

## NEWSLETTER Edition 21 November 2024

With a healthy attendance by parish residents the meeting got off to a flying start with various matters being brought to the PC's attention. The dangerous junction at the Kemble, Tarlton crossroads has claimed another life. We will ask Gloucestershire Highways to place appropriate signage warning drivers of the dangers here. Please note if you have any Highways issues, big or small, you can contact them directly via the "fix my street" website. The PC were asked by another resident about the cemetery and weeding/mowing. The war graves are maintained under contract. However, the rest of the area including the pathway will be gently rather than vigorously maintained. We will soon put notices up to this effect. Kemble at Play up-dated us on their progress with the rejuvenation/new play equipment. The playground might have to be out of bounds for a short period over the winter months, but it will be worth the wait. There are other play areas in the village, and it will only be the equipment inside the fenced play area which might have to taped off. Thank you to those who came to share their voice.

An air pollution monitor will be installed next to the A429 early in the new year. Data will be available towards the end of that year for the Parish to consider.

**CDC run a warm and well scheme for those earning less than £36,000** (joint household income). They offer a free energy survey and follow up with work that can be 100% grant funded. 7wye is the charity supporting this endeavour.

We are proud to be supporting the maintenance of the defribulators around the village. They are used surprisingly regularly by First Responders and have saved lives.



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## Cllr Lisa Spivey's report included the following:

Flash flooding – GCC are responsible for clearing the drains, however if one is blocked near you, please help by removing autumn leaves (if it is safe to do so). Leaves make a great addition to the compost bin. Otherwise, blocked drains can be reported online with Fix My Street.

Safety enhancements will be carried out at the crossroads between South Cerney/Siddington/Kemble/Somerford Keynes road.

**Civic Pride** has taken a back seat with all the cost cutting. Lisa is asking Cabinet to consider establishing a team to go around fixing things such as road sign cleaning and repairs, verges cut back and cleared where necessary and other small things which make a big difference. (This is something our parishioners have talked about this year).

**Winter fuel support** is still available at Council level. Please get in touch with GCC if you know anyone who might need extra support this winter.

**Football for Under 9s** is on the playing field every Saturday and Sunday morning.

**Kemble Station are opening their museum** on 26<sup>th</sup> November at 11am. Everyone welcome.

**The Village Hall is holding a Christmas Fayre** on 30<sup>th</sup> November from 12 until 4pm. Amazing raffle prizes, stalls, refreshments and entertainment.

**Next Parish Council Meeting** is Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December starting at 7pm. We meet in the Village Hall and you are always welcome. Please let the Clerk know in advance that you are coming. All supporting documents can be found on the Kemble and Ewen PC website.

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