

COMMUNITY CENTRE 100 CLUB DRAW
Mr Kevin Brown won May's draw with number 47



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Newly elected County Councillor
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St Michael's Church
are holding a Craft &
Summer Fair on the
22nd June between
10am-2pm

Dougals Scott has been re-elected for a second year, to be Chairman of the Parish Council.

Sue Henchley has stepped down as Vice Chair and Jackie Fraser was unanimously elected to take this office. Everyone wishes her well for the next twelve months.

Newly elected County Councillor Norman Stephens was welcomed to the meeting on the 8th May. Cllr Stephens spoke about his aims for the coming term in office and also of past achievements as a local councillor.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| Monday | July 08 | Monthly Meeting Full council |
| | August | Summer recess |
| Monday | September 09 | Monthly Meeting Full council |
| Monday | October 14 | Monthly Meeting Full council |
| Monday | November 11 | Monthly Meeting Full council |
| Monday | December 09 | Monthly Meeting Full council |

MPC, The Town Hall, High Street, Mitcheldean

A second successful meeting was held to discuss the relocation of the Post Office, on 28th May, in the Library.

Many elderly and infirm residents attended and were urged to write to the Post Office customer Services to express their views. Lack of adequate parking is a major concern at the Old Smithy Stores. A petition has also been started to try to influence the PO that the facility needs to remain in the centre of the village, and over 300 people have signed it. An expression of Interest, to be sub Postmaster, has been submitted by Dan Hemms at the White Horse.

Dirt Jumps completed. The long awaited Dirt Jumps have been sculpted and are open for use. All those who fought for so long to get this facility reinstated need to get out there and use the Jumps (safely) Damage to the path from Glebe Close through to the Community Centre to be addressed and resolved shortly.

Gardening Club win tickets to the Gardeners' World Live Show at the NEC in Birmingham. Following a successful visit and judging on the 14th May, by renown Royal Horticultural Society judge, Bob Sweet the Club were awarded tickets to the Show being held on the 12-16th June. The Gardening club have been awarded funding from the Parish Council to maintain the Cross Gardens and the Community Garden and to provide hanging baskets for the Town Hall.

There is still hope that the Skate Park will be built this year. The contractors that carried out the work on the Dirt Jumps– S. Rugman, have submitted a price, but no date as to when the work may be done.

The YOUTH COUNCIL had its first meeting on 3rd June.

Discussions were held as to what may be achieved and how to go about funding the projects.

Anyone interesting in joining this Forum should contact Cllr Katherine Baker

Munchkins Playgroup receives a donation of £250 towards running costs.

No waste bins for Lining Wood as Forestry Commission says bins attract rubbish!!!

The Parish Council are proposing to produce a colour magazine twice a year which will be distributed to all businesses and residents during the Autumn and Spring. This will be a great opportunity to advertise local businesses and organisations. A full page advert will cost £75 or £50 for half a page. Contact Sue Henchley or the clerk for more details.

Proposals to issue a long term lease of the Sports Pavilion, of up to 25years, to the Sports Club, takes a step closer. Cllr H. Baker has prepared a report and proposition which will be put to the Sports club's committee.

Carers week is from the 10-16th June.
An afternoon event is organised at Great Oaks Hospice on Wednesday 12 June from 2-7pm. All welcome.

Play BARK has been ordered for the area around the children's play equipment and should be delivered by the 24th June.

Play Ranger Session hampered by rain. Further sessions on a Thursday afternoon throughout the school summer holidays are planned. Your support is needed.

Fire Safety Officer has visited the Town Hall and the Pavilion. Emergency evacuation lighting has been recommended (and installed) in the Town Hall and easy release locks have been advised for the Pavilion.

Cllr Scott politely asks all residents and businesses to take their wheelie bins back in after the collection. Leaving them on the kerb causes difficulties for the partially sighted and those with wheelchairs.

A street light in Platts Row still remains out of action. This problem was first reported to Gloucestershire County Council, nearly a year ago yet despite several visits by various contractors the light does not work. If this problem affects you, please report it to the County Council via their website or speak to Sandra, the Parish Clerk, at the Town Hall.