



# Tormarton Newsletter

April  
2021

## TORMARTON AND WEST LITTLETON NEWS

### Diary

Mon 19 April 7.30 pm Tormarton Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Zoom (see below)  
Tues 4 May 7 & 7.30 pm Tormarton Parish Council annual meetings (see below)

### Recyclable & Refuse Collection:

Recycling items and food bins are collected **every** week.

Black and green bins are collected **alternate** weeks.

For details on Recycling items to be put in each box/bag, check information on leaflets that have been left

### Tormarton – Mondays

Bins: 5 & 19 April, 3 May

### B4465 towards Codrington – Fridays

Bins: 2, 16 & 30 April

### West Littleton – Mondays or Tuesdays (depending on location in the village)

Bins: 12/13 April & 26/27 April

## TORMARTON CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 4 April 10.30 am **Easter Communion**

Rev. Lynne Godfrey & Mr. Mike Strathdee

Sun 18 April 9 am Holy Communion

Rev. Sally Wheeler

## WEST LITTLETON CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 4 April 9 am **Easter Communion (BCP)**

Rev. Sally Wheeler

Sun 25 April 9 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Rev. Lynne Godfrey

## BENEFACTIVE EASTER CHURCH SERVICES

Thur 1 April 7.30 pm Benefice Service at Marshfield Rev. Sally Wheeler

Fri 2 April 2 pm Good Friday Vigil, Marshfield Mrs. Aurea Hart

Fri 2 April 7.30 pm Music & Meditation Zoom Service – F & A Gammie

*For further details on all the Church Services look in Cotswold Edge or go to [www.marshfieldchurch.org](http://www.marshfieldchurch.org)*

**Sisters of the Church:** We are collecting Easter Eggs for the Sisters to distribute to needy families just after Easter. There will be a box in the church to collect your donations of Easter Eggs. Thank you!

## Tormarton - Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Revision of the Church Electoral Roll

The Tormarton Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Church Council AGM) will be held via Zoom at 7.30 pm on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April. This is the meeting where we review the previous year, elect new members to the team and plan for the future. All are invited to join us at the meeting and we would love some new faces to join our team.

To access the meeting via Zoom - go to the [www.marshfieldchurch.org](http://www.marshfieldchurch.org) website, then select the join now red button in the 2021 Worship and Zoom section.

Prior to the meeting, it is the duty of the Electoral Roll Officer for the Church, to invite any new members to join the Church Electoral Roll. If you would like to join the members list for the church, then you will find the relevant papers and enrolment forms on the notice board in the church porch.

For more information about joining the Parochial Church Council (PCC) or the Electoral Roll please contact Bruce Fynamore 07831 441415 or Janet Wells tel 01454 218549. .../

**PARISH COUNCIL NOTES from the Chairman**

With Easter almost upon us, there seems to be a swell of optimism that better times are almost here. Many of us have already had the job, if not two, and with a following wind we might even be seeing each other down the ‘Major’s Retreat’ or ‘The Compass’ for a drink in a couple of weeks time!

As you know from previous notes in this newsletter, **traffic management, especially speeding and parking issues**, is a consistent item on the Parish Council’s agenda, and second only to planning issues when it comes to correspondence from residents. With the lockdown starting to ease, and ‘normal’ service expected to resume from the 21<sup>st</sup> June, we expect issues relating to dangerous parking and speeding to increase back to their pre-Covid levels. To pre-empt this, the Parish Council will soon be revisiting various old ideas, and a few new ones, to try and mitigate these issues. **One of the ideas that has been suggested is for the Parish to purchase our own Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) which would be moved between four sites in the village on a 4-6 week basis.** As well as alerting motorists to the speed limits and when they are breaking them, these signs can also record valuable traffic data that can be used to inform highways agencies where problems exist. Although the Parish Council has the funds to finance this project and its ongoing yearly maintenance costs, around £4,500 and £450 pa respectively, as this is not an inconsequential amount of money for a small parish **we would like to hear parishioners thoughts on this.** Proposed sites are: the existing two on Church Road and Marshfield Road, and two new sites on the Acton Turville Road each side of its junction with Church Road. I’m sure we will all agree that crossing the junction to access our wonderful playing fields can be a dangerous operation at the quietest of times. With the siting of an additional post we could even use the sign in West Littleton if it was felt that a need existed.

*As always, I look forward to hearing your opinions, not only on this, but on any matters that concern our beautiful parish.*

At the beginning of May we will be holding **two meetings for the Parish**, these are the ‘**Annual Parish Assembly**’ and ‘**Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**’, both of which will be held on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7 pm and 7.30 pm respectively.** The ‘Annual Parish Assembly’ provides residents with an opportunity to speak on matters of local interest and we are hoping to have a guest speaker for the occasion. The ‘Annual Meeting of the Parish Council’ is a formal meeting of the Council where the Parish Councillors will have the opportunity to elect a new Chairman, and review its policies, official documents, etc. As always full details of these meetings will be posted on the Parish Council website at [www.tormarton-pc.gov.uk](http://www.tormarton-pc.gov.uk). Both of these meeting will take place using the current ‘Virtual Format’ on Zoom.

**PARISH HALL:** No news from the Committee this month.

**West Littleton Open Gardens:** Sadly, the annual open days will not be taking place this year.

**Pilates sessions** are currently held via zoom at 6 pm every Monday evening. Anyone interested in joining, who has already done some Pilates, can contact Sophie, email: [sophiehthomson@hotmail.com](mailto:sophiehthomson@hotmail.com), phone: 07786 653834. Cost: £5 per session.

**Rota Volunteers, Tormarton Church**

Church Flowers: 4 April – Mrs. J. Marshall; 11/18 April – Mrs. J. Clark; 25 April TBC

**NB:** all festival flower arrangements for Easter on 4 April

Church Cleaning: Mrs. G. Bant

Mowing Rota: 11 & 18 April – John Wells; 25 April – Tom Harrison

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