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NEWS & VIEWS



St John the Evangelist, Kenn



Altar Guild — January

Jane Staples and Rose Willcox

Our Village Flag was flown at full mast in celebration on Christmas Day.

Our Church was floodlit over the Christmas and New Year periods.

Thanks go to the Pascoe Family for the nativity scene displayed on the wall of our church.



KENN CHURCH ROOM - CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 24th January 10am —12 noon

Hostess - Julia Bush - Charity - Blay family

Anyone wishing to host a 4th Saturday Coffee Morning
Please contact Celia Andrews 01275 877806

Love Your Village Hall



On Saturday 7th February we have decided to meet at 10am at the hall to give it a Spring Clean and carry out some small maintenance tasks.

We would welcome volunteers to join us, the hall committee, to help on the day.

The hall is of course cleaned weekly by Sam, but there are tasks that are slightly more challenging, too awkward or need tools to fix, that also need doing

So, if you have an hour or even more, can help clean, tidy, paint, move heavy objects or help us get rid of unwanted items/waste, or if you have a particular skill we need you!

We hope to make it a fun inclusive occasion and would be happy even if you can only pop in for a short time.

John Hayden and Julian Gale plan to make a list of tasks in advance to help us get organised on the day, they would also welcome you letting them know things you have spotted that need addressing.

We can then share these out on the day and make sure we have the necessary materials in advance.

Examples:

- Moving furniture in the store rooms and cleaning floor/painting walls
- Sort/organise/discard contents of cupboards in main hall and kitchen
- Wiping out all cupboards
- Sorting and disposing of damaged crockery & glasses
- Cleaning doors windows and sills
- Sorting through outside storage containers, organising contents and disposing of waste
- Removal of dust on high rafters
- Cleaning tables and chairs, removing Sellotape residue
- Wiping down all hard surfaces, removing residue from party decorations
- Lubricating all hinges & locks

John H & Julian G

Kenn Carols Round the Tree - Friday 18th December at 7pm.

On a midwinter evening people emerged out of the darkness in coats, hats and with shining torches.

We gathered on The Village Green for our annual 'Carols Round the Tree'. As it neared seven o'clock sixty people had come to sing carols with their village friends. We waited for the traditional countdown to the switching on of the Kenn Christmas lights.

In the moment between festive normality and sudden reality, we realised one of our friends was missing. For over three decades, Robin, with reassuring confidence led the countdown. John Ball stepped in, to carry the countdown mantle.

With cheering and 'aahhh' at the tree lights the evening became a homage to Robin. We remembered many Christmases past, where he and Marianna brought the community together with their welcome and hospitality.

Marianna continued their warm neighbourhood reception as she opened her garage to us all and made the kitchen available for preparing the mulled wine and mince pies. Rach and Rich donated the wine and made the smoothest and most delicious mulled wine ever, with oranges and amaretto liqueur.

They also served mince pies and poured tipple top ups for everyone.

Many thanks to Jenny who donated the mince pies.





Ella and Sam did a bucket collection for The Clevedon Food Bank and raised £224 for their funds.

Behind the scenes, Margaret and John Ball had organised the Christmas tree, lights and electrics. Unseen work for which we are all grateful.



The Lochrian Family Band led us in singing our favourite Carols and fun jingles.

They continued to play a seasonal medley, as no one was in any hurry to leave.



We exchanged cards, remembered past Advents, and shared our plans for the week to come. Robin would have loved it.

Caroline

Kenn's Christingle and Christmas Services 2025

We made full use of our screen and associated tech for our Christingle and Christmas Services, using power point slides of pictures and carol lyrics in services led by Denise in her first Christmas season since becoming our Priest in Charge in July.

Christingle Services are always interesting, with a combination of fruit, sweets, and children.

The service was well attended and when all the Christingle candles were lit and the lights turned out, it was a lovely moment.

We sang the Christingle Carols and then enjoyed coffee and chat after the service.

Then came the Carol Service, with the church beautifully decorated by the Altar Guild and guest arrangers. The traditional readings were read by villagers young and not so young, and the atmosphere in church became that notch more Christmassy.

On Christmas Eve we enjoyed our Crib Service which started with the arrival of the Posada figures who after a very long and winding journey 'From Nazareth to Bethlehem' were placed on the altar.

The service proceeded, based on a game of dual 'Pass the Parcel'. While the music played, the Parcel, which contained the Nativity figures was passed one way round the crowded congregation, meanwhile, a tub of chocolates was passed the opposite direction.

When the music stopped, a figure was taken out of the parcel and placed in the Nativity scene, while the person holding the sweets took one.

Pass the parcel



Polly and Will Griffin with Jo playing a tune



Many of the children were in costume and at the end of the service angels and shepherds were every where. After the service, parents who hadn't seen each other since last year's Crib chatted, possibly for longer than the duration of the worship.



On Christmas morning some of us met again for a joyful, Family Communion Service which included a Quiz and more chocolate, before we all headed home to sprouts and other seasonal delights.

A big 'Thankyou' to Denise for leading us so energetically, and a special 'Thanks' to Jo who played a wide variation of beautiful music over the four services, which included a lot of improvisation!

Julia Bush and Hilary Landers

PS And thanks to all the folks in the congregations, who made it all so glorious.

Thanks also to Dickey Howett for photographs



BIRD NEWS

The count at the YACWAG Kenn Moor Reserve at the beginning of the month produced 11 Snipe and five Meadow Pipits.

At the Littlewood Reserve Redwing numbers gradually built up to at least 40 by the 22nd and there was a flock of Goldfinches, something that had been missing for a couple of years.

There were 20 Siskins, lots of Jackdaws and a Great Spotted Woodpecker there too.

On the moor itself a Peregrine was seen on one of the pylons a couple of times, a Little Grebe was on Blackditch and several Stonechats were noted.

A group of eight Little Egrets frequented a field near the River Kenn and two Mistle Thrushes with Redwings and Fieldfares were along Claverham Drive.

Five Goosanders were on the Yeo by Congresbury Moor and a low flying Red Kite toured Congresbury at the beginning of the month.

Presumably the same bird then moved to Yatton, it was reported low over the Co op mobbed by the resident Jackdaws which must have been quite a sight.

A few days later it appeared over our road drifting around and causing panic in the Feral Pigeon flock.

The Swans have returned to Wemberham with 28 there on the 22nd. Other species seen there included a Green Sandpiper, Great Egret, Peregrine, two Kingfishers and (heard) a male Tawny Owl. The local Song Thrushes were singing most days and Cormorants (up to four) perched on the pylons.

Trevor Riddle

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Breathe House

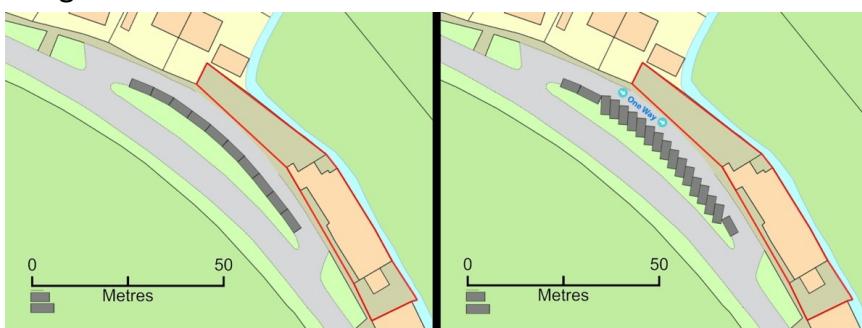
As we head into 2026, we'd like to wish everyone a very happy new year and thank you for your continued support. It's hard to believe that Disati Café & Bar has been open for almost a year — and it's been wonderful to see it grow into a welcoming place for Kenn and wider community to meet, gather and connect.

We'd like to share a quick update on some upcoming works at Breathe House.

We are planning to install solar panels towards the end of January (weather permitting), helping us reduce our environmental impact and improve the building's sustainability. As you can imagine, the building uses a fair amount of electricity, so this is an important step forward. We apologise in advance for any temporary disruption and will do our best to keep this to a minimum.

Finally, we are asking for your help as we explore ways to improve parking in Kenn, particularly around Breathe House and Disati. At busier times, parking can be challenging for visitors to the café, and while some short-term measures are already in place, capacity remains limited.

We are now looking at possible longer-term solutions that could improve parking availability without unduly affecting residents.



Current lay-by parking

potential one-way & angled parking

We've created a short survey to gather your views on this potential option with possible changes to the lay-by — as well as any alternative ideas you may have. Your feedback will help determine whether any proposals are passed on to North Somerset council for consideration.

The survey takes just a few minutes to complete and can be found here:

([Link](https://forms.gle/tWLPEfmpP58JmiR6) - <https://forms.gle/tWLPEfmpP58JmiR6>)

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Pete, Kate, Kenton & Abi

The Yellow Teapot will be on the bar at disati

from 2-30 to 4pm on Wednesday 14th of January, ready to hear all our New Year Resolutions if they last that long.

Come to sip, stay to chat.
Happy New Year

Julia and Lyn



Sophie's Story Update

For those of you that have been following Sophie's swimming via our magazine and by speaking with me personally, she has asked me to update you all.

A few weeks ago Sophie completed her 40 mile swim, the equivalent of climbing Mount Everest, and in doing so has raised a further £3,100 for the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity.

Over the two challenges that Sophie has taken on she has now raised in excess of £6200 prior to gift aid for the charity and the donations are still coming in.

Sophie, her family and I, all want to say a huge thank you to everyone in the village who supported her in her efforts.

The Justgiving page received lots of personal donations from family and villagers but she was also supported by the Women's Institute and the Village Market and the Christmas Tombola.

You are all too numerous to mention but we wanted to say a big thank you. Without your support and kindness Sophie would not have been able to achieve her goal of funding more Air Ambulance flights, something that was so important to her.

As you may have read on the Justgiving page, it costs £2,200 every time that the helicopter takes off and they take about six calls a day, all of which has to be funded by charitable donations. The village support has made a huge difference and will enable someone who needs emergency help fast to benefit from the Air Ambulance.

Sophie was put forward as GWAAC's young fundraiser of the year.

There are twenty one Air Ambulance Charities in the country and each nominated someone for this category. We are very proud to say that Sophie came second nationally and was highly commended for her efforts.

As a family we are so proud of her efforts and feel that we have something very positive out of a time of sadness. I must admit that the whole family is a little on edge about exactly what Sophie will come up with next!

The photo shows Sophie and one of the helicopter crews when she was filmed by HTV whilst trying to raise the profile of the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity.



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**Saturday 14th
February**

10.00 – 12noon

North Somerset Times



Don't forget that copies of this local newspaper are freely available in the Church Porch from Wednesdays



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[https://www.clevedonsalerooms.com](http://www.clevedonsalerooms.com)



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Thursday 8th January
Thursday 29th January
Auctions start 10.30am
Viewing Wednesdays
10.00am—5.00pm

Spring Specialist Sale

Thursday 12th March

Auction starts 10.30am
Viewing Wednesday prior
10.00am—5.00pm

info@clevedonsalesrooms.com

Village Market

Thank you to all who came along and supported the Christmas market and of course to our stall holders who filled the village hall with so many tempting products.

The village hall was beautifully decorated.

As promised, we held a tombola which proved very popular, thank you for the donated gifts, Dee and Andre were delighted to be able to give £300 to The Great Western Air Ambulance Charity.

The coffees and teas along with mince pies and Christmas cake raised £97.20 for our local Foodbank.

Thanks to your generosity, Kenn market has made a difference to many people over the Christmas season.

We wish our many customers, helpers and stall holders a healthy and happy New Year and look forward to 2026.



Please note that the next market is

Saturday 14th February from 10am to 12pm.

If you would like to raise money for a favourite charity by running the refreshments or would like a table for the February Market please get in touch.

Maggie 876277 or Lyn 870189



KENN W.I.

Santa came to the December meeting of the Kenn W.I. This year, as we have more members and a sack full of presents would have been too heavy, members presents were given a number and then members took a number out of a box and were given a present.

There was great activity, before the business began, exchanging Christmas Cards. There was a collection of knitted hats and gloves and other items which would be taken to the Mission for Seafarers.

Following the business of the meeting members enjoyed a splendid feast which was coordinated by Margaret Burdge, Edna Baber and their helpers.

Kenn W.I. was hostess Institute for the Group Carol Service this year and it was held at St. John's on December 11th. The church was warm and it made a great start to the Christmas season. We are very grateful to Margaret Hawks, who stepped in as organist at the last moment, John Ball, who did slides of the words of all the Carols and our Vicar, Denise Calverley who led the service.

She told us a very heartwarming story of her own Christmas baby.

A coffee morning was held at Disati on December 3rd and was much enjoyed by all who attended.

A lunch at the Star on the Roddy will be arranged in the New Year.

At the January meeting we will be discussing the Resolutions for the national AGM later in 2026 and choosing one to go forward. This year they are:

- 1 that there should be accessible public toilet facilities open at all times,
- 2 action on women's homelessness,
- 3 the benefits to health of getting closer to nature,
- 4 self-checking for cancer.
- 5 befriending children in care.

If you would like to join us to see which one we choose we meet in the Kenn Village Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of January at 2 p.m. You will be most welcome.

Ann Holtham

Thankyou Thankyou Thankyou

To everyone who has donated to our Children's Society collection during December 2025, especially at our Christingle Service. The amount raised is, at present, slightly in excess of £180.

Remember 'It's never too late to donate!'

There are several ways to contribute, details on line, or contact me on 01275 873554.

The final amount collected will be recorded in the February Kenn News and Views

Julia Bush

Lunch Break review of the year

It's been a very busy year for Lunch Break

We've served 358 bowls of soup (perhaps nearer 600, there are lots of "seconds"!)

We've cooked Leek & Potato; Carrot & Coriander; Tomato; Sweet potato with a hint of ginger; Mushroom and garlic soup

We've donated

£160 to Clevedon Foodbank

£350 to Clevedon Care

£460 to We Are Aware

£450 to Weston Hospice

Pullin's have donated 44 loaves of bread

The cake ladies have baked delicious cakes for us to enjoy

And we've sung carols!

The most important part of Lunch Break is catching up with friends and sharing a simple lunch together. The laughter and chat fill our beautiful village hall.

Thank you to Sue and Tony for helping to serve the soup; to Barbara for washing up; to the cake ladies for all the cake; and to everyone who comes along and supports Lunch Break.

Our first Lunch Break of 2026 is on Monday 5th January from 12.30.

A warm welcome awaits!

Sarah and Tim

February - 2nd 12.30 - 2.00

**If you walk along the unlit roads of Kenn
Please carry a torch and wear something reflective.**

**CAR DRIVERS cannot always see walkers,
especially those in dark clothing, until they are almost alongside their car.**

Kenn Supper Club

We had a great turn out for the Christmas meal at the Moorend Spout on Thursday 11th December. It was great to meet up with old friends and some who have recently returned to the village.

Christmas crackers and party hats were the order of the day and everyone seemed to enjoy the evening very much.

We'll be taking a break in January, so the next meal at the Moorend Spout will be on Thursday 12th February at 19.00. I'll email the usual request for menu choices nearer the time. So a big thank you to everyone who comes and supports these meals which makes it such an enjoyable event.

Best wishes

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January Music Concert at St Mary's Yatton.

Trumpet concert by Jo Harris with piano and organ accompaniment by Daniel King Smith at St Mary's, Yatton, 31st January.

The YMS is delighted to welcome two outstanding professional musicians to start our 2026 Spring season. Their concert will be the first time the society has hosted a solo trumpet concert and the first with both a piano and organ accompaniment. They will raise our spirits after a dreary winter to welcome the spring with beautiful eclectic music from Telemann to Gershwin. A concert sure to delight our audience and a rare opportunity to hear a trumpet and organ play in St Mary's.

Jo and Daniel's concert starts at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church. Tickets price £15, YMS members and students £10, accompanied children under 16 free. Details of this concert are on the Yatton Music Society's website www.yms.org.uk



Saturday, January 31

Jo Harris (trumpet) and Daniel King Smith (piano and organ) 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Yatton, Tickets £15 (members £10), details: www.yms.org.uk

Yatton Local History Society

Tuesday January 6th
Yatton Local History Society talk by Brian Margetson
on Crossing the Severn

By Zoom Contact yattonlocalhistorysoc@gmail.com

Update from Tessa Munt, MP for Kenn



Happy New Year! I'm looking forward to working with you and for you in 2026!

I really enjoyed UK Parliament Week last month, visiting schools and youth groups across the area. I love talking with students, teachers and leaders and taking their questions. I look forward to many more visits in 2026 - both here and when schools and other groups come on trips to Parliament.

On Budget day, my colleagues and I joined farmers protesting against the family farm tax, and voted against it in Parliament - along with several other proposals which simply won't work for local residents.

I'll continue to press Government to drop their unfair taxes which will have a devastating impact on residents and businesses in the West Country.

This last month, I've been on Committees examining every line of the Public Office (Accountability) Bill (known as 'the Hillsborough Bill'), legislation relating to Armed Forces Chaplains, the Church of England's redress scheme for abuse victims, and the Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations.

I've asked questions about Police reform, business rates, prisoner releases, rehabilitation, books in prisons, the 1994 RAF Chinook crash, re-organising local councils, the loss of grant information by the last Government, estate agents' checks on homebuyers, and Sudan. I also led a debate on ME, a condition affecting 1,300,000 people in the UK.

As ever, if you have any concerns or anything you'd like to talk to me about, please write, call or come and see me. A full list of my surgeries is available when you call or email me, but these are your most local:

Monday 19th January from 09:30 to 10:30 at **The Community Café, Congresbury**

Friday 23rd January from 10:00 to 11:00 at **The Market Kitchen Café, Churchill**

Friday 23rd January from 11:30 to 12:30 at **The Coffee Bank, Winscombe**

Friday 23rd January from 13:30 to 14:30 at **The Note Warehouse, Yatton**

No appointment is necessary - it's first come, first served. If you can't come to meet me, I'll come to see you.

I know that for many, the transition into a new year can be difficult, and the cold weather and dark evenings linger heavily. However the new year affects you, I wish you peace and happiness for 2026.

Thank you. Tessa

You can contact me:

Call: 01934 440639 (answerphone outside office hours)

Email: tessa.munt.mp@parliament.uk

Post: Tessa Munt Freepost (you won't need a stamp!)

To keep updated on my work as your MP, find me on Facebook, Instagram, Bluesky and LinkedIn.



Dear Friends and Neighbours,

Merry Christmas and a very happy 2026.

Thank you to each and everyone of you who has donated to the Clevedon foodbank this year.

I've been kept very busy taking items most weeks to the collection and distribution depot.

In November our village donated 66 chocolate Advent Calendars and 12 chocolate selection bags of goodies for the children of families in need of support.

Thank you to everyone who cared about such children.

Also, thank you for all the 'Christmassy' goodies and treats which have been donated such as tins of biscuits, Christmas cakes, Christmas puddings, tinned meats, tinned fish and toiletries. These have been very much appreciated by the volunteers at the foodbank.

Finally, at the Christmas Carol singing and switching on of the Christmas tree lights on the village green, a magnificent £223.97 for the foodbank was collected in the bucket which passed among the singers and musicians.

Your generosity never ceases to amaze me.

What a wonderful village we all live in. THANK YOU!!!

Have a wonderful, happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Liz Jaehme

Our Monthly Missive from the Limes

This is Peppa writing this month.

It seems ages since I last wrote but I've been very busy as I now have three people to look after. It's hard work and it can get a bit confusing.

For newer readers or those who have forgotten, (how can you?), I am a cute Patterdale/ Lakeland female terrier, now of more mature years.

Stephen thinks he is my master but that is not universally agreed and there are times I just do my own thing. He tells people I have "selective hearing" or I am getting deaf. Having to listen to him practicing music could well be a reason for anyone to go deaf but that's not the case here. I do hear all right but I don't always agree with what he wants me to do. Sometimes I don't get away with that and he gives my ear a bit of a pull to show he is cross. It doesn't really hurt but I get the message.

Speaking of messages you might wonder how I tell Stephen it is time for me to write for " that nice lady wot does KN&V". If you have ever had a dog you get to know their habits and also their expressions. People are amazed how our doggie faces can show whether we are happy or cross or want something. That can work with Stephen but often he is a bit slow on the uptake so I have other ways to sort him out. Basically you have to get his attention and one good way is to follow him around as close as you can get to his feet. At first he thinks it is quite nice and I'm being affectionate and then, because I am small and black -- well I used to be black - I'll come back onto that later -- eventually he almost trips over me and tells me I'm getting under his feet. Exactly! That's what I want and now I have his attention.

That's all great if Stephen is walking around but if he is sat down, reading or doing a crossword I do it differently. I'm not big enough to rest my head on his knee and if I jump up and put my front paws on his knee he gets really cross and says his clothes are not there for me to clean my paws on. The very idea! Of course not.

Therefore what I do is sit in front of him and give him a hard stare. I learnt that trick from Paddington books I read as a puppy. That always works. Eventually he stops what he is doing and tells me I can go away. I ignore that and keep staring. I can see his mind thinking what has he forgotten? Has he fed me? Do I need water? Is time for my doggie treat? (Yes its always time but he makes me wait till the afternoon. Others aren't so mean). Do I need to go out, and so on. Once he has discounted all the usual things he starts thinking wider. "Ah. Do you want to write again?" At this I can jump up and down and wag my tail. At last he has got the message.

However - this month was a real surprise. Stephen offered to let me write without me asking! He is getting more considerate in his old age. (Actually in terms of doggie years I am a lot older than he is so he should show me more respect anyway).

I mentioned that I am a black dog. Well, I used to be all black except for 3 of my paws that have always been white. Some people think that is quite funny and make a bit of a joke about it. I think they're rude.

How would they like one of their hands to be a different colour to the other?

I think its living with Stephen that has made me turn white in places and he says I now look like a badger. I've also turned white around my neck. I think it is a halo. Stephen says it's a sign I'm getting old. I still have a lot of black hair which is more than he has. I also have a lot more hair anyway but I keep quiet on that. I know how far to push things.

I said I've been busy looking after people. As well as keeping an eye on Stephen in the house and Jean in the flat I also look after a lady in Clevedon whose own dog died a year ago. If you remember I told you about this in a previous article. I have awaydays with her and sometimes sleepovers. I do have an active social life! Stephen says I am a "therapy dog", whatever that is. I think he means that I make other people happy - which is a good thing isn't it?

Jean and this other lady really like having me. I don't stay at Jean's at meal time or if she is putting the toaster on. Once when she put the toaster on it made a huge loud noise and scared me so much I ran straight down the stairs and out.

I think a toaster is a very dangerous thing to use so if I see her using it again I rush out and hope that she gets the message that I disapprove of it.

She says it is quite safe and talks about a fire alarm but that sounds even worse.

When it's a normal mealtime she tells me it's time to go home so I get off her settee, stretch myself (and of course take my time), go down her stairs, down the drive, along the path and into the main house all by myself. I'm very clever and obedient.

Once a week I go to that other lady in Clevedon. She makes a great fuss of me and is always trying to get Stephen to let me stay longer. In fact I spent all Christmas with her! How many other dogs get the chance to go on holiday at Christmas?

Actually when Stephen heard that she would be on her own on Christmas Day he asked if she'd like me for company for the day. He should have consulted me first but I'll let him off. She was absolutely delighted at the idea and her face lit up. A bit nearer the time she asked if I could come Christmas Eve as well. Then a bit later she told Stephen she'd be happy to have me on Boxing Day in addition!

Stephen said that at this rate he wouldn't get me back until the New Year!

Anyway I had a great time and lots of treats including chicken (yum) and lamb.

I'd been given Christmas presents and Stephen took all of them along when he left me there. He said I'd got more presents than he had but I think he had to wait for his whereas I got mine early. Needless to say I wasn't allowed to eat them all at once.

Sadly, I've just been looking at my list of all the things I wanted to tell you about but I've run out of space!

You'll have to wait "for another exciting episode". I don't know when that will be but I'll work on Stephen. I know people prefer my articles to his so he'll have no choice but to give me space.

Do try to be diplomatic when you tell Stephen how much you like my stories - we don't want to hurt his feelings as I have to live with him.

Peppa

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2026

For 2026 Kenn Parish Council meetings will be held on the second Monday on the months →



2026 Meetings

12 January – Council

9 March – Parish Meeting / Council

11 May, 13 July, 14 Sept, 9 Nov
Council meetings

Meetings held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall, Kenn Street agendas on parish noticeboards and Parish Council website 3 days before.

NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL BOOKING SYSTEM FOR RECYCLE CENTRES

Update on the recycling centre booking system was initially planned for introduction in the autumn.



Given the significant changes to the recycling and waste service during the year, the decision was made to delay the introduction until early in 2026. NSC can now confirm that:

- From Monday 2 February, will need to book a slot before visiting Weston-super-Mare.
- From Monday 2 March, same system will be in place for Portishead & Backwell sites.

The booking system will be on the website and accessible via the North Somerset Council app.

For residents with vehicle permits, North Somerset Council will be contacting them before the new system starts to explain how permits will work with the changes.

For those without access to the internet, residents are asked to help to make a booking online on behalf of friends and family members. Doing it online is the quickest, easiest and cheapest way to book. Calls into the contact centre will be answered with an automated system to capture the information that we need for the booking.

More details including frequently asked questions are available on the NSC [website](#).

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