



# The Parish of Wellow

## Wellow Church and Parish News

**August 2022**

“Shedding Light” by Matthew Street, The Vicar, based on Matthew 5:14-16

*You are the light of the world. Just as a city situated on a mountaintop cannot be hidden, so nobody lights a lamp and places it under a bushel basket, putting it instead on a lamp stand in order that it might shed light throughout the house. Similarly, let your light shine before others, so that they may see the good deeds you do and give glory to your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:14-16)*

There is something reassuring about light, isn't there? I remember as a child how I always liked to have a light left on when I went to bed and many children today like to have a night-light left on throughout the hours of darkness. No wonder, then, that light is a symbol shared by almost every religion and by many movements and organisations that profess no faith at all. Within the Christian faith, there are few more enduring or better-loved images than that of Jesus coming as the Light of the World.

The picture Jesus paints here, however, is rather different, and one that comes as something of a shock, for it stands the image on its head. “You are the light of the world”, he tells us, and suddenly, as well as receiving light we are those called to illuminate the lives of others. It reminds us that faith involves give as well as take, responsibility as well as privilege, service as well as reward. It's not all down to us, of course – it is ultimately the light of Christ that must shine through us – but if we think we can have one without the other, then it's time to ask some searching questions of our faith, for we may just find that we've taken a step back into the darkness.

## Sunday Services in

### August

I am the light of the world

**Sunday: 7th August: 10.00 a.m.**

#### All Age Worship

**Talk:** Let your light shine. Matthew 5:13-16

**Leader:** Shaula Reilly

**Speaker:** Shaula Reilly

**Sunday 14th August: 10.00 a.m. H.C.**

**Talk:** A great light. Isaiah 9:1-7

**Leader:** Matthew Street

**Speaker:** Matthew Street

**Sunday 21st August: 10.00 a.m.**

**Talk:** A light to my path. Psalm 119:105-112

**Leader:** Shaula Reilly

**Speaker:** Shaula Reilly

**Sunday 28th August: 10.00 a.m.**

**Talk:** I am the light of the world. John 8:12-30

**Leader:** Jo Vening

**Speaker:** Dick Beath

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### Church Community Groups

#### Wellow Prayer Group

Tuesdays at 3pm

*Phone Pauline for details: 832625*

### Benefice Praise and Prayer

**Every Monday, 7.45pm-9.30pm**

**@ The Vicarage, Peasedown St John**

*'God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth.'* John 4:24.

Please join us as we praise God, hear from His Word, and come to Him in prayer.

### St John's Peasedown

1st Sunday No service 4:30pm SF

2nd Sunday 10:30am MP No service

3rd Sunday No service 4:30pm SF HC

4th Sunday 10:30am MP No service

HC = Holy Communion

SF = Soul Food: A service with modern lively music followed by a family tea

MP = Morning Praise

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# St. Julian's Church, Wellow

## 650th Anniversary Service



Sunday 16th October  
10.00 a.m.



with Bishop Ruth, Bishop of Taunton



Followed by a buffet lunch, activities for the children and an opportunity to see the bells and the ringing chamber.



Please come and help us celebrate  
this momentous occasion



## Church News

Thank goodness for the return of cooler weather and St Julian's was probably one of the coolest places one could have been.

Last week a Christening took place with the help of modern technology: some of the family and God Parents were unable to attend the Service in person but with the help of Zoom they were able to join in the service, it was quite special.

We look forward to our AAW service on August 7th with refreshments at 9.30 a.m. The Service starts at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Preparations are beginning for the Special service to mark the 650th anniversary of St Julian's Church on October 16th. Bishop Ruth will be attending as well as members of the Hungerford family. This is something for the whole village to celebrate; there will be a buffet lunch following the service with other things going on as well. We hope lots of people will come along to celebrate this special time.

Along with the Church newsletter this month you will notice that a survey is included with it. We hope that you will take the time to read and answer the questions. Everyone's opinion is much valued, and St. Julian's desperately needs your support.

*Pam Pike, Church Warden*

## Wellow Parish Council

The Parish Council met on Monday 11 July in the Village Hall.

A resident mentioned that the speed survey in the village had a high level of support from local residents. Fly tipping in Gurt's Lane was brought up to the attention of the council.

**Planning Applications:** The following planning applications were considered and draft comments to B&NES discussed.

22/022169/EOUT: - Parcel 4234, Combe Hay Lane, Combe Hay, Bath – Objections to this application will be prepared on behalf WPC addressing concerns of potential traffic impact on Wellow.

22/00903/VAR: Parcel 2200, Norton Lane, Wellow – The Council support as long as variations apply

22/02274/ADCOU: Barn At Upper Hayes Bath Hill, Wellow – Object

22/02240/FUL: Dawn Rise, High Street, Wellow – Support

22/02372/FUL: The Maltings, Mill Hill, Wellow – Support

22/02500/FUL: Little Owl Barn, White Ox Mead, Wellow – Support

22/02351/TCA: The Old Orchard, High Street, Wellow – Decision is left to the planning officer

22/02252/TCA: Manor Stables, Farm Lane, Wellow – Support

22/02493/TCA: Former Somerset and Dorset Railway, east of Mill Hill, Wellow – Support

The following planning decisions by B&NES Council noted:

22/01508/FUL: Windmill Barn, Wellow Road, Wellow – Permitted

**Highways and Transport:** Observations and recommendations, received from Wellow Traffic Group in response to the traffic survey, were discussed. A meeting is to be organised with B&NES Highways Officer to discuss potential solutions to speeding.

It was agreed that due to the ongoing problems with exiting Canteen Lane onto the High Street due to cars parked inappropriately, the Parish Council would ask B&NES to apply white lines. These are purely advisory but a possible solution to this issue. This action does not require the agreement of the majority of residents as it would be for yellow lines, but it was agreed that before any action is taken Cllr.

*Don't forget to visit the Wellow website @ [www.wellowparish.info](http://www.wellowparish.info)*

Debbie Clarkson would advise the parish by preparing a diagram of the position of the proposed white lines and circulating this via the Parish Newsletter and the Parish Post.

Community Speed Watch reported that the CSW sessions are held in different authorised locations and times and that high speeds have been recorded opposite the school and on the west side of the village.

The Council noted that a request was submitted to B&NES on verge and grass cutting schedule on Wellow Road and Hinton Hill for protection of wildflowers and rare species.

**Wellow Flower Show:** 3 September 2022: Wellow Flower Show organisers asked if the Parish Council is able to help with the organisation. A Councillor volunteered to help at the entrance.

**Climate Change:** The Grant application for hedge planting at the north side of the playing field has been successful. Hedges are to be delivered in the autumn and the village event involving local volunteers and the school will be organised to plant a new hedge as part of the Queens Green Canopy project.

**Community Infrastructure Levy:** The Council discussed various suggested ideas from the Councillors and residents to allocate £3,480 CIL funds, which will benefit the community. The current short list of ideas are:

1. Create a proper gravel path from Henley View to the car park
2. Install a bench at the ford
3. Contribute towards the cost of improvements to the drainage and surface of the Village Hall car park.

This will be discussed further at the next meeting. Residents are invited to put their ideas to the Council by emailing the Clerk.

**Finance and Administration:** The Council discussed a proposed new parish council website and email hosting solution by local IT specialists. A suggestion was made by a Councillor that the domain name should be owned by the parish council. Clerk will make an enquiry.

Notice of Public Rights period from 13th June 2022 to 22 July 2022 for the accounts ending 31 March 2022 was noted by the Council. The Notice is published on the village noticeboard and the website.

Q1 Bank reconciliation: There was a problem with the access to the council's sharing file. The Council agreed that the Clerk will email the documents to Councillors after the meeting for a review and approval.

**Items to raise for consideration at the next meeting:** Allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy fund: Parish Council website and email hosting.

**Parish Council confidential session:** Discussions of confidential nature took place without members of the public present.

Next Parish Council meeting: Monday 5th September 2022.

*Olga Shepherd, Parish Clerk. Tel: 07988 192619. Email: [clerk@wellowparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@wellowparishcouncil.org.uk)*

## Lunch Club

The June lunch club celebrated the Jubilee with regal food, which included coronation chicken, Victoria sandwich, scones cream and jam, strawberry tartlets and a celebratory fruit cake. It was a lovely occasion.

We very much look forward to welcoming you back on the 22nd September.

*Julia 01225 849049*

*Vicky 01225 835840*



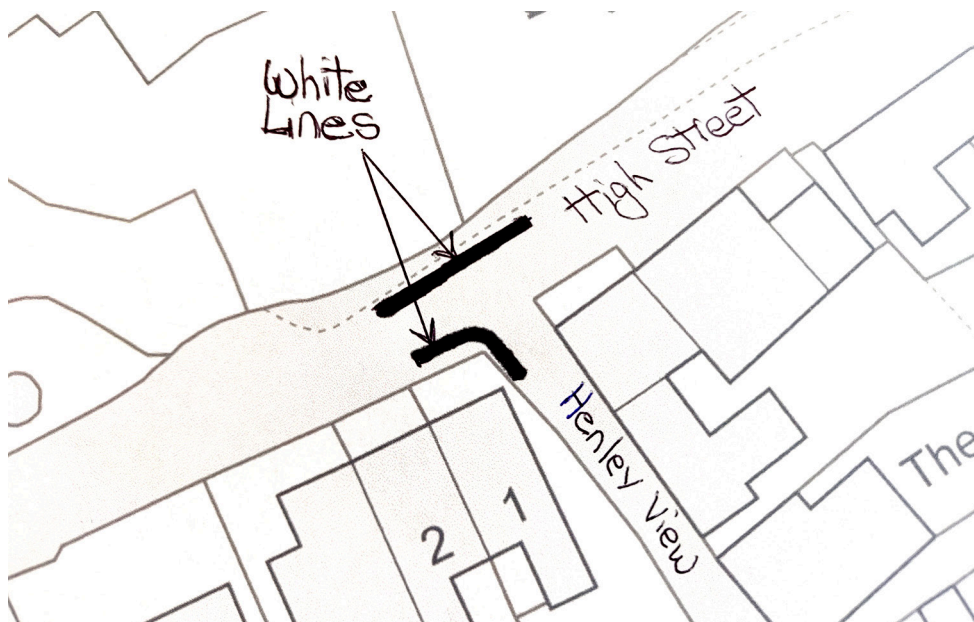
*Community Matters: Support your Village  
The Parlour Shop, the Village Hall, the Church and the Societies*



## White Lines

At a meeting on the 8th July 2022 Wellow Parish Council agreed to make a request to the Highways Department of B&NES to apply white lines on the High Street opposite Canteen Lane and on the corner of Canteen Lane/High Street (see map). White lines are advisory only but it is hoped that by taking this action drivers will avoid parking inappropriately in these areas, allowing the residents of Canteen Lane and Henley an easier and safer exit onto the High Street.

*Cllr. Debbie Clarkson*



## Wellow & District Horticultural Society

**A Final Note from the Flower Show Secretaries before Village Show Day on Saturday 3rd September.**

Hopefully, by now, you are inspecting your gardens and allotments for possible entries at The Flower Show (as you know, this year, the Flower Show is part of the wider Wellow Village Show). Everyone should have received the schedule with their July Parish Newsletter. If it has accidentally gone in the recycling, it is available on our website ([hortsoc.wellow.org](http://hortsoc.wellow.org) and follow the link for Wellow Village Show 2022), or pick one up from the Parlour Shop. Alternatively, let Rob or me know if you need a paper copy and can't get to the Shop – [avril.greig2@btinternet.com](mailto:avril.greig2@btinternet.com) or Rob. [Greig2@btinternet.com](mailto:Greig2@btinternet.com) or phone us on (01225) 837878.

Please note, entry forms (in the centre of the schedule) need to be pulled out and completed beforehand, then brought to the Village Hall the day before the Show, Friday 2nd September, at the later-than-usual start time of 2pm. Last entries to be received by 7pm. Duncan Hammerton is in charge of this for 2022. Our thanks go to him and anyone else he has roped in to assist!

Please note, there are some errata to the schedule, in particular to the Floral Art Classes. There have been some additional clarifications and details added to some of the classes. These are also available on our website, but if you have trouble accessing them, please do let me know (contact details above).

All is in place for a great Flower Show – marquee ordered, schedule now out, all our judges recruited and our lovely stewards have volunteered their services. All we need now is your produce, whether that's fruit and veg, flowers, floral art, cakes/cookery, drinks, artwork/photography, eggs or crafts, plus, of course, all the children's contributions. A fine, warm day is also a big help!

Good luck to you all – we love it when we can hand out the silverware to worthy winners (to be awarded this year by Councillor Neil Butters)!

*Avril, Bridget and Liz.*

## **Wellow Village Show**

Saturday 3rd September from 12 noon onwards.

Only a few weeks until this year's Wellow Village Show. It's going to be a fun, busy afternoon with lots of attractions for both our younger and older residents. This year's Show includes:

- Over 20 stalls, selling gifts, food, plants and much more
- Entertainment galore for children - including a huge inflatable slide, younger kids games, the RDA's Shetland ponies to stroke and sporting activity on the tennis courts
- The traditional "village show" coconut shy and tug of war, plus egg smashing on the boules piste
- Live music from "The Pinkertons" and magic shows from Richard Ballinger
- Five food and drink outlets, including the BBQ run by the Parlour Shop, the F&B's beer tent and the knitting group's famous tea and cakes
- The raffle – with fabulous prizes including a beauty hamper and a night in a lovely hotel (tickets already on sale in the Parlour Shop)
- Exhibitions to explore, including Future Wellow helping you to calculate your



own carbon footprint

- Ferret racing, snail racing and the Dog Show (entries on the day or alongside your Flower Show entries)
- .. and of course there is the Flower Show in the Marquee. Don't forget to get your entries in by the day before, between 2pm and 7pm in the Village Hall.

You will have received your Show Programme (including details of the Flower Show classes) with last months Parish newsletter. If you need another, you can get one from the Parlour Shop or else online from the Hort Soc website at <http://hortsoc.wellow.org/index.php/wellow-village-show-2022/>

It will be a fabulous day, so bring all your friends along - and don't forget the earlier than usual start at noon.

*The Wellow Show Team*

## **Save the Dates!**

After a two year hiatus the Wellow Community Chest is delighted to announce that we will be hosting a number of village events, all proceeds going to Wellow Recreation, the Parlour Shop and Friends of St Julian's.

**Sunday 18 September 2022:** Wellow 10k Run and Walk

**Friday 4 November 2022:** Food and Drinks Festival

**Friday 9 December 2022 at 7.30pm:** Christmas Celebration Party at St Julian's Church. Canapes, drinks, a silent auction and dancing to our own Firefly.

Details to follow.....!

*The Wellow Community Chest*

## **Dog Fouling & Litter**

There is a serious problem on the footpaths and in the fields adjacent to the brook. Over the last 2 or 3 years there has been an increase in general litter (plastic bottles, cans and even glass bottles), dog fouling and in particular the plastic "poo bags" used by dog owners, being left lying around or hung on bushes. There have also been problems with dogs not being kept on the lead when requested to do so.

Please ensure you take your litter home with you, particularly your "poo bags," and comply with notices asking you to keep your dogs on the lead. If we all take a bit of care and are considerate to other users of the footpaths, it will make walking round Wellow pleasant for everyone.

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# Wellow Parish Diary

## Regular activities:

**Parish Council meetings:** Village Hall; 1st Monday in the month; 7.30 to 9.30 p.m.: Contact Parish Clerk: Olga Shepherd: Tel: 07988 192619. Email: [clerk@wellowparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@wellowparishcouncil.org.uk)

**Wellow Wrigglers playgroup:** Village Hall. Thursdays (except 4th Thursday), term time. 9.30-11.30 a.m. Contact: Sophie Hart Tel: 07531773905

**Magic Box Pre-School:** Village Hall; Mondays, Wednesday and Friday in term-time. 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Contact: Tel: 0771 2369130 or [MagicBoxPreSchool@outlook.com](mailto:MagicBoxPreSchool@outlook.com)

**Boules:** Wellow Recreation Ground; Summer months: Wednesday, 6.00pm and Sunday, 2:30pm. October: Sunday afternoon only. Contact: Email: [wellow.boules@gmail.com](mailto:wellow.boules@gmail.com): Tel: 01225 830188

**Wellow Wellbeing Art & Craft Group:** Village Hall; Tuesdays, 10.30-13.00. Contact Averil Swift: Tel: 01373 834384 or Vicky Hamerton: Tel: 01225 835840

**Bellringing:** Wednesday evening, 7.30 p.m. at St Julian's Church. Contact Clover Holland; Tel: 01225 833348; Email: [cloverholland@outlook.com](mailto:cloverholland@outlook.com)

**Lunch Club:** Village Hall; 4th Thursday in the month, September to June. Contact: Julia Handel: Tel: 01225 849049

**Mobile Library:** Alternate Tuesdays. Village hall: 10.45–11.45 a.m.

**757 Bus service: Wellow to Midsomer Norton:** Wednesday only. Fox & Badger: 9.05 a.m. M-N The Hollies: 9.41 a.m. M-N Tesco: 9.47 a.m.

**Midsomer Norton to Wellow:** M-N Tesco: 11.40 a.m.. M-N The Hollies: 10.47 a.m. Fox & Badger: 12.25 p.m.

## Wellow Parish Directory:

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