

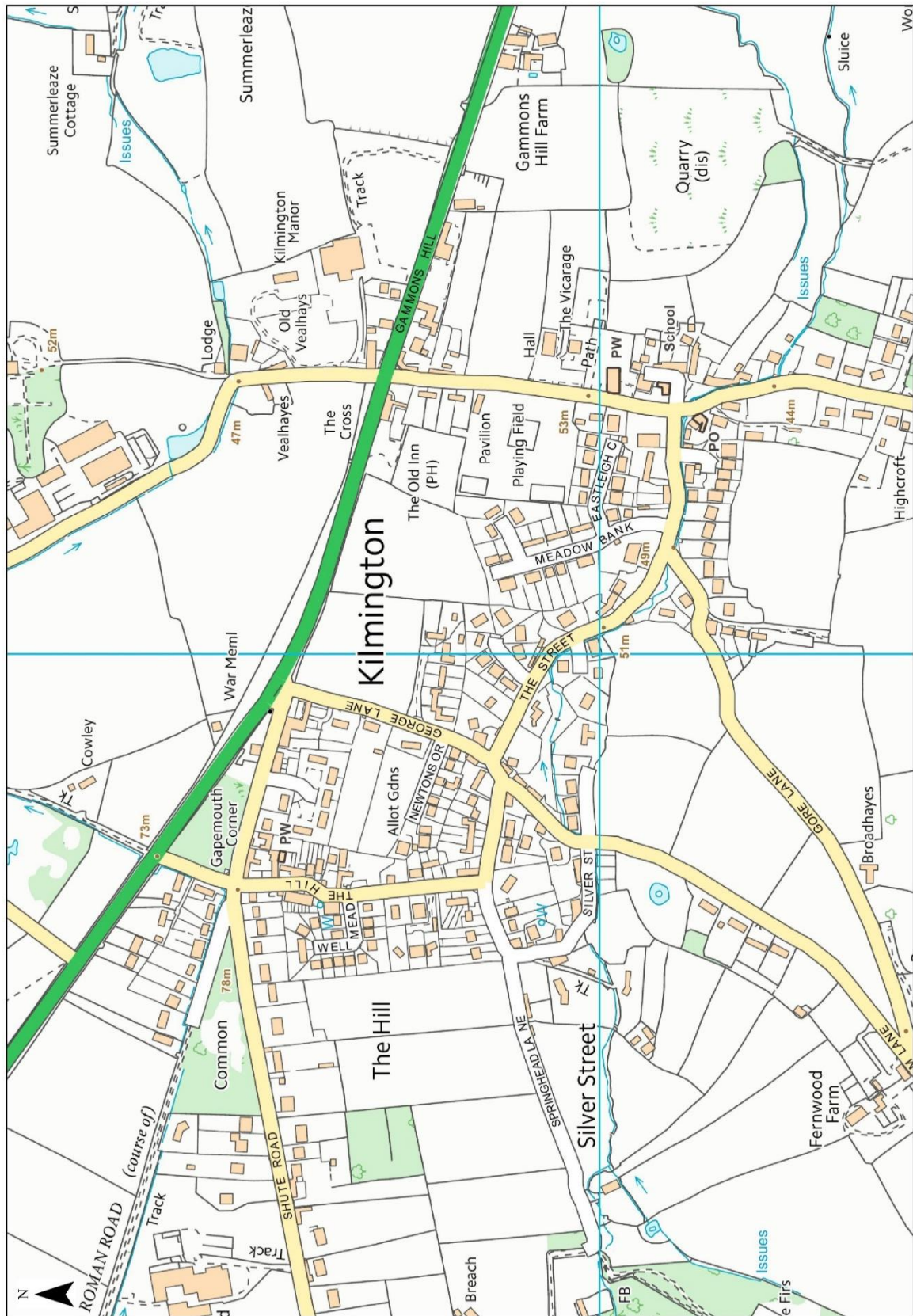
WELCOME TO KILMINGTON - DEVON -

INFORMATION BOOKLET FOR
NEW RESIDENTS.

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MAP OF KILMINGTON



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VILLAGE INFORMATION

Kilmington is a village near Axminster in East Devon off the A35. The Parish of Kilminster occupies an area of approximately 1,760 acres upon which there are currently just over 400 properties occupied by 830 parishioners (2011 census). Kilminster has many attractions - its location, its rural setting, its character and its community. The parish lies within two Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

HISTORY OF KILMINGTON

The village of Kilminster developed off the main road running east to west, the current A35. It grew in support of the dominant farming economy. There were three main centres of population quite widely spaced at The Green, Silver Street and the northern end of The Hill; The Street linked these three centres. There was a smaller community around Kilminster Cross on the main road and a number of large farms outside the core of the village. About 85 of the 94 properties listed around 1840 that have survived provide the historic core of modern Kilminster. They lie on a network of roads and lanes that has not changed over the last 200 years and is of critical importance to the visual character of the village.

KILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL.

Kilmingon Parish Council meetings are open for the public and press to attend. There is a 15-minute open session at the beginning of the meetings where any member of the public may speak for up to three minutes.

It provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the council meeting, other than by special invitation of the Chair to participate before the meeting by asking questions, highlighting matters of concern or making representations regarding Kilmingon Parish. No decisions can be taken on matters raised during this part of the meeting unless the subject is already an item on the published agenda.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

ADRIAN JENKINS - Parish Clerk, he lives in Offwell & can be contacted on 07800 826657 or by email: kilmingtonparishclerk@aol.com

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Footpaths Warden: Tom Cook (non-Councillor): footpaths@kilmingtonvillage.com

ST GILES' CHURCH

The Parish Church of Kilmington, St Giles, together with the Anglican Churches in Dalwood, Shute with Whitford, Stockland and Yarcombe form the Five Alive Mission Community, East Devon, in the Deanery of Honiton and the Exeter Diocese.

It is possible that a chapel was on the site of St Giles as early as 937AD as records indicate that warriors who defended the forts at Musbury and Membury in were buried in Kilmington churchyard. We know there was definitely a chapel during the reign of Edward I, 1272-1305. It is a good example of Victorian Churches with an open plan and good acoustics.

Vicar – Rev Julie Lomas – 01297 35004

Organist/Choir – Margaret Hurford – 01297 631091

We have many activities taking place in the week and we look forward to meeting you.

Contacts are below.

Sunday services, Weekly services and Midweek communion fortnightly - Information on church notice board, in the Parish Paper and Postscript.

Celebrate Together - monthly services for people with special needs.

-Contact Christine Thorne christinethorne1958@gmail.com 07814041059

Baby and Toddler Group, Wednesday mornings - contact Mary Tyler mwtyler2@googlemail.com

Coffee Shop, Friday morning. - Contact Mary Tyler mwtyler2@googlemail.com

Bell Ringing - contact Celia Dunsford 01297 33563

Foodbank Collection - box in the church porch.

ECO Church - contact Chris Thorne chrisjonthorne69@gmail.com

Flower Arranging - contact Jenny Nickolls 01297 639758

Holy Dusters – Diane Seward 01297 33909

Parish Paper - contact Chris Thorne

Open the Book - contact Greta Lidster greta.lidster@btinternet.com

Parish Giving Scheme - contact Colin Stewart 01297 792538

BAPTIST CHURCH – THE BEACON

The Beacon opened in January 2015 after being built to replace the old chapel which was destroyed in a devastating fire in 2009.

The church is a growing congregation of all ages, the church services are relevant and appeal to folk of all ages and stages in their journey of faith.

We gather as a family every Sunday at 10.30 a.m. All Ages. All Backgrounds. All Stories. All Welcome.

Whether you have faith or not, whatever your background, ethnicity, ability, status or gender, you will find a place of welcome among us.

We are a church of about 95 members, with a congregation of around 150 people, from toddlers to over 90s. Our Worship Services are centred around God's Word as we seek to listen to what He is saying to us today in our lives and contexts.

There are age-appropriate groups for children and young people during the service where they will learn and have fun with their peers.

But what we do, and who we are as a church, goes far beyond Sunday morning. We seek to live out our faith 7 days a week and there is always lots going on at the church. Go to the Events page to find out more.

You can join us too, so get in touch - we'd love to chat.

Tel: 01297 631638 Registered Charity Number: 1193703

Email: admin@baptistchurchkilmington.org

Pastor: pastor@baptistchurchkilmington.org

Pastor – Pastor Mike Hudson

KILMINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Here at Kilmingon Primary School we value the talents of every individual. We nurture a strength of character in all our pupils and provide a range of opportunities. This encourages an aspirational climate which enables all children to enjoy learning and achieve their potential; preparing them to live happy and fulfilled lives.

Our children have the benefits of a friendly, small school atmosphere while not being limited in any way. We strive to encourage a family feel across our whole school community. We aim for every pupil to leave Kilmingon Primary School healthy, confident individuals who will have experienced a growing range of responsibilities as they move through the school.

KILMINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Kilminster Village Hall is ideally situated just off of the A35 at Kilminster Cross with an on-site car park. It was opened in 1985 replacing the 60-year-old wooden Church Rooms building.

The Main Hall (the size of a badminton court) has a large stage area and accommodates up to 200 people depending on the type of function to be held. The hall has a full music licence and holds a Sale and Consumption of alcohol licence. Upstairs is a committee room seating approximately 30 people and there is a small grass/paved outside area.

The village hall is available for hire and is an excellent venue for all types of functions including parties and wedding receptions.

Kilminster Village Hall 100+ Club

The 100+ Club is a monthly draw which helps to fund essential maintenance and improvements to keep the Village Hall in a good state for everyone to use.

The new year starts in January each year, with the first monthly draw taking place at the end of January.

The monthly prizes are: 1 x £30, 2 x £15, 3 x £5 and an extra 5 x £5 in the Christmas draw. The subscriptions are £11 Single or £20 Double.

Renewal forms are delivered to all current members and, for new members, forms are available from:

- Jean Falconer, 8 Whitehayes Close, Kilminster, EX13 7RR; OR
- Pauline Horwood, Blue Haze (opposite St. Giles' Church); OR
- The New Inn.

Alternatively, the form can be downloaded from the Kilminster Village website.

Forms and fees should be returned to one of the above at the beginning of the year, but you can join for the first time at any time of the year.

Our sincere thanks for your support.

HITCHCOCK RECREATION GROUND AND PAVILION

Located opposite the village hall, the recreation ground is an open grass space which includes a cricket ground, a children's playground which was constructed to celebrate the millennium and an all-weather tennis court.

The Kilmington village cricket club was founded in 1879 and is still played in the recreation ground in the summer months. Kilmington is very fortunate to have this wonderful facility.

In 2006 the Hitchcock Pavilion was constructed which incorporates all modern-day requirements, a club room which is available for hire, a kitchen, changing facilities for sport and a garage to house equipment for maintaining the field and its surrounds.

The Hitchcock Trust is a registered charity which manages 'The provision and maintenance of a recreation ground for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Kilmington.', as the result of a benefactor in the early part of the 20th Century. Records show that cricket was played in the village well prior to 1900 but during the 1900/1910 period Arthur Hitchcock arrived in Kilmington to build himself a fine house which still stands today. He was a very philanthropic Victorian gentleman of some wealth and, together with his wife, was very involved with the local community.

They were involved in many organisations including gardening and nursing however it would appear his particular interest was in cricket and bowls. Through the early part of the 20th Century, he promoted the cricket team, developed the bowls club and, prior to 1910, constructed a wooden cricket pavilion. Despite much character the pavilion was rebuilt in 2006 as it had become outdated. Arthur Hitchcock was also involved in the construction of the Church rooms which were once opposite the village hall. A feature of the recreation ground is the very fine Monterey Pine, which is jealously guarded by the community and is close to being 100 years old. There seems little doubt that he planted the Monterey Pine and it is hoped that this tree can be maintained for many years as a fantastic memorial to our benefactor.

FIVE ALIVE OIL SYNDICATE

The Five Alive Community Oil Syndicate has been in existence for around 15 years, and I have been the co-ordinator since 2015.

There are currently around 300 members spread throughout the five parishes from Kilmington in the East to Yarcombe in the West.

Each month, as close to the 25th as possible I collate the month's orders from the members and then approach several oil suppliers. Monthly orders can vary between 20,000 and 70,000 litres and therefore are eligible for a bulk order discount as opposed to ordering individually. I estimate that bulk purchasing attracts a discount of 2/3 pence per litre as opposed to ordering individually and, in some cases, considerably more. Members receive regular updates concerning prices and reminders as to the next order deadline.

The only condition when becoming a member is that members agree to pay the price that I negotiate as it is impractical to revert to individual members to seek their agreement when there are as many as 70/80 monthly orders.

Once I place the order I email members with the price, the supplier's contact details and the delivery window which is normally 7/10 days after placing the order.

On delivery a delivery note is left with the member followed shortly by an invoice that the member settles directly with the supplier.

New members may be requested to pay in advance for their first order but thereafter payment is post-delivery.

I prefer requests to be submitted by email so that I have a record of the order but for those members who do not use the computer a telephone request is quite acceptable.

Please advise me of your full postal address, your email address and a contact telephone number together with any problems that you may have accessing your tank e.g., baby/small tanker delivery or restricted access.

Finally, I ask that members submit either a request for an exact amount or if ordering a "top up", a full tank, that they furnish me with a pretty accurate (nearest 100 litres) estimate as to the quantity that they require with a minimum order of 500 litres in all cases.

If members have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Colin Stewart

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KILMINGTON CLUBS

CRICKET

The Cricket Club was founded in 1879 and has gone from strength to strength. It maintains a wicket the envy of many a village and fields strong teams playing local clubs and visiting teams which come back year after year from as far as London. It is to the Hurford and Lavender families that the credit goes for organising the Club and working behind the scenes for most of the Century to provide the facilities and teams of which Kilmington is proud.

TENNIS

Kilmington Tennis Club welcomes new members who can book and play at a very reasonable annual cost, membership fees can be found below. The court is on the far side of the cricket field with a small hut in case you need to shelter. The all-weather surface allows us to play all year round.

All court bookings are now on-line. via www.playtomic.io

Members will not be asked to pay. Non-members will be asked to pay £6 per hour.

Current Membership Fees: Adults £35, Juniors under 19yrs £5, Full time students £15.

Please contact Sue Wells 07912 272102 or Bev Bailey 07577 488656 or pick up a welcome leaflet and membership form at the court gate.

TABLE TENNIS

The Table Tennis Club in Kilmington has been running for around 15 years. It averages 30 members, balls and bats (if required) are provided. There are 3 tables.

New members of all ages and ability are very welcome all we ask is that you play in non-slip shoes. If you are interested just turn-up at a session or contact Jenny on 01297 639758.

We run from the first Tuesday in September until the last Thursday in July

Venue: Kilmington Village Hall

Day: Tuesday & Thursday Evenings apart from the August

Time: Tuesday 10.00am - 12.00pm

Thursday 7:00pm – 9.00pm

Cost: £3.00 (includes tea and biscuits)

SHORTMAT BOWLS

The Shortmat Bowls Club in Kilmingon has been in existence for over 20 years. 2 mats + bowls provided. For more information or if you are interested in joining, please contact

Venue: Kilmingon Village Hall

Day: Wednesday - 1st Wed in Sept to last Wed in April

Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Cost: £5.00 subscription, £0.75 per hour.

SCRABBLE

The Scrabble Club has been established for a few years. It numbers around 12-16 players. Everyone is welcome to join. For more information or if you are interested in joining, please contact Sylvie Newbery on 01297 34326.

Venue: Kilmingon Baptist Church

Day: 2nd Saturday of every month

Time: 2.00pm in summer, 10.00am in winter

Cost: 50p (includes tea and biscuits)

COUNTRY DANCING

Country Dancing for all ages. New members always welcome.

Venue: Kilmingon Village Hall

Day: Monday - 1st Monday in September to last Monday in April

Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Cost:

KILMINGTON COMMUNITY CINEMA

Kilminster hold a film night the second Wednesday followed by a matinee on the Thursday, of every month apart from a short break in August and January. On Wednesday the doors and bar open at 6.45pm with the film show commencing at 7.15pm and ends around 10.00pm. Thursday matinee doors open at 1.45pm with the film starting at 2.00pm ending around 4.30pm.

Tickets booked in advance (£5.00) or on the door (£5.50).

Advance booking by phoning 01297 639758, please leave contact details and the booking will be confirmed, or email: wattsjohn307@gmail.com.

Come along and have a glass of wine, soft drink, tea or coffee, ice-cream, while you enjoy new and recently released films. On the Thursday matinee cream teas are available

See: www.kilminstervillage.com/other-organisations.html for the current film information.

KILMINGTON GARDENING CLUB

(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society)

The Kilminster Gardening Club brings together over 140 both experienced and beginner amateur gardeners for a range of social and educational events. Membership includes:

- monthly talks on Plants, Gardens and Gardeners
- Group visits to NGS and other gardens
- the Kilminster Flower Show, in conjunction with the Annual Village Show
- Plant Markets with some great bargains
- exchanges of plants, seeds and ideas
- discounts at local nurseries as members of the Gold Club, a group of Garden Centres – Brimsmore Gardens, Yeovil, Poundbury Gardens, near Dorchester and Castle Gardens, Sherborne.
- The club is also affiliated to the RHS.

All this for an annual membership of only £7 per person. We welcome new members and joining couldn't be easier. Come along to any of our events and speak to our membership secretary or contact her - Beverley Perkins Tel: 01297 631801

For more information visit: <https://www.kilmingtongardeningclub.co.uk/>

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Kilmington Branch of the RBL was established in 1925 after the erection of the War Memorial in 1922. Although well supported and currently consisting of 126 members, we are always looking for more people to join our very sociable group. Throughout the year we organise many fund-raising events starting with a Spring Coffee Morning (normally just before Easter), summer outing, Family BBQ and a Christmas Coffee Morning as well as Remembrance events in November. On a more social basis, we like to meet the first Friday of each month in one of the two village pubs (New Inn and Old Inn, see Postscript for dates and venue). Additional social events are also organised to mark significant anniversaries. With several retired and serving Armed Forces personnel, we are highly motivated to help the work of the RBL, which provides vital support for the men, women and families who struggle through loss, injury, and PTSD. To quickly dispel a myth, you do not need to be, or have been in the armed forces to be part of the RBL and we welcome everyone to be part of our well-motivated and friendly team. We look forward to welcoming you. For more information please contact: Stafford Seward, Chairman t60sas@hotmail.co.uk on Mob 07799612557, Home 01297-33909 or Peter Squire, Membership Secretary peterhsquire@outlook.com / 01297-33407.

KILMINGTON PLAYERS

Formed more than seventy years ago, Kilmington Players is your village amateur dramatics group. Since its formation the group has staged many memorable performances. These include many pantomimes plus some plays, comedies and revues. In recent years we have staged two very successful entertainment evenings revealing hidden village talents and at the same time raising money for local village causes. We are an active and enthusiastic group who love getting together to rehearse and entertain the village. Rehearsals and performances take place in the Village Hall and our aim is to put on a performance every year.

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join in the fun in any capacity, whether on stage or off, feel free to contact Louise Quincey on 01297 32358 or on qncytwo@gmail.com

We look forward to meeting you soon!

FROGS

FROGS runs a team of volunteers who undertake the regular maintenance of the churchyard. It is independent of the Church and is funded by its members through annual or lifetime subscriptions. FROGS currently has about 75 members. To become a member or to offer yourself as a volunteer, please contact David Ingles - dwingles@aol.com.

ST GILES' CHURCH - BELL RINGING

St Giles' Church has six church bells and we ring for Sunday services, Weddings and National celebrations - there are currently ten regular bell ringers in Kilmington. However, we are always glad to welcome anyone who has rung in the past or is interested in learning this ancient art in order to keep the bells ringing in our village.

Bellringing is suitable for anyone from the age of 10/11 upwards and there is no upper limit! It is a fun team activity and no, you don't have to be musical or particularly strong to be good at it. Many ringers are not regular churchgoers although of course some are – people from any faith or none can take part. So, if you would like to be in our band, learn more or come and watch us ring sometime, please contact:

Celia Dunsford – (Tower Captain) 01297 33563; email: celia.dunsford@btopenworld.com

KILMINGTON HISTORY GROUP

This new group has recently come together and is now organising themselves to:

- Establish and maintain a physical archive of materials and copies of materials relating to the history of Kilmington.
- Produce a catalogue of the materials in our archive and in other collections.
- Transcribe and/or scan the materials into digital format wherever possible as part of a dedicated website.
- Build and maintain a dedicated database and website so that material is easily available to interested parties.
- Encourage, support and share research into the history of Kilmington and to promote activities related to this research.

The group plans to organise some social events as they establish themselves. If you have an interest in the history of our village or have materials or photographs you think may be of interest, please let us know so we can keep you informed: history@kilmingtonvillage.com

COMMUNITY TELEPHONE BOX LIBRARY

The Telephone Box Library, situated at Jubilee Green on The Street, provides free books for the residents of Kilmington and visitors to the village. Please pop along and help yourself to up to three books at a time and then return or swap them if you can. All the books have been donated by local residents and the Telephone Box is restocked three times a week by a small group of volunteers.

If you have a few books to donate, please add them to the shelves. For larger quantities of books, we are happy to collect. Due to the very limited space available we can only accept paperback/fiction.

For further information or to request a collection please contact:

Karen Hodder: 01297 35162 / karenhodder@btinternet.com

KILMINGTON POSTSCRIPT

Kilmington Postscript is a free magazine for the village, started by the postmistress in 1997 to provide answers to the many requests for local information. The presentation has evolved, thanks to developing technology, but it is still produced and distributed by volunteers, so that the only cost is for printing, which is met through advertising fees and donations. The advertisers are mostly local. It is published 10 times each year (monthly, apart from January and August) and delivered to every house in Kilmington. Its aims are to inform, interest and entertain its readers. It is non-political and non-denominational and the content reflects the many and varied interests of the people who live here. Club activities, local events, countryside items, the Parish Council, the churches, the gardeners and sporting prowess all appear in its pages. We currently have articles about local history, news about the next film and a Cookery corner, as well as including the dates for the mobile library, the oil syndicate and the bins! Most of the items come from the village community. You do not need to be a writer. New contributors are very welcome. The details are on page 2 of every edition. The magazine also appears online on the village website, in full colour throughout, together with an archive of many older editions. Janfryd Gordon-Kerr – Editor - postscript@kilmingtonvillage.com

VILLAGE ALLOTMENTS

The village allotments are located off George Lane, also accessible via Newtons Orchard. The present rent for a full plot is £20 per year. At present there are no allotments available but if you'd like to register your interest with Cllr. Kieran Veberth, you can be put onto a waiting list.
kveberth@kilmingtonvillage.com

STAY CONNECTED

VILLAGE WEBSITE

If you would like to learn lots more about Kilmington, please visit our website www.kilmingtonvillage.com which is full of information and handy links.

VILLAGE FACEBOOK COMMUNITY

There is also a community Facebook group called 'Kilmington Now'. Which is always well used by members of the village for advertising events, local businesses and current goings on within the village. Please do feel free to join.

LOCAL SERVICES AND USEFUL NUMBERS.

Bell-ringing - Celia Dunsford 01297 33563
KGC - Bev Perkins, Secretary 01297 631801
RBL - Jean Falconer – Sec 01297 33708 Stafford Seward - Chairman 01297 33909
Bridge Club - Eric Samways 01297 24260 - Gill Bullock 01297 647768
Kilmington Community Cinema - John Watts 01297 639758
Short Mat Bowls - Edith Turner 01297 34090
Country Dancing - Gill Perkins 01297 32888 - Marie Thorne 01297 631194
Table Tennis - Jenny Nickolls 01297 639758
Cricket - David Lavender 01297 631868
Kilmington Pre-School & Primary School 01297 32762
Telephone Box Library - Karen Hodder 01297 35162
Footpath co-ordinator - Tom Cook footpaths@kilmingtonvillage.com
Tennis - Bev Bailey 07577 488656 - Sue Wells 07912 272102
Hitchcock Pavilion bookings - Peter Huscroft 01297 32243
Millers Farm Shop 01297 35290
Village Hall bookings - Louise Quincey 01297 32358
Kilmington A35 Pit Stop 01297 598060
The New Inn 01297 33376
Village Hall 100+ Club - Jean Falconer 01297 33708
Kilmington Cross Services 01297 631089
The Old Inn 01297 639779
www.kilmingtonvillage.com - Luke & Maxine Lawson 07719 909532