



Tormarton Newsletter

July/August
2017

TORMARTON AND WEST LITTLETON NEWS

Diary July and August

Sat	8 July	3 pm	Marshfield Church Fête at The Old Vicarage
Mon	10 July	7.30 pm	Tormarton PCC Meeting at Tormarton Court
Sun	16 July	7 pm	'Thank You' evening in Tormarton Church (see below)
Mon	17 July	6.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting in the Hall Committee Room
Mon	21 Aug	8.30 pm	100 Club Draw at The Compass Inn
Sat	27 Aug	3pm onwards	Parish Bring & Share Picnic, Tormarton Court (see below)

Advance Notice

Sun	10 Sept	Tractor Trail (see below)
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Recyclable & Refuse Collection:

Recycling items and food bins will now be collected **every** week.

Black and green bins will be collected **alternate** weeks.

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

Tormarton – Mondays

Bins: 3rd, 17th and 31st July; 14th & 28th August

West Littleton - Mondays

Bins: 10th & 24th July; 7th & 21st August

B4465 towards Codrington – Fridays

Bins: 14th, 28th July; 11th & 25th August

Mobile Library:

Tormarton (Parish Hall car park)	11.50 – 12 p.m.	Mon	3, 17 & 31 July; 14 Aug; (not 28 Aug)
West Littleton	3.40 – 3.55 p.m.	Thur	6 & 20 July; 3, 17 & 31 Aug

TORMARTON CHURCH SERVICES during July & August are:

Sun 2 July:	10.30 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 9 July:	6 pm	Holy Communion (1662)	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 16 July:	10.30 am	Family Service, followed by refreshments	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 6 Aug:	10.30 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev. Ian Tomkins
Sun 13 Aug:	6 pm	Holy Communion (1662)	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 20 Aug:	10.30 am	Family Service, followed by refreshments	Rev. Sally Wheeler

WEST LITTLETON CHURCH SERVICES during July & August are:

Sun 9 July	10.30 am	Mattins (BCP)	Rev. Christopher Mullholland
Sun 23 July	9 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 13 Aug	10.30 am	Mattins (BCP)	Rev. Sally Wheeler
Sun 27 Aug	9 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev. Sally Wheeler

Rev. Ness Whiffin will take up her first post as Team Vicar in Witney Oxfordshire in September after serving her curacy in our Benefice. On **July 23rd at 6 pm in Marshfield Church** there will be a **Songs of Praise Service** to say thank you and farewell to Ness and her family.

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West Littleton Gardens Open, 10/11 June:

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Gardens Open weekend in June. This was a very successful event. The weather was kind and with lots of visitors we raised over £2,500 towards the upkeep of St James' church.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES from the Chairman

1. **Planning Application PK17/2008/F:** A planning application to change a field off Norley Lane from an agricultural field to a gypsy/traveller site with three caravans, including a static mobile home, was lodged with S. Glos Council in late April. This was immediately followed on 29th April by the establishment of an unauthorized encampment comprising a caravan, two wooden chalet buildings, a large hard standing area, a greatly modified entrance to the field plus other changes. This application was discussed by the Parish Council on the 12th June and following comments made by those members of the public who were present at this meeting the Parish Council submitted a strong letter of objection to the relevant Planning Officer at S. Glos Council. To-date there have been approximately 36 objections from the public to this planning application. Comments on this application may be made online at the S. Glos website (<http://developments.southglos.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=document&keyVal=OPFHCCOK0DH00>) or in writing to: Mr Griff Bunce, Planning Department, South Gloucestershire Council, PO Box 299, Civic Centre, High Street Kingswood, Bristol BS15 0DR.
2. **The next Meeting** of the Parish Council will be held in the Hall Committee Room on Monday 17th July starting at 6.30 pm. There is no Parish Council meeting in August.

Saturday 27th August – Parish Picnic at Tormarton Court – 3 pm onwards

All are invited to a Bring & Share picnic at Tormarton Court. Enjoy the gardens, swimming pool and most of all each other's company. Bring food to share and a Bar will be available. Look out for posters in the village.

Improving the Church in Tormarton

We continue to make good progress with our plans to improve the church. We have discussed the proposed scheme with the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC), who are in general terms very supportive of our proposals. There continues to be concern about the future of the organ (which is becoming increasingly unpredictable). The architects are developing a more detailed scheme which will be discussed at a special meeting of the PCC in July. We will then turn our minds to fundraising. The good news is that there are a large number of charitable organisations who are willing to make grants for churches who are improving their facilities for both the church and the wider community. These grants, together with we hope generosity from people within the Parish, will mean that we can raise the funds needed.

We plan to hold a further open meeting at the end of the summer or early autumn, so that everyone can review this in more detail, update on progress, feed in their views and offer their help. In the meantime, if there are any matters you would like to discuss, please contact Bruce Finnamore, Church Warden at bruce@thefinnamores.com / 07831 441 415.

Sunday 16th July, 7 pm - A Musical 'Thank You' Evening

On Sunday 16th July, we will be hosting a special 'Thank You' event at Tormarton church where we will enjoy a glass of wine as we are entertained by the 'Uke Can't Be Serious' ukulele band. Invitations have already been sent to all members of the church cleaning and flower arranging rotas, but please do come along if you would like to join us for the evening.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – Tormarton Church

Sunday 10th September - Tormarton Tractor Trail

A 20 mile picturesque run through Beaufort Country on 10th September 2017 including off road routes. Starting at Springs Farm, Codrington, BS37 6RX at 9.30 am and finishing at Tormarton Village Hall for lunch.

Entry fee £20 per tractor.

Further details from John Marshall on 01454 310415 or email jem@cotswold-spring.co.uk

Sunday 15th October - Harvest Service at 10.30 am followed by Harvest Lunch at 12 noon.

Sunday 29th October – All Souls Day

Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 17th December – Carol Service at 5 pm

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

100 Club:

The first draw of the 2017/18 Season took place on 19th June at The Major's Retreat and the lucky winners were - Tormarton CC (£50), S. Leppard, M.S-Williams, N. Davis, Tormarton CC, and C. Cooper (£10 each). Memberships are due for renewal from May 2017 and your continued support will again be much appreciated. The August draw will be held at The Compass Inn on Monday, 21st at 8.30 pm.

Pilates Sessions take place in the Village Hall on Monday evenings, 7-8 pm. Due to the numbers now booking to attend regularly we are not able to take newcomers at the moment, but anyone interested can be put on a waiting list and should contact Sophie, email: sophiehthomson@hotmail.com, phone: 07786 653834. The cost of each class is now £6.50, but before each session of 4 classes, you will be asked how many you would like to book and pay for. NB: No Pilates on 3rd July.

Personal

Congratulations to Jennifer (nee James) and Daniel Jones who were married in Tormarton Church on 24th June.

Rota Volunteers, Tormarton Church

Church Flowers: 2 July – Mrs M. Perry 9/16 July – Mrs. J. Wells 23/30 July – Mrs. H. Gent
6/13 Aug – Mrs. N. Fynamore 20/27 Aug Mrs. A. Buxton

Church Cleaning: July – Mrs J. Woolley & Mrs A. Buxton
Aug – Mrs. J. Bowman & Mrs. L. Waters

Mowing rota: 2 July - George Gent 9/16 July - Andrew Wilson 23/30 July - Phil Turner
6 Aug – Phil Hall 13 Aug – John Saunders 20/27 Aug - John Doubleday

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Items for the next issue – September - to be given to Diana Elliott, St. Mary's House, tel: 01454 218364 or email: diana.elliott@hotmail.co.uk not later than 26th August please.