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"I hated getting into my old bath. My new wet room is heaven! I feel less anxious and much more safe." Liz

WELCOME TO KEYNSHAM NEWS

C O N T E N T S

Hello Keynsham.
As the days lengthen and we emerge from winter, our thoughts turn to a series of important events as we head for summer.



On Wednesday, 7th February at a full house in the amazing Chocolate Quarter, we launched a new forum and network for our business community. As a key part of our Neighbourhood Development Plan, this will assist businesses of all sizes to develop and achieve their business objectives. A vibrant business community in partnership with the town council is essential for employment and economic prosperity.

On Thursday, 22nd February, the town council has arranged a public meeting to address an outbreak of anti-social behaviour in Keynsham. It is totally unacceptable that anyone in our town should feel threatened or have to accept criminal damage. We intend to support action to restore wellbeing to any location suffering from such intolerable behaviour.

Thursday, 26th April will be our Annual Town Meeting in the Space when you have the opportunity to receive an annual report of activities and raise any matters of concern directly with your town council. We are also arranging a guest speaker to address a subject of local interest

Finally, the week commencing 25th June will be a fabulous week of music delivered by Keynsham Music Festival Association. For months, dedicated supporters of this independent charity work at preparing an impressive range of music that will this year include a full opera and culminate in a weekend of first class events in the Park

Kindest regards,

CLlr Clive Fricker
Chairman, Keynsham Town Council

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TOWN COUNCIL LAUNCHES BUSINESS FORUM

Keynsham Town Council have agreed that they will provide support to initiate and help to build a new Business Forum spanning across business sizes and types, which they will continue to support through its initial stages, with the aim of eventually stepping back once it is established, so that the group can run itself. Dr Cheryl Scott, Keynsham Town Clerk, said: "This is an important initiative, helping us engage with a wide variety of local businesses, supporting our Business Community, and ensuring they are represented within the Neighbourhood Development Plan."

Deb Cooper, NDP Co-ordinator, explained: "The Business, Employment and Economic NDP Topic Group certainly have a big job on their hands. The Keynsham Neighbourhood Development Plan must not just represent the residents of Keynsham, but also the Business Community, and the people who work in Keynsham.

"It is essential that the group gets an understanding of the issues for Keynsham businesses across the spectrum – from the Sole Trader working from home, the Contractors, the Small Businesses, Keynsham Retailers – also the



light industrial, the bigger engineering and other companies in the area. By understanding and stating the issues, they can be represented and addressed in the NDP."

The Town Council now has an up-to-date Contact Database, enabling us to communicate more directly with local business. We now have a better idea of who is trading in and around Keynsham, but we still need to contact the ever-elusive band of people who work from home premises. However, the database is growing every day, and starting to spread via word of mouth.

In January this year, Keynsham Town Council Chair, Cllr Fricker, sent an invitation to approximately 260 businesses, for a launch event which was held at the St Monica's Chocolate Quarter facility on 7th Feb.

Clive Fricker said: "The objective of this event was to make initial contact with a large number of the businesses around Keynsham, to allow people to meet other local traders, and to get an idea of the level of interest in moving the group forward.

St Monica's welcomed the chance to show their amazing facilities to the local community, every attendee was given a Chocolate Quarter tour, and the 63 places for this event were fully subscribed. I'd like to extend our thanks to David Williams and his staff at St Monica's for their hospitality."

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Following this event, the Town Council will ensure it maintains the good contact and momentum for the Businesses of Keynsham, by arranging a series of events throughout the year. The feedback from the attendees has been taken into account, and the first of these events will be a workshop-based event around Data Privacy and the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) that becomes law this May.

If you have a business in Keynsham, and want to be involved in the upcoming Keynsham Business Directory and Business Forum events, then please contact:

Dr Cheryl Scott, Town Clerk., on 0117 9868683, or email us on: townclerk@keynsham-tc.gov.uk

HOCKEY WALKING FESTIVAL TO RAISE MONEY FOR DOROTHY HOUSE

Keynsham Hockey Club are running their first mixed walking hockey festival on Sunday, 15th April dedicated to Jo Bush, the club's previous chairwoman and will be raising money for Dorothy House Hospice.

Walking hockey has a smaller pitch size and the game is played at walking pace. The event is open to anyone over 14 who wants to have a go at playing hockey at a comfortable pace and will feature several short matches scheduled over the day. Find out more by visiting www.keynshamhockey.club

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN KEYNSHAM COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

The deadline for getting your NDP Community Consultation document back to the Town Council has now passed. The last month has been spent transferring the hand-written answers into an online system, so that the results can be sorted and analysed.

Chair of Keynsham Neighbourhood Development Plan, Cllr Clive Fricker, said: "The Town Council is grateful to everyone who took time to fill in the Consultation document. This kind of detailed feedback is vital to the process, in order to ensure a representative view of residents across Keynsham and to understand the issues that matter most to you all."



Around 9,000 copies of the consultation were distributed into homes around Keynsham, with 956 responses received. A return result like this (10.5%) is regarded in Marketing terms as a very good response for this kind of document.

Once the data has been scrutinised and some analysis done, more top-line statistics will be



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released. The more detailed results will be fed into the 5 topic groups to enrich and inform their work over most of this year.

Deb Cooper, NDP Co-ordinator, added: "The opinions expressed and data gathered from this consultation will help the Topic Groups focus on the most important issues for local residents. Please remember that the reason for implementing the Consultation is to give everybody the opportunity to have their say in shaping the future of Keynsham, via the NDP – so we appreciate every single response."

There are several further consultations to be carried out during the NDP process, as follows:

- Parks and Open Spaces – This public consultation will consider and include children's views, and will be taking place in our parks and open spaces during the whole of May 2018
- Getting Around Keynsham. This consultation will cover the issues around local transport – getting in and around Keynsham, including

public and private vehicles, pedestrian routes etc. We estimate implementation of this during Sept/Oct 2018

- Young People's Consultation. This will gather the views and opinions of the next generation with regard to the future of our town, and will be implemented between June to Sept 2018
- Landscape and Character Assessment. This consultancy will be carried out by the Bristol Regional Environmental Records Centre (BRERC), and will concentrate on environment, wildlife and habitats for the area, and how we can plan for sustainability.

Data from these research studies will evidence needs and desires and influence future planning policy. If you are interested in becoming involved in the NDP, please contact Deb Cooper, the NDP Co-ordinator, on 0117 9868683, or email: ndp@keynsham-tc.gov.uk



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IN BLOOM

Community art projects are a key focus of our In Bloom campaign this year, the art projects will allow more people than ever to take part in our campaign. Our message is that you do not need the knowledge and skills of horticulture to be part of our campaign.

KNIT TO REMEMBER - Focuses on a knitted poppy cascade which will be a key

feature in this year's remembrance parade service on 11th November. We are encouraging local community groups and residents to knit or crochet poppies which once put together will form a large Poppy Cascade and will be draped down the side of the South Aisle and Tower of St John's Church. Workshops will also be organised which will allow everyone who knitted poppies to come along and help put the cascade together. Wool can be purchased locally from Golden Oldies Charity shop in the High Street, we have asked them to order in extra supplies. Alternatively, if you are unable to purchase your own wool, there are limited supplies which can be picked up together with a knitting pattern

from the Town Council Office, 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham. We would like for our 'Poppy Cascade' to be a wonderful tribute to remember those that lost their lives serving their country in WW1. Members of the Keynsham Royal British Legion and St John's Church are also working with us in delivering the project.

SCARECROW TRAIL – Favourite TV and Movie Characters will be brightening up our local community this summer. The trail will run over a four-week period 9th July – 5th August and will provide a fun activity and encourage the youngsters to go out and about and find their favourite character. Entry forms will be available from the Town Council Office from 1st March. Trail maps will also be available to purchase for 20p once the Scarecrows are in place. This is a great opportunity for everyone to be involved and we are encouraging Business organisations and community groups as well as local residents to take part in this fun activity.

Calling all knitters!

Help Keynsham in Bloom create a **'Poppy Cascade'** at St. John's Church

The cascade will form the centrepiece for the town's display remembering those that lost their lives serving their country and the cascade display will commence the week commencing 5th November 2018.



Collect the **Knitting pattern** and **wool** from the Town Council offices or download the pattern from www.keynsham-tc.gov.uk



Completed poppies should be delivered to **Keynsham in Bloom c/o Keynsham Town Council 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham, BS31 1HF** by **Friday 19th October 2018**

We want your BOTTLE TOPS

Keynsham in Bloom are collecting bottle tops to use in an art installation about the impact our use of plastic is having on marine life across the planet.



Please take your plastic bottle tops to the Keynsham Town Council Offices, 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham by Friday 11th May



their dis-used plastic bottle tops and deliver them to the Town Council Office. Community groups can also start to save their own tops as we are looking to organise some workshops where you can come along and create your own piece of bottle top art, which will be on display for when our South West in Bloom judges visit Keynsham in July. Members of Keynsham Art Group are also helping us with this project.

FLORAL ART COMPETITION – Back by popular demand, Keynsham Methodist Church have agreed to host this event, which will be taking place on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th July. The theme will be 'A Celebration of 10 Years of Bloom' to mark the 10th year of Keynsham in Bloom. Further information and entry forms will be available over the coming weeks.

BOTTLE TOP ART - Environmental responsibility plays a major part of our South West in Bloom judging. Our bottle top art project will help to demonstrate and raise awareness of the damage that single use plastics are doing to our oceans and marine life. We are asking for everyone to collect

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KEYNSHAM MEMORIAL PARK BANDSTAND SUMMER PROGRAMME 2018

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	PERFORMANCE	TIME
	8th April	Walking Festival Children's Event	1.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
14th April		Keynsham Light Opera Group	2.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	22nd April	Choir Jam	2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
	29th April	Congresbury Brass	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	13th May	Bristol East and Kingswood Band	3.00 p.m. – 4.45 p.m.
	20th May	Churches Together Event	Times to be confirmed
	3rd June	Marshfield Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
	10th June	Paulton Band	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	17th June	City of Bristol Brass Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
23rd June		Clevedon Brass Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
	24th June	Midsomer Norton & Radstock Silver Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
30th June		Keynsham Music Festival	12 noon – 9.30 p.m.
	1st July	Keynsham Music Festival	12 noon – 9.30 p.m.
	8th July	Keynsham Brass Band	3.00 p.m. – 4.45 p.m.
14th July		Key Voices Choir	2.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.
	15th July	Salvation Army – Hymns in the Park	3.00 p.m. – 4.15 p.m.
	22nd July	Redland Wind Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
	29th July	Bath Spa Band	3.00 p.m. – 4.55 p.m.
	5th August	Dodington Parish Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
	12th August	Bristol Concert Wind Band	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	19th August	Jelli Records presents: Jo Wise & Special Guest	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
8th September		Oldland Brass	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	9th September	Loud word – Children's event - Story Telling and Craft Making	1.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	16th September	Phoenix Keynsham Youth Theatre	2.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	23rd September	Wotton Silver Band	3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
29th September		The Minor Setbacks	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
	30th September	Keynsham Brass Band	3.00 p.m. – 4.45 p.m.

RESPONSE FROM RBS

RE NATWEST BANK CLOSURE

The Town Council has now received a response to the letter they sent to the CEO of RBS Group, objecting to the closure of the Keynsham branch of NatWest Bank.

In it the bank states that it will not reverse the decision, however it is making the following preparations and arrangements to assist residents and businesses: “We are communicating with those customers affected by the closures and proactively contacting vulnerable elderly and disabled customers, as well as regular branch users. We have extended the time between announcing our decision and the branch closure to six months; this has been done so that we can ensure our customers have enough time to consider the right banking options for them and to give us time to support them one-to-one during the transition.

“If travelling to our nearest branch in Knowe is not suitable for some of our customers, our contract with the Post Office provides an option for both our personal and business customers wishing to carry out everyday banking transactions. There is a Post Office located right beside the branch in Keynsham, which our customers can use to check their balance, deposit cash and cheques, withdraw cash and business customers can obtain coinage. I would like to assure you that the staff in the Post Office will do all they can to provide a personal service to our customers and to support them with their banking needs.

“To provide additional face-to-face support for our customers, we will be introducing a Community Banker in the local area. Community Bankers are able to provide personal assistance and support to customers to access our non-cash services, as well as help with achieving their financial plans and goals and replicating many of the services available in our branches. They



can also offer home visits to our more isolated or vulnerable customers where required and will engage with local groups on training and education on issues, such as fraud and scams protection.

“I acknowledge your concern regarding digital banking and whether local residents will be willing to access our mobile and online channels. I can confirm that 78% of Keynsham customers already use our digital services. However, we know that not all of our customers are comfortable or familiar with using online or mobile banking, so we have created a new specialist taskforce of NatWest TechXperts who will be dedicated to supporting our customers with training and support with digital skills until the branch closes.

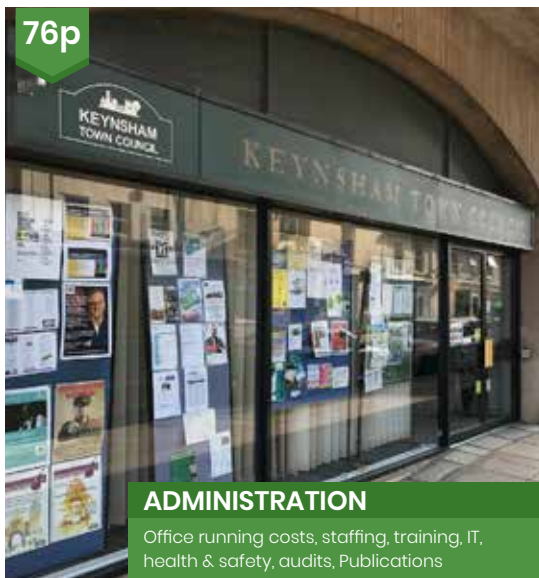
“Our telephone banking service provides another alternative to branch banking and is available 365 days a year. Customers can carry out the vast majority of transactions available at a branch and telephone staff can also discuss our product range and arrange for a financial review over the phone. Most of our accounts can be applied for and opened in this way, meaning that a trip to the branch is not always necessary.”

The Town Council discussed the matter again at the Town Council meeting on 20th February. To date, 560 people have signed the online petition at change.org and 143 have signed the hard copy petition in the Town Council office.

Community Investment

The following is a breakdown of how your weekly contribution of **£1.72*** is spent

76p



ADMINISTRATION

Office running costs, staffing, training, IT, health & safety, audits, Publications

11p



CEMETERY

The Town Council is the Burial Authority for Keynsham Cemetery and also maintains the grade II listed Chapel

8p



SPORTS FACILITIES

Five football pitches at Marl Road, tennis courts/5-a-side courts and netball courts at Keynsham Memorial Park

32p



OUTDOOR COSTS

Staffing, council vans, workshop, play areas, bins, skateboard park, bus shelters, benches, notice boards

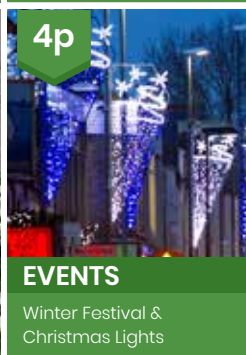
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GRANTS PROJECTS

Over 30 groups received grants in 2017/18. See our website if you wish to apply for 2018/19 visit www.keynsham-tc.gov.uk

4p



EVENTS

Winter Festival & Christmas Lights

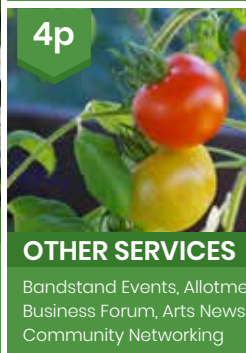
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YOUTH PROVISION

Keynsham Youth Service; including TimeOut youth facility, projects and detached youth work

4p



OTHER SERVICES

Bandstand Events, Allotment Business Forum, Arts News Community Networking

*All values are based on an average Band D property

Budget 2018/2019

Expenditure

ADMINISTRATION	£307,030
OUTDOOR COSTS	£127,625
YOUTH PROVISION	£70,156
KEYNSHAM CEMETERY	£42,500
GRANTS PROJECTS	£35,500
SPORTS FACILITIES	£32,100
NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN	£26,100
MUSIC FESTIVAL	£18,000
OTHER SERVICES	£16,500
EVENTS	£15,000
CAPITAL PROJECTS	£3,000

TOTAL	£693,511
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To be met from:

INCOME	
Investments, Events, Agencies, Cemetery, Football, Allotments	£78,485
RESERVES	£85,804
PRECEPT	£529,222

TOTAL	£693,511
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Questions?

Any questions about the services offered by Keynsham Town Council can be addressed to:
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NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The NDP is a Town Council and Community Plan which will guide the future growth and development of Keynsham

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CAPITAL PROJECTS

Play Areas, Cemetery & Chapel Reserves, Other

KEYNSHAM COMMUNITY SPIRIT



Keynsham Community Spirit has recently been set up in response to increased concerns regarding Anti-Social Behaviour and connected criminal offences.

Our central ethos is that as a collective community working with the Police, Town Council, Youth Workers and other relevant agencies we can come together as one voice to build not only a safer town, but a sense of being a strong, caring Community.

We have an enthusiastic volunteering sector to be proud of and we can build on this by tackling Anti-Social Behaviour as a united Community.

Our aim is to create a legacy that will reach into the future. There is never one solution to the challenges we are dealing with. We all need to work together and support each other.

A few weeks ago, a Facebook page promoting this ethos was set up to test the response which was very positive.

The resulting Facebook group saw membership exceeding 100 within a couple of days. One of the questions new members are asked is whether they believe that a united community could help. Not only do people say 'yes', many say that it might be the only answer.

Group members are now in the region of 250.

Volunteers have come forward to help create a Steering Team and Committee. We will now work behind the scenes to forge strong connections with the Police, Youth Workers, Town Council and other relevant agencies and groups. The next stage will be to invite the community to form sub groups that can be linked to the Steering Team and in turn the Police etc.

Everything is a process. It will take time to get up and running effectively. To ensure success we need the community to gather together groups across the town and to get involved.

For further information about Keynsham Community Spirit, you can contact them via the Facebook page or email the Town Council on reception@keynsham-tc.gov.uk and we will pass your details on to them.

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RADIO STATION TO GO LIVE IN APRIL

Keynsham's local radio station is set to go live in April.

Last year, Keynsham Town Community Radio was one of only nine stations granted an FM licence by OFCOM.

Over the last three years, the station has been producing a weekly hour long show on Midsomer Norton's community station and as a podcast.

When the station goes live on its own licence, the amount of local community produced broadcast is to increase and hopes to build links with groups within the town to reflect the wide range of activity on offer.

Training will also be offered to anyone interested in learning more about how to produce and present shows.

For more information, visit www.ktcradio.com

MUSIC FESTIVAL

OPERA IN THE PARK: there is growing excitement about the announcement of Keynsham's first ever full classical opera production to be performed as part of Keynsham Music Festival in June – an obvious Festival highlight.

La Boheme will be performed in English by the Opera in a Box Company who impressed the Keynsham Festival audience with operatic highlights last summer, on Thursday, 28th June.



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The production will take place in the Top Marquee in The Park at the Festival, completely under cover and with ticketed seats for around 350.

Other Festival highlights this summer will include at **Jazz Extravaganza** at St. Monica's on Wednesday, 27th June and full **swing band jive dance** on Friday 29th in The Park.

Currently Festival plans are also under way for what might prove to be a spectacular 50th anniversary commemoration of the 1968 floods in Keynsham on Saturday, 30th June in The Park – watch out for details.

Tickets for all Festival Events and most events in The Space are available from Keynsham Tickets (www.keynshamtickets.cloudvenue.co.uk), where prices and full details will be listed in due course.

KEYNSHAM CEMETERY

Keynsham Town Council became the Burial Authority for Keynsham Cemetery in 1996 taking over from the former Wansdyke District Council. The cemetery is situated in Bristol Road, Durlley Hill, Keynsham and is a peaceful and attractive resting place to serve the residents of Keynsham.

The Town Council aim to offer a sympathetic service to the bereaved and deal with enquiries from the public, funeral directors and monumental masons.

The layout is designed to offer a range of interment choices, such as lawn plots, traditional (kerb) plots, coffin burials, caskets of ashes and scattering of ashes in the Garden of Remembrance. A new Memorial Garden was established in Spring 2015 which provides approximately 80 casket plots (2 caskets per plot) which is proving to be very popular with bereaved families. A polished black or dark grey desk tablet which can include a flower holder can be purchased from a Memorial Mason and placed on the plot.

There is a listed building Chapel available to hire for services.

The cemetery is open to the public weekdays and weekends. An attendant is usually on duty Monday to Thursday, 8.30 am – 4.30 pm and 4pm on Fridays.



Registers of grave spaces and burials and a plan of the cemetery are available to view at the office of the Town Council, 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 1HF. For further information, contact the Town Council office on 0117 9868683 or visit the Town Council website: www.keynsham-tc.gov.uk

SAFETY TESTING OF HEADSTONES

Annual safety testing of headstones takes place at the cemetery in the Spring and testing conforms to nationally agreed standards and is in line with the Faculty issued by the Chancellor of the Diocese of Bath and Wells. Newly erected memorials and existing headstones will be tested. The testing involves a visual inspection, followed by a trained member of staff standing at one side of the headstone and placing a hand on top of the stone, applying a firm (not severe) pressure to ensure the headstone is safe.

Anyone who has any queries or concerns regarding the procedure, please contact the Town Council office – 0117 9868683.



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KEYNSHAM ARTS CONSORTIUM AT THE SPACE

Coming highlights at The Space include folk-singer, Reg Meuross, Poet and Comedian, Henry Normal, another Just Centre Stage classical music concert, and a touring theatre company show with a production to mark the commemoration of the end of the First World War.

The Bath Festival continues to promote shows in Keynsham with Somerset folk-singer **Reg Meuross** on March 10th. Reg is a supreme story-teller and this will be a charming and gentle evening in the real folk style. Tickets for this concert are through Bath Festival's box office.



On May 12th is another very special event for Keynsham. Poet, comedian and broadcaster **Henry Normal** will be appearing as part of his UK

spring tour to promote his new book, *A Normal Family*. Henry Normal holds a BAFTA for his services to broadcasting, which include writing TV's *Mrs Merton Show* and the *Royale Family* and his work as a partner to Steve Coogan (Alan Partridge). However, the Normal Family includes Johnny, their autistic son, an artist with a growing reputation. An exhibition of Johnny's work will be at The Space in The Libourne Lounge in the week before the performance. The show will be of special interest to all who have links with people on the autistic spectrum.

Details of **Just Centre Stage's** third classical concert at The Space on April 21st will be available soon.

The **Little Victory Ball Theatre Company** are producing special shows this year as part of the 1918 World War 1 commemorations and a date in the autumn will soon be announced.

Two other touring theatre companies are also currently in discussions about shows at The Space this summer.

Meanwhile, the success of **Keynsham's Comedy Club** continues on the first Friday of each month – this is a fully professional operation and most performers will be familiar from slots on television. See Keynsham Tickets for full monthly details.

FilmWorks continues as ever on the first Thursday of each month. (Full listings at www.keynshamfilmworks.co.uk).



EXCITING TIMES AT



KeynshamNow is the Youth Council, we are very pleased to be involved with Keynsham Community Spirit, a new group set up to help with community/social issues in Keynsham. KeynshamNow represents all that is positive about young people in the town and it is our aim to help younger residents have an input into community matters and to show that the majority have a positive attitude towards Keynsham.

We have had a very busy period raising over £100 for CLIC at the Winter Festival selling sweets and face painting with the very talented Caitlin Brennan.

During UK Parliament Week, we had an enjoyable Question and Answer session with our MP, Jacob Rees-Mogg. He faced some tricky questions about his views on abortion, Brexit, gay rights and the divisions in our society, including those in privileged positions. KeynshamNow were friendly and honest in their questioning.

Our popular chair, Dani Phillips, became the Rotary Young Citizen of the Year for 2017 in November. She attended a dinner in her honour at Saltford Golf Club with her parents and her sponsor, Andy Wait. She received a number of gifts and will now go forward as a nominee for their national competition.

Our campaign for lights at the Skateboard Park continues as another winter goes by without lights. Despite a number of violent incidents there, the Town Council and KeynshamNow are determined to



support the skateboarders by making that area safer to use in winter.

In our January meeting, we had speakers from Off The Record and One Community Trust. Both these organisations offer Confidential Counselling Services for young people in Keynsham. Off The Record have sessions on a Wednesday from 3.00 – 7.00pm, you don't need an appointment, but can book one by phoning 01225 312481. Confidential phone counselling is also available on 0300 3033661, more information can be found on their website. One Community Trust have their sessions on Thursdays from 4.00 – 6.00pm. Both organisations meet at the One Community Trust building which is behind St John's Church Hall.

Should any young person want to get involved with KeynshamNow or wish to learn more you can get in touch with our Lead Mentor, Andy Wait, by emailing him at: waithere91@gmail.com or visit our Facebook Page and Twitter account. Our next four meetings are on 7th March, 4th April, 2nd May and 6th June, all meetings are in The Space at 5.30pm.

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WINNER'S ANNOUNCED FOR CHAIR'S COMMUNITY AWARDS

The Bath and North East Somerset Chairman's awards winners were announced on 8th February in the Banqueting Room in Bath's Guildhall, with several Keynsham residents receiving Highly Commended. The awards recognise volunteers, community leaders, community organisations, carers and local businesses. The chair received 109 nominations and 240 people attended the event.

Among those who were recognised by the Chairman, Cherry Beath, were a few Keynsham organisations, including Keynsham and District Mencap Society and the Saltford Day Centre

Volunteers Team who were both Highly Commended.

Callum Lee, who volunteers as a session manager at Butterflies-Haven won the award for Young Leader of the Year. Callum manages a team of around twenty volunteers and supports families, children and young people whose lives are affected by autism while he trains to be a children's nurse said he was very honoured to have received the award.

A full list of the winners and photos from the event can be found at www.bathnes.gov.uk



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REMEMBERING THE FLOOD

THE COUNTY BRIDGE STONE

This year sees the 50th anniversary of the Great Flood of 1968. This event is etched indelibly on the memories of everyone who lived in the area at the time. It brought tragedy and misery, but also many examples of heroism and selflessness.

Various events will be taking place in Keynsham and elsewhere in the Chew Valley to remember the disaster, but Keynsham & Saltford Local History Society is leading a project to create a permanent memorial so that future generations will be aware of what happened and the impact it had.

One of the many bridges destroyed or damaged beyond repair was the County Bridge, on the road to Willsbridge, near the Lock Keeper (then the White Hart). Washed away with the bridge parapets was the ancient stone, known to

many as the Abbot's Chair, which was built into the wall on the west side. The stone is of unknown origin – it may be a survivor from a Roman bridge on the same site - but is of great archaeological interest and deserves to be preserved. It is the ideal feature to use as the centre-piece of a memorial.

With the support of Keynsham Town Council and the Bath & North East Somerset Parks Manager work is in hand to design this, to be sited in the Memorial Park, and to raise the necessary funds. The Society is running a fundraising appeal, with a target of £5,000. Society chairman, Richard Dyson, said: "We are very pleased with the response of local people to our appeal. There is clearly a wish to construct an appropriate reminder of the event." The appeal is still open and a donation form can be downloaded from the Society's website: www.keysalthist.org.uk or collected from the Keynsham Town Council Office on Temple Street.

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KEYNSHAM NEWS WHAT'S ON

MARCH

3rd March – Keep Britain Tidy's Nationwide Litter Pick 2-4pm - This is the new annual cross Keynsham litter pick with multiple groups starting at different points across Keynsham and all joining together at the end for tea and cake at the Bowls Club in the park. The points are as follows: Santander (1pm) – giving the Memorial Park a good clean with Cassandra. Keynsham in Bloom litter picking at the train station led by Dawn. Keynsham Beavers meeting at the allotments, going along Stoney Lane and back along the side of the river led by Angela. Dapps Hill Bridge, led by Roger. Wellsway School perimeter fence meeting at Ellsbridge Close led by Erica and the Gravel Car park by the Lock Keeper pub, if you'd like to lead the group, contact the team on womble@transitionkeynsham.org Corston Post Office, led by Katharine.

10th March – Somerset Farmers' Market held in Market Walk from 9 am to 1 pm

10th March – Keynsham Orchestra Concert including Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition and Tchaikovsky's 2nd Symphony, 7.30pm at St John's Church, Keynsham High Street

10th March – Family Concert, come and listen to Pictures at an Exhibition by Mussorgsky with narrator Julie Payne and Keynsham Orchestra. The fun starts at 3pm at St John's Church, Keynsham High Street.

15th March Knitted Bible Stories Exhibition at St John's Church, Keynsham. All welcome, admission free, donations optional, 12 noon – 4pm

16th March Knitted Bible Stories Exhibition at St John's Church, Keynsham. All welcome, admission free, donations optional 10am – 4pm.

17th March Knitted Bible Stories Exhibition and Easter Crafts at St John's Church, Keynsham. All welcome, admission free, donations optional 10am – 4pm.

18th March Keynsham Food Chatter, 7pm Temple Street Canteen

APRIL

5th April Keynsham Film Works showing Things to Come at the Community Theatre Space. Doors open at 7.15 pm for a 7.45 pm start.

14th April – Somerset Farmer's Market, held in Market Walk from 9am to 1pm

26th April Keynsham Annual Town meeting, The Space, 7.30 pm

MAY

3rd May – Keynsham Film Works showing Denial at the Community Theatre Space. Doors open at 7.15 pm for 7.45pm start.

12th May Somerset Farmer's Market held in Market Walk from 9am – 1pm

COMMUNITY NETWORKING

Keynsham Town Council will be holding another Community Networking Event in June.

This is an open event for members of the public and it's a fantastic opportunity for local clubs, sporting groups and voluntary organisations to show the community what they offer and recruit new members and volunteers.

For further information contact Dawn Drury, Deputy Town Clerk on 0117 9868683 or email deputytownclerk@keynsham-tc.gov.uk

KEEP BRITAIN TIDY'S NATIONWIDE LITTER PICK

The annual [cross-Keynsam littler pick](#) with multiple groups starting at different points across Keynsam and joining together at the end for tea and cakes at the Bowls Club in the park, running from 2-4pm on 3rd March.

[Santander \(1pm start time\)](#) - giving the Memorial park a really good deep clean - led by Cassandra

[Keynsam in Bloom](#) - litter picking the train station - led by Dawn

[Keynsam Beavers](#) - meeting at the allotments, then going along Stoney Lane and back along the side of the river to the park - led by Angela

[Dapps Hill Bridge](#) - led by Roger

[Wellsway School](#) - perimeter fence, meeting at Ellsbridge Close - led by Erica

[Gravel car park by Lock Keeper pub](#) - would you like to lead this group? (I have volunteers but no leader)

[New Group](#) - Meeting at Corston post office - led by Katharine 07495 903239 katharine_evans@yahoo.co.uk <mailto:katharine_evans@yahoo.co.uk>

There are many other areas we have litter picked in the past, so if you would like to litter pick a specific area and/or lead a group do let me know - the more the merrier! If you will need to borrow litter picking equipment please let me know in advance so I can make sure your group leader has enough to lend you on the day.

If you would like to make a cake please bring it on the day or drop it off to me beforehand (54 Albert Road) - only if you would like to though!

SPARE EQUIPMENT

If anyone has any litter picking equipment they have borrowed in the past but find they are no longer using, please do drop it back to me, or let me know and I can collect - but only if you don't use it any more! I'm especially looking for the children's 'grabtors' if they are not being used.

GOING OUT FOR A PLOG

For all those Wombles who want to be right on message, the latest trend in litter picking is 'Plogging' - this is where you go for a run and get extra variety in your exercise by bending to pick up litter as you go along - sounds like an excellent idea to me!!

Thank you all so much for all you do to keep Keynsam tidy year in, year out!



Keynsham Town Council

YOUTH SERVICES UP-DATE

TimeOut is a membership only young people's centre designed to meet the needs of young people aged 13 to 19. Membership is £15 for the year, payable in one or 3 instalments.

TimeOut is open on the following days and times:

MONDAYS

Specialist Cooking Project 6.30 – 9.00



Producing a 4 course meal for guests.

Learn to cook healthy tasty food, explore the food and catering industry and, if you want to, gain an ASDAN Award 'Foodwise' short course. This has limited places, a maximum of 10 young people due to the equipment available.

TUESDAYS

7.00 – 9.30

This is an Open Access session with a music theme. Upstairs you can get involved with a variety of activities that are music focused, playing instruments, singing, music technology and even recording your songs in our state of the art music studio. We try to get as many professional people to come down to help young people develop their musical talents. We have established a good relationship with Basement Studio in Bristol

and have done sessions there. If you want to experience music, come down on Tuesdays and be upstairs or if you just want to 'chill out', you can be downstairs, play pool, chat with your mates, use the computers, chat with youth workers or have something to eat.

WEDNESDAYS

7.00 – 9.30

This is our project night, topics and projects chosen by young people who want to know more about issues that effect their lives or concerns that they may have about the environment, drugs, alcohol, sexual health. We are just finishing a 6 week project about employability and then in March, start an animation project with artists, making our first animated film. Again, this is group work and is limited to 12 young people. Sign up to attend.

THURSDAYS

7.00 – 9.30

This is our other Open Access session with an arts theme. Upstairs you can get involved in all sorts of arts-based activities, currently we are doing a wall mural and did the art designs at the Station, see right:



So if you want to do arts based activities then Thursday night is for you.

TimeOut is not a big building, so we do have to watch the numbers, in order that we can deliver activities safely and importantly everyone who attends respects each other and the building.

DETACHED YOUTH WORK

We now run two Detached Youth work sessions:

Tuesdays 6.00 – 9.00

Fridays 5.00 – 8.00

The current areas that the 2 youth workers work in are Memorial Park, High Street, Queen's Road and Tintagel. They will also have a wander into other areas of Keynsham dependent on where young people are. Their role is not to police areas, but to try and engage with those young people who do not use any facilities but are out on the streets. The youth workers offer information and advice and try to ascertain what these young people want to engage with and then hopefully empower them to make it happen. To date most

of the young people that are not known to them already are not from Keynsham, but from Hanham, Kingswood, Brislington etc and come to Keynsham to hang out. This is important to bear in mind with recent ASB incidents.

TimeOut is currently seeking new members, so if you are interested, pop in to Keynsham Town Council office and pick up a leaflet. Follow TimeOut on Facebook and see what we are doing and what we have done. Your first visit is free, after that you need to sign up as a member.

For further information, please contact Nick Brit - youthleader@keynsham-tc.gov.uk
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Once again, we are holding a Walking Festivals this year, taking place from the 6th - 8th April. Following the popularity of last year's event, we are extending this one to include a walk on the Friday evening, when we will join forces with the Keynsham & Saltford Local History Society to offer a guided tour around the town, highlighting points of cultural and historical interest. This will be quite a short distance walk, but should be very informative and is offered FREE of charge.



On the Saturday and Sunday there will be a variety of walks for all abilities. We shall be hosting two beginner walks, for those who are thinking of taking up walking or are only capable of walking short distances. For the more adventurous, there will be themed and longer walks, taking in the beautiful countryside we have in and around Keynsham.

As usual we shall be finishing the festival with a family fun event in the Memorial Park on the Sunday afternoon.



With the great support of the Avon Wildlife Trust, Somerdale Ramblers and the British Nordic Walking Association, we're hoping to make the 2018 edition of the Keynsham Walking Festival the best yet!

If you would like to take part in the festival, tickets will be on sale at the Keynsham Town Council Office in Temple Street from March 1st.



REMEMBERING THE GREAT FLOOD

Following a successful bid to BIG Lottery Awards for All programme, the West of England Rural Network is appointing a Project Officer to co-ordinate activities across the wider River Chew catchment area with four specific aims. Primarily, they will be working with communities to remember and respect those people or their families who were involved in the Great Flood and to pass on their knowledge to other generations. We will be working with groups and Parishes to increase the resilience of individuals and communities against severe weather events. The project will aim to increase

public awareness of the impact of the River Chew and its wider catchment on their lives and the wider environment and how their own actions can make a difference. And finally, the Project Officer will seek to co-ordinate a comprehensive portfolio of work across the catchment, sharing learning with others and to create a project legacy.

The details of this are being worked through at the moment, but if you have any ideas, comments or observations then please do contact WERN on: info@wern.org.uk



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DATES FOR 2018

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EVENTS IN KEYNSHAM THINGS TO DO

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Free community play sessions are being held on Monday's in Downfield park, Cleeve Grove, Keynsham between 3.30 am and 6pm. The sessions are arranged by Wansdyke Play Association. For more information, contact admin@wpg-play.com

Choirjam Pop Choir meets on Mondays 7.30 – 9pm at Somerdale Pavilion, Cross Road Keynsham BS31 2FW. Singing everything from Fleetwood Mac to Adele and having a lot of fun doing it! Adults of all ages are welcome to join. A friendly bunch and there's no audition or experience necessary – you just need to be enthusiastic and love singing. To book a free taster session, contact Emma Hutchinson, 07793 983040, emma@choirjam.co.uk or visit www.choirjam.co.uk

Baby Massage at Keynsham Children's Centre. For more information, please contact 01225 395400.

Babies Group from 11 am – 12.30 pm. For mums and dads with babies up to 18 months. Pregnant women and partners welcome at Keynsham Children's Centre.

Keynsham Elim Church Toddler group at 9.30 am

Youth Group meets on a Monday night and is open to all young people in school years 8 and above. From 7pm to 9pm at St John's Youth and Community Centre.

Beginner's Pilates 6.05 pm – 6.50 pm at Broadlands Academy, St Francis Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2DY (term time only). Car park available.

Public Swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 6.30 am til 12 noon and 1pm to 7pm.

Pilates and Integral Health Yoga at Broadland's Academy, Keynsham, Pilates 6-6.45pm and Yoga 6.55 to 7.55pm. For more information, call 077898 80415.

Beginner's Yoga, for back, neck and shoulders. Time: 6-6.45pm. Cost £40 (6weeks) drop in £8 at Broadland's Academy, St Francis Road, Keynsham, BS31 2DY. Free parking on site.

TUESDAY

Keynsham Old Time Dance Club meet at the Fear Hall, High Street, 7.30 pm – 10 pm. Easy, friendly social atmosphere, visitors and new members welcome. Further details on 0117 9864785

St Keyna Townswomen Guild meet every second Tuesday of the month between 9.45am and 11.45am in the Fear Hall, High Street, Keynsham. There are always lots of interesting speakers covering wide ranging subjects. Sub groups meet on other days and these include: Art, Books, Outings, Skittles, Walkers, Scrabble and many more. It is an enjoyable way to make new friends or embark on a new hobby, so do come along to our next meeting – enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and you will be made most welcome.

The Fry Club Joggers meet every Tuesday at 7pm in the entrance foyer to the club. For more information contact 0117 986 4785.

Early Support Stay and Play sessions from 9.30am-11.15am on second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Contact Keynsham Children's Centre: 01225 395400.

Choirjam Pop Choir meets on Tuesday's 7.30pm-9pm at the Fear Hall in the High Street, Singing everything from Fleetwood Mac to Adele and having a lot of fun doing it! Adults of all ages are

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Holy Communion at Keynsham Baptist Church every third Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm

Public swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 6.30am-8pm

Keynsham Walking Football Club 10-11 am at Keynsham FC on 3g pitch for over 65s. Just turn up and play. For more details, contact Martin on 07754 543719 or martincolles@blueyonder.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

Keynsham Duke of Edinburgh's Keynsham Open Award Centre meet Wednesdays, 7.30-9pm at Somerdale Pavilion. Contact Lynn Whitfield: dofekoac@gmail.com

Project Night at TimeOut. Project based session aimed at developing young people's life skills. 7pm to 9pm every week for 13-19 years. Topics decided by Young People. Limited to 14 people. Time Out building, 16 Bath Hill.

Keynsham Photography Society meets weekly between September and April upstairs in The Fear Hall, 7.30pm. For more information visit: www.keynshamphotographicsociety.co.uk

Public swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 6.30am to 4pm.

Choirjam Pop Choir meets on Wednesday mornings 11am-12.30pm at the Fear Hall in the High Street singing everything from Fleetwood Mac to Adele and having a lot of fun doing it! Adults of all ages are welcome to join. A friendly bunch and there's no audition or experience necessary – you just need to be enthusiastic and to love singing. To book a free taster session contact Emma Hutchinson: 07793 983040, emma@choirjam.co.uk or visit www.choirjam.co.uk

Speech and Language Toddler Time 10am – 12 noon (referrals only). Telephone 01225 831752 or speak to your health visitor.

Maths@67 runs every Wednesday in term time from 4pm to 5pm for children in years 5 and 6. For more information, contact community@67 on 0117 9863961.

Keynsham Elim Church Toddler group at 9.30 am

Circuits at Keynsham Sports Centre from 6.35-7.30pm

The Keynsham Good Afternoon choir meets every Wednesday afternoon from 2pm-4pm at Keynsham Methodist Church. There is NO charge for attending your first rehearsal and there are no auditions. Everyone is welcome. Bath musician Grenville Jones is the conductor and Sandie Middleton is the accompanist.

Turn it Up a singing club for teens aged from 12-17 who love singing pop or want to learn how. 7pm – 8.30pm at the Somerdale Pavilion, Cross Road, Keynsham BS31 2FW every Wednesday during term time. If your teen is interested in joining Turn It Up, please contact Emma Hutchinson: 07793 983040, hello@turnitupclub.co.uk

Junior Craft Class for primary school aged children meets in Keynsham Baptist Church Hall 4-5pm every first Wednesday of the month. Fun craft activities. Cost £1 per child. For more information, contact Hilary on 01225 874791.

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THURSDAY

Open Doors Community Café, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. St Francis Church.

Mother and Toddler Groups, 10 am St John's Parish Church Hall

Second and fourth Thursday of the month – Music for the Mind at St Dunstan's Church Hall 10.30 am – 12 noon for those with dementia diagnosis. Free admission, for more information, contact 0117 9837923 or dementiafriendlykeynsham@gmail.com

Open Access at TimeOut for 13-19 years from 7pm-9.30pm. Usual facilities of a Youth Centre, when WiFi is connected will have IT access via 4 PCs to include animation facilities, music studio, arts and crafts, movie nights, gaming areas, cooking. TimeOut building, 16Bath Hill. Contact: 0117 9868683 for more information.

Asp Poetry Circle meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month at Meeting Room 1 or reception, Broadlands School, Keynsham from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. For more info, go to www.totallymaracas.btck.co.uk/ASPPoets

Stay and Play (for 0-5 years) from 9.30am to 11 am at Keynsham Children's Centre. Play and development opportunities for parents and children to meet and have fun.

Keynsham Film Works meet on the first Thursday of every month (except in July and August) at The Community Space, Civic Centre, Markey Walk, Keynsham at 7.45pm.

Keynsham Elim Church Toddler group at 9.30 am

Yoga class at Saltford Hall, Wedmore Road, some experience is beneficial. 6.15pm -7.45pm call 01761 472616.

Public swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 6.30am to 11.15am and 12.15pm to 7pm

Aqua Aerobics at Keynsham Sports Centre from 10.30am to 11.15am and 7pm to 7.45pm

Slimming World classes at Keynsham Baptist Church, High Street, 3.30pm, 5.30pm and 7.30pm. Call Kelly for more information on 07795 880415.

Integral Hatha Yoga suitable for beginners at St Francis Hall, Warwick Road, Keynsham from 6-6.45pm and 7-8.30pm. Call 07789 880415 for more details.

Childminding group from 9.30am-11.30am at Keynsham Children's Centre, Contact Sarah Allum on 01225 396071 or 07530 233002.

Beginner's Hatha Yoga, 6-6.45pm at St Francis Hall, Warwick Road, Keynsham Bristol BS31 2PW.

Hatha Yoga and Mindfulness, 7-8.30pm at St Francis Hall, Warwick Road, Keynsham Bristol BS31 2PW.

Wellsway Short Mat Bowling Club meet at the Scout Hut, Ashton Way, Keynsham from 1.15pm to 4.15pm. New members are welcome, for more information, contact Dave Sawyer on 01225 872780.

Yoga for Beginners time: 6-7pm cost £48 (6 weeks) or £10 drop-in at St Francis Hall, Warwick Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2PW. On site parking available.

Improver's Yoga time 7.10-8.30pm. Cost £66 (6 weeks) at St Francis Hall, Warwick Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2PW. On site parking available.

Family Yoga at Fear Hall, Keynsham from 10.45am for more info see www.yogakeynsham.com

FRIDAY

Keynsham Table Tennis Club for over 14s, 6pm – 9pm at Somerdale Pavillion. Members £3, non-members £4. Mixed ability with equipment provided with four tables. More information on Facebook, KeynshamTTClub or Twitter, KeynshamTTC

Parent Support Group from 9.30am-11.30am. Term time only, drop in for groups for parents/carers, get support, meet other parents and learn practical tips. A crèche is available for 0-5 year olds. Places must be booked in advance at Keynsham Children's Centre.

Keynsham Elim Church Toddler group at 9.30 am

Public Swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 6.30am to 7pm

Zumba at the River Suite from 6.40pm every week for 50 minutes

Keynsham Walking Football Club, 10-11am at Keynsham FC on 3G pitch, just turn up and play. For more details, contact Martin on 07754 543719 or martincoles@blueyonder.co.uk

Tea 'n' Tots meets 9.30-11.30am every Friday morning during term time in Keynsham Baptist Church Hall. This is a free drop in for babies, toddlers and their carers, with toys, craft, stories and singing. For more information, contact Hilary on 01225 874791.

SATURDAY

Anyone who would like to grow vegetables and meet other like minded people, come along to the community plot from 10.30am on the first Saturday of the month. You will find us behind the café in the Memorial Park. The plot is for anyone in the community with an interest in 'Grow your Own to Share.' For details call Aileen: 0785 4149008.

Mass at St Dunstan's Catholic Church at 6pm

Keynsham Town's under 13s team train every Saturday between 10am and 12 noon. Contact Darren on 07904 036483 for more information.

Public Swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 8am to 2.45pm

Zumba class at The River Suite from 8.55am -9.45am

Pay and Play Badminton at Keynsham Sports Centre from 5pm to 7pm

Yoga Hatha at the River Suite from 11am for 60mins

Yoga at the River Suite from 11am to 12pm

SUNDAY

Inflatable Play in the Swimming Pool at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 3.45pm to 4.45pm

Mass at St Dunstan's Catholic Church at 10.30am

Holy Communion/morning prayer at St John the Baptist Church at 9.30 am

Open door service St John the Baptist Church, 11.15 am

Holy Communion at Keynsham Baptist Church at 10.30am on the first Sunday of each month.

Sunday morning service at Keynsham Methodist Church at 10am

Keynsham Parish Players, rehearsals take place in the Parish Hall every Sunday afternoon and often during the week, to join call 0117 986 3354

Public Swimming at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 8am to 11.30am and 12.30pm to 6pm

Aqua Aerobics at Keynsham Leisure Centre from 7pm to 7.45pm



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MEET THE TEAM

David Amesbury

Position:
**Marketing and
Communications
Assistant**



Q: Do you live in Keynsham?

A: Yes

Q: What is your experience in Marketing?

A: I have worked in many different marketing departments in my career, so I have experience of promoting a variety of products and services.

Q: What will you enjoy about working for the Council?

A: It will be fun to publicise the things that the Town Council are working on and increase their presence online. As well as providing facilities to the residents of Keynsham, the Council are heavily involved in community groups, events and projects that really benefit Keynsham. I want to make sure that residents know about the opportunities the Council are providing for them.

Q: Away from work what are your hobbies/interests?

A: I really enjoy sport; I play a bit of tennis and football. I also play the guitar a bit. I have a wife, a daughter and a dog. They live in my house and take up a lot of my time; it's nice.

Q: What do you think are the best things about Keynsham?

A: Keynsham is a great place to live. It's big enough to warrant lots of useful amenities on the door step but it still has a fantastic community spirit and network which means there is always lots going on.

KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Our office at 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 1HF is open from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday and staff are happy to answer any questions or queries you may have.

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Keynsham Town Council website, Facebook page and Twitter feed provides information and updates regarding activities and opportunities within the Town Council and can promote helpful thoughts and comments through sharing opinions.



KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

KEYNSHAM RESIDENTS are welcome to attend Town Council meetings in the Community Space, Civic Centre, Keynsham on **Tuesdays** at 7.30pm.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

2018 – 13th March, 17th April,
15th May, 12th June

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Held in the Town Council office 15-17 Temple Street, Keynsham on Mondays at 7.30 pm

2018 – 26th March, 23rd April, 14th May, 4th June

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