including oiled fired central heating and hot water!

2008 Grant from Connecting Dorset to connect the hall to the Internet along with computer equipment.

2009 Received a grant from 'Grassroots' to purchase computer and film showing equipment for £2,375.

2023 Received a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund for an audio-visual upgrade of £7,040

The National Lottery Community Fund recently launched its new strategy, 'It starts with community', which will underpin its efforts to distribute at least £4 billion of National Lottery funding by 2030.

As part of this, the funder has four key missions, which are to support communities to come together, be environmentally sustainable, help children and young people thrive and enable people to live healthier lives.

National Lottery players raise over £30 million a week for good causes across the UK. Thanks to them, last year The National Lottery Community Fund was able to distribute over half a billion pounds (£615.4 million) of life-changing funding to communities. To find out more visit www.TNLCommunityFund.org.uk

Thank you, 'The National Lottery Community Awards' and all the people who play the lottery each week, for providing our Village Hall with £7,040, the total amount for the project.

There will be a **Bring and Share post-Christmas party** for children aged between 0 to 11 years old who live in local area on Saturday 6th January 4.00 to 5.30 pm. Please email ibbertonvillagehall@gmail.com or phone 01258817269 / text 07771561099 if you are able to attend.



Advance notice the hall **AGM** will be on Tuesday 6th February, 2023 @ 7.45 pm. All are welcome to attend for the first part of the meeting.

The Trustees and Committee thank all who have contributed in any way to enable the hall to remain a community building, especially the volunteered cleaners, those who have attended fund raising events, hired the building, donated raffle prizes and given their time and efforts to maintain our much-loved facility.



STURMINSTER NEWTON WEDDING FAIR
Saturday 3rd February 2024 10am-3pm
@The EXCHANGE and ST MARY'S CHURCH

Wedding dress display in church
Friday 2nd and Sat 3rd 10am-3pm
Do you have a wedding dress you would be willing to lend for the exhibition?

It may be old, new, traditional, quirky, or simple and beautiful. It would be even better if there is a special story to go with the dress.

Contact: Fiona.norman@googlemail.com



February 3rd 2024
10AM til 3PM

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STURMINSTER NEWTON
Wedding Fair

at THE EXCHANGE
LIVE MUSIC
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throughout the town, including an
EXHIBITION of WEDDING DRESSES
at ST MARY'S CHURCH
FEBRUARY 2nd - 3rd



Stretch and Tone is a workout which has Yoga and Pilates to help you to improve flexibility, build strength and tone your body, you'll leave class feeling relaxed and calm. The practice lasts for 45 mins, so come along and give it a try! There are loads of options so don't worry about your ability, just do what you can and enjoy your workout!

Join us on Tuesdays at 9:30 for
45 mins at Village Hall, Ibberton
payment on the door - £7 per class.
Contact James to reserve your space
07985194994



Visit <https://artsreach.co.uk/whats-on> to find out about shows at local venues



Headteacher: Mrs K. Waring BA (HONS) QTS NPQH

Telephone: 01258 817492

Places available at our Pre-school (Barn Owls)

Barn Owls is a warm, welcome and caring pre-school that provides a safe, secure and stimulating environment in which children can learn. We provide care for children from the age of 2 years old. Children aged 3 and over will receive 15 hours of 'free childcare' through the Government's free entitlement scheme. There is also limited funding available for 30 hours per week. Additional sessions can be booked for a small charge. We are open Monday to Friday (term time only) 8.30 until 3.30 and offer a combination of morning, afternoon and full day sessions. We also have a breakfast and after school club that children aged 3 or over may access.

Please visit our website or contact the school should you have any further queries. We would love you to join us at our warm, caring, rural village school.



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Places available at Hazelbury Bryan Community Primary School

Our children deserve to be in a safe and happy learning environment where they can feel confident to grow and achieve. We support the children in knowing they can do anything they want to do, following our vision:

"Have Courage and Shine Bright".

We build trusting and secure relationships. Our staff genuinely care about each child as an individual and the families with whom we work.

We aim to be the spark igniting each child's passion for the very start of their school journey. Our beautiful grounds, Forest School, gardening facilities and swimming pool are just a few of the assets to our amazing school.

Our strong and experienced team have a shared drive, vision and passion. We support the children to be independent and resilient learners.

Please visit our website or contact the school should you have any further queries. We would love you to join us at our warm, caring, rural village school.

Innovative Piano Lessons

'To all budding pianists and keyboardists or to those that want to take their playing to a higher level, an innovative and exciting new approach to learning piano suits all ages! Contact me for a free trial lesson and more information:

Judith, Ibberton, Dorset 07990079488 judeswiss@yahoo.com

Judith Waker

Possible Pilates Session on Thursday Afternoons in the Hall

These sessions are becoming very popular so Zane is now conducting a friendly group session in the hall at 11.30 am on Thursdays they are looking for one more person to join them to share the cost. If you would to join this group please email - ibbertonnews@gmail.com for further details.

Zane also has a 12.30- 1.30 pm slot available on the same day.

Why not get a small group together and share the session and hall rental?

Zane Eglite, the Pilates and Yoga Instructor, <https://www.onlineyogapilates.co.uk/instructor-zane-eglite> is excellent.

If you are interested, please get in touch with her directly via mobile 07730380471 or her web site. You will read that she is very experienced and will tailor make the 1 to 1 sessions or group session, to meet your needs.



Annette Newman

Eleanor Rose
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Ibberton, Belchalwell & Woolland Village Hall

Milk Deliveries and much more!

The Milk and More milkman delivers to the village on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings early. (You can order up until 6 pm the previous evening and pay online). These items can be regular items and / or one-off purchase. Visit the web site and find out the range of goods available and delivery is all free.

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Local Freecycle

If you have any items to include, please email ibbertonnews@gmail.com / text 07771561099 for the August Edition

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<https://snclc.org.uk/whats happening instur.html>

<https://blackmorevale.net/latest-issue/>

<https://www.theblackmorevale.co.uk/the-blackmore-vale/>

<http://www.fippennynews.co.uk/print-edition-apr-2022/>

<http://www.hazelburybryan.com/>

<https://childokeford.org/the-village/the-hill-2/>

<https://www.shillingstone-pc.gov.uk/>

<https://sturminster-newton.org.uk/>