



KEYINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL



# FORWARD

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By Villagers for villagers

KEYINGHAM VILLAGE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE



## To A Snowdrop

Lone Flower, hemmed in with snows and white as they  
 But hardier far, once more I see thee bend  
 Thy forehead, as if fearful to offend,  
 Like an unbidden guest. Though day by day,  
 Storms, sallying from the mountain-tops, waylay  
 The rising sun, and on the plains descend;  
 Yet art thou welcome, welcome as a friend  
 Whose zeal outruns his promise! Blue-eyed May  
 Shall soon behold this border thickly set  
 With bright jonquils, their odours lavishing  
 On the soft west-wind and his frolic peers;  
 Nor will I then thy modest grace forget,  
 Chaste Snowdrop, venturous harbinger of Spring,  
 And pensive monitor of fleeting years!

*William Wordsworth (1770 – 1850)*

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## Parish Council Round Up December 2020 – January 2021

Since the last ‘*Forward*’ was published we find ourselves once again in ‘Lockdown’ following an unusual, and for many of us, much quieter Christmas time. News of high rates of infection, new variants of the virus and an ever-increasing death toll has blighted Christmas period, so it is wonderful to be able to reflect on the positive roll-out of vaccinations in Holderness. A number of friends, family and local Councillors have already received their first or second doses of vaccine and the infection rates in our area are now declining. Whilst this is a heartening start to the New Year, we must also send our very best wishes to those who are unwell, recovering from the virus, wishing them a swift and full recovery.

To all those families who have lost a loved one or are coping with other long-term illness during we extend our deepest sympathy and invite you to contact us if we can be of any assistance. The ‘helpers network’ is still active and can be accessed via the PC. Once again the Council has continued to be as active as possible throughout the third lockdown, and most of the activities which would normally take place during this time are continuing to the fullest extent possible.

The PC continues to meet monthly, via ‘Zoom’, at 7.00pm on the second or third Wednesday. As we envisage that the return to face-to-face meetings may not be until late spring, the council has upgraded its ‘Zoom’ account which offers a better connection, for a longer period to allow meetings to

proceed without the ‘stop/start’ interruptions.

We have used the new version once in January, and found it much better, particularly as it supports fuller discussion and is more inclusive. Thanks to those people who engaged with us via zoom over the last few months and should you wish to do so again it should now be more straightforward!

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During December the council met to consider and agree the Parish Precept which has now been returned to ERYC. The Council has requested a small increase to reflect the likely increases in costs which will follow Brexit and the pandemic recovery measures. The precept demand for 2021/22 is £43,500.00 which represents an increase for the year as a whole of £1,270.00 on the previous year. The PC is keen to ensure that it can support the community in the year that follows, particularly young people whose social and educational needs have been affected by the pandemic.

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As the Village Hall is currently closed it has not been possible to hold ‘Meet the Clerk’ sessions which also doubled as an opportunity to receive and receipt Allotment rents.

Rents for the new year will become due in March and all the current allotment holders will receive a letter offering options to pay their rent by post or at ‘open air’ socially distanced sessions at the allotments on a couple of weekends in March or possibly April, depending on government guidance.

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A massive vote of thanks goes to everyone who helped to decorate the village for Christmas, despite lockdown and tier restrictions we enjoyed trees and lights in our public spaces, with the new addition of Lights and Deer on the Village Green. Many thanks to the organisers of the scarecrow trail who raised the funds for the extra lights, and to Duncan Kirk who made and donated the deer.

And to our team of Christmas Lights Volunteers who overcame the challenge of social distancing to ensure that the trees went up (and came down again) as usual – thanks folks!

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Prior to the January meeting the PC received a number of emails and calls from residents who felt that the New Year celebrations in Keyingham were too loud and went on for too long, and asked that we, as a PC make a polite request for consideration, particularly in relation to the effect of fireworks on pets, livestock and wildlife. Everyone who contacted us acknowledged the enjoyment of celebrating the start of a New Year in a positive and joyful way, but also asked that we request consideration with regard the length of time the display goes on for and the amount of noise generated. So - shorter and quieter next year please folks!

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We continue to receive complaints about dog fouling, including bagged waste which does not find its way to a bin. In December we asked the Dog Warden to patrol the 'walk to school' route from the Lees Via school Lane and Saltaugh Road to help reinforce

the fact that this is an offence and carries a statutory fine.

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The Council has also been approached repeatedly over the last two months regarding parking and driving over grass verges and pavements causing unsightly damage and also creating hazards in some areas of the village. Bearing in mind the recent road traffic accidents and the on-going work to increase safety on the main road in particular, the Council asks that everyone contribute to the overall safety of the streets in Keyingham by parking considerately.

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Council meetings will be held via 'Zoom' until further notice.

Meetings will return to face to face/in person forum as soon as it is safe and appropriate to do so.

Public participation via 'Zoom' is welcome and can be arranged by contacting the Clerk by 5.00pm on the day of the meeting.

The confirmed minutes of Parish Council meetings are posted on the PC website:

[keyinghamparishcouncil.eastriding.gov.uk](http://keyinghamparishcouncil.eastriding.gov.uk)

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**The Chairman and Members of Keyingham Parish Council ask that everyone continues to 'do their bit' to reduce the spread and help keep pressure off our Health Services. – Stay safe and take care of each other.**

Julia Billaney, Parish Clerk

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## It's up to you.

We have to be optimistic, while it would be easy to fall into despair at the events which happened in 2020. We may know of friends and acquaintances who have been struck down with the COVID-19 virus. We may even know of people who have died. While I wish everyone well and sympathise with your pain during this pandemic, there is light at the end of the tunnel.

As the front page suggests spring is approaching and the days are getting longer. The vaccinations against the virus are proceeding a pace and scientists are producing treatments for the disease as results of their research.

So why is it up to you? It is important that you play your part in staying safe and keeping those around you safe.

In the village individuals have played important parts in keeping the village going during these depressing days. As shown in the last edition of Forward, Santa's elves showed their industrious work by putting up Christmas trees in the main street. And they were also responsible for the removal of the same. Other individuals gave us all excellent displays during the Christmas period. Thanks must also go to the people who decorated the Garth this year and to the supplier of the herds of deer

It is important to thank each one of you who have helped their neighbours during the lockdown.

When walking around the village it heartens to say hello to dog walkers and

others. They make the our village a great place to live.

In this wet weather it is sad to see that cars are churning up the grass verges. Maybe if you have to park you car near the verge then avoiding the grass would help to keep the village tidy.

Parking on the pavement causes problems for those who have to use wheelchairs or push prams along pavement. The problem is compounded if you allow your hedges to grow over the pavement.

As shown in the letter on page 6 it is important that we all think of others in the village. Most of the problems within the village are not due to disregard of the rules, but due to a lack of thought about others.

The noise of fireworks not only affect people in this quite village of Keyingham, but scare dogs and horses. While it is allowed to celebrate the arrival of the New Year with fireworks and it is not possible to know beforehand how loud the bangs will be, there are legal limits to when fireworks can be discharged.

Sound travels far and noise from fireworks and bird scarers can cause problems for residents.

It is for each individual to think of how their actions may affect their neighbour's.

Let's make 2021 a better year than 2020 by taking care to stay safe during this pandemic and looking after others within the village.



HM Government

**ENGLAND LOCKDOWN****STAY AT HOME****THE NEW VARIANT OF CORONAVIRUS IS SPREADING FAST.  
WE ALL NEED TO PLAY OUR PART TO STOP THE SPREAD.****▶ LEAVING HOME**

You must not leave, or be outside of your home or garden, except for a very limited set of exemptions e.g. to shop for basic necessities, exercise, go to work if you cannot do so from home, or to escape risk of harm.

**▶ MEETING OTHERS**

You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone, except with your household or support bubble (if eligible to form one). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

**▶ EXERCISE**

You may exercise on your own, with your household or support bubble, or with one person from another household (when on your own). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble.

**▶ BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS**

Hospitality closed aside from sales by takeaway (until 11pm), click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery. Alcohol cannot be purchased through takeaway or click-and-collect from hospitality venues.

**▶ RETAIL**

Essential shops can open. Non-essential retail must close and can only run click-and-collect and delivery.

**▶ WORK AND BUSINESS**

Everyone must work from home unless they are unable to do so.

**▶ EDUCATION**

Early years settings open. Primary and secondary schools and colleges move to remote provision except for vulnerable children and children of critical workers. Most university students to move to remote learning.

**▶ LEISURE AND SPORTING FACILITIES**

Closed, with limited exceptions.

**▶ ACCOMMODATION**

Closed, with limited exceptions.

**▶ PERSONAL CARE**

Closed.

**▶ ENTERTAINMENT**

Closed.

**▶ OVERNIGHT STAYS**

You must not stay overnight away from home. Limited exceptions apply e.g. to stay with your support bubble.

**▶ WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS**

Funerals of up to 30 people permitted. Weddings up to 6 people permitted in exceptional circumstances. Wakes and other linked ceremonial events of up to 6 permitted.

**▶ PLACES OF WORSHIP**

Places of worship can remain open and communal worship is permitted, but you must not mix with those outside your household or support bubble.

**▶ TRAVELLING**

You must stay at home. If you do leave home for a very limited set of exemptions, you should stay local in the village, town, or part of the city where you live where possible. Do not travel abroad unless an exemption applies.

**▶ CLINICALLY EXTREMELY VULNERABLE**

Shielding reintroduced across England. You should not travel to work, school, college or university and should limit the time you spend outside the home. You should only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential.

**▶ CARE HOME VISITS**

Visits can take place with arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, or behind windows. Close-contact indoor visits are not allowed. No visits will be permitted in the event of an outbreak but end of life visits are permitted in all circumstances.

**STAY HOME ▶ PROTECT THE NHS ▶ SAVE LIVES**For more information go to:  
**[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)**

## Readers Letter *(name supplied)*

New Years Eve 2020, was, for myself and others' that I've since spoken to, completely spoiled.

We all know that this has been a difficult year, with some finding it very hard to cope.

Everyone I've spoken to have been looking forward to the New Year and hoping for better times.

Around 23.15. as I settled down to watch Jools Holland Hootenanny, there was the first of many. house-shaking, reverberating BOOMS.

The noise shocked me.

"what on earth was that?" "are we at war?"

It certainly sounded as if we may have been under attack.

These BOOMS, interspersed with what sounded like machine gun fire, continued until 01. 15. when, in a final crescendo of noise, 2 or 3 more rockets each aimed vertically, were fired and each explosion so big and bright that the whole of the lead on the church roof

completely lit up.

These were followed by loud cheers from the onlookers.

Did these people consider anyone else?

Many in this village, alone, apart from a little cat or dog as their companion, trying to comfort and console them, praying for the noise to stop.

Horses in paddocks around the area.

Those people who are ill and those suffering anxiety and depression.

To many, as it was for me, the din was excessive and obscene.

Why can't we have fireworks without the bang?

What's the pleasure of listening to what sounds like exploding bombs and machine gun fire?

We can only hope that in the next New Year celebrations, we experience more consideration and respect for others.

## Local Information from Police website

As of 7 January 2021, Action Fraud had received 57 reports from members of the public who have been sent text messages claiming to be from the NHS, offering them the opportunity to sign up for coronavirus vaccinations. The texts ask the recipient to click on a link which takes them to an online form where they are prompted to input personal and financial details. In some cases the online form has looked very similar to the real NHS website.

**Pauline Smith, Head of Action Fraud, said:**

*"Remember, the vaccine is only available on the NHS and is free of charge. The NHS will never ask you for details about your bank account or to pay for the vaccine. If you receive an email, text message or phone call purporting to be from the NHS and you are asked to provide financial details, this is a scam."*

More information is on the Parish Website : <http://keyinghamparishcouncil.co.uk/>

# TEMPORARY PAUSE TO PUBLIC WORSHIP AT ST NICHOLAS KEYINGHAM

As from the 6<sup>th</sup> January, the Diocese of York have asked us to reassess the risks of opening the church for public worship.

They stress that, although government lockdown restrictions say that we "may" open,

"may does not mean must", and we need to be wary of the dangers of a more-transmissible form of the virus.

Following discussion between the Revd.

Alasdair and the Parochial



Church Council and taking into account the concerns expressed by members of our congregation, we have agreed to pause public worship until we feel that it can be made sufficiently safe. Further details and updates will appear on the Church notice board and web site in due course.

<http://www.keyinghamstnicholas.org/>

Ideas for future events and developments within the village are always considered by the Parish Council. Remember that it is more useful to suggest solutions and ideas than complain about what has or has not happened in the village.

Please keep me informed of up and coming events so that I can include details in the magazine.

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# What's On

Round up of Village Events for the next two months

**These are subject to change as the Government's advice changes. Please check with venue for up to date information**

## Village Hall Events

### Weekly Events

Due to the COVID-19 the village hall is closed, but for up to date information ring the Village Hall Secretary:

Mrs Caroline Keelty on 01964 603277.

### Monthly Events

#### Keyingham Parish Clerk

Due to Corona Virus precautions the 'Meet the Clerk' sessions held in the Rainbow Room on the first Tuesday of each month are suspended until further notice, however you can still contact the PC by email or telephone in the usual way by email or telephone

Email: [keyinghampc@outlook.com](mailto:keyinghampc@outlook.com)

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## Religious Services

### Methodist Church

The Methodist Church is not open at the moment due to the pandemic.

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### St Nicholas Church

Check the church notice board and St Nicholas web site  
See information on previous page.

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