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## **DECEMBER 2023**

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Mon 4th	2-4pm	Family History	FBC
Tue 5th	10-12 noon	Crafty Coffee	FBC
Wed 6th	2-4pm	Good Companions	FBC
Thu 7th	7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting	HUB
Sat 9th	10-12 noon	Christmas HUB Café	HUB
Mon 11th	1-3pm	Talking Café	HUB
Tue 12th	10-3:30	Parchment Club	FBC
	2-4pm	Beginners Bridge	FBC
Thu 14th	2-4pm	Mahjong	FBC
Tue 19th	10-12 noon	Crafty Coffee	FBC
Wed 20th	1.30-4.15pm	University of the 3rd Age	HUB
Thu 21st	12.30pm	Christmas Lunch Club	FBC

# The FBC will be closed from 25/12/23 to 1/01/24 inclusive

#### **Events at BH Church**

Sun 17th 6.30pm - Traditional Carol Service

Mon 18th 6.30pm - Community Carol Singing outside the Church 4pm - Crib Service - come dressed as a Nativitiy Character Sun 24th

. 11.30pm - Midnight Communion Mon 25th 10am - Family Christmas Celebration

# Regular weekly events

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MONDAYS	10.00-11am	Nia	HUB				
	10.00-12noon	Painting Group	FBC				
	1.30-4.00pm	Whist Club	FBC				
	2.00-4.00pm	Bridge (except 1st Monday)	FBC				
	6.30.7.30pm	Zumba	HUB				
	7.30pm	Tone Big Band (1st & 3rd Mon)	HUB				
TUESDAYS	6.15-7.00am	Group Fitness Training	HUB				

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	1.30-2.30pm	Tai Chi	HUB
	10.00-4.00pm	Board Games	FBC
	7-8pm	Yoga	HUB
WEDNESDAY	/• 10.00 _11.00am	Pilates for Everyone	HUB

10.00- 11.00am Flexercise FBC 11.00 -12noon Mum and Baby Pilates HUB 2.00-4.30pm Short Mat Bowls HUB 6.00- 7.00pm Tae Kwon Do HUB **THURSDAYS** 6.15-7.00am **Group Fitness Training** HUB 10.00 -12noon HUB Baby Badgers

2.00-4.00pm FBC Croquet FRIDAYS 8.30-1pm Star Bubs HUB 10.00-12noon FRC Pétanque Frank's Café FBC 10.00-12noon

Bridae Club

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6.30-7.15am SATURDAYS **Group Fitness Training** 9.30-11.30am Hub Gardening Club

4.45-8.15pm

9pm

10.00 - 12noon

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Name: Nick Fernandes

Where are you likely to be seen in the village: Walking our ageing chocolate Labrador, Maya, slowly around the village and Netherclay

community woodland or walking to/from circuit training in the Hub at silly o'clock in the morning.

Why are you a Parish Counciller: When I was informed of the vacancies on the Parish Council, I did think whether I had the time to give but I've since found that is not as onerous as I first thought. I've always tended to get involved rather than just participating; previously been a vice chair of governors, a youth orienteering coach, charity event organiser, so this is me getting involved in the community rather than just living in the village.

When not volunteering as a Parish Counciller, what are you likely to be doing: I work full time as a Civil Servant for the Ministry of Defence and am either working from home or in Bristol, Portsmouth, Scotland or Bahrain. I am a keen cyclist and walker often found persuading others to take on challenges; I wrote this as I prepared to travel for the Yorkshire 3 peaks challenge with 2 friends which was successfully completed. I'm slowly developing my fly-fishing skills and the fish are quite safe at the moment.

What would people be surprised to know about you: I played 3 seasons of American Football for the Duchy Destroyers in Truro as offensive right quard in the mid 80's.

Bishops Hull HUB - Sat 9th Dec 10am-midday - Our fun, festive Hub Café Usual cafe and cakes available. Santa's Grotto for the children who live in Bishops Hull (booking opening soon, keep your eye on our Facebook page). Christmas jigsaw puzzle game, Festive drinks and pies & Christmas spirit and community! The Parish Council Speed Indicator Device locations consultation will take place in the lobby.

Saturday 12th January 2024 10-12 noon: Hub Cafe, Gift Swap Shop! Bring any unwanted Christmas presents (new and unopened) to swap.

Youth Club, ages 11-17 for Bishops Hull youngsters. £1 entry and tuck shop available. No club running in December, Saturday 20th January 7:15pm-9:15pm

Bishop's Hull Primary School new flower and shrub bed - The Hub gardening team has been asked to help design, plant, and assist with the ongoing maintenance of the flower bed at the entrance to the school. We are looking for volunteers to help with this and would also appreciate any financial donations to help purchase the plants. We hope to make available the proposed planting scheme soon. If you would like to contribute in any way, please get in touch. Thank you.

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# Parish Council News - Resolutions made at November meeting, Members agreed to:

- To be the appointing Authority for the Structural Engineer and Architect for the Sensory Trail
- Agreed the draft Heads of Terms agreement wording for the transfer of land from the Bishops Hull Village Hall & Playing Fields Trust (BHVH&PF Trust) to enable the Sensory Trail to progress
- To pass on the £1,700.00 grant from Somerset Council to BHVN&PF Trust, this will be the last year Somerset Council will grant any funds
- To employ Darren Penny for 8 weeks for leaf clearance in high risk areas of the village
- To approach the Youth Club, to see if the attendees would be happy to share their views and ideas on the Village and listen to any requests from them
- To accept a quote from Weavo of £926.89 + VAT to supply 8 raised beds and a picnic bench to the allotments, following funds recieved from the SALC Health and Wellbeing fund

Next meeting date is Thursday 7th December, 7pm at the HUB.

Speed Indicator Device (SID) - The SID was moved to Bishops Hull Road for a short period of time and has now been relocated back at Waterfield Drive. When the SID locations were agreed by Somerset Council, they advised the Parish Council could use the lampposts. Unfortunately, Somerset Council has now changed their mind and advised that dedicated posts need to be installed at a cost of £250 each. The Parish Council had previously ringfenced £2500 of CIL funds to purchase the SID, but then received a grant from Avon and Somerset Police to cover the full cost of the purchase. Members therefore agreed to use these ringfenced funds to install posts. Consultation will be carried out on the proposed new locations at the Bishops Hull HUB Café on December 9th 10am -12 noon, so please pop along to have your say and see detailed plans. Proposed new locations will be on Waterfield Drive, Silk Mills, Bishops Hull Road and Wellington New Road. In addition you can email the Parish Clerk if you have any concerns: bishopshullparishclerk@ gmail.com

#### The Bellringers of Bishop's Hull.

good exercise, both mental and physical."

For my article this month, I would like to tell you about my visit to see the Bellringers of Bishop's Hull, who held an 'open tower' morning today at St Peter and St Paul, Bishops Hull. It was lovely to see so many local residents come along to see demonstrations of the ancient art of bellringing and chat to the ringers, whilst enjoying tea, coffee. cake and

Under the expert supervision of Tower Captain, Giles Morley, some of us (including me) had a go at ringing a bell. There's certainly a lot more to it than one would think, and with an estimated 40,000 bellringers in England, I can see why it's so popular. I'd like to thank Giles and his team of Bellringers for making me so welcome. A note from Giles: "Anyone over the age of 8yrs is capable of ringing a bell with no upper age limit, and it's

"The bellringing fraternity are a very friendly bunch, and once you have mastered the art of ringing a bell you would be welcomed in any of the 6000 plus towers with rings of bells in England alone!"

If you have any questions or would like to join the team, don't hesitate to call Giles Morley on 01823 430710.

As this is December's Community News, I'd like that take his opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. John Hunt

Netherclay Community Woodland - It has been a very wet second half of the year and maintaining the grass paths and other maintenance work has been a challenge. Behind the scenes we have been very busy and now have a Woodland Management Plan agreed with the Forestry Commission. Students from the Cannington Campus are due to start felling trees at the end of November, as per the thinning process agreed in the Plan. Volunteers meet every Tuesday morning at 9:30, weather permitting. If you would be interested in finding out more about what we do,

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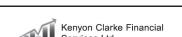
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