

# DILTON MARSH PARISH COUNCIL

# DILTON NEWS

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## Thoughts from our Chair, Cllr Val Jarvis, as we approach Christmas 2021.

It has been another challenging year for everyone. Dilton Marsh Parish Council, like many others, discovered the joys of Zoom meetings. These went extremely well and were often attended online by residents.

Since I became Chair the parish council meetings have been in the Memorial Hall every third Thursday at 7.30pm – all residents welcome.

We had a plea for funding for the re-build of the Santa Float and when Luke Harris had sorted the challenge of a bank account and all the necessary paperwork for it, the parish council were happy to fund him and his team £500 towards materials. I hope that his endeavour will be supported and that it brings joy and excitement to the young children in the village. In the run up to Christmas.

It was wonderful to see so many people at this year's Sunday Remembrance Service at the Monument. The readings spoken by children, and wreath laying by Dilton Rovers Youth Football team in their kit, made it a ceremony for all ages.

I know not everyone looks at the Dilton Marsh Facebook page but it delights me to see that when help or information is asked for, so much help is given and information shared. Thanks to Jack Luxford who admins the page.

We really have great Parish Councillors who are doing a sterling job. Special thanks to Angie Gibb who arranges the Litter Picks and keeps the notice boards tidy around the village; Jenny Jones who is liaising with the PCSO on various policing issues; Suzanne McGee, who is fund raising for and organising, along with others, the 'Party in the Park' to celebrate the Queens jubilee next year. Please come along to any and all events to help with funding. Thanks to all the rest of the parish councillors for ideas, support and help. Special thanks to our wonderful Clerk Nicola Duke, who goes above and beyond to assist us. Also thanks to Suzanne Wickham our Wiltshire Councillor who attends every meeting she can.

I truly hope that in these ever changing times that residents of Dilton Marsh will be able to spend Christmas with family and friends around them this year. I wish you all a splendid Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year. Remember the greatest gifts you can give are your time and your love.

