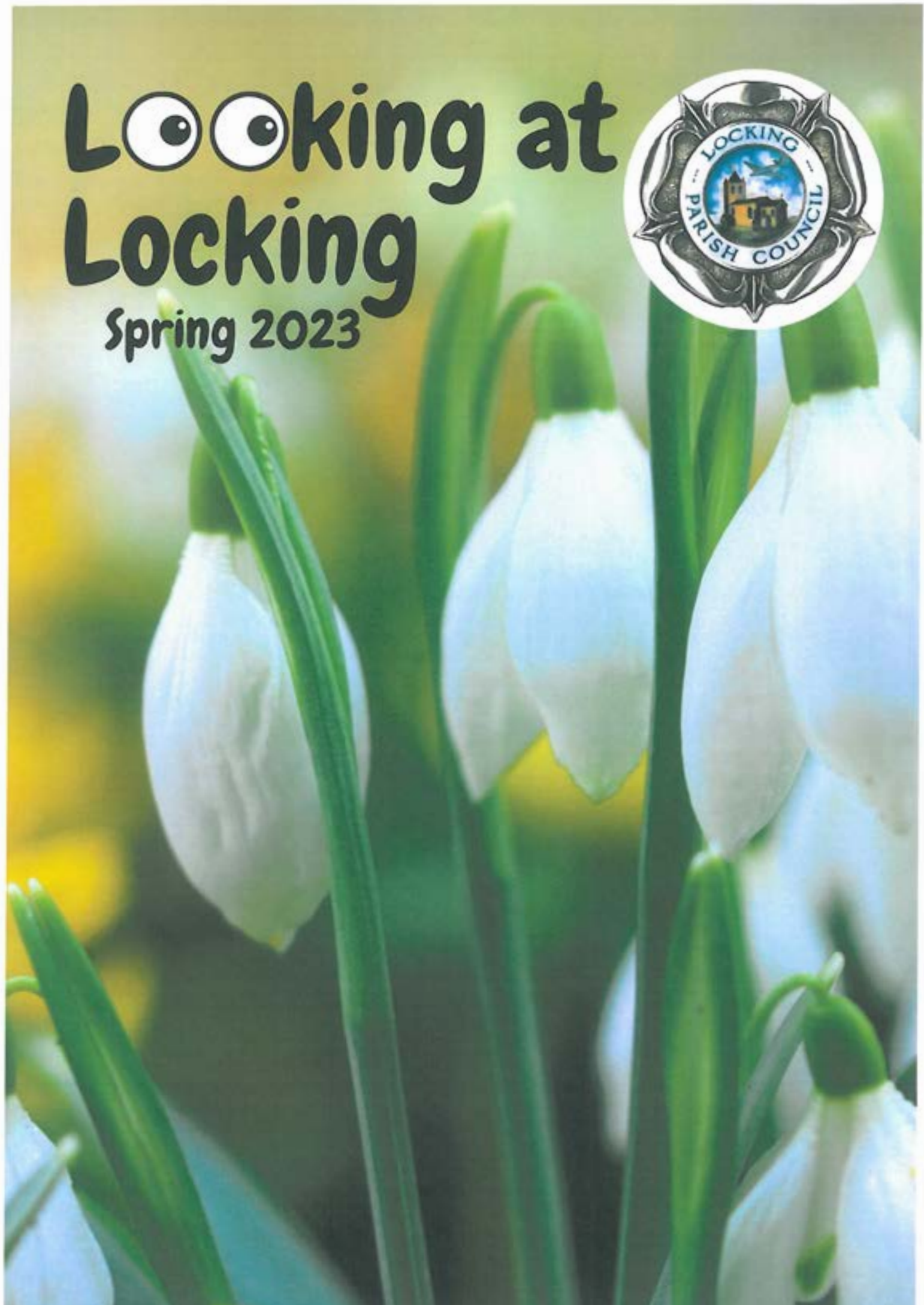


Looking at Locking

Spring 2023





VIEW FROM THE CHAIR . . .

Welcome to this Spring edition of Looking @ Locking.

It is with pleasure, that I am able to say, thank you, to all those who have contributed to this New Year's edition of Looking @ Locking. I hope you will find this edition informative and helpful in understanding what your Parish Council and others do for you.

Firstly, I must sadly report that Mr Noel Walter, a well-known Locking Parishioner, Parish Councillor and also the ALCA Treasurer for many years passed away on 18th February 2023. Noel will be missed but will be remembered for his generous and substantial local community work, our thoughts as a Council are with his family at this difficult time.

On behalf of my fellow Councillors, we welcome Cllr Ian Hilder and Cllr Paul Schofield and look forward to working with both.

This new year has been also extremely challenging for a number of reasons, predominantly the increased cost of fuel, food and other essential items which has impacted on us all.

What have we, your Parish Council been doing to help Parishioners in our community?

We have introduced the Parish Pantry and the Warm Space which is being held in our Parish Hall. With our partners and stakeholders in the community, we have been able to raise funds that have enabled us to identify where food, essential items and winter warm packs should be distributed to those during these difficult times.

Businesses and individuals who have kindly supported our community initiatives need know that we acknowledge and appreciate their contributions that really do help families in our Parish to weather this particular storm.

On behalf of Locking Parish Council, a huge 'thank you is in order'.

We as a Parish Council will continue to monitor and work with partners in order to provide help where it is most needed. In the last edition of Looking @ Locking a number of Parish Council objectives were outlined.

At the time of writing, North Somerset Council have approved our planning application to upgrade the Car Park at the Old Banwell Road Playing Fields (OBR).

Tenders have now been sought and received for initial drainage works which are now being scrutinised. It is hoped that any remedial works at the OBR Car Park will be conducted in the School holidays in order to minimise disruption to children, residents and users of the OBR Car Park.

The 'Spinney' public path continues to be a serious contentious issue as it is clearly to Council's collective mind 'not fit for purpose' yet it is described as being an important link to the new Health Centre/Surgery and ever-growing Secondary School. Our Ward Councillors continue to support our view that the Spinney needs to be upgraded to make it a safe and proper path for all residents and they continue to highlight the urgent need to address this public path. Locking Parish Council continues to engage with contractors who are involved in the construction of the School and Doctors Surgery in order to highlight the state of the public path and to try and secure assistance in remedying its poor condition.

Our Neighbourhood Plan under the guidance of Councillor Mike Tremlett and others continues to be developed, during a recent meeting attendees were able to identify ways to ensure that new developments will meet the needs of our community and be carbon friendly, safe and built in a way that meets the demands of our growing population whilst bearing in mind important flood and environmental risks. If you have an interest in helping in this strand of community work, please contact the Clerk on 01934 820786.

Locking Parish Council continues to make representations to North Somerset Council over the demise of the 126 Bus Service. We have solicited the assistance of our Ward Councillors and explored other avenues of transportation with other parties. It is currently understood that North Somerset Council will introduce a demand bus service which might alleviate our concerns over the lack of transport to and from Locking Village. **Seeing is believing!**

May 2023 is a very important month, for Councils because it is at this time that elections are held to elect Councillors to positions within the County, Town and Parish. There are 15 positions available for Parish Councillors to serve on Locking Parish Council, an applicant must meet the criteria as outlined by North Somerset Council and submit the nomination documentation which can be found on North Somerset Council website by the date stipulated.

'Nomination Papers for Parish Councillors' must be submitted to North

Somerset Council.

- Start of Nominations is from 10 am on Tuesday 21 March 2023.
- Close of Nominations is at 4 pm 4 April 2023.

The Locking Parish Council Clerk can be contacted for further information via clerk@lockingparishcouncil.co.uk or by telephone 01934 820786.

Paul Jones, Chairman
Locking Parish Council

LOCKING ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

To be held on Thursday 27th April 2022 at 6.30pm in The Parish Hall. Look out for notices on our website and notice boards nearer the time.

The Annual Parish Assembly is an opportunity for members of the public to learn what activities the various Organisations in the village carry out during the year. It is also an opportunity to raise any issues with the Parish Council.

Only parishioners who are registered on the Electoral Roll can vote on any issues. Other members of the public can attend and speak but they cannot vote.



Welcome New Councillors

We give a very warm welcome and look forward to working with:

Cllr Ian Hilder:

I moved into the village following my retirement in 2021. Prior to that I lived in North Somerset (Milton, then Clevedon) for all bar five of the last forty-five years.

After a lifetime of working in education, then latterly in the voluntary sector, I hope to be able to make a positive contribution to the life of the community. I was a teacher of chemistry at Churchill Academy for 27 years, including time as head of department. After that I worked for 17 years in two local churches (North Somerset, then the Midlands).

I am married with six grown-up children and seventeen grandchildren so I am well aware of the needs of families.

I am very concerned at the loss of bus services from communities like ours, and am keen that the village should keep its shops and amenities when many others have lost theirs.

I am interested in bird watching, and an enthusiastic mountain and hill walker. Most Saturday mornings at 9:00 will see me taking part in a local Parkrun, usually Marine Parade, WsM or Sharpham Road, Cheddar.

Cllr Paul Schofield:

Hello, my name is Paul Schofield and I have just been co opted onto Locking Parish Council.

I was born in Weston super Mare in 1958. After attending a local Primary school, I then attended Weston Grammar School for Boys. After a year or so, the school became a Comprehensive joined by Weston Grammar School for Girls and Uphill Secondary Modern. After leaving school in 1975, I started an apprenticeship at Westland Helicopters Weston Division where I worked until a huge redundancy in 1986. I continued most of my Working career in aircraft engineering with spells at British Aerospace and Rolls Royce in Filton. In 2002 I was offered a job at Bristol Airport on Ground handling where I continued working as a Team Leader until 2020 when Covid put a halt to the travel industry. I have now retired.

I was prompted to become a local Parish councillor by my partner. I would like to help with making things better within the Parish as there seems so much to do for example, lack of bus services wildlife conservation to name just two. I have a passion for wildlife. As we build more houses, we are destroying the natural habitat for our wildlife. We should be keeping areas for our foxes, bats and bird species to continue to thrive. I have realised there is so much to learn being Parish councillor.

If everybody just does one good thing each day it will make the Parish a better place for all of us.



Locking Parish Council have a vacancy for an Admin Assistant

**PART-TIME POST (PERMANENT)
10HRS PER WEEK FLEXIBLE
STARTING AT £12.28 PER HOUR**

- Provide support to the Parish Clerk to assist in the smooth running of the Parish Office
- You will need to be a good communicator, with strong interpersonal skills
- Able to demonstrate competent use of of Mircosoft Office 365 - Word, Excel, Outlook and Publisher
- Have website admin and social media experience
- Be well organised, efficient and able to work independently and with supervision

If interest contact the Parish Clerk to obtain the application pack

Email: clerk@lockingparishcouncil.co.uk

Closing date for applications 31 March 2023

Start date May 2023

HRH Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee Commemorative Benches and Trees

The Parish Council commissioned 5 bespoke benches for our communities to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee from Mr Rob Barton, The Proper Pallet Emporium. Mr Barton is a local hobbyist woodworker who lives in Locking Village.

The benches each feature a Union Jack and a commemorative plaque; all the benches were made using recycled wood, same design but at the same time each one unique depending on what recycled wood was available.

Watch out for a bench appearing in your neighbourhood soon.

We thank local Locking resident Mr Horner who generously donated £20 towards the cost of the benches and The Coach House Locking who also generously donated a bench which has been installed in the park at Locking Village.

The Parish Council also purchased 5 sapling trees with the help of Mr Chris Clarke from Locking Village who advised on the best species for each of our communities. Mr Clarke has been kind enough to offer to plant the trees when the resident representatives/directors have decided on a location.



Figure 1 Platinum Jubilee Bench Locking Park



Figure 2 Cllr Mason with Rowan Sapling Oaktree Park

North Somerset Council: New Demand Responsive Transport

Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) is set to be introduced in North Somerset enabling many people who are currently without a local service to get back on the bus.

The new 'demand responsive transport' (DRT) services will go where they're needed and run without a set timetable, typically using smaller vehicles than fixed route bus services. North Somerset Council and the West of England Combined Authority have been working together on contracts for these new services which are due to start running from Monday 3 April this year.

Demand responsive transport will bring public transport to areas of North Somerset which have traditionally struggled to sustain timetabled services due to low passenger demand, or that may have been inaccessible to larger vehicles. The areas to benefit from DRT zones are still being considered and will be adjusted over time to cater for demand, but the broad areas where they are expected to begin to operate are:

- Clevedon/Portishead/Yatton
- Weston-super-Mare (**Locking**, Hutton, Worlebury and surrounding hamlets)
- the south east of North Somerset, including Bristol Airport
- the south west/south east of North Somerset, including Axbridge in Somerset.

Initially there will be 16 buses in North Somerset running from 7am until 7pm, Monday to Saturday. Passengers will be able to book their journeys by phone or through a mobile app.

The buses will be available for short trips or to connect to the wider public transport network.








Pricing will be in line with fares for local buses and Diamond Travel concessionary passes will be accepted, along with the West of England multi-operator ticketing for seamless onward travel.

North Somerset Council will share more details over the coming weeks ahead of the services launching in April.

Locking Parish Council

COUNCIL BUDGET 2023-2024 What does this mean for you?

How is your council tax spent?

<p>Old Banwell Road Playing Field The Council are responsible for the maintenance of the pitches and the play/gym equipment, changing rooms and park & stride car park. We maintain the equipment, undergo regular inspections along with grass cutting, fences, tree and attenuation pond maintenance, also the booking of the pitches</p> 	<p>Grenville Avenue Park The Council are responsible for all the play equipment, picnic tables, benches and gym equipment. We inspect, manage and maintain the play and gym equipment, picnic tables, benches, safety surfacing, fencing, grass cutting and tree maintenance.</p> 
<p>Locking Parish Hall The Parish Council are responsible for the bookings and maintenance of the hall and car park.</p> 	<p>Staff The Council employ 3 members of staff: The Clerk, Administrative Support Assistant and Parish Orderly</p> 
<p>Allotments The Council are responsible allocation of plots and maintenance for the allotment site at the rear of Byron Road, Locking. Currently there is a waiting list for a plot.</p> 	<p>Trees/hedges and flower tubs The Council have responsibility for trees and hedges at The Green and the along the Coronation Garden and the flower planters at Locking Village, some at Flowerdown Park and Oaktree Park.</p> 
<p>Litter/Dog Bins The Council employ a Parish Orderly, who collects litter and empties dog bins in the areas we are responsible for, which is currently all litter and dog bins situated within Locking Village.</p> 	<p>Street Lights The Council are currently responsible for 22 street lights (we pay the electricity) and 5 solar street lights in Locking village. The remaining lights come under the responsibility of North Somerset Council.</p> 
<p>Councillors The Council employ a Clerk, and one area of responsibility is to ensure councillors operate within the parameters of the law. Your Councillors are all voluntary – only District and County Councillors receive an allowance.</p>	<p>Grass Cutting The council have a 3-year contract for areas we are responsible for including the park and Old Banwell Road Playing Field. Our Parish Orderly cuts the small pockets of land and some of the Public Rights of Way within the parish and North Somerset Council do the rest.</p>

The Precept is the element of your Council Tax that is paid to Locking Parish Council. Every year, the Parish Council draws up a budget and calculates how much money it needs for the next Financial Year. This is then submitted to North Somerset Council (NSC). NSC co-ordinates the other demands from the Police and themselves and come up with the rate to be paid from 1st April that year. For 2023-2024 the Parish Council have requested a 3% increase on Band D properties.

LOCKING NEEDS YOU!

**Stand for election to be a Parish Councillor on Thursday
4 May 2023**

**All of Locking's fifteen Parish Councillor places will be
available**

If you are passionate about Locking, want to make a long lasting change, have ideas for the Council, or have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it, then please stand to be a Parish Councillor.

Being a Councillor is all about giving back to the community by bringing your energy, enthusiasm and ideas to make a difference to local people and how local matters are dealt with. You would support residents with issues, represent the views of local people to get Locking the right services and help shape plans for the Parish.

We need people from all backgrounds and experiences to represent the community. It's a rewarding experience which will involve you to work with a small team of people on a range of projects and initiatives. Training is also available and courses are run by the Avon Local Council Association.

Standing for election

To stand in the election, you will need to complete a nomination form by 4 April 2023, which is available by emailing clerk@lockingparishcouncil.co.uk or calling 01934 820786, these can also be downloaded from North Somerset Council's website

The form should also be completed by two other people who live in the Parish to propose and second your nomination. It is then returned to the Returning Officer at North Somerset Council, Town Hall WSM – **closing date is 4th April 2023 4pm.**

If more nominations are received than there are places available (for example, more than 15 nominations), an election would be carried out in the Parish. If the same or fewer nominations are received, Councillors would automatically be elected without a ballot taking place. If there are still vacancies after the election, the Parish Council would try to fill them as soon as possible after the election.

Parish Councillors stand for a term of four years, but sometimes vacancies do occur during this period.

Make sure Locking gets the very best by standing for election.

The Electoral Commission

Voter ID Resource – May 2023

Suggested copy for web, digital or print newsletters

Voter ID

The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections. This new requirement will apply for the first time in England at the local elections on Thursday 4 May 2023.

Which forms of ID can I use to vote?

You may already have a form of photo ID that is acceptable. You can use any of the following:

- Passport
- Driving licence (including provisional license)
- Blue badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards
- Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards

For more information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, visit electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID or call their helpline on 0800 328 0280.

If you don't have an accepted form photo ID

If you don't already have an accepted form of photo ID, or you're not sure whether your photo ID still looks like you, you can apply for a free voter ID document, known as a **Voter Authority Certificate**. You can apply for this at voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk.

Alternatively, you can complete a paper application form and send this to the electoral services team at your local council.

If you need any help with applying for a Voter Authority Certificate or want to request an application form, contact your local council. To find their contact details visit electoralcommission.org.uk/voter.

Find out more

If you have any questions or would like to find out more, go to electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID, or call their helpline on 0800 328 0280.



PARISH PANTRY



The Parish Pantry at Locking Parish Hall is open 9.30am-3pm Mon-Fri
to all residents of Locking Parish,
all that we ask is that you

Take What You Need

and

Leave What You Can

Donations will also go to Locking Primary School as top up food parcels



Locking Community Support

Community Living Rooms

The living rooms are a free warm relaxed relaxed space for folk to sit, get together, chat or work and best of all share a free cuppa.

Our Community Living rooms are at:

Locking Parish Hall on Tuesdays 9.30am-1.30pm.

St Augustine's Church Centre Tuesdays 2pm-

4pm, Thursdays 10am-12pm and Fridays 10am-

12pm & 2pm-4pm



Parish Pantry



The Parish Pantries are open to all residents of Locking Parish, all that we ask is that you bring a utility bill as proof of address

The Pantries are available at Locking Parish Hall and St Augustine's Church Centre.

All that we ask is that you

Take what you need and donate what you can

We are very grateful for the support and funding received from the following:





Figure 3 Flowerdon Park

PARKS:

We would like to thank Locking Parish Council for the lovely bench in celebrations of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We are sure it will get a lot of use and residents will be able to sit and enjoy the open space.

We were also successful in securing a match fund grant from the North Somerset Council for new play equipment, with this installed into all three park areas within Flowerdown Park during January.

Feedback from families has been very positive, with children of all ages enjoying getting outside to try out the new equipment.

The parks and play areas within Flowerdown Park are not owned or maintained by North Somerset Council or Locking Parish Council. They are private parks, with the maintenance and upkeep funded by those with a home on the estate.

SURFACE WATER:

Over the years we have had some challenges with surface water gathering at the bottom of the estate. Several of the resident company Directors have worked hard over recent years to solve the problem, and are hopeful that recent interactions with St Modwen about their land and drainage infrastructure between the bottom of Larkhill Road and the Rhyne will mean there can be progress towards a permanent fix in the near future.



DOG BUSINESS! - *Dog owners* PLEASE ensure that you always carry your poo bags with you, pickup and place waste in the dog bins provided. Thank you!



Save the Date

LOCKING PARISH FETE

and Big Picnic Lunch

Saturday 15 July 2023 from 12pm

at Old Banwell Road Playing Field

Free Entry

Everyone welcome to Locking Parish Fete, let's make it a memorable occasion by having a big picnic lunch!

Bring your favourite picnic food and drinks to share with your friends and family.

Let's make it a day of fun, music and laughter!

If you are interested in having a stall please contact 1st Locking and Hutton Scouts

Louise- 07906138910

Pinkhippo_@hotmail.com



Locking Book Exchange

Locking Parish Hall
Tuesday's 10am - 2pm

LOVE BOOKS?

This is a free service open to everyone, there is no registration or fee, just bring a book and exchange for one or two you want to read. An easy, fun way to swap books you no longer need

HOLLYGUARD APP

To anyone with kids old enough to have mobile phones. Download the HOLLIE GUARD APP for them. If they are walking home late or alone, they can switch it on and you can track them. If someone approaches them and they feel unsafe they can shake their phone it sets off a high-pitched alarm from the phone and also messages an alert to you (or whoever's number is entered in as a guardian).

This is for ANYONE to use please do not think it's just for kids.
PCSO 9728 Mike Benfield





Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Talk to us

**Join your Neighbourhood Policing Team at
LOCKING VILLAGE**

Drop in and speak to PCSO BENFIELD whether you want advice on how to protect your belongings, arrange for free bike security marking, more information about the work we are doing in your area or you want to raise a concern about an issue in your community.

Time: 10:30AM to 11:30AM

Date: Tuesday 24/01/23, Tuesday 21/02/23,
Tuesday 21/03/23, Tuesday 18/04/23,
16/05/23, Tuesday 13/06/23

Location: Village Hall, Grenville Avenue,
Locking

For more information please visit:
www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/your-area

Follow us on    



LOCKING SENIOR CLUB

Meetings are held fortnightly, in St. Augustine's Church Centre, on Wednesday afternoons between 2pm-4pm.

We are a very friendly group of people who enjoy talking, taking part in quizzes and enjoying speakers of entertainment. If you would like to come along and try us out, you would be made most welcome.

Forthcoming Dates:

22nd March – Picture quiz

5th April – TBC

19th April – John Parfitt, Holiday memories

3rd May – Afternoon tea – 3pm-5pm

17th May – 'Chase the Ace'

31st May - TBC



Calling All Seniors!

We have plenty of room for more members

So why not pop in and try us out on one of the dates above.

For more information, please contact Anthea on 01934
820255



TEA AND TECH

Get free and friendly advice about technology over a nice cuppa!

Please come along to our session or let someone you know who might be interested

Tuesday 10am-11.30am

Locking Parish Hall

Free digital advice primarily for people over 50. Learn new skills that will help you to order shopping and keep in touch with family and friends. Bring your own mobile, tablet or laptop.

Recycling – Open letter from a local Resident

A little reminder!

Whole walking my dog around the Parish, I have noticed that not everyone is recycling **clean items** in their recycling boxes.

All items should be rinsed clean before they are included for recycling, especially **ready meal trays, yogurt pots, jam/peanut butter jars and tins.**

On most packaging now, we can find symbols telling us how to recycle. The **thin film** on things like trays of fruit or trays of ham are not recyclable, so these go in your **rubbish bin**. Milk bottle tops and pop bottle tops can be recycled on the bottles. Plastic bags from vegetables, crisp packets, toilet rolls etc., can be saved and taken to your supermarket and recycled, there is usually a large metal cage at the front of the store just for these.

Please, can we all try a harder, it just takes seconds to read the packaging and recycle correctly.

Thank you.

RECYCLING YOUR RUBBISH

WHAT HAPPENS IF I DON'T WASH MY RECYCLING

In short, you run the risk of ruining everything, and diverting the whole recycling load – not just yours – to landfill.

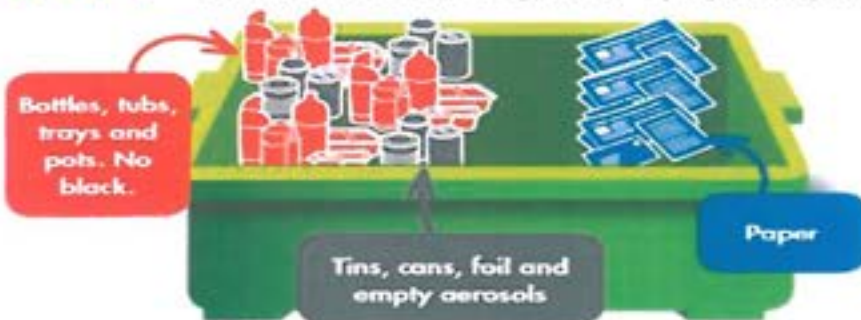
'Items that are placed in recycling bins are collected and taken to MRF (a material recovery facility) where they are sorted and processed'.

Recycling boxes

= Weekly

Yes please:

BOX 1 - Plastic and cans together – paper separate



BOX 2 - Card and cartons together – glass separate



Either box:

Spectacles, sunglasses, textiles, shoes and clothes (bag separate)

Batteries, small electrical appliances, and mobile phones (bag separate)

No thanks:

- ✗ Black plastic
- ✗ Plastic film
- ✗ Crisp packets
- ✗ Polystyrene
- ✗ Other plastic
- ✗ Tissues
- ✗ Paper towels
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Saucepans
- ✗ Pyrex dishes
- ✗ Drinking glasses

Food residue is a form of contamination because food residue left on containers cannot be reliably processed. Contamination is created when the wrong materials are put into the system (e.g. nappies in the recycling bin) or when the right materials are prepared in the wrong way (e.g. food left in containers).

If contamination levels are too high when a recycling load arrives at the facility, it might have to be rejected. If this is the case, then the whole load is sent to be burnt for energy or to landfill which is not ideal.



LOCKING PARISH HALL "THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY" SCALE OF HIRE CHARGES – per hour

Locking Parish Hall can accommodate a wide variety of events whether you want to take part in a class/ club or maybe celebrate your birthday or anniversary. You are very welcome to come and look around the Hall on Tuesdays between 10am-2pm, Please contact the Clerk to make an appointment.

1 <u>MEETINGS/CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS</u> <u>ADULT</u> Monday - Sunday - Afternoons/Evening <u>YOUTH</u> Monday - Sunday Mornings/Afternoons/Evenings	<u>PARISH</u> £9.20 £4.30	<u>NON-PARISH</u> £16.70 £6.20
2 <u>PARTIES/DANCES etc.</u> <u>ADULT</u> Sunday - Thursday Friday & Saturday <u>YOUTH (Under 14 & under supervision only)</u> Monday - Sunday	£10.25 £11.30 £9.10	£17.50 £19.90 £13.40
3 <u>COMMERCIAL ORGANISATIONS</u> <u>ADULT</u> Monday - Sunday - Afternoons/Evenings <u>YOUTH (Under 14</u> Monday - Sunday - Afternoons/Evenings	£11.30 £6.20	£9.90 10.20
4 <u>NURSE THOMAS ROOM</u> <u>ADULT</u> YOUTH (Under Supervision only)	£4.80 £3.50	£7.00 £6.20
5 <u>HIRE CROCKERY</u> Hire charge per session Refundable deposit payable in advance	£6.50 + breakages £10.00	

NOTES:

- All prices quoted are per hour - Setting up & clearing away **MUST** be taken into consideration when working out the time that you wish to hire the hall from & until.
- All bookings (except for regular users) require a refundable deposit of £50.00.
- All charges are reviewed annually.

LOCKING PARK FOOTBALL CLUB

Locking Park FC have an adult's team, a veterans (over 35) team and multiple youth teams (U9s, U11s, 2x U14s & U16s). The adult side play Saturday afternoons, and veterans one or two Sunday mornings a month. Our home pitches are at Old Banwell road Playing Field – support is always welcome!

As well as the youth teams there is a Further Development Programme for players transitioning from youth to adult football. Information regarding this, how to contact us and much more are available on our recently updated website:

<https://www.lockingparkfc.co.uk/>



JACKIE'S YOGA

Introducing **FORREST YOGA** to my Thursday class at Locking Parish Hall 2pm-3pm. Forrest Yoga is a Hatha yoga focusing on strength with breath. We are starting at the beginning of our Forrest journey so a great time to join our small but friendly group!

This class is suitable and inclusive of everyone, regardless of experience or not.

Contact me, Jackie, for details: **07771 903894** or simply come along.



Figure 4 Jackie's Yoga Class

K A R A T E

LOCKING

Parish Hall on Friday
evenings from 6.30pm to
8.30pm



Locking Karate meets Friday evenings
between 6.30pm-8.30pm

Students are aged between six and sixty
so all ages and abilities are welcome
Anyone with previous experience is
welcome and any previous grades will
be respected

For any further information please
contact me

Sensei Gary Doughty 5th Dan etc.,
Tel: 07880 821914 or email
garydoughty@btinternet.com

**Flowerdown
Tots**



Flowerdown Tots
Baby and toddler group
Friday's 9:30-11.15
@Locking parish hall
£3.00

Flowerdown Tots is a local parent and baby group.

We have lots of toys and craft/messy activities for little ones to play with.

Every Friday during term time starting at 9.30 and finishing at 11.15 feel free to arrive and leave at any time.

£3 per adult to cover costs of hall and tea coffee etc.

Based in Locking Parish Hall we have an indoor and outdoor area and full toilet facilities.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/264529835403848/?ref=share> group link

Flowerdown Tots Baby Sensory

Friday's 12:30-14:00
@Locking parish hall



<https://bookwhen.com/flowerdowntotssensory/>
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083583968473>

**Flowerdown Tots
Sensory baby group is a
local parent and baby
group based in Locking
Parish Hall.**

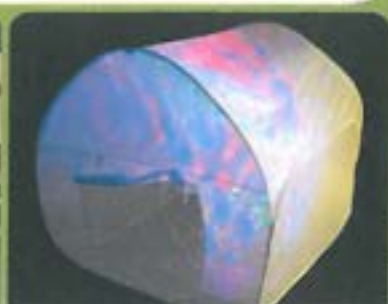
**Every Friday term time
only 12:30-2:00**

**We're a baby sensory,
messy and heuristic play
group where you can
come with your little
ones, have a cuppa in a
relaxed calm**

**environment, make
friends and enrich your
babies development.**

**This is a group just for
babies who are not yet
confident walkers. This
group is not suitable for
children who are walking
or older siblings.**

**Please contact Joanna on
07551966366 for more
details or find us on
Facebook.**



ACCESS TO YOGA

CHAIR BASED EXERCISE CLASSES

Our chair-based yoga classes have proved very popular with Locking residents, so much so that we have had to close entry for new clients at the moment.

We are running a waiting list.



Figure 5 Chair based Yoga in action

It has been lovely to see people working to maintain and improve their posture, strength and balance since joining the class. The social aspect is great too!!

We had a lovely post-Christmas meal at The Coach House where a number of people tried their hand at skittles, some for the very first time. I'm looking forward to continuing

working with the Locking residents at our chair-based yoga classes for the foreseeable future.

BOOGIE BEAT MUSICAL MOVEMENT



Boogie Beat Music and Movement classes are great fun for little ones, based on traditional nursery rhymes and classical fairy tales combined with a lively and active dance twist! Themes include: The Beautiful Swan, Jack & the Beanstalk, Pirates and Princesses and much more!

Naomi Hansford 07899 677770 naomi.hansford@boogiebeat.co.uk

BIRTHDAY PARTIES – NURSERY & SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

Monday – 11.00 - 11.45am – Worle community centre mixed age

Tuesday – 9.30-10.15am - East Huntspill mixed age

Wednesday – 9.30-10.15am – Locking Parish Hall mixed age

10.30-11.15am - Locking Parish Hall mixed age

Thursday – 9.30-10.15am - East Brent mixed age

10.30-11.15am - East Brent Baby class

Friday – 12.45-1.30pm - Uphill baby class

2.00-2.45pm - Uphill mixed age class



LOCKING PRE-SCHOOL



Locking Pre-school is an outstanding provision located within the beautiful grounds of Locking Primary School. We are extremely fortunate to have a fantastic space for the children to learn, grow and explore in. The setting is based next to the foundation stage classroom so this will give your child a wonderful and familiar transition to Locking Primary School. We offer free flowing continuous play between the inside and outdoor areas.

This wonderful space ensures the children have the very best environment to start their lifelong journey of learning as well as nurturing their independence. The opportunities and experiences we offer the children will be sure to extend their learning and development at your child's individual pace. The first five years in a child's life is a crucial learning stage, we ensure that we give all children opportunities to widen their knowledge around communities and culture celebrations. This academic year we have enjoyed celebrating Diwali, firework night, Christmas, Remembrance and the Christingle service with our friends at Locking Primary School.

We understand that all children learn at their own pace, we continue to offer bespoke Forest School sessions, where children learn independence, risk-taking, problem-solving techniques & safety skills. This enhances their confidence, self-esteem and their personal, social and emotional skills. Children are offered natural resources and home grown produce where possible and is available for the children to incorporate into their role play in our home corner. We offer an extensive curriculum which is tailored around both the EYFS and the individual interests and requirements of the children we care for.

Locking Pre-school is a fully inclusive setting welcoming children aged 2-5 years. Our staff are highly qualified, experienced and are fully committed to meeting the needs of every child and their family that attends our provision. Open term time 9:00am-3:30pm Monday-Friday. We are in receipt of government funding for all eligible children this includes 30 hours of free early year's education.

Spaces are now limited but to arrange a visit please call 07810 242330 or email lockingpreschool1@gmail.com

Our website has more details www.lockingpreschool.com

FRIENDS OF LOCKING SCHOOL PRESENTS:

£10

PER TEAM

MAX 4 PEOPLE PER TEAM
1ST PLACE MEAL FOR TWO @ THE
COACH HOUSE
2ND PLACE BOTTLE OF HOUSE
WINE



quiz

NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 22ND MARCH 2023, 19.30

COACH HOUSE, MANOR GARDENS, LOCKING, BS24 8DG

PLEASE EMAIL YOUR TEAM NAME BY 15TH MARCH TO
FRIENDSOFLOCKING@GMAIL.COM



LOCKING PRIMARY SCHOOL - RECRUITMENT

Locking Primary School is recruiting new governors. No special qualifications are needed, however we would particularly welcome interest from those who undertake roles within the Locking Community (paid or voluntary) and those with business experience/ knowledge.

The most important thing is to have a keen interest in our school and wanting the best for our wonderful school in the heart of the village. Being a governor is rewarding and gives a real opportunity to be part of shaping educational outcomes.

It's a really exciting time to be joining the new head and deputy head in their mission to grow children to become life-learners, more curious about the community and world in which they live, and confident of the contribution they can make to it.

If you are interested in applying, please get in touch with Mrs Roxanne Simpson (Headteacher) via office@locking.extendlearning.org.

We look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you to the team.
Locking Local Governing Board





On an adventure...

The Great Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday 8th April

Start at Locking Parish Hall and Park

12pm to 5pm



Search for Eggs around Locking Village

Solve the clues and win an Easter Egg

Chance to win a large Egg in the final draw

Tombola, Hot & Cold Drinks, Cakes, candyfloss and face painting and more

Come and join in the FUN!!!

KING CHARLES III CORONATION EXHIBITION

IN ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, LOCKING



**Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays
19th April - 13th May 2023**



Open 10am - dusk

**His Early Life
Family Trees
Accession
Coronations
Photos - Videos**





PARKLANDS SINGERS

We are a group of adults who enjoy singing together, having fun and making new friends. We sing for pleasure, choosing a range of familiar songs we enjoy. You do not need to be able to read music and we welcome all singing abilities. Our musical director, Lucy Rush, leads us and helps us to sound the best we can in a 'no pressure' style. Occasionally, we also enjoy leading 'singalong sessions' for groups of people who want to join in and sing with us.

We meet on the first Wednesday of every month at The Radio Wing, McCrae Road, Locking Parklands from 7.30 – 9.15 pm. There is a small charge (£4.50) to cover costs, including light refreshments. Your first visit will be free, to give you a chance to come and see what we do with no obligation. We laugh a lot, talk together and make new friends. Do come along, we'd love to see you.

Here are the dates of our next few sessions:

Wednesday 1 March, Wednesday 5 April, Wednesday 3 May,
Wednesday 7 June

For more information, contact: Christine Hall, 01934 827686, email chris.rushall@gmail.com



HUTTON, OLDMIXON & LOCKING ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Branch is always looking to welcome new members (ex-service and non-service people). We meet at Hutton Village Hall where we hold social events as well as Branch meetings.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 11th April – A speaker giving a talk on "The Life of Birnbeck Pier"

Tuesday 13th June – Social event

Meetings are held in Hutton Village Hall at 19:30

For further information please contact Liz on 07508114334 Email

158lizbrown@gmail.com or Lin on 07816522460 Email

secretary.rbl.hol@outlook.com



CARLEA THEATRE ARTS

Carlea Theatre Arts provides a wide range of classes that welcome all abilities, from walking through to adult.

All pupils from little stars upwards have the opportunity to participate in our regular shows we produce at the playhouse theatre. Pupils also have the opportunity to take Graded examinations with the ISTD as well as Medal exams with the UKA. All teachers are highly qualified, DBS checked, first aid and safeguarding trained.

Our current timetable at Locking Parish Hall is as follows: -

Monday – 10.00 -10.45am Little Starlets, from walking – pre-school.

5.15-6.00pm Grade 4 Ballet

6.00-6.30pm Pointe work

6.30-7.15pm Grade 5 Modern

Tuesday - From 6 years upwards

4.30 -5.00pm - Body conditioning/flexibility

5.00 -5.45pm - Acro

Wednesday –

6–11-year-olds – 4.30-5.15pm

Contemporary dance

11 years upwards – 5.15-6.00pm Contemporary dance.

Saturday From 2 ½ Years and upwards

09.15 -09.45am Little Stars Ballet

09.50 -10.20am Little Stars Tap

10.30 -11.00am Little Stars Ballet

11.10 -11.55pm Pre-Primary Ballet

12.00 -12.45pm Primary Tap

12.45-1.30pm Primary Ballet

1.30-2.00pm Grade 1 Modern

Thursday at Locking Parklands Hall

5.00-5.45pm Grade 4 Modern

5.45-6.30pm Grade 3 Ballet

6.30-7.15pm Grade 3 Tap

7.20-8.05pm Adult Tap

8.05-8.50pm Adult Jazz



Figure 6 Carlea Dance

Full timetables of all classes are on our website: www.carleatheatrearts.co.uk

Email: info@carleatheatrearts.co.uk



Figure 7 Carlea Dance

JOIN US FOR

SUNDAY CHURCH

5 March 2023

16 April 2023

21 May 2023

18 June 2023

16 July 2023

Very informal, and everyone is welcome, from young to old, from 'religious' to 'never been to church before' and everything in between!



11AM

REFRESHMENTS FROM 10:30AM

PARKLANDS POP UP CAFÉ

10am – noon at Parklands Educate Together

All are welcome to come along for a chance to meet up with old friends, make some new ones, enjoy a drink and a yummy cake, and let the kids do a free craft.

Future dates for your diary

8th April 2023

13th May 2023

10th June 2023

8th July 2023



FRIENDS OF THE HELICOPTER MUSEUM

Military History Weekend with The Royal British Legion

We turn back the clock to the 1940's this Spring when The Helicopter Museum hosts its annual Military History Weekend. Partnering with The Royal British Legion, the event, which this year takes place on **Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd April** will feature a classical Concert and Remembrance Service on the Saturday whilst Wartime Singers will entertain visitors on the Sunday.



Figure 8 Wartime Troops

Other highlights of the weekend include.....



Figure 9 Wartime Troops

- Meet the wartime troops at the WWII encampment
- View weaponry and equipment
- Live firing Displays and talks
- Veterans Parade
- Tank Driving & Firing Demonstrations
- Open Cockpits
- Charity Stalls

Volunteers Required

The Helicopter Museum is currently on the look out for Volunteers for its shop and café. If you have a morning or afternoon free each week then your local charity would love to hear from you.

**Please call Tom on 01934 635227 for details
The Helicopter Museum, Locking Moor Road,
Registered Charity Number 281205**



ST AUGUSTINE'S LOCKING

Spring is on its way with longer days and signs of new life. As we see so much suffering in the world it's hard not to feel despondent. So many people are struggling, know that we are here for you to help, support and pray for you. Many people have come to our community living room and have used the parish pantry. This will continue until 23rd March. We are open Tuesdays 2 – 4pm, Thursdays 10am – 12noon and Fridays 10am – 12noon and 2 – 4pm. Please note the pantry is for Locking residents only. Sunday services – everyone is welcome to join us. Please check the noticeboard or website – see below for special services

- 1st Sunday 10am – Family Service – for all ages – children's activities
- 2nd Sunday 10am – Holy Communion
- 3rd Sunday 10am – Family Service
- 4th Sunday 10am Celebration Sunday in the church centre – informal, café style worship for all the family – join us for this popular service – everyone welcome.
- 4pm Evening Service
- 5th Sunday – United Service with Hutton

Other events: -

- 19th March 10am Mothering Sunday Service – with breakfast before – see notices
- 23rd March 7.30pm Gregory Steward concert in Hutton – tickets from Benefice office
- 25th March Locking Community Café for Bransby Horse and Donkey Rescue
- 2nd April 2 – 4pm Easter Family Worship time in church centre
- 5th April 3pm Easter simple service at Oak Tree Park
- 6th April Maundy Thursday Supper & simple Communion in Hutton Scout Hut
- 7th April 2pm Good Friday Service of Reflection
- 9th April 10am Easter Family Celebration with Communion and egg Hunt

- 21st April 9am Men's breakfast in church centre
- 29th April Locking Community Cafe for Brownies and Guides
- 6/8th May Coronation of King Charles III – Exhibition in church – see posters
- 7th May 10am Celebration service to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III
- 21st May 10am Locking Mission Service – Hoveraid
- 27th May Locking Community Cafe

Please get in touch if you would like a visit, prayer, need support or want to book a wedding, baptism, baby blessing or a funeral – your church is always here for you. Revd Anne Wilkins 823556 or revannewilkins1@gmail.com

REMEMBRANCE 2022

The Tommy acts as a poignant, thought-provoking symbol that allows the communities across the Nation to collectively remember and honour the fallen. The Parish Council purchased another unknown Tommy in 2022 to place at Locking Parklands. We now have 5 unknown Tommies which were placed at the edge of the park on Grenville Avenue, Flowerdown Park, Locking Grove, Oaktree Park and Locking Parklands.



Figure:10 Flowerdown Park



Figure:11 Locking Parklands

REPORTING ISSUES AND PROBLEMS

Resident Parishioners are encouraged to report issues themselves to various organisations. The Clerk & Parish Council do try to deal with reported concerns within the resources available. Please use the chart below to find the right contact to report a concern. Thank you.

<u>WHAT IS THE ISSUE</u>	<u>WHO DEALS WITH IT?</u>	<u>WHO DEALS WITH IT?</u>
Fly Tipping; Flooding; Pot holes; Street Lighting (other than the 21 PC-owned lamps) Missed recycling/NS Waste; Dog fouling on pavements; overgrown hedges that obstruct footpaths & roads	NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL	01934 888888 www.n-somerset.gov.uk
Anti-Social Behaviour Cold calling; Suspected phone scam; parking issues; Speeding	POLICE	101 999 (IN AN EMERGENCY)
Locking Parklands Residents can also contact Mainstay for any of the following: Fly Tipping; Flooding; Potholes Dog Fouling on pavements, overgrown hedges that obstruct footpaths or roads	PREIM LTD	Regional Customer Support Team via email using helpdesk@Preim.co.uk 24/7 Helpline 01778 382210
Locking Village: 26 PC owned street lights, dog bins, litter bins, street furniture, Parish Hall, Park, Allotments, open spaces	LOCKING PARISH COUNCIL	01934 820786

THE PARISH CLERK - Mrs Dawn Tremlett
The Parish Hall Grenville Avenue Locking
BS24 8AR
01934 820 786

Email: clerk@lockingparishcouncil.co.uk

*Please contact the Clerk on enquiries or concerns regarding the Parish
-she will be happy to help you.*

Your COUNCILLORS

Cllr Paul Jones	Chairman	07928 680464
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Cllr Les Mason		07817 154845
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Cllr Carl Prosser		07799 607748
Cllr Wendy Ashdown		07983 573766
Cllr Bill Bearsby		01934 823144
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