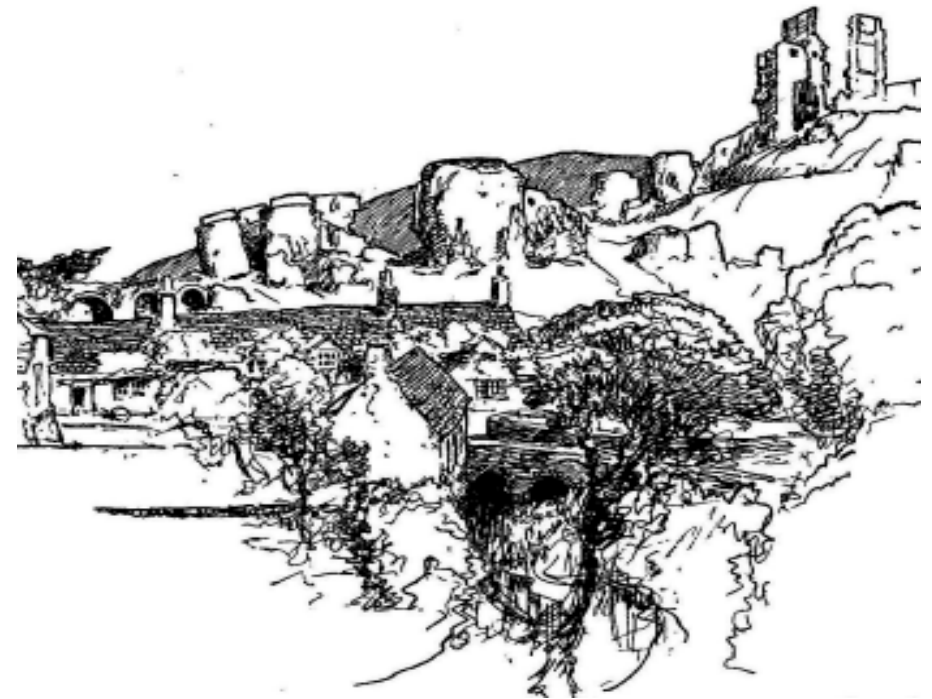


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Editorial

This month we have included in the centre of the magazine pull out pages, which are full of hints and tips about how to both reduce energy use and help to save money. Just pull out the energy saving pages and the usual centre of the magazine, giving details of what's on in and around the village, is still there. There is more information about this on the PC Environmental Group's update, after the Parish Council pages.

Another of our wonderful deliverers has decided that the time has come to retire. Ruth Chaffey, who has delivered in East Street for many years has decided that the time has come to stop. Thank you, Ruth, for all the work you have done getting the CVN out to people in their homes. This is not a problem, however, because several people have come forward following our request for further volunteers in last month's magazine; so thank you to them also.

Our apologies have to go to Double Act because we somehow managed to miss their page out of last month's magazine. We are really sorry Double Act; please accept our heartfelt apologies.

Stephen

Some useful Telephone Numbers

(There are more in the middle of the magazine)

Police non-emergency call line	101
National Electricity Number	105
NHS Emergency Medical Care Service	111
In the event of Gas Leak	0800 111999
Electricity Failure	0800 0727282
Swanage Police Station - out of hours calls rerouted	422004
Swanage Hospital	422282
National Trust outside office hours	07970-595963
Wareham Hospital	552433
Poole Hospital	01202 665511
Bournemouth Hospital	01202 303626
Dorset County Hospital	01305 251150
Corfe Castle Community Library	480760
Citizens Advice Adviceline: Mon – Fri 10am – 4pm	08001448848
The Samaritans	01202 551999
Street Light Defect - SEC Contracting	0800 068 4145
Childline	0800 1111
Dorset Councillor – Cherry Brooks	07512897908

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JANUARY FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

Proposed 5G telecom technology in Corfe Castle Parish: The Council recently received a letter from a third-party drawing our attention to a proposal by Cellnex to install mobile phone communications apparatus at Rollington Hill. The Parish Council has written to the communications company and asked them to join us at our next full council meeting in February to give us a talk through the proposal and answer some questions we have on the safety of the technology.

Kings Coronation: The Kings coronation working group for the Parish Council, will hold a meeting (no date confirmed) to discuss possible celebration events. The Parish Council would welcome help to organise an event from other local organisations / groups as well as individuals. Anyone interested in helping should please contact the Clerk.

20mph Speed Limit in Corfe Castle Parish: Corfe Castle Parish Council support the national campaign to reduce the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph in towns and villages and have established a working group to research the following:

1. An application to Dorset Council for a 20mph speed limit through Corfe Castle village and other surrounding areas.
2. The viability of CCPC making a joint application for a 20mph speed limit through all Purbeck towns and villages

Community Speed Watch: In the last 6 months the Community Speed Watch Teams have carried out 7 roadside sessions, some with the presence of a Dorset Police Speed Camera Operator. In total 4995 cars have been checked with 14 registered as traveling above the speed limit threshold. Of the 14 cars speeding 12 warning letters have been issued by Dorset police to the vehicle owners.

Annual Parish Meeting – The Annual Parish Meeting date and format has been set for 2023. The meeting will take place on the Monday 22nd May 2023 from 7pm in the Village Hall (Main Hall), The format will be very similar to previous years, where a few local groups will be invited to give a 3-minute presentation showcasing their group, followed by an update from the Parish Council on the work we have achieved this year and future plans, concluded by questions from the Members of the Public. The Annual Parish Meeting is your opportunity to let us know what projects you would like to see the Parish Council investigate. Any local group wishing to showcase their activities should contact the Clerk via email; spaces will be limited to 6 groups maximum.

Discouraging More Second Homes: The Parish Council 's motion supporting proposals in the Levelling Up Bill to discourage the growth in second homes was

agreed by the AGM of the Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils and is being sent to MPs and other organisations

Traffic Management & Parking Plan: The Parish Council are working with Purbeck Transport Action Group, the National Trust and Dorset Council on a variety of issues including: Drop-down kerb requirements, A drop-off / pick-up point for restricted mobility passengers, Parking restrictions in West Street & East Street, Improved public bus services & infrastructure, Better rail service integration with other travel modes, Measures to cope with holiday traffic, inconsiderate / illegal parking, 20mph Speed Limit, Cycle routes on / off road from Swanage to Poole, & EV Charging points. If there is a specific issue which affects you please contact the Clerk.

Planning application & Treework application update: The following applications have been received by Corfe Castle Parish Council, for full details including proposed works please see the Dorset Council website:

Application No: P/HOU/2022/07821, Location: Filbank Corner, Halves Cottages, Corfe Castle, BH20 5EY Recommend: No objection.

Application No: P/FUL/2022/07893, Location: Peake House, Valley Road, Harmans Cross BH20, Recommend: No objection.

Application No: P/PABA/2022/08043, Location: Westwood Farm Access to Westwood Farm, Corfe Castle, Recommended: No Objection.

Application No: P/LBC/2022/07692 (withdrawn) now P/HOU/2023/00112, Location: 2 South Street, Kingston. Recommendation: The shed be painted a darker colour and the hedge be restored with new planting to provide a visual barrier from the road, otherwise no objection.

Application No: P/LBC/2022/08042, Location: Vineyard Farm Cottage BH20 5DY, Recommendation No objection

Application No. P/LBC/2022/08015, Location Corfe Castle Town Trust Town Hall West Street Corfe Castle BH20 5HE. Recommendation No objection.

Application No: P/LBC/2022/07894, Location: 37-39 West Street, Corfe Castle, BH20 5HA. Recommendation No Objection

Full details for all planning applications can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>

Oak Tree for the Queen Jubilee: On a cold snowy December day, Crazy 4 Corfe, Suttle Stone Quarries, Holme for Gardens & Corfe Castle Parish Council, planted an Oak Tree in Gods Acre in honour of the late Queens 70-year reign. (See picture below.)

Next Council Meeting – Monday 13th February 2023, at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. To start the meeting is a public half hour, so please come and join us and have your say.

Parish Council contact details:

Clerk: Michelle Harrington,
Telephone: 01202 670105, **Email:** clerk@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk,
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King Charles’s Coronation

The coronation of King Charles the third will take place on the 6th of May. The following Monday the 8th will be a bank holiday when the Parish Council is planning to hold a celebration event. The National Trust has very kindly offered us the use of Corfe Castle for the day, and we already have some exciting ideas. If you, or your organisation, are considering celebrating the coronation we would like to hear from you, so that we can perhaps coordinate effort and share resources. If you are interested in attending an initial planning meeting could you please contact Councillor Mike Blinkhorn at cllrmblinkhorn@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk for further details.

Corfe Castle Parish Council - Invitation to Tender

Notice is hereby given inviting contractors to tender for the contract to clean the West Street Toilets, Corfe Castle.

Contract Description:

- To clean and maintain the Toilets at West Street Corfe Castle.
- Toilets to be cleaned once a day.
- To carry out a deep cleans at least twice a year
- To supply and replenish consumables and remove general waste (sanitary waste to be disposed of by a third party.)

For an information pack containing the Information for Tenderers, a detailed Specification of the Work required and Conditions of Contract, please contact Michelle Harrington - Parish Clerk, clerk@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01202 670105.

Tenders should be submitted in a sealed envelopes and posted to 34 Egmont Road, Poole Dorset BH16 5BZ. Tenders cannot be submitted by email.

Procurement timetable;

Information and Instructions for Tenderers Available	1 st March 2023
Deadline for responses	28 th April 2023
Contract Award	15 th May 2023
Contract Commencement	1 st June 2023

All submission must be received by mid-day on the 28th April 2023 any received later will not be considered.



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Telephone: 01305 221040

A public litter bin is overflowing

Self Service Portal - https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/DWP_Report_a_public_litter_bin_problem

Telephone: 01305 221040

To report a pothole

Self Service Portal - <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/Report-a-pothole> - Telephone 01305 221020

To report an overgrown hedge, tree or verge onto the highway

Self Service Portal - <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-hedge--tree-or-verge-issue> - Telephone 01305 221020

To report a problem on a road or pavement

Self Service Portal - <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/report-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement>

Telephone 01305 221020

To request a highways gully clear

Self Service Portal - <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-gully--drain-or-flooding-issue> - Telephone 01305 221020

To request a road sweep on a highway near you.

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Environmental Group Update

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP



Energy Leaflet = Centre Page Info

- We're proud to include this leaflet for you. It's been published by the Purbeck Energy Group and other local community groups, inc. us and Citizens Advice
- It was posted to over 11,500 Purbeck addresses (inc. Wareham) in early December but we felt it was worthwhile circulating it again
- The project was part funded by the Solar Streets scheme in Swanage, whereby Solar Streets made a £50 contribution to a community fund (& continue to do so!) for each discounted solar panel installation they carry out in our area
- The intention was to provide a broad base of information - in particular to provide useful phone numbers to those that can offer grant advice
- We hope some of the info there is helpful to you or those close to you

Our Next Get-Together

Thursday 16th FEB at Mortons Manor: 7.15pm in the bar - 7.30pm start

- **Guest Speaker: Dr. Ben Pears:**
Dept. of Geography & Environmental Science, University of Southampton
"The Past is the Key to the Future - The Importance of Determining Historic Environment Baselines"
- Ben will give us an overview of research into past landscape character and land use using case studies with relevance to the local historic environment, including details on Corfe's very own recent 'dig'...
- Seed Circle project update
- Spring Event - Discuss ideas for a larger scale community event. We hope to bring lots of you together for an interesting and engaging get-together

Want to have your say on spending funds for the benefit of the environment & our local community? Join to contribute your ideas & skills in a way that suits you!

Simply turn up **OR** email: environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk if there's something you'd like to discuss.

Trees & Hedging Plants:

- Giveaway on Fri 3rd - from 3.15pm: School playground - all welcome
- Giveaway on Sat 4th - from 10.15am: Village Hall Coffee Morning & from 12.30pm at the Soup'n'pud FREE lunch
- Giveaway on Sat 11th - from 10.15am: Village Hall Double Act Coffee Morning
- We'll also discuss any further tree planting before the end of the season

Sponsorship Opportunity:

As part of our Queen's Platinum Jubilee Project, we're planting 16 trees across the Play Area, the verge by the public WCs and in God's Acre

We're offering the opportunity to sponsor a tree for £150, which will be used to buy and maintain the tree for 3 years - in return you'll receive a Certificate of Appreciation. Sponsorship may be shared if agreed privately between 2 parties. Applications will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis. If you're interested in finding out more, please contact the Clerk.

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP



Get in touch: Parish Clerk (Michelle) - environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk

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Church Knowle Parish Council - January Meeting

The January meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Church Knowle Village Hall on 10th January 2023. The December meeting was cancelled as there was a spell of very cold hazardous weather. The January meeting was attended by five Councillors and one member of the public.

The main items of interest in the meeting were:

Cotness Lakes

It was resolved to pursue the question of a formal planning application for change of use at Cotness Lakes to enable the local residents to have a say on the activities at the lakes.

Commercial Camping

Commercial camping operations in the parish require planning permission and/or a license and it was resolved that a list of those in the parish with planning permission would be sought from Dorset Council.

Neighbourhood Plan

This is progressing well and there is a full steering group of 10. A consultant has been appointed to guide the Plan to completion and much use will be made of the considerable expertise and experience in the steering group so the use of the consultant will be well directed and economical.

A meeting is proposed in February to share and discuss the main outputs and themes from the NP survey with the local community. Details will be posted on the PC website and the survey outputs will also be posted.

Planning

One application (P/HOU/2022/05768) at Puddlemill Cottage was considered but the Council was unable to reach a decision as no drawings were available.

Deer

There was a discussion about the large, (over a hundred was mentioned), herds of deer that are roaming the parish and are a nuisance and expense to farmers and other landowners, to such an extent that some have

erected high fences to keep them out. It was agreed that these have become a menace and enquiries will be made to see how they can be controlled and their numbers decreased.

Precept

The expenditure for the past year and the budget for the coming year were examined and it was resolved to set the parish precept at £13,750. This covers the clerical and administrative expenses of running the Council, the maintenance of the Playing Field, the Cemetery and miscellaneous repairs and refurbishments that fall outside of the Local Authority, including clearing watercourses etc.

BT Junction Box

A complaint was received about the “No Parking” notice that has been fixed by BT to their green junction box in the village at BH20 5NG. It was felt that this was adding insult to injury as the junction box had been placed in one of the very few parking places available in the village, with no planning permission or local consultation sought. While it is already restricting the parking place, to take it out altogether is presuming too much. A letter will be sent to BT.

Creech Bottom Post Box

Following lengthy correspondence with the Royal Mail, they undertook to replace the missing post box at Creech Bottom some six months ago. The delivery of this is late and looks as though it might be lost. A letter reminding the Royal Mail of their undertaking to replace the box has been sent but no response has been received to date.

Dorset Police Community Contact Event

The Dorset Police Rural Crime Team will be hosting a pop-up engagement event on Tuesday 14th February at Furzebrook Village Hall from 5.30pm until 6.30pm to discuss crime issues affecting the Church Knowle Parish Community. There is no need to make an appointment – just come along. The Rural Crime Team will be accompanied by an experienced Crime Prevention Officer to address issue beyond the rural crime arena.

Request for Tenders to paint Archive Container

The Council is inviting tenders to paint the blue Archive Container behind the Church Knowle Village Hall. The paint will be provided. Any interested parties can contact the clerk for details at clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk.

The January meeting finished at 8:50. The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be at the Furzebrook Village Hall at 6:30 on 14th February.



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News from the Library

Looking Back over 2022



This year has seen a welcome recovery in the number of people using the library. It has been particularly pleasing to see a growth in the number of families with young children using the library regularly. The children's area, which we extended and remodelled last year, has proved to be very popular and drawn in regular visitors.

In June we were pleased to be the sponsors of the Platinum Jubilee Poetry Competition. The entries from both children and adults were all of a good standard and the judge, the poet Sarah Barr, felt all of the children's entries deserved a prize!

Back in the spring committee member David Kemp had said he was keen to raise funds to assist Ukrainian refugees in Purbeck and asked whether the Friends could provide the organisation skills and support to arrange a concert by Ball and Socket. The event took place in October, was well-attended and raised £1300 for Purbeck Connect and other Ukraine charities. A good time was had by all.

Other events included talks by Zoe Squirrel on Para-Dressage, Gen Crisford of the National Trust on Beavers in Purbeck, Phil Judkins on 'Purbeck's Navy' and a talk by the Corfe Castle environmental group. We also hosted a film crew who needed a base for part of their film which was based in Corfe Castle – it was very interesting to see what goes on behind the scenes and they offered a donation towards our charity. Look out for 'Love's Mysteries'.

Friend and volunteer Barry Stocks offered to run a Christmas quiz night to raise funds for the library and the community. This proved to be a very enjoyable evening and raised £540 which was split three ways between the library's 'Cuppa and a Biscuit' sessions, the Corfe Community Kitchen ('Soup 'n Pud'), and Julia's House Children's Hospice charity. We have bought a fridge and set up a corner with table and chairs for the drinks and biscuits sessions, and so far we have had a good response.

The garden is now stocked with plenty of plants and flowers, and we thank Roy Ford for his continued help.

We are grateful to all the committee, our Friends and all our dedicated volunteers – your help is what keeps the library going. We will be looking for a new treasurer this year; so if you are interested in helping out, please let us know. New volunteers are also very welcome.

In September 2023 we will celebrate our 10th anniversary of taking over the library. What an achievement!

Come in out of the cold for a free Cuppa and a Biscuit!

In February we will again be offering a hot drink and biscuits for anyone who would like to come in to warm up and have a chat.

- Wednesday 10.00 – 12.00
- Saturday 10.00 – 12.00

Every Week

Talk by Professor Gerry Stoker in March

There is not a talk in February but the series will return in March when Professor Gerry Stoker of Southampton University will discuss

“Who believes in conspiracy theories and why?”

More information in next month’s edition.

The talk will be on Friday 10th March 2023 at 2.00pm in Corfe Castle Village Hall.

Open to Everyone - Free entry

Any queries to corfecastlelibrary@gmail.com

Normal Library Opening Hours

Monday 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Wednesday 11.00 -12.00 a.m. and 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Saturday 10.00 - 12.00 a.m.



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Saturday 10.00 – 12.00

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Surgery – Patient Participation Group

As I write we are halfway through the start of a new year and whilst Covid hasn't gone away we are learning to live with it and services are gradually being re-introduced. The face-to-face consultations we were used to pre-covid are now back and have been well received but we all have a responsibility to ensure that we identify any respiratory symptoms with the receptionist and wear a mask or face covering to protect both staff and other patients.

Over 100,000 covid vaccinations have been given over the last 2 years at the Wareham Hospital Vaccination Centre and it is hoped that boosters will again be available locally to those eligible in Spring and Autumn. I will be joining the team again and look forward to meeting our Surgery patients.

We will be holding a PPG meeting with the Surgery in February so please let us know if there are any issues you would like us to raise at this time. (corfecastlesurgery ppg@gmail.com). The Surgery would also welcome any feedback on the new website recently prepared and introduced (thank you for all the hard work this entailed).

The PPG will be aiming to increase its membership in future months and would welcome enquiries from anyone interested in joining us.'

Maggie Hardy PPG Chair

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Coffee Morning! Come along to Double Act's Coffee Morning on **Saturday February 11th** at 10.15 in the Village Hall. Most of the usual Village Hall Coffee Morning components will be there – companionship, coffee, biscuits, raffle, cake stall, shelter from the rain etc. – but there will be some extra things as well! Pop in and join us for a while, and catch up on local gossip.

Stall-holders welcome! If you would like to run a stall for your favourite cause, it will only cost you £5 for a table, and you will get a free coffee and biscuit as well! See below for contact details.

Find Your Voice! Please come and join a fun practical workshop in developing vocal technique with Jo Wilson-Hunt, the Youth Coordinator for NODA(*) South West. The workshop is set for **Monday February 13th**; we will be learning how our voice works through games, exercises and activities, working on projection and diction for both acting and singing.

All are welcome to come along, whether you are a member of Double Act, or thinking about joining us, or just if you think it might be fun and perhaps useful in other ways. It will only cost £1 per person (50p for youngsters) and some refreshments will also be available. The Workshop will be from **7pm to 8.30pm** in Corfe Castle Village Hall. Please dress comfortably; trousers not skirts ladies!

Jo is an experienced director and performer having trained at Rose Bruford and Royal Central School of Speech and Drama and is the director of The McMillan Youth Theatre Company in Bridgwater.

(* NODA, National Operatic and Dramatic Association – noda.org.uk & FB)

If you would be interested in joining our friendly safe group or for more details, please contact the chairman, David Kemp 01929 480007, or secretary David Watson 01929 481265 - or email info@double-act.org.uk.

New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!

All our meetings conform to relevant Covid restrictions.



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- Bear with us as we continue the exciting work of re-modelling the entire garden centre area & stunning new timber-framed barn
- Keep your eyes peeled for several new & exciting garden ranges
- We're pleased to announce that by the spring our fantastic compost offering will be almost entirely peat free = significantly lower carbon footprint
- We remain well-stocked with pots, potions & practical gardening accessories

Community

- We're inspired by the Corfe Community Kitchen team who put on the wonderful Soup'n'Pud FREE lunch = The first Sat. of the month @ 12.30 in Corfe Village Hall
- In January we proudly donated most of the ingredients for their entire meal - supporting a free lunch for 25+ locals

Delivery

- Order by 5pm Monday to receive your delivery on Tuesday (£5 fee)
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3rd January. - We were treated to a great demonstration of Qi Gong from Penny Youssef. When I say demonstration, there was lots of audience participation. Qi Gong is a series of movements that help to get the mind and body in balance. Penny explained some of the history which dates from around 3000 years ago and developed to aid health in all areas of the body and mind. She explained the difference between Tai Chi and Qi Gong and its connection to martial arts. Penny initially showed us a series of movements called 'Ba Duan Jin' translated as the 8 Silk Brocade. Then we all joined in, using a seated position with a different set of exercises. It was very peaceful and restful, accompanied with gentle music. Very enjoyable.

- **7th February** - Jacquie Hall, the Lady Town Crier from Wareham, will entertain us with stories about her interesting role. I don't think there are many female Town Criers and you may even have seen her in action recently on her visit to Corfe Castle with the Purbeck Mummers.

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News from The Castle

The new year is well underway, and we hope it has been kind to you so far. If you have a reason to celebrate, all just an evening out, we have winter bargains to help you along. We hope to keep these amazing offers until Easter.

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Our bargain 2 Course lunches are continuing for only £7.95 ... trying to make February more affordable.



Corfe Castle Primary School



Although we are now in February, we hope that the new year has started well for you and your families, and we hope that 2023 continues to bring strength, love and hope to us all.

In light of the current climate that we are in as a nation, I felt strongly that as a school we need to reach out to 'serve' and support those around us. As such, and as mentioned in my last publication, the school has been open as a **Warm Space** since Sunday 8th January; open every **Sunday from 10am to 3pm** through until the end of February (*or longer if required*):



<https://www.helpandkindness.co.uk/service/4669/Warm-Spaces-and-Places>

Please take advantage of this space and come in to see me on Sundays, even if it is just a cup of coffee or tea and some cake!

School Projects for 2023 - Creating Calmer Reflective Spaces that Inspire Library:

Alongside the PTFA, I have been discussing how to make our library space act as an indoor calming reflective space and an inspiring space to encourage the love of reading. We have been looking at how to create a woodland themed space to tie in with our local rural community. This is still in the early stages as we develop plans and move towards final creation.

Playground:

Over the winter period, I asked children to submit playground designs as we think about reflective spaces for our outdoors areas for children (and adults) who may require breakout spaces and calm away from the buzz of the playground. We will spend the term looking at finances and resources but if there is anyone in the community who is willing and able to share expertise or resources and support, then please do get in touch as we would love to hear from you.

The school vision: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Thank you for all your continuing support, Mr Robert Stoner (Acting Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle Primary School.

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TWAM – TOOLS WITH A MISSION

TWAM is a Christian charity that collects donated usable tools of all types, sorts them into trade kits and then sends them a growing number of countries, including Malawi, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe and DR Congo. Each year they send around 18 containers packed with refurbished tool kits to Africa and help to transform communities through running skills centres, training and the provision of tools.

This year there is a new Volunteer Collector in the Purbeck area, my husband Richard, so it is now easier to donate any surplus or duplicate tools which you may have gathered over the years. TWAM are always in need of the following:-

- **Agricultural/gardening tools** - Fork, spade, hoe, hand fork/trowel, lopper, secateurs, handshears
- **Builders' tools** – 3' spirit levels, spade, axe, crowbar, fork, sledge hammer, hacksaws, chisels, tape measures
- **Carpenters' tools** - bevel, braces, clamps, hand drills and bits, files, hammers, saws, planes, pliers, screwdrivers, spanners, stanley knife, nails, bolts, screws
- **Electricians' tools** – allen keys, hand drills and bits, all types of pliers and hacksaws, screwdrivers, spanners, soldering iron, voltmeter
- **Motor mechanics' tools** - allen keys, spanners, cold chisels, metric socket sets, punches, cantilever toolboxes, tyre pressure gauge
- **Plumbers' tools** -basin or tap wrench, wire brush, breast drill and bits, grips and saws, screwdrivers, oil cans
- **Garage workshop** - hydraulic jack, axle stands, battery charger, ramps, engineer vice
- **Power tools**- hand and bench drills, sander, planer, jigsaw, circular band and chop saws, lathe, cultivator, rotavator, welding machine, generator
- **Sewing machines** - manual, electric, treadle and industrial machines
- **Knitting machines** - machine and hand wool, knitting needles, patterns
- **Haberdashery** - needles, cottons, large material pieces/rolls, buttons, zips, tapes
- **Fully working IT equipment** – desktop computers laptops running minimum of Microsoft Windows 7, tablets, networking switch routers, cables (not printers or scanners)

- **Bibles** - in modern English

We are able to collect your donations of any surplus equipment listed above if you email Richard to arrange a suitable time. We cannot take broken tools, or any with woodworm, but old metal tools can be sharpened, and surface rust removed. Please have a look at the TWAM website for more detailed lists and discover how these items will provide a future and transform lives in struggling African communities.

Local collector – email:- richardf@twam.uk Main website - twam.uk

Hopefully as you spring clean or reorganise sheds and garages to accommodate any new acquisitions, you will find plenty of items that can be well used abroad, rather than gathering dust locally. If you know somebody who is downsizing or moving into a flat, please pass on our details. Keep an eye open for TWAM lists on local noticeboards

Thank you in anticipation for your support, Judy Forgan

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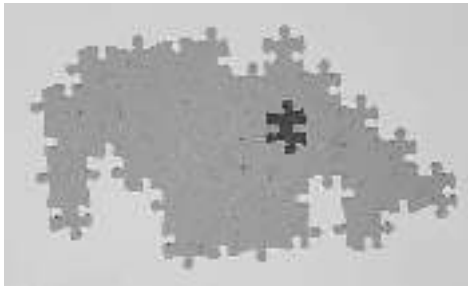
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One piece in the puzzle of Corfe Castle's past human landscapes.

Several years ago, I read Philip Pullman's *His Dark Materials* trilogy. At the heart of the story is the idea of there being separate worlds coexisting in parallel,

between which, if you have the right knowhow or special tools, you can open holes to move from one world to another. That idea came to mind recently when, having been bitten by the archaeological bug last summer, I attended a talk by Julian Richards on lost Mesolithic landscapes. I was struck by his observation that underneath today's visible landscape are layer upon layer of past landscapes. We can consult maps made over recent centuries to see those landscapes that are several hundred years old, but we cannot see those even older landscapes that lie beneath without opening holes into the ground to see what is there. The test pit which we dug in our garden last summer and wrote about last November was one small hole that allowed us to peek into Corfe Castle's past landscapes. We have now had our pottery sherds examined by some knowledgeable people including Lilian Ladle and can provide an update on what we glimpsed of Corfe Castle's past landscapes in our hole.

Our test pit was dug in a part of the garden that has been undisturbed lawn since we came to the village in the late-1990s. Nonetheless, bits of plastic were the most abundant find in the topmost 10cm below the turf, one of the most abundant between 10-20cm deep, but not found any deeper than 30cm. With the boom in plastics being a post-WW II phenomenon, we can deduce that only the upper 30cm of our garden soil has been disturbed a lot over the last 75 years. These upper layers also contained almost all the fragments of ceramic building materials, glass and white glazed porcelain. Below one spade's depth modern stuff was replaced by an increasing abundance of both glazed and unglazed pottery sherds. Those found between 30cm and 60cm were a mix of post-medieval 17th-18thC and a few older medieval sherds. As we mentioned in our last article, the greatest depth at which we found a piece of clay pipe was at 40-50cm, and this dated from the mid-17th C. Also, the % of stones in each layer that were Purbeck marble scars (a few of which still showed signs of being worked) increased with depth up to 60cm deep (55%) and then diminished again

to 4% in the layer at the bottom of the pit just above the underlying clay. In the deepest two layers we dug (60-70cm and 70-80cm), the pottery sherds were a mix of 15thC - 12thC and seemed to derive from lots of different pots. Interestingly, the average weight of individual sherds of both glazed and unglazed pottery increased with depth from the surface to the bottom of the pit. However, almost all the sherds were considered by Lilian Ladle to be very small and there was a noticeable lack of larger pieces of rims, handles or bases. This made precise ageing rather difficult. However, we found no pottery from Saxon times, Roman times, or pre-historic times.

From all of this we speculate that the upper 30-40cm or so of our garden soil profile has accumulated or been added to or been significantly disturbed since our house was built in the late Victorian period. Below that depth all the finds probably predate the house and by 50cm down we are in the mid-17th C or older and by 60-70cm down we are in the 14th - 12th C when Purbeck marbling was at its peak. The puzzle now is to work out how all this post-medieval and medieval material found its way to what is now a domestic garden. Was it all waste material dumped by the successive occupants of the yet to be relocated dwelling that used to stand in what in the past was known as George's Plot? Or was George's Plot a disposal site for general waste material from the nearby medieval village centre or even from the castle? With very few finds of any type at 70 - 80cm deep and no finds older than 12th C it would seem that before then there was very little human activity in and around the land on which our house now stands.

Since our last article we have been fortunate to discover that there is a resident geoarchaeologist living in the village. Dr Ben Pears, a research fellow at Southampton University, with help from Finlay, very kindly undertook some high-tech laboratory analyses of soil samples taken from our test pit. The analyses tell us that the upper 30cm of the soil profile is dominated by organic material, indicators of combustion and has comparatively (though happily not worryingly) high levels of various metals such as lead, copper, zinc, arsenic etc.. All of this suggests a lot of deposition of organic matter and inorganic matter such as ash from household fires (something that continues to this day around our tomato plants). Deeper than 30cm the organic content, indicators of combustion, and most of the metals decline with increasing depth although some other metals increase in concentration with depth e.g., iron, cadmium, manganese, and nickel. There were also five spikes in % carbonate content at roughly 10cm depth intervals from 20-60cm deep. Those spikes may indicate

discrete phases of addition of “chalky” material - perhaps deliberate attempts to sweeten the land and improve its productivity. Below 60cm deep the soil analyses indicated minimal evidence for human derived inputs with very low levels of organic matter, carbonate, indicators of combustion or heavy metals. The soil analyses therefore agree with the finds data in indicating a lot of human activity throughout the profile down as far as c 60-70cm, which the finds data suggest may date back to the 12th C but no further.

So, we now know what one tiny piece of the jigsaw puzzle of Corfe Castle’s past human landscape looks like. Others in and around Corfe Castle will no doubt already have different, bigger and better pieces of the puzzle. Yet others may be interested in finding out what the piece of the puzzle that lies in their garden looks like and in doing so could help to build a fuller picture of Corfe Castle’s past human landscape (beyond the iconic castle). If you are interested in following our example and digging a pit in your garden, please e-mail me at cvnnature@gmail.com. If there is sufficient interest, we could organise a meeting at which we might present our findings, and everyone could discuss whether there is the collective know-how and appetite to make a “community dig” happen in 2023.

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Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

Thanks to all those who attended the January VH Coffee Morning. £212.06 was raised for Village Hall funds. Next one is on February 4th.

The 100 club draw is made at the Coffee Morning. In January the first prize of £20 was won by member 3, with member 27 getting second prize £10 and member 85 winning the third prize £4. If you would like to become one of the villagers support the local village hall in this way, please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

The Village Hall storage units are conveniently right here in Corfe and are competitively priced. More units will be available in time; details from Judith on 01929 480216.

regular weekly events:

Monday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio
Monday evenings	Double Act
Monday evenings	Purbeck Chess
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday evenings	Martial Arts
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Purbeck Crafts
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Thursday mornings	Silver Swans adult ballet
Thursday evenings	Cubs
Thursday evenings	Alcoholics Anonymous
Friday mornings	Pilates
Friday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio

regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	VH Coffee Morning
1st Sunday all day	Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
1st Thursday evening	Gardening Club
2nd Monday evening	Parish Council
3rd Wednesday morning	Carers' Support (P Jones)
final Thursday morning	CC Carers Time

Artsreach news:

Next month will see the return of Artsreach drama to the village hall. "**Nothing on Earth**" is an inspiring show about pioneering women - women who flew Spitfires, crossed continents in pursuit of Chairman Mao, parachuted out of rickety hot air balloons, shouted 'No Surrender' into the mouths of the guns. It is brought to Corfe Castle by the award-winning theatre company "Pursued By a Bear" on **Sat March 25th**.

Annual General Meeting

The Village Hall's AGM will take place at 6.30pm on Monday March 27th. All local residents are welcome to attend. If you are interested in becoming a Trustee, please contact David on 07590 352219 or at david@davidjatinplus.com.

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A choice of 2 soups, one vegetarian and one with meat, plus roll
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Corfe Community Kitchen (CCK) is an independent not-for-profit group set up by Chris, Sue and Gill.

CCK aims to provide free monthly Soup 'n Pud lunches using healthy and sustainable ingredients. It serves the community of Corfe Castle Parish and is supported by local businesses, individuals and organisations.

If you wish to make a donation feel free to do so but it is not obligatory.

CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for FEBRUARY 2023

Please check timings and other details with the information available elsewhere in this magazine or with the organisers.
If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.

Every Wednesday and Saturday		10am – 12 Midday	
2	February	Thursday	8pm
4	February	Saturday	12.30 pm
4	February	Saturday	12.30 pm
5	February	Sunday	
7	February	Tuesday	2 pm
10	February	Friday	7.30 pm
11	February	Saturday	10.15 am
13	February	Monday	7pm
13	February	Monday	7pm
14	February	Tuesday	5.30 pm
14	February	Tuesday	6.30pm
16	February	Thursday	7.15 pm
24	February	Friday	6.30 pm

Corfe Castle Library Biscuit Hot Drink and Chat in the warm library
Corfe Castle Gardening Club AGM and Quiz
Kimmeridge Beach clean
Soup and pud lunch in Corfe Castle Village Hall
Antique and Collectors Fair - Corfe Castle Village Hall
Aquarius Meeting in Corfe Castle Village Hall – Lady Town Crier from Wareham
Kimmeridge Keilidh in the Village Hall at the Etches collection.
Double Act Coffee Morning – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Double Act Workshop – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Rural Crime Police Team in Furzebrook Village Hall
Church Knowle Parish Council meeting in Furzebrook Village Hall
Corfe Castle PC Environmental Group Meeting in Mortons Manor
Grand Corfe Castle Quiz – Corfe Castle Village Hall

All details are correct as at publishing date, but please check with the organization involved before attending any events.

2	March	Thursday	8 pm
10	March	Friday	2 pm
13	March	Monday	7pm
14	March	Tuesday	6.30pm
22	May	Monday	7pm
3	June	Saturday	

Corfe Castle Gardening Club Talk – Plants in a changing climate - CCVH
Library talk by Professor Gerry Stoker - Corfe Castle Village Hall
Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Church Knowle Parish Council meeting in Church Knowle Village Hall
Corfe Castle Annual Parish Meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Kimmeridge Village Party

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The Reverend Ian Jackson writes:

I was really sorry that, because of having covid, I was not able to be at church for the Christmas services. Above all I want to thank all those who worked very hard and made sure the services took place – both the churchwardens and others and, also, the clergy from Wareham, who stepped in at fairly short notice. Thank you too for the offers of help and messages of encouragement.

As you can imagine Christmas felt very different for us at home this year. Nonetheless it was a good and peaceful time. It was of course all the more special when we were well enough and able to meet with family and friends around the New Year weekend.

It was interesting and encouraging that when I lead collective worship (assembly in earlier times!) in school and asked the children what had been especially good about Christmas many of the answers were about meeting relatives and friends, and particularly some who'd they'd not been able to see for some time.

As I've been preparing this magazine entry I've realised that we are now heading towards Easter. Lent begins on February 22nd and there will be our usual service for the Benefice at St George's Langton at 10am on that day. Easter too is a time when we families and friends get together.

It is not insignificant and most fitting that at the 2 major festivals of the christian year a key aspect is this gathering together. Although buildings and special places play an important part in the life of faith, our faith is essentially about the God who makes himself known to us through each other and above all through Jesus. We learnt that again through the various recent lockdowns and restrictions. We learn it too sometimes, perhaps quite often, through the circumstances of our own lives.

May God be known and bless us as we meet with one another; may he be known to us in our fellowship as we meet together for worship and prayer.

Ian

Bible Readings - February 2023

Sunday February 5 th	3 rd Sunday before Lent Isaiah 58: 1 – 9A 1 Corinthians 2: 1 – 12 Matthew 5: 13 – 20
Sunday 12 th February	2 nd Sunday before Lent Genesis 1: 1 – 2:3 Romans 8: 18 – 25 Matthew 6: 25 – end
Sunday 19 th February	Sunday next before Lent Exodus 24: 12 – end 2 Peter 1: 16 – end Matthew 17: 1 – 9
Sunday 26 th February	1 st Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2: 15 – 17; 3: 1 – 7
Romans 5: 12 – 19
Matthew 4: 1 – 11

Sunday 5th March

2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12: 1 – 4A
Romans 4: 1 – 5; 13 – 17
John 3: 1 - 17

The Reverend Anne Bond writes:

I write this having begun this new year of 2023 in Dorchester Hospital with pneumonia – an experience I am not keen to repeat! I remember very little about it, and what I do remember is likely to be the product of oxygen being pumped into my system, it is so very improbable ...! I am home now, but feeling ridiculously weak and feeble, although definitely improving little by little, day by day.

So this letter won't be very long. I am incredibly lucky to be being looked after by the joint efforts of my family and our amazingly efficient and patient village surgery. Thank you to everyone who sent me Get Well Cards. I am hugely grateful to the NHS (particularly the grinning speed-loving young doctors who made me do a 'Stair Assessment' before they would allow me home, and celebrated me passing it with flying colours by wheeling me at a million miles per hour through the corridors afterwards!) But however lovely the NHS, the joys of home are like Heaven On Earth!

Keep warm, stay healthy, and thank God for all the good things in our lives.

With love, Anne

Sunday Services in February 2023

Sunday 5th February

10.30am Corfe Castle - Holy Communion with hymns

Sunday 12th February

9.30am Steeple - Holy Communion with hymns
10.30am Corfe Castle - Morning Worship with hymns

Sunday 19th February

10.30am Corfe Castle - Holy Communion with hymns

Sunday 26th February

9am Kimmeridge - Holy Communion with hymns
10.30am Corfe Castle - Holy communion with hymns

Sunday 5th March

10.30am Corfe Castle - Holy Communion with hymns



The Salisbury Bug Cathedral in the Cathedral Close (picture copyright Katharine Shearing).

The Salisbury Bug Cathedral

Salisbury Cathedral's green initiatives have continued with the creation of a bug cathedral. The Revd Pete Atkinson, minor canon for young people, said that following the gaining of the Eco Church Gold award, the cathedral had run a project in the summer to engage young people in its life.

Pete and the education team ran a Youth Eco Day, to which a group of 20 12- 16-year-olds came along to create a bug cathedral and explore the cathedral via a tower tour.

"The young people from Salisbury and the surrounding area had the opportunity

to create an amazing environment for insects in an enormous bug cathedral, which was built by the cathedral's carpenter, Richard Pike," he said. Since then, the cathedral has run an evening bat walk and set up a weekly eco club.

Friends of Salisbury Cathedral. – come and join us!

Now is a great time to join the Friends of Salisbury Cathedral! The Friends' charity, which was founded in 1930 and gives grants for projects at Salisbury Cathedral, has a great deal to be proud of. In the last financial year, the Friends finished paying for the Little Paradise development of toilets, boiler room and storage facilities, and they provided the money for the new level-access entrance to the cathedral. Now they are embarking on the funding of a project to replace the cathedral's exterior and interior lighting with LED units, which will greatly reduce the building's energy consumption and save thousands of pounds.

During the pandemic, the Friends funded live streaming equipment, enabling services to be broadcast live to those isolating at home. With a New Year upon us, now is a good time to join the Friends so that the charity can continue to fund projects for years to come.

Subscriptions are £25 for a single membership and £40 for joint membership.

Members receive free entry to the cathedral*, our newsletters and annual report *Spire*, and invitations to our programme of events. And the Friends have a gift membership scheme, so if you are stuck for an idea for a present, Friends' membership could fit the bill.

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QUESTIONS, QUESTIONS, QUESTIONS

Many people have a real interest in finding out all about their ancestors and who they were related to, forming a family tree. But what is behind this desire to find our family roots? I believe there are two major motivating forces. The first is the need to express our individuality and uniqueness- we need to know who we are and discover our real identity. The second is the need to belong and be part of something bigger than ourselves. It is a combination of these two that causes us from time to time to look back at our genetic ancestry and find out a bit about our forebears and what part they played, if any, in making us the people we are today. God understands these basic needs within us and, on a deeper spiritual level gives us the answers to both of these needs in His Word, the Bible. He reminds us that we are uniquely created and fashioned in His image. We are, in the words of the Psalmist, fearfully and wonderfully made. Each individual person reading this is special to God. There is, as it were, a spiritual DNA in created man that separates us from all other forms.

But we were made not just to express our individuality. The Bible tells us we were created by God, through God and for God. We were made to have a living loving relationship with our father God. Sadly, through man's rebellion and sin, that contact with mankind became lost and God became like some long-lost relative. This inherited human nature explains why we are so eager today to live without God. Tragically, even the resulting catastrophes all around us hasn't weakened our stubborn resolve to go it alone and work out our own life-style plan.

But surely as the seasons come and go, our Creator is there to remind us of our spiritual ancestry. The image may be tarnished but deep down inside there is that sense of eternity that just won't go away. And God in His love and mercy has made a way to bring us back into His family, that we might be the people He wants us to be. The key to this is the Lord Jesus and the starting point for our voyage of discovery begins at the Cross of Calvary where Jesus won for us the victory over sin.

Consider this. We were made by God for God. We were made to express and celebrate the uniqueness of our individuality, and yet at the same time we were also made to be conformed to God's image.

The alternative is a world without God... we exist then we cease to exist- followed by nothingness-oblivion. Is it time to choose? Is it time to open the Bible and find out the wonderful Good News as to who you really are?

I did 36 years ago and it was truly the most wonderful moment of my life...

If you would like to know more about the meaning of life and the life and person at the heart of the Christian Faith, we are running "**Christianity Explored**" which gives you time and space to consider the big questions of life and to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian Faith – Jesus Christ.

Meet 7.30pm for soup and a roll... 8pm - 9.15pm for the Session. If you prefer to just come for the session then that is fine. You don't need to know anything about the Bible. You won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing. And you can ask any questions you want or just listen.

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The Rambling Gardener

Wishing you a good 2023 and may your new year wishes come true. I must not tell anyone my wish, but I do hope by the end of 23 I don't have to buy anything wrapped in man-made material that is so damaging to the environment.

What incredible events Purbeck put on in December; people cooked good food for coffee mornings, many people sang for us inside and out, others arranged walks and did plays. A thank you goes to every one of them that put in their time and money.

The sudden freeze in December took me by surprise. I had hoped for some cold weather to keep things healthy but was not expecting a week of freezing weather. Plants can acclimatise to cold if it comes slowly, but that freezing weather was a shock to many species, it will be interesting this summer to see the results!

In 1963 at the end of December we had freezing snow with an east wind that blew the snow into drifts. It filled the road to the east and did not thaw out until the end of March. At the farm we had to dig out a 23-foot drift to get out of the farm. To avoid throwing away all our cows' milk we took churns of milk down the fields to Swanage and then along the cleared main road to a milk collection point in Corfe Castle as the milk tankers were unable to get to the farms. Also, our water supply froze up, and for more than a month our family, including three children under six and a baby born in early January, had only 10 gallons a day of usable water, hauled from a spring daily. I wonder what 2023 will bring us?

In January there are important jobs to do on good days outside in a green house, porch or garage such as mixing compost for potting. Also sowing early plants like love-in-a-mist, hollyhocks, foxgloves and many early vegetables as well as removing any dead leaves on plants to decrease the build-up of infective agents like rust spots. A very important job is sitting in a warm room dreaming and planning for the coming year and looking through seed and plant catalogues. Look out of your windows and see where winter flowering plants or interesting foliage are needed for the next winter, and talk to neighbours if that is your main visual outlook. There are many plants, from the 2" high alpine saxifrage to trees like the little *prunus autumnal*, that can flower much of the winter. Think especially about planting bulbs to give colour all year in beds, pots and hanging baskets both inside the house and out. Having plants to look after keeps me challenged, happy and healthy, nature is mentally healing.

Sowing seeds is the cheapest way to keep a garden full although it is tempting to buy plants that someone else has started and then can get almost instant vegetables, foliage or flowers. If you order in January, you will have a better selection, but any bare-rooted trees, shrubs, and plants can be ordered up to April.

I hope that you have had a wonderful festive season and that you are looking forward to the coming year.

Rachel.

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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Community Kitchen - Aka 'Soup 'n Pud'

Another very successful 'Soup 'n Pud' was held in the Village Hall after the Coffee Morning on January 7th. We thought there might be fewer people as the weather was so poor but not a bit of it. Once again it was well supported and all seemed to enjoy both the food and the company. The seasonal Cock-a-leekie and Chestnut soups followed by Bakewell and Apple tarts with custard, went down well.

We were very grateful to Norden Farm who provided most of the ingredients for us to cook and the bread rolls. Thank you so much for this kind gesture. Another local resident gave us a very large and delicious 'spare' Christmas cake. This was cut into eight for a free draw at the lunch. Thank you, Liz!

Thank you also to the volunteers that helped with the serving.

We have been busy turning the pumpkins donated to us by The Pink Goat into soup, now frozen for another month, and also cooking it to fill jars of apple and pumpkin chutney for us to sell at a moderate price, to raise funds towards future meals.

This month we will be using the tins of tomatoes kindly given to us by another kind resident to make a tomato and herb soup.

If you have ingredients to spare from your cupboard, garden or allotment, please consider the Soup 'n Pud lunch as we are more than happy to put such items to good use. One of our aims is to use good food which might otherwise be wasted.

Our next 'Soup 'n Pud' lunch is scheduled for Sat. Feb. 4th 2023 at 12.30pm, in the Village Hall following the Coffee Morning. There will be the usual choice of 2 soups, one vegetarian and one containing meat, followed by a similar choice of puds with custard.

We would love to have more Corfe and Kingston residents joining us, especially families, in this friendly, warm environment. Remember this is a free event but donations are always welcome. They will all get used for our lunches.

WHY DON'T YOU COME AND GIVE IT A TRY?!

Best wishes from Chris, Sue and Gill.

Citizens Advice – Here for Local Residents



With winter approaching and the on-going cost of living crisis, many people are increasingly worried about how they are going to pay bills, heat their home and put food on the table.

Citizens Advice in East Dorset and Purbeck would like to remind residents to seek help early on and that we are here to offer free advice and support.

Experienced advisers are available to provide support about a wide range of issues including, debt, energy advice, employment, benefits and housing. There is a range of support available particularly to low income households which many residents may not know about.

Advice is provided through multiple channels including telephone, email, video conferencing and face to face from our offices in Wareham and Wimborne and from outreach services including Swanage and Herston. Home visits are also offered to those more vulnerable people who are unable to access these services.

Free Carbon Monoxide Monitor

Citizens Advice in East Dorset and Purbeck are offering free Carbon Monoxide Monitors. Please speak to an adviser for a chat about the dangers of Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning and a free monitor will be ordered for you.

Drop-in Locations

Local residents can call into one of the drop-in sessions at the following locations. Advice is free and no appointment is necessary:

- Swanage Library - Wednesday 10am-12pm (except first Wednesday of the month)
- Herston Village Hall, Swanage – Monday 10am-2pm
- Wareham Citizens Advice – Tuesday & Thursday, 10am-12pm
- Lytchett Matravers Library - Friday 10am-12noon
- Lytchett Minster & Upton Town Council – Tuesday 10am-12pm
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- The Centre, Barns Road, Ferndown - Thursday, 10am-2pm

And by appointment only at:

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For details of all of our outreach and drop-in locations visit www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk/get-advice/in-person

For general advice and support call the **Dorset Adviceline freephone 0800 144 8848 (Textphone: 0800 144 8884)**, 10am-4pm weekdays or visit www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk

Citizens Advice Can Help with Winter Worries



Residents are reminded that free support and help is available this winter if worried about debt and paying bills.

Cost of Living and Debt

The cost of living crisis is an ongoing concern and this combined with worrying about paying post-Christmas bills can cause additional worry and stress.

If, like many, you have debts and find you can't afford to reduce these after paying your priority bills and essentials, seek advice as soon as possible. Don't feel you have to manage your situation alone. Our debt advice is regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

We also hold free Income Maximisation advice sessions by appointment at locations across Dorset. Specialist advisers are able to advise on a range of money-related topics with the aim of helping people to budget and manage finances more confidently.

Energy

The ongoing increase in energy costs has resulted in many people feeling anxious and worried about paying energy bills. Citizens Advice have a team of energy advisers who can help if you are struggling with energy bills or your supplier. We can offer advice and check to see if you are eligible for extra income or benefits. We can also offer energy saving tips and advice.

If you would like to speak to an energy adviser, call the Energy Line on 01929 775500, leave a message and someone will return your call. Or email: energy@edpcitizensadvice.org.uk

Crisis Support Bus

Citizens Advice in East Dorset & Purbeck is currently raising funds for a Crisis Support Bus which will provide vulnerable residents with access to free advice and support. The cost of living crisis has meant that many more people are in need of advice with some unable to access current services due to rural isolation, restricted mobility, cost of fuel or limited access to public transport. The mobile advice unit will deliver a service to rural areas in and around Purbeck & East Dorset, for those who cannot easily access outreaches, local

libraries or are digitally excluded. It is anticipated that the bus will be ready for service early 2023.

Donations to the Crisis Support Bus can be made on Aviva's Community Fund page www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/p/cost-of-living-crisis-support-bus Aviva will match fund the amount raised.

For more information about Citizens Advice services visit www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk or to speak to an adviser, call the Dorset Adviceline Freephone on 0800 144 8848, 10am-4pm weekdays.

Corfe Castle Gardening Club.

After the awful weather over the winter we are all looking forward to better weather and by the time this drops through your door there will be green shoots and flowers poking through.

Our AGM is on 2nd February together with Hazel's entertaining, brain-teasing Gardening Quiz which keeps us all on our toes. We have a varied and interesting programme planned for the year with some great speakers and visits to beautiful gardens.

On 2nd March Martin Young will talk about 'Plants in a Changing Climate', a particularly pertinent subject for our times.

Happy Gardening.

Corfe Castle Transport Action Plan

At the January Parish Council Meeting, a Corfe Castle Transport Action Plan was agreed, and has subsequently been submitted for inclusion in the Purbeck-wide plan being drawn up by Purbeck Transport Action Group. A copy of the Action Plan can be found at [//www.corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk/news/](http://www.corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk/news/). We would like to invite parishioners to have a look to make sure it represents your views, and to contact Michelle, the Clerk, if you have any comments, please.

Thank You From Crazy4corfe



It was a hard year for so many last year but we are so lucky to live in a village that always pulls together and that was much in evidence this Christmas.

Santa's Sleigh which, in co-operation with Swanage and Purbeck Rotary, visited the streets of Corfe Castle on the 16th and 17th December raised £702. We were so delighted to see

so many adults and children coming out to see Santa, hear the Christmas music and add their donations to Santa's helpers' buckets.

This year Santa's Sleigh ended in the square on the Saturday and we all joined in the carol singing from the **Corfe Castle Christmas Choir**. We are hoping to repeat this and make this a bigger event next year.

All the profits raised went to the **'Soup and a Pud Community Lunch' and other good causes in Corfe Castle**.

None of this would be possible without your help and support and we would like to say a special thank you to **Swanage and Purbeck Rotary and the Corfe Castle Christmas Choir**.

Thank you again. We will be putting on more events throughout the year to help support good causes in Corfe Castle and we hope to see you soon.

Crazy4Corfe.

Thanks to Ruth Chaffey

This month our grateful thanks go to Ruth Chaffey, who has been delivering the CVN for many years. Ruth is now taking a well-earned rest.

Thank you, Ruth, without you and the other deliverers the CVN would not get to the readers.

Antique and Collectors Fair

The Corfe Castle Village Hall hosts the Antique and Collectors Fair on the 1st Sunday of every month.

As well as a plethora of antiques, jewellery and collectables, there is also a fabulous cafe serving homemade hot and cold food through the day.

Tracie and Gary offer a warm welcome as well as very reasonably priced food. At the December Fair, the attendees of the Soup and Pud club were offered a special offer, a hot meal and a cuppa for the discounted rate of £5, plus free entry to the Fair. They would like to extend this offer to the Soup and Pud Club up until and including the May Fair.

The hot food offerings have included Lasagne, Cottage Pie, Chicken and Leek Pie, Sausage Casserole. Homemade cakes and puds are also available, as are freshly-made sandwiches. Tracie and Gary have lived in Corfe Castle for 10 years, have three children and both work locally too. You may recognise them as they sell the Rhubarb and Runner Beans at the side of the road, on East Street when in season!! A warm welcome and a natter in a warm space await".

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Dorset's volunteer digital champions

People who received a device for Christmas and are unsure how to use it are being urged to call on Dorset's volunteer digital champions for help.



Dorset Council has a team of volunteers who provide both face-to-face and over-the-phone support to anyone who needs help with technical issues – including how to use and set up a new tablet, smartphone or laptop.

The volunteer digital champions run advice sessions at libraries and community centres across the county.

And between 10am and 12 noon every weekday, residents can also get help over the phone by calling the Dorset Digital Hotline on 01305 221048.

Dorset Council's portfolio holder for Customer Services, Cllr Laura Beddow, said: "Being digital and getting online can make people's lives so much easier.

"We would urge anyone who needs help getting to grips with using their new smartphone, tablet or laptop to visit one of our digital advice sessions or call the Digital Hotline.

"Our volunteer digital champions are incredibly kind, helpful and patient and their advice is helping thousands of Dorset residents."

In Dorset, 11% of residents are completely offline and another 20% lack all the essential digital skills needed to get online.

For some people that means although they like their new Christmas gadget, they just do not know how to make the most use of it.

Digital champion, Julie Saunders, said: "If you have received a new device for Christmas or even if you are using an old one, the digital champions are here to help.

"We all need help using a computer or device at times so don't be afraid to ask.

"Whether you want to learn something new, check that everything is working as it should or even because you are frustrated because the computer just says 'no'! call or come and see us - we can't promise to solve every problem, but we'll have a very good try."

To find out where face-to-face digital advice sessions are held go to www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/volunteer-digital-champions or call the Digital Hotline on 01305 221048 (Mon to Fri, 10am to noon) for more information and to book.

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We are collecting goods from the Swanage & Corfe Castle environs and delivering them to Castlepoint. So now is a good time to clear out all those things you or your friends have been keeping ‘just in case’. The following list is a good starting point although it’s not comprehensive.

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A sketch of Barneston Manor near Steeple by Alfred Dawson and taken from Rambles in the Isle of Purbeck by C E Robinson dated 1873.

Pioneer view

Dear Friends,

let me first welcome you to 2023. A new year offers an opportunity to put the past year behind us and make a fresh start.

What are your hopes and dreams for this year?

This year the Growing Compassionate Community Charity is 5 years old. It started with a dream.

A dream that became a reality when on the 22nd May 2018 the Growing Compassionate Communities Charity was formally launched at the Houses of Parliament. A great event and celebration valuing our work and vision of growing compassionate inclusive communities. This significant event marked an important tipping point in our journey both as a community in Corfe Mullen and as a charity.

As a Pioneers we are sometimes called dreamers. A valued colleague of mine in ministry writes this:

“I think every system, organisation or culture gets stuck with business as usual and needs people to see new possibilities that are different to the way things are. Pioneers are people who see new possibilities and then they able to make them happen. We sometimes call them dreamers who do “

On the 22nd May 2018, it was both humbling and a privilege to witness a dream becoming a reality.

This launch of the charity put us on the national map, and social inclusion on the political agenda. We began to give a voice to vulnerable and marginalised groups in our communities. We untied the boat from its moorings and launched out into the sea of need and brokenness and started on our journey to make a difference in growing hope and aspiration.

5 years on we have had 2 Conferences and published a 5-year strategy called Growing hope in our communities. We just about to publish a second document looking at a post pandemic response. There are perhaps 3 projects that have really paved the way in leaving an important legacy for the communities we serve. These are:

- The GCC hidden disability schemes. Promoting inclusion whilst accrediting places, shops, and organisations as hidden disability friendly.

- The planting of memorial trees and plaques to remember those we have lost and that have been left behind during the COVID 19 pandemic
- The creation of a “Mental Health Promotion” app. Free to download from for android and iOS its also available on the apple store .

We are always looking for volunteers to help in our vision and mission – please contact me if you’d like to do so. There is still a long way to go but we have made a good start. Help us celebrate our 5-year anniversary this year.

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Kimmeridge News

Smiling Seas Quiz Night

We had an amazing evening in the Village Hall at The Etches Collection on Saturday 14th January. This was all to raise funds to help keep our beaches clean & free from plastic waste. Emily House organised a great quiz night with lots of people coming from far & near to battle it out in the quiz. Quizmaster Pat Ward did an amazing job keeping us (almost) in order and the universal question we all asked was "when's the next one?".



Beach Clean

The next Beach Clean organised by Smiling Seas is on Saturday 4th February. Details from Emily: Email: smilingseas@live.com Text: 07513300908 Facebook and Instagram: @Kimmeridgesmilingseas

Kimmeridge Keilidhs

After taking a break in January we are back again on 10th February in Kimmeridge Village Hall at 7.30pm with caller Teresa Williams. Come and join us for a fun evening – no experience needed! Bring your own drinks & nibbles. Raising money for Kimmeridge Village & The Etches Collection. Tickets on the door - £7.50 adults, £2.50 under 16s.

Smiling Seas February 2023

THANK YOU! I would like to say a really big thank you to each and all who turned up and supported Smiling Seas Big Winter Quiz Night! I really cannot put into words how much it has meant to myself and the course to have you there. Well Done to all teams who did a marvellous job with the questions, despite some being a little dubious and tricky! You all did brilliantly.

I also would like to say thank you to all who donated to prizes for the Raffle and the main quiz prize, to name just a few; Corfe Castle Stores, The Old Granary, Bare Necessities, Holme For Gardens, Nordan Farm Shop and of course to each individual who very generously donated! You are amazing and I am so grateful.

And lastly if you're free the next Beach Clean date will be Saturday 4th February at Kimmeridge bay. Please do get in touch to rsvp and for further details.

Thank you again for all your support to Smiling Seas.
Take care and be kind to the Oceans,
Emily House - Instagram and Facebook- @kimmeridgesmilingseas



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January beach combing at Kimmeridge

In January sea temperatures have dropped substantially, and many shallow water species move offshore to avoid the worst of the winter storms. It can be difficult spotting marine life at this time of year, but a winter walk along a blustery seashore can result in some interesting finds. Most obvious will be the oystercatchers, black headed gulls, rock pipits and pied wagtails. All of these will be making the most of the flies and invertebrates on the strandline and in the vast mat of seaweed that accumulates on the beach after winter storms. Cuttlefish bones can also be found in good numbers with many of these having died after breeding in the summer months, leaving just their white bones to float on the sea's surface. The rough weather brings them ashore in large numbers at this time of year. The size can range from a few centimetres long to the largest at over 20cm.

Also washing up on the beach are logs, seaweeds, fishing equipment and plastic litter items, and it is worth looking to see if there are any goose barnacles attached to this stuff. These will have washed in from the Atlantic Ocean where the drifting larvae attach to floating objects and grow in large clusters. Some may have travelled from as far away as North America. With a flexible, worm-like stalk and a head covered in triangular white shell-plates, these strange looking animals are often still alive when they strand. With stalks writhing and shell plates opening and closing to reveal feathery feeding arms, they create a bizarre sight. Once washed up these animals soon die but other creatures such as Columbus crab, an American species, have been found recently along the Dorset coast.

Unfortunately, you don't have to venture far to see the problem of marine litter first hand and a stroll along Kimmeridge beach following a storm can be quite an eye opener. There is increasing concern that the huge amounts of litter in the ocean are acting like a super-highway for non-native species to reach our shores, with potentially devastating consequences for our native marine life. While the global scale of the problem can seem overwhelming, there are small changes we can all make in our everyday lives that will have a huge impact. Choosing fruit and vegetables not wrapped in plastic, using re-usable cloth shopping bags,

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the future of the village and surrounding area — search Facebook for **CorfeCastleCommunity**

carrying a refillable drink bottle instead of buying bottles of water and saying 'No' to plastic drinking straws when out for a drink are easy things we can all do with a little effort. The less plastic we buy, the less plastic will be made and the less will escape into the environment. Why not start your journey towards 'plastic-free living' today? There has never been a better time!

With new species arriving regularly, it is important to record when and where this happens. If you are out and about on the beach this winter, please keep an eye out for unusual wildlife and let us know. We are always interested in what you find (native or non-native) and with a photo taken on your camera phone and a location, emailed to us at the above address, we should be able to identify and record it.

Dan Bartlett, Wild Seas Centre Assistant



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Smoked Duck Salad ~ With a spiced plum and honey dressing

Coquilles St. Jacques ~ Scallops in creamy white wine sauce, topped with mashed potato and cheese and parsley breadcrumb (£3 supplement)

Mediterranean Vegetable Skewers ~ With an apricot and cranberry couscous and a tomato salsa

Chicken Liver Parfait ~ With toasted brioche and a fig and apple chutney

Red Orzo Risotto with Parmesan ~ Orzo Pasta with chargrilled peppers, saffron, tomatoes and olives finished with parmesan cheese

MAINS

Fillet of Monkfish ~ Wrapped in parma ham, served with a roasted red pepper sauce

Sirloin Steak - Served with vine cherry tomatoes and a Béarnaise Sauce

Lamb Wellington - With a mint Purée stuffing, wrapped in filo pastry and served with a Maderia sauce (£5 supplement)

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Twice Baked Butternut Squash - With cashew cheese, walnuts and cranberries (v) (vg)

All of the above dishes are served with dauphinoise potatoes, chantenay carrots, fine green beans and red cabbage

DESSERTS

Apple Tarte Tatin - With salted caramel ice cream

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Sunday 19th March 2023

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- Chicken Liver Parfait, house chutney, toasted brioche, and salad
- Spiced Butternut Squash Soup, served with crusty bread (v)
- Smoked Salmon with a lemon & dill creme fraiche and sliced beetroot
- Smoked duck breast, on a bed of mixed leaves with a plum sauce

MAINS

- Roast Kimmeridge Topside of Beef with Yorkshire pudding and horseradish sauce
- Roast Kimmeridge Leg of Lamb with a port & redcurrant jus (£2 supplement)
- Roast Kimmeridge Leg of Pork with stuffing and crackling and apple purée
- Poached Salmon in a Veronique sauce (grape, white wine and cream)
- Silton, walnut, brie and cranberry wellington (v)

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Tuesday 14 March Fisherman's Friends: One and All

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Other dates for your diary here at the Hall include:

Stalls at the Hall

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Saturday 25 March

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Coffee Junction

We welcome everyone to Coffee Junction every other Thursday morning from 10.30am in the small meeting room, HXVH. A chance to chat to other local residents sponsored by St Aldhelm's Parish (the new parish covering Langton, Worth and Kingston churches and Harmans Cross). Next dates are February 9 and 23, and March 9 and 23.

And finally, the HXVM AGM is scheduled for Friday 21 April, and we will be repeating last year's hugely enjoyable cheese and wine pairing & tasting after the main business is (rapidly) concluded!!

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Alison and the HXVH Committee

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TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

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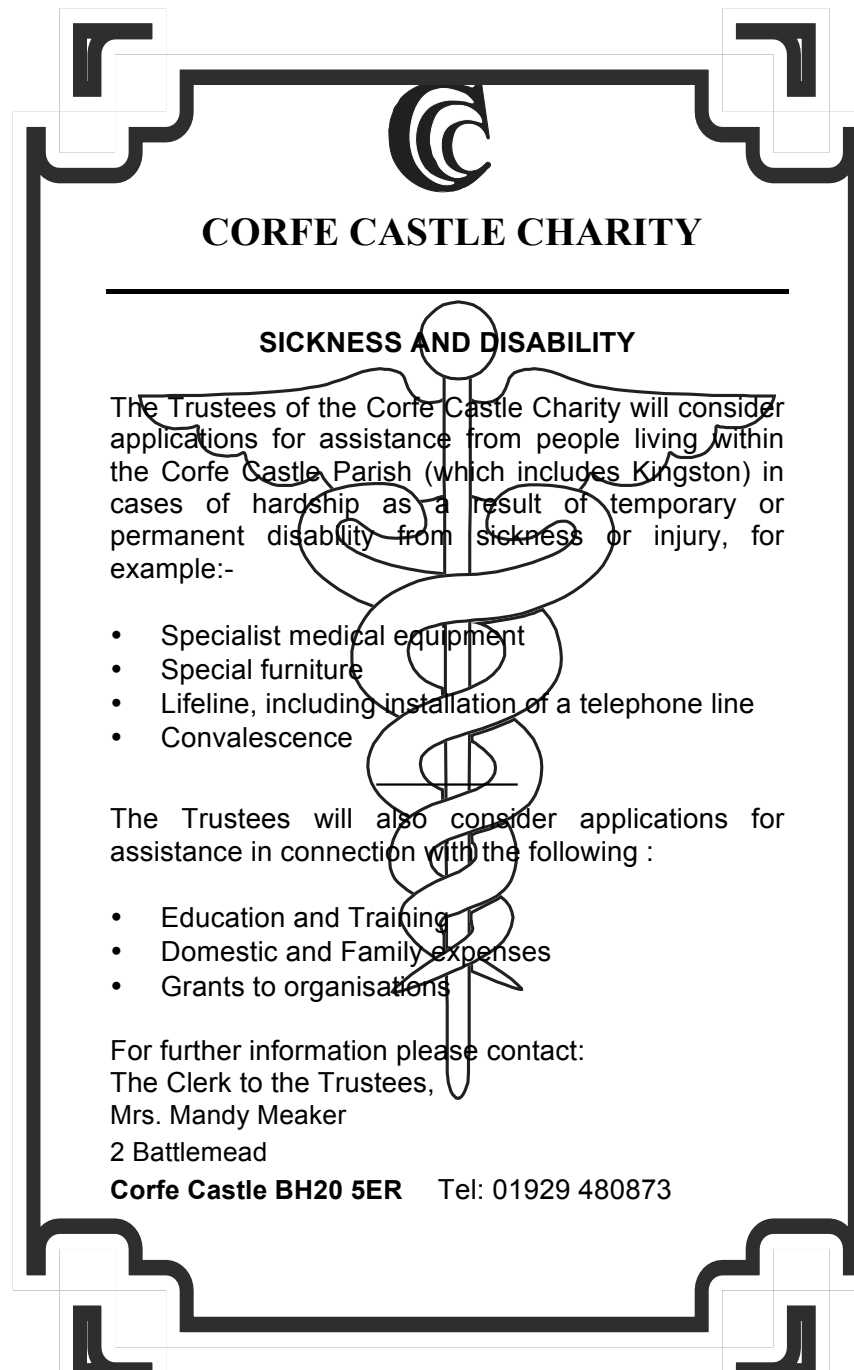
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Each	10.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child Group	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.30 – 7.30pm	Adult	C C Village Hall
		Ballroom Dance	Donna 01202 243803
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furzebrook VH; even CK
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall
Each	7-9pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House
2nd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	By Zoom
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall
SUNDAY			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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