

Wellbeing Report 16 Jan 2024

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Defibrillator:

No problems. Cllr Grigg continues check it and send in monthly reports to South West Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SWASFT). It was Rescue Ready for an incident in December that Cllr Grigg was alerted to. Thankfully it was not needed as paramedics attended the scene within minutes and the casualty was taken to hospital.

Foodbank:

The £1825.00 of Christmas supplies, stored at Cllr Grigg's house, was taken away in December by the new electric pantry van. Volunteers from the Foodbank helped to load the van, which is slightly bigger than delivery vans such as Sainsbury's and Morrisons. The goodies were then distributed to those vulnerable families who had been referred to the Foodbank by agencies such as village agents, health visitors, probation and so. People have to have been referred in order to have access to supplies. Jenny Kent took photographs and an article will be published in the February edition of Kilve News. So that the huge financial generosity of parishioners from Kilve and Holford is acknowledged. Thanks must also go to Matt Hirst who sources the supplies needed. To reiterate, Marlene Mason (Foodbank coordinator) informs Cllr Grigg what is needed, she in turn lets Matt Hirst know, who, according to how much money has accumulated, orders supplies. The Foodbank site, in Watchet, is very small, so Marlene can only store a certain amount. The Christmas supplies had to be stored at Cllr Grigg's as there was no room anywhere else. There is now secure parking for the van.

Village Hall:

A successful Bingo night was held last Saturday. On Saturday February 24 a Quiz event is planned. The master of ceremonies (as in the Bingo) will be Eugene Brandon and quiz questions are to be provided by Kilve parishioners. There will be eight or nine themes of 10 questions. Jenny Kent and Cllr Grigg are revamping the Welcome to Kilve pack, which had been updated approximately six times during and after the Covid pandemic.

Neighbourhood Watch:

Nothing untoward to report.

West Somerset Neighbourhood Board:

Cllr Grigg attended the meeting in November. The Minutes have not yet been published, but it was noted that there is area disparity between Local Community Networks (LCN)'s and Primary Care Networks (PCN)'s. A member of the Integrated Care Board (ICB) was in attendance who was to take this point back to the ICB. As stated at the previous Parish Council (PC) the state of adult social care services is desperate due to lack of resources. There is at the moment only one qualified social care worker in the whole of West Somerset. The next Board meeting is in February.

Contingency Plan/Kilve Cavalry:

Due to changes in personnel Cllr Grigg has convened a meeting with the Kilve Cavalry next week.