

The Village Pump Nymet Rowland

January 2023

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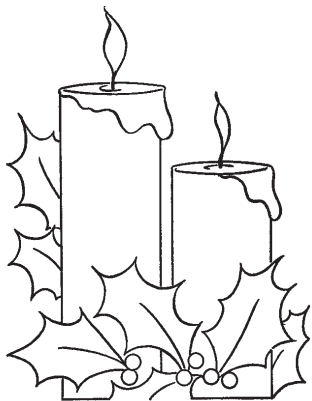
Our next two meetings will be;

11th January: 'My Life with Clocks' - Dave Clarke

8th February: "Wills, Power of Attorney -

Michelle Cotterill

W.I. contact Liz Smith 83515



*Wishing all in the village a
Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year*

POPPY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 2022 Poppy Appeal. The grand total collected for Lapford, Coldridge and Nymet Rowland amounted to a wonderful £1,982.82. Thank you all very much.

Caroline Noon

Poppy Appeal Organiser

RECYCLING AND REFUSE

28 December 2022 (Wednesday)

Blue Food Caddy

Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

04 January 2023 (Wednesday)

Blue Food Caddy

Recycling

10 January 2023 (Tuesday)

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Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

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16 January 2023

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Recycling

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Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

30 January 2023

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Recycling

Black bin: Non-Recyclable Waste

THE GREAT CHAINSAW MASSACRE

Following the article in last month's Village Pump on 'The Great Chainsaw Massacre' I am writing to clarify what is going on! It was disappointing that Mr Kirkham did not 'enquire' or have any knowledge of the reason for the cutting down of the trees before publicly speaking out on what he clearly did not understand! However I understand he has graciously written a letter of apology! (see *below* - Ed.)

No one is more upset about the situation than we are as the owners. All the trees that have been cut down are Ash trees and the reason for having to remove them is because they have the dreaded 'Ash Die Back' disease.

All the trees were inspected by the Forestry Commission to confirm they had the disease and advised us on the best way of dealing with the problem, which was to remove them to help stop the spread of the disease and the danger of many of them within 70-80 feet of the highway falling onto the public as the trunks and branches become very brittle with the disease and can fall without any warning.

Both the farmer at Coldridge Barton and ourselves were issued a felling licence from the Forestry Commission with a timescale to remove all diseased trees and replant the copse area. Our contractor was very careful not to remove or damage any other species of trees. We fully understand that many are upset at the sight of so many trees being felled and have been happy to explain to folk who have spoken to us about it.

One suggestion from a parishioner was to offer anyone in the parish the opportunity when replanting to plant a tree near the road with maybe a plaque in memory of a loved one or pet, a suggestion we will consider and followup.

Paul and Mary Stanbury

I'M SORRY, I BOOBED BADLY!

Oh dear! I got it very wrong with my letter in last month's Pump about the tree felling along Diddycombe and in the copse on the

left of the road to Allerbridge, as has been very diplomatically pointed out to me (thanks Arthur).

It turns out that the vast majority of trees felled were ash, and this was absolutely necessary because they were infected by ash dieback disease.

I am mortified that this hadn't occurred to me and that I went ahead with my letter implying that this was some form of vandalism. As someone who normally prides themselves on getting their facts straight I feel doubly annoyed with myself.

Another innacuracy in my letter was the statement that none of this was taking place in Nymet parish. In fact the copse I mentioned, to the left of the Allerbridge road (and part of Cleaveanger farmland), is in fact within the parish (thanks again, Arthur).

I am hoping that if anyone passed on the contents of my letter to the landowners concerned that they will also tell them of my correction, and give them my profuse apologies.

Francis Kirkham

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Reverend Robert Gordon

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Arthur



Snow scene from Nymet Rowland, December 2022

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