

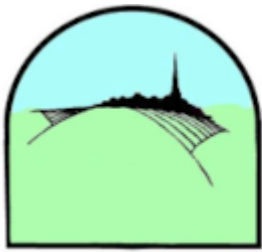
**Not a very good start to our last meeting** as we learned from Kemble Community Gardens that Cotswold District Council are back-tracking on their previous offer of either the freehold or very long lease. The Parish Council have taken exception to this U-Turn and alongside the KCG have written to CDC requesting a face-to-face meeting with the stakeholders to bottom this out and bring it to a conclusion. The Parish Council are thrilled when our community can come together like this, drawing on peoples' skills and passions.

**To show our support** for the wonderful wildlife area within the heart of Kemble Community Gardens the PC have pledged monies towards rejuvenating the heavily overgrown pond and surrounding area. Once finished this area will provide a beautiful spot for quiet contemplation and the occasional supervised "pond dipping" sessions.

**The KCG had a great response** from our community when they reached out for fund-raising – their BBQ was blessed with some dry weather and was a well-attended event – plus the crowd-funding initiative which has given the KCG a pot towards their planned "bad weather shelter and information hub".

**Village appearance crops up time and time again** as we strive to maintain a happy medium between immaculate and environmentally friendly. With the County Council's news that it will no longer be spraying footpaths with weed killer it is going to take a lot of work to keep nature at bay. We are aware that the **Cemetery's appearance** is causing concern for some. **John Tarratt** is looking to gather a group of volunteers to tackle part of this work. If you can spare some time, energy and maybe a strimmer/hedge trimmer then please contact us so that we can pass on your details. **01285 770650** or mention it to one of the councillors.

**Dog owners and dog walkers** please, please, please tidy up after your dog. The mess being left behind is a real problem around Top Farm, Old Vicarage Lane and the farm track. We know it is dark, and often wet – please pick up the poo from your pooch. If you think another bin is required, then let us know where it should go.



**Kemble at Play** –Have you completed the survey yet? It is open until 1<sup>st</sup> December <https://s.surveypal.com/fjb6t63v> or complete a hard copy available from the Village Shop. So far 180 online surveys have been received plus a few paper ones from the shop which is an excellent response – but the more the merrier so please do join in.

**Next Litter Pick Event** is Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>. Meet at The Tavern Pub.

**Crime needs reporting** so please contact the Police on 101 – if the incidents are not reported then the statistics mean we are not allocated the police to deal with them.

**We are told that Kemble train station ticket office** will reopen on 20<sup>th</sup> November. Fingers crossed that this is maintained.

**OUR POPPY WREATH** was collected by GWR's Poppy Train and delivered to Paddington Station where it was placed on the war memorial on Armistice Day.



**Next Parish Council Meeting** is on Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 7pm. Please let the clerk know you will be attending with a brief outline of what you would like to discuss. Thank you.

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