

# Kippax Matters

*June 2020*



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## KIPPAX METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodist Minister for Kippax is the Reverend Andrew Checkley,  
Telephone number 0113 2877669.

At present like all places of worship Kippax Methodist Church is closed for public services with all other activities are suspended. If by July, the regulations about Covid19 Lock Down change as has been intermated by Her Majesty's Government we would hope to commence all our normal functions.

Watch out for notices on Church Notice Board at the bottom of Chapel Lane, on our  Facebook page and in our church windows. Stay Alert!

### Worship and other regular activities

Sunday	10:30 am	Sunday Worship and Acorns (Junior Church).
Monday	5:00 pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Kippax Brownies
	7:30 pm	Open Door Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am	Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month
	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Coffee Morning
Wednesday	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Pram Club & Toddler Group for mums and Babies/toddlers up to two years old.*
	12:30 pm	Men's Lunch Group meets second Wednesday <u>monthly</u> September to June
Thursday	5:30 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Kippax Rainbows
Friday	4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	JIGSAW Crafts ,Activities, Stories, Fun. last Friday of the month. Any queries contact Jigsaw Admin on:jgswdmn@gmail.com
	7:00 pm - 8.30 pm	Friday Feeling Junior Youth Club. (7 years and upwards) (Please tel.0113 2869808 for availability of places.)

You are welcome to join us for any of these regular events, as well as the ones listed below

\*Babies & Toddler Group operates during term time only.



You can find us on Facebook, as a Public Group 'Kippax Methodist Church'

**Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals by arrangement with Rev Andrew Checkley.**

### Future Events

Non planned at the moment.

For more details of these and other events, look at the noticeboard or at posters in the Church windows. Church rooms are for hire, special rates for Children's (Under 10 years of age) Birthday parties. Ring 0113 286 2660 for details.

**\*\*All Adverts in this Magazine Subject to Present Government Regulations\*\***

## EDITORIAL.

Hi everyone! Well, where shall I start? I am writing this whilst we are still in Lockdown, so maybe things will have changed somewhat by the time you read it, but I suspect that we are unlikely to be back to 'normal' whatever that is, for a while yet. We have never experienced anything quite like this before. I haven't seen my grandchildren for almost three months up to now and am missing them so much. There will be lost of hugs and kisses when allowed!

This issue of Kippax Matters may seem a little different. There are no publicised events, but instead a few notices of cancellations. The planned Commemoration of VE Day has been postponed and there is information about this in the centre pages, along with a few photos of how some Kippisers celebrated anyway (socially distanced of course!)

Some contributors were able to send us articles though, the Art Club, the Gardening page, Knit and Natter, the Amateur Dramatic Group are all there for your enjoyment. Regulars such as Alec Shelbrooke and our Ward Councillors are also included. Information about church services, the Community Hub and Kippax in Bloom are there as well. Plus, a walk with map. There is also an introduction to our new KPC Chair – Cllr Martin Eyre, whom many of you will already know.

I think Kippax has embraced the difficult time and done its collective best to make things work. The vast majority of people have adhered to the social distancing rules but still being friendly and greeting each other whilst weaving around so as not to get too close. Many people have taken up cycling as well as walking for that essential exercise! I don't think the canine residents of Kippax have ever had so many walks! We are very lucky in Kippax to have so much beautiful countryside around us, finding somewhere nice to walk is never difficult what with The Lines, Billy Wood, Owl Wood, Roach Hills and even Fairburn and St. Aiden's if you're fit enough to walk that far. There is circular walk in this magazine which starts and ends in Brecks Lane.

Both the Co-op and Sainsburys have introduced measures to keep us safe. Shops in the High Street have organised free deliveries – Flintoft's Butchers, Tasty Bites, Torvills and Pat's Sweets to name a few. Woodend Nurseries delivered and also the Urban Pet Store in Garforth. Abbey Vets in the village were able to arrange home visits. Garforth Elders Neighbourhood Team (NET) organised volunteers to help whoever needed it and of course Kippax Parish Council have been available for anyone needing help.

None of this would have been possible without the wonderful staff and volunteers going to work every day in spite of the worry of infection. A really big Thank You from everyone in the village! We couldn't have managed without you. Thanks also to our refuse collectors, delivery drivers, bus drivers and everyone who has carried on working for us.

Not forgetting, of course, the doctors, nurses, carers and all hospital, pharmacy and care home workers who have worked extremely hard for us in so many ways. The Thursday night Clap has shown our appreciation and for many of us is the only way we can say Thank You.

Many thanks are also owed to the army of parents who are now home schooling, as well as working from home in lots of cases and the teachers still in schools looking after some of our children.

Community spirit has definitely flourished during this time. We have always had it, but it seems to be increasing daily.

You can see some of the things people are doing on p.9

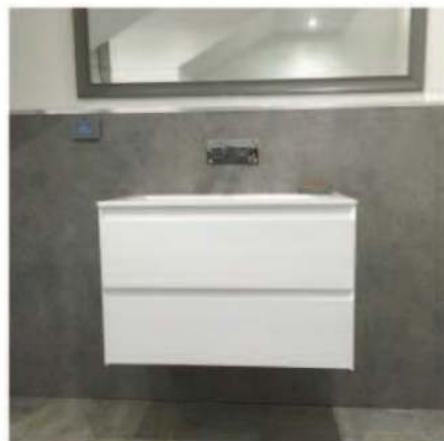
I sincerely hope that we will be almost back to normal (new normal?) when the September issue is due. Let's all keep our fingers crossed!

Stay safe!

Val Laycock

Joint Editor

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## HELLO FROM YOUR NEW KPC CHAIR

Firstly, thank you to Cllr Kelly for being KPC's previous Chair and secondly thank you to all my fellow Parish Councillors who elected me as new Chair and also Cllr Michaela Biscomb as Vice Chair.

Welcome to our new Parish Councillor Josie Mawson who was co-opted onto the Parish Council in May.

I have been a Parish Councillor for 5 years, being Chair of the Planning Committee and for the past few years Vice Chair of the Council.

I am also a member of several Advisory Committees within KPC and represent KPC on the Kippax High Street Team.



I have been self-employed for the last 26 years and enjoy gardening, walking and good food.

Parish Council business has been continuing throughout the COVID-19 pandemic by way of Zoom virtual meetings.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic many proposed events that were being organised for Kippax had to be postponed including the VE Day celebrations, Family bike ride and Farmers market, so we will keep you informed when these have been rescheduled.

At the time of the magazine going to print we are still hoping the proposed Kippax Gala and the Christmas Lights switch on events can go ahead.

We do still have ideas regarding organising a Scarecrow festival and reviving the pram race, but we always welcome suggestions from residents regarding other events which could be held that would enhance our community spirit which is always present when Kippax has an event.

Regards  
Cllr Martin Eyre

## BRIGSHAW CLUSTER TEAM

The Brigshaw Cluster team have continued to support our children, young people and their families during the past nine weeks since schools closed to the majority of pupils. We have liaised closely with staff in school to ensure the right support is made available at the right time for families. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Kippax Parish Council for their financial contribution, which has helped us to support local families by providing food vouchers.

Any parent/carer wishing to speak to a member of the Cluster team, can do so in confidence, by contacting their school in the first instance and asking for a call back from a member of the team, we are here to support you in any way we can so please don't hesitate to get in touch.



## THE VIEW FROM A KIPPAX GARDEN by EBG Jardinero Esq.

Since writing the previous article at the end of January and writing this towards the end of May, the changes to our daily lives has been unprecedented in my lifetime. Thank you to all those who have helped others and deepest sympathies to everyone who has suffered loss.

With flower shows and garden visits having been cancelled, there has been an increase in the amount of content on-line. Virtual tours of gardens by the National Garden Scheme are fantastic to look at (find them at [www.ngs.org.uk/virtual-garden-visits](http://www.ngs.org.uk/virtual-garden-visits)). With RHS Chelsea Flower Show cancelled this year, the RHS made it Virtual and put lots of content on-line at [www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events](http://www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events).

I realise I'm fortunate in many ways in being retired and having a garden. I'm convinced though that gardening and growing things have been good for my mental health and lots of other people find benefits in it as well. Local walks within the guidelines have been a chance to see some different views and wildlife everywhere is still getting on with what they need to do. Lovely to see it and indeed, it appears many people are taking more exercise particularly walking and cycling. Hopefully there will also have been more gardening going on.

There's lots of instances of people being creative with little or no garden. Windowsills can be used for growing herbs and house plant sales were increasing before lockdown. There has also been a surge in popularity of growing micro-greens. This is the growing of seeds of leafy herbs and plants that we would usually let grow to full-size before harvesting. The leaves can be ready to pick just one or two weeks after sowing and will have a concentrated flavour. Grow them in a light position in compost in yoghurt pots with a hole in the bottom, seed trays, plant pots or re-use plastic containers that had fruit in them; they won't be there for long. Sow regular batches throughout the year to keep supplies coming. Seeds to use include coriander, radish, beetroot, basil, fennel, rocket and spinach but there's lots of others.



Blossom in Kippax Meadows



Fresh Hosta Leaves

Here at home, there's not been much rain recently and with watering being required particularly in the greenhouse and for newly planted seedlings and plants, the water butts are getting low.

Two months ago, the lawn was practically lush, having largely recovered from the warm summer weather of 2018. This week it's got some serious brown patches on it. With not watering it, it's come back before and so I'm hoping when we get some rain, it will come back again.

We had to curtail filling the bird feeders earlier than usual this spring because we were inundated outside with a plague of rats (okay there were 3 but to us it was a plague) as they were looking for spilt bird seed. I think they had moved from wherever they usually were due to a shift in everyone's eating patterns. Also, they usually stay apart from human activity but we were going out less at the time. I've made sure that our birdbaths have been topped up with clean water so that the birds have somewhere to drink and bathe. They need to be checked daily but old dustbin lids or shallow containers placed firmly on the ground, make excellent water sources for wildlife to use, in the dry weather.

I bought seeds for this season's vegetable sowing in February so wasn't as affected by the garden centre closures as I might have been (not the most important point in the circumstances but I did miss the accompanying coffees there).

I sowed various seeds in modules in the greenhouse in March and of those, courgette and sweet corn seeds failed to germinate; probably too cold at night. I tried again in April and got 5 courgette plants to grow on. At the same time, I put some sweet corn seeds in with seeds of peas and beans on damp kitchen paper in a plastic tray. A few days later, most of them started to sprout and I potted them up in modules in the greenhouse.

This last week I started at one end of the greenhouse and went through all the pots and modules in there as I needed space to set out nine 12inch pots for tomatoes in the beds. Plants were weeded and pruned and potted on as required. Any re-usable compost was saved and is being used again. I planted out eight seedlings of Tomato 'Golden Crown' and one plant of T. 'Velocity Beefsteak' which is my guest tomato this year. Other vegetables I'm growing this year include spring onions, lettuce, mangetout peas, borlotti beans, leeks, kale, peas, dwarf French beans, Squash 'Patty Pan', beetroot and Squash 'Uchiki Kuri'. Some of these need to be planted out after the chance of frost has passed so refer to the information on the seed packet for guidance. Parsnips and carrots are being sown directly into the bed as they don't like being transplanted. I got six Sweet Pepper 'California Wonder' to germinate and I'll keep potting these on and leave them in the greenhouse.


### **Jobs for the months ahead**

**June** – Plant out sweet corn in blocks rather than in long rows, as they are wind pollinated. Give bulbs such as daffodils and crocus growing in grass six weeks after flowering and it should be safe to cut them by mowing. Take spent flowers of rhododendrons off by hand to avoid new growth behind being damaged.

**July** – Regularly water shrubs and trees in containers after checking often how much they need. Keep birdbaths clean to avoid diseases spreading and topped up. Plum, cherry and damsons should be pruned as soon as possible after harvesting as cuts heal rapidly in warm weather which reduces the chances of silver leaf infection.

**August** – Plan next year's spring bulb display as catalogues become available. Give hardy geraniums a chop to promote fresh growth. Lift spring-sown and spring-planted onions and shallots when the foliage yellows and flops; dry bulbs thoroughly in the sun or greenhouse for two weeks before storing.

**Get out, enjoy your garden and stay safe.**



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## **WORKING TO SUPPORT THE ELDERLY AND VULNERABLE- GARFORTH NET**

Garforth NET is a registered charity, one of a network of teams across Leeds who exist to support the elderly with the support of Leeds Council. Additional support is also needed in order that NET can continue supporting the over 60s and their carers in our area.

Our local NET covers 46 square miles and includes Kippax as well as 11 other local villages including Garforth, Allerton Bywater, Swillington etc.

Prior to lockdown NET provided a range of activities including lunch clubs, craft activities and support from Dover Street and outlying centres such as Cross Hills, Mount Pleasant and Kippax Hub.

### **What is Garforth NET doing now?**

Teams of volunteers keep in touch with clients by phone call. Only Monica Walker the Manager is still working in isolation at Dover Street to coordinate the operation. All other staff members are working from home. In Kippax we identified a team of additional volunteers who have been supporting an additional 50 plus people with a friendly phone call. Additional volunteers have collected prescriptions etc. As a result of the pandemic NET is now also supporting other individuals and families who are shielding.

Clients are supplied with food if they have no family members to collect it for them. Kippax Coop, Sainsbury's Tesco Lidl and other stores are contributing food. There is a food collection point in the Kippax Coop. The food is delivered to households by Garforth Lions and other volunteers.

NET is now supporting not only their own clients but hundreds who have been referred through the LCC helpline. NET have supported around 600 families in the Kippax area alone.

Thanks to Kippax Parish Council but donations still needed!

Monica said "Many thanks to Kippax Parish Council for their generous donation which has helped greatly. However, the funds are still running low as so many people are being helped!" All donations are welcome

Donation by cheque can be made to NET Garforth and posted to NET Dover Street  
Garforth Leeds LS25 2LP

Donation by BACS to Barclays Bank Sort Code 20-48-42,  
Account number 23920747  
Account name Neighbourhood Elders Team

Many thanks to Monica and all the staff and volunteers!

N.B. Emergency referrals should go through the Leeds City Council emergency helpline 01133781877. They prioritise and then forward referrals on to Monica who is coordinating response across our area.



## KIPPAX COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Two young local girls, Lola and Billie, have raised over £1,500 for Garforth NET. The girls committed to cycling 100 miles each in May, and smashed their original target of £250! They completed 100 miles by Sunday 24th May in just 11 rides.



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## DJ

DJ Harry, who has DJ'd at our Christmas Lights Switch-On and the Youth Club, supported by KPC, has been providing free DJ sets via Facebook during lockdown to lift spirits and raise money for charity.

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## Bingo

We've had lots of lovely community spirit and activity during lock down, including The Rise, where resident Jo Heywood has been hosting a socially-distanced bingo night with her neighbours which caught the attention of the BBC!

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## Book Swap

There is a book swap every Monday and Friday on the garden wall of 14 Brecks Lane. Bring along any books you don't want anymore and choose some to replace them.

## HELLO FROM EVERYONE HERE AT KIPPAX COMMUNITY HUB

As you will be aware, like the majority of other businesses, we had to temporarily close our doors in March due to COVID-19. We would like to thank all of our customers for the continued support and very much look forward to when we can meet you all again for a friendly hello!

We really hope that everyone is keeping as safe and well as you can be in these changing times. For those of you who need to access drop-in services usually available at the Hub, Leeds City Council are continuing to provide services via telephone and email. Please don't be at home worrying, just contact us. For general enquiries, answers to most queries can be found on our website [www.leeds.gov.uk](http://www.leeds.gov.uk)

If you want help with your C.V. or assistance from Leeds City Council Jobshop they are still working and available to help their email address is [jobshops@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:jobshops@leeds.gov.uk).

Did you know that we have a dedicated Coronavirus Helpline for those needing assistance? This service can arrange emergency food parcels, volunteer and service matching for prescriptions/dog walking/shopping and befriending. If you're struggling, please don't suffer alone call us on **0113 3781877**.

For those with access to a computer, smartphone, eBook or tablet, you can still access Library Services through the Leeds Libraries website and download a number of resources free of charge [www.leeds.gov.uk/leisure/libraries](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/leisure/libraries)

Please be aware the information in this article was written a month before the magazine was distributed throughout Kippax therefore services may have been adapted due to any changes in the Corona Virus current situation.

Follow us on Social Media for updates on the services provided at the Hub:

Twitter @LCCKippaxHub

Kippax Community Hub on Facebook

Best wishes from all of us at Kippax Community Hub

### Useful Numbers:

- Adult Social Care: 0113 2224401
- Anti-Social Behaviour including noise from homes: 0113 2224402
- Housing Leeds: 0800 188 4000 (free from a landline)
- Housing Leeds: 0113 3760410 (alternative local rate number)
- Choice Based Lettings: 0113 2224413
- Children and Young People Social Care: 0113 2224403
- Council tax and benefits including Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit, benefit fraud and free school meals: 0113 2224404
- Customer Relations including customer feedback, compliments and complaints: 0113 2224405
- Environmental Services including collecting rubbish, recycling, industrial noise, pest control, cutting grass, removing needles and removing graffiti: 0113 2224406
- Highways including street lighting and street cleaning: 0113 2224407
- Registrars including births, deaths, marriages and ceremonies: 0113 2224408
- Planning: 0113 2224409
- Disabled parking badges and bus passes: 0113 2224444

- Leeds Housing Options: 0113 2224412
- Parking Services: 0113 37 85000
- Textphone for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people: 0113 2224410

#### Out-of-hours emergency phone numbers

- Council house repairs: 0800 188 4000 (free from a landline)  
0113 3760410 (alternative local rate number)
- Social Care and homelessness: 0113 2409536

## SAMUEL CHEESBROUGH

(From The Dalesman, February 1978)

**Samuel Cheesbrough**, now 82 years of age, was born at Kippax and he left school for Allerton Bywater Colliery in 1909. After war service, he returned to complete 52 years at the same pit.

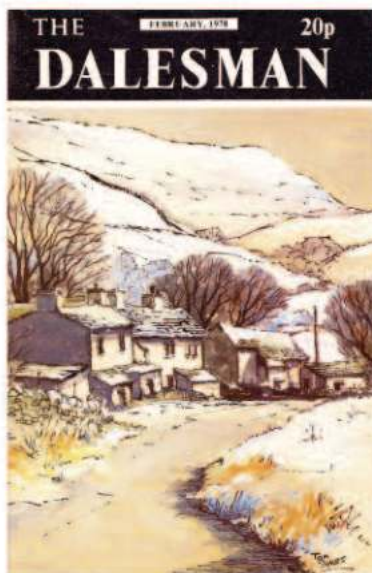
A most selfless man, he presides over the Kippax Parish Council, the Garforth Road Safety Committee and the local branch of the Royal British Legion. He has been secretary of the Old Folks Treat for 30 years, and has strong associations with the Belgrave Methodist Church. His list of associations with voluntary organisations is impressively long.

Says Mr. Cheesbrough: "In short, I have tried to use my talents to the full, and not entirely in my own interests." He has donated his body to the hospital for "spare part" usage, but thinks that "the parts will be worn out when I've done with them!"

His favourite story is of the old-time local preacher who had walked several miles to preach at a small chapel in the country. His congregation consisted of one dear old lady. Should he take the service or have a few words of prayer and return home?

The preacher decided it was his duty to preach. He went through the full service. When the last hymn was announced, the dear old lady looked uncomfortable, for it was that beginning: "Come, O thou traveller unknown," and including the words: "With thee all night I mean to stay, and wrestle till the break of day."

"But tha' weean't," shot back the old lady as she made for the door, "cos I'm off 'ome."





## KIPPAX ART CLUB

The year started well, a steady membership, we even had a new member, plans for another demo or two when Bam!!, it was all changed as the country went into "lockdown" and the club meetings were suspended until life resumes normality. Members have stayed in touch with each other, and continued painting. What better way to fill your day than doing what you enjoy and an activity which is so calming and fulfilling. The selection shows some works in progress as we temporarily closed, hopefully we'll be able to show you the finished works in the not too distant future. Watch out for the news that we are back up and running.







**Rt Hon. Alec Shelbrooke M.P.**

Conservative Member of Parliament for Elmet & Rothwell  
U.K Representative to the NATO Assembly



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Dear Resident,

**COVID-19 - Thank You!**

I could not have predicted at the end of last year that we would now be dealing with a global pandemic like few people alive today have witnessed before.

I want to send a short note of thanks to all of you who have been acting upon the advice of Public Health England to Stay Home, Protect the NHS and Save Lives.

Particularly, I want to thank all the 'key workers' who live in Kippax - NHS, police, fire, and prison service staff, as well as teachers, local government workers and the huge number of supermarket and food chain workers who are keeping us fed during this crisis.

I am dealing with an unprecedented number of queries to my office and providing individual assistance to those who contact me. I am also in daily contact with Government Ministers and helping to shape our national response.

Remember, if you're self-isolating and have no family or friends to help with shopping etc, call the dedicated COVID-19 Helpline on 0113 378 1877.

Best wishes,

**Rt Hon. Alec Shelbrooke M.P.**

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### My Version of What Life is this.....

How strange this life, where we can't share

When Covid 19 fills the air.

No more into the shops to browse

No looking for next season's blouse.

No more to catch the bus to Cas

Where folk are banned from groups en masse.

No queues to board your budget flight

Sky full of clouds, not contrails white.

No meeting friends, planned or chance

Six feet apart, so keep your distance.

We must all follow the Government's plan

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Laura De-Lucchi

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Parish Council meetings are held at 7-00pm on the third Thursday of each month at Valley Ridge Community Centre and are open to the public.

Planning meetings are also held monthly – please check notice boards or the website for dates.

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## KIPPAX COMMEMORATION EVENT FOR THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WW2

Due to the current coronavirus outbreak and the necessary restrictions on public gatherings, **the event which was to be held on the weekend of June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 has had to be postponed until further notice.**

The Event Group fully intends to stage the event when restrictions are lifted and we can all feel confident in going out and mixing with other people again. At this point in time, we have no idea when that will be.

Individuals are continuing to research and to prepare materials for the exhibitions during the lockdown period. Some relevant photographs and items have come to light as people have been using the time to tidy out cupboards and attics, and look through albums. Further information emerged on the national VE Day anniversary. Please let us know if you find anything. Please contact **ashleyland1972@gmail.com** or **0113 2820507**

Funding authorities who provided grants for the event are allowing us to hold the grants over in our bank account. We plan to do the same with donations that were made towards the event by individuals and small businesses. **However**, we are aware that some businesses and individuals may run into financial difficulties during the restrictions, and we would be prepared to pay back the donations at any point, if those concerned contact our treasurer, on **kathswales@hotmail.com** or **0113 2868418**.

For any other enquiries concerning the event, **please contact bropatri4@aol.com** or **0113 2869808**.

Meanwhile, we stand in awe of the heroes and heroines who have emerged on the frontline and on the home-front in this current crisis, and along with everyone else, offer our heartfelt thanks to **all** who continue to serve and support us in any capacity.

Kippax Commemoration Event Group







Making sure to socially  
distance!

## Kippax Ward Councillors Update



**Thank you to all our volunteers, key workers, carers and NHS staff and everyone who claps to show support on Thursdays.**



**As the country and our public services face the biggest challenge of decades we as Kippax's ward councillors are making sure we can support people at this difficult time.**

Work is taking place with the Neighbourhood Elders Team (NET) and other local voluntary organisations to make sure people who are quite rightly isolating or shielding are not left behind and are able to be supported safely. This could be a recognised volunteer doing a shopping run or just be someone down the phone to have a chat with.

**Anyone in need of support should call 0113 378 1877. Please pass this number on safely to anyone who you think needs help.**

If you want to volunteer please call Voluntary Action Leeds on 0113 297 7920.

Council advice & updates on services are online at [Leeds.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://Leeds.gov.uk/coronavirus)

We are not doing face to face advice sessions or community meetings at the moment but we are still here to help! Please contact us on the details below:



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## THE VETERANS CHARITY

Well this is the first time for me writing in this publication so I'd better tell you about myself. My name is Matt Osman and I am one of your Parish Councillors. I joined the council about six months ago. I live in Kippax and have done for the last 17 years. My family also live locally.

My background is in the military, law enforcement and private contractors' area. I have been asked to write about a project very close to my heart which is a charity called The Veterans Charity (<http://www.veteranscharity.org.uk>) This small charity has been around for 12 years now having become a registered charity on 11th March 2008 and I have been a volunteer for the past couple of years.

The charity's main focus is to assist veterans of any age, military branch or length of service with immediate needs, support for essentials such as food shopping, clothing, prepayment gas/electricity, mobile phones/credit and household items. The charity is known as the Rapid Reaction Force as it operates without unnecessary red tape.

We have a small office in Barnstaple which is run by our C.E.O Danny Greeno who is our only paid full time worker. Our Trustees include General (rtd) Sir Robert Pascoe KCB MBE and Lt Col (rtd) Vaughan Kent-Payne.

All our money raised goes straight back into helping veterans. Our procedure is - a veteran will fill out our online Support Request Form or gets referred by a partner agency. They are then contacted and their needs assessed. If we can help, one of our four Trustee are contacted to authorise support.

We do not send money to beneficiaries as it may not be put to best use so instead, we use a wide range of suppliers who will take our order and deliver the items directly to the beneficiary.

In the current crisis, the charity has had to adapt the way it provides support and is using its volunteers to complete supermarket shopping which is then delivered in accordance with social distancing guidelines.

Last year, 2019, we dealt with 480 cases and this year so far, we have dealt with 197 cases. Demand for our help is rising sharply and we have seen an increase of 48% compared to the same period last year.

We have a client base from every armed service ranging from young lads fresh back from Afghanistan back to second world war veterans. These clients can suffer from no issues but just needing help with food due to changes in circumstances, to those suffering with severe mental health issues and homelessness.

The charity receives hundreds of referrals from other organisations and charities who need us to deliver immediate needs support to ensure that our beneficiaries are sorted for a few weeks whilst the other agencies put longer term support in place.

As a small charity we have a huge heart and will help for as long as we can.

Should anyone wish to donate or find out more, please visit [WWW.VETERANSCHARITY.ORG.UK](http://WWW.VETERANSCHARITY.ORG.UK)

Matt

## KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Because of the Corona virus pandemic our new murder mystery evening due to be performed in April had to be postponed.

We are now hoping to present this as our Autumn production – Wednesday 15 to Saturday 18 November.

Tickets for the production sold faster than ever, and we were soon sold out for the original three nights advertised. We therefore extended the run for a further night which was also rapidly filling up when the decision was taken to postpone.

This latest murder mystery is entitled 'Murder at Kyllem Hall' and is set in the 1920's, where a house party being hosted by Lord and Lady Hardingley takes a dramatic turn when an unexpected death occurs.

We will keep everyone informed about the situation via this magazine, Facebook and posters etc. and in the meantime, you will find opposite a little reminder of the cast of our last murder mystery 'Reunion For Murder'.

We hope to see you all in November.

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Or to [magazine@kippax-pc.gov.uk](mailto:magazine@kippax-pc.gov.uk)





## KNIT AND NATTER

Knit and natter was something we spoke about at W.I. Laura suggested we knit 4" squares sew them to make lap blankets for our local care home. WOW did it take off from there we now meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 2pm, in every month at Black & Cream Coffee Bar.



We knitted the 4" squares sewed them together and ended up with some beautiful lap blankets.

We also supplied St. Gemma's with beautiful crocheted and quilted blankets.

We soon moved on from 4" squares, as Neo Natal and PICU were asking for mitts, caps, booties, incubator blankets, bonding squares etc.



We also knitted poppies commemorating the ending of WW1. I hope everyone saw the beautiful decorated poppy tree opposite the library; we had lots of lovely comments about it.



**Kippax in Bloom:** Tanya crocheted some flowers to help decorate Black and Cream for the judging.



**Fund raising:** we have knitted Easter Chicks to raise money for St Gemma's at Easter, Christmas puddings etc. to raise money for McMillan at Christmas, we have baked for Tour de Yorkshire, Help for Heroes, Air Ambulance, McMillan Coffee Mornings, to name but a few.

Over the last 3years we have raised over £4,000.

So, what are we knitting now? HEARTS. You have probably read where hospitals are asking for two identical hearts, one for patient and one for loved one who cannot visit, so we are busy knitting.



When we can meet again, please come and join us, you don't have to knit you can just natter, we'll have a lot to catch up with.

So, Keep Safe and Well.

Kathleen

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## **KIPPAX VILLAGE ACTION SUPPORTING THE ELDERLY ACTIVE OF KIPPAX**

Due to the Corona Virus we regret to inform you that we have had to cancel the York and Tong Garden Centre visits.

The Murder Mystery Evening and the Christmas dinner have had to be postponed until further notice.

We hope you are all keeping safe and well.

For further information regarding the above events, please contact:-

Jean - 0113 2875143

Pauline - 0113 2860669

KVA

## **KIPPAX COMMUNITY CLUB**

The Corona Virus meant we had to close the Monday afternoon Community Club until further notice.

The Easter Basket making afternoon had to be cancelled, which meant the materials which were funded by Kippax Parish Council, will be stored away to be used at a later date. The gift envelopes which have already been made will be stored away (see photo).

Stay safe, we hope to meet again soon.



For further information regarding the Club, please contact: -

Barbara - 0113 2870853

Shirley - 0113 2874353



## ST MARY'S CHURCH KIPPAX

Clergy: Team Rector - Post vacant following the retirement of the Revd. Canon Rosemarie Hayes on 21 March 2020.

Revd Diane Flynn - 0113 286 4607 (Team Vicar).

During the Lockdown the church and all church buildings are to remain closed for all services and activities.

**However, there is live streaming of Weekly Worship (on St Mary's Church - Swillington Facebook page):**

**Sunday Worship 10.30am**

**Daily Prayer (Monday to Thursday) 9.30am, 12 noon and 5pm**

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You can also follow us on Facebook:

St Mary the Less - Allerton Bywater

St Mary's Church - Kippax

St Mary's Church - Swillington

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## KIPPAX IN BLOOM

It seems very strange writing, of course, in these most unusual of circumstances, when the condition of plants, bushes and trees is inevitably furthest from our thoughts. One hopes sincerely that by the time you read this, the light at the end of the tunnel is much brighter than it has been for some time. Whilst the circumstances are most unusual, they are of course, for us Bloomers, very frustrating. This year there is no Yorkshire in Bloom nor Britain in Bloom competitions as both have been quite rightly cancelled.

However, no-one seems to have told Mother Nature so that all of that winter and spring growth including weeds and overgrown bushes and trees has carried on apace. Luckily for us all, our fantastic volunteers have continued some work around Kippax while adhering to the rules of social distancing, avoiding group meetings and keeping all tools safely cleaned. Individual volunteers have carried out some tasks suitable for one person in smaller areas and 2 in larger areas such as weeding and cutting grass. We'd like to say a big thank you to 2 fab local residents, Maggie and Charlie who've seen our struggles to keep up to everything and have stepped in to give us a hand. However, keeping safe and protecting front line workers has been the watchword.

We are pleased to tell you that we've just had confirmation that the Co-op Local Community Fund have made the 1st payment to us so the planning of our Dementia Friendly Garden can continue. Thank you to them and all the shoppers at the Co-op who've supported us. When you read this our wonderful Spring displays will have died off. We would then normally have started planting up our summer displays at the end of May, but these are not normal times and the supply of summer bedding plants is not going to be available as per our orders. As always, we will strive to do our best to plant up as we usually do and hopefully you will see lots of colour in Summer around Kippax thanks to our volunteers.

We thank Jonny and Marie at Woodend Nursery, the staff at The Arium, LCC Parks and Countryside and The Locality Team who are continuing with their support and help in these difficult times. We are also very grateful to our Parish Council and our 3 local Ward Councillors for their continued support.

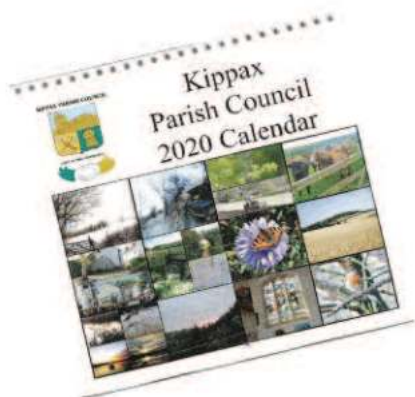
In the meantime, can villagers continue to support KIB by looking after your gardens as you have done in recent years and maybe also look after a bed local to your house. There are still opportunities to sponsor areas around our community so if you can help us in any way please

contact Pat at [psamykib@aol.com](mailto:psamykib@aol.com) or tel. 0113 2862283.

Our webpage is [kippaxinbloom.com](http://kippaxinbloom.com)

In the meantime, please Keep Safe.

# Calendar 2021



We have had a lot of positive feedback about our calendars so we would like to produce one for 2021.

We rely on the fantastic photographs of **Kippax and its local area** sent in by the residents of Kippax. We would like as many entries as possible between now and the 27<sup>th</sup> July, **BUT a maximum of 4 per person.**

They will be chosen on their content and how they will reproduce in a calendar.

Each will need to have a **description of where/what it is.**

Scenes throughout the year will be useful for the months of the calendar but not essential.

The technical bit: preferably **landscape and a jpeg** and sent to the magazine address.

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## KIPPAX BAND --- an update

### Yorkshire Area Finals, 2020

As you know, in regional competitions, the best two bands in regions of the country compete to be given a chance to further compete in the National Finals, held at Cheltenham Racecourse in September. The Yorkshire Area regional finals are held each March in Huddersfield Town Hall, and luckily, ours were held before any restrictions due to Coronavirus were put in place. Other regions of the country weren't so lucky, and so we don't yet have a plan of how our sections, or 'leagues' will play out across the UK.

However, thanks to our hard work and the support of the council in 2019, we were competing as reigning 3rd section regionals champions, with nearly enough points already to ensure a comfortable promotion to the 2nd section in 2021. In the end we did better than that - much better, and the Parish Council should feel free to advertise that their local brass band are back to back Yorkshire Champions, winning the 3rd section AGAIN in 2020!!

We're so proud, as I'm sure you are too. This is the first time this has ever happened in the band's history - since 1814.

### COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Outbreak.

We're back down to earth with a bump now, though, and are all at home with our families for the foreseeable future as you know, due to the current pandemic. Our social club in the heart of Kippax of course, serving the local community too.

Our committee are in regular virtual contact with one another, and we're trying to keep the band in touch too. For now, any immediate rehearsal and concert work is postponed, and we're going to update everyone via our Facebook page as usual. People can always contact Chairman Colin Moss if they have any questions.

### New Instruments

We must end on a much brighter note, pun intended.

Straight after the areas, we took one of our E-flat tubas (the smaller of the two basses) into Band Supplies in Leeds. We had spent the time before the Regional Finals getting a number of quotes on new tubas to get the best deal (with a trade in value considered too), and Band Supplies was by far the best.

Not only was it the best deal for a single instrument, but we managed to secure a deposit on a pair of two E-flat basses!! This is a really important positive step, as both basses coming out of the factory at the same time means that they should pair well and be in tune with each other, and sound the best together.

We hope this is enough of an update for now, and look forward to a concert in our club sometime after government restrictions on social contact are removed, so that we're able to freely shake hands when you formally present us with our fabulous new instruments!!

All at Kippax Band wish to offer you our support.

With very best wishes as always,  
**Chairman Colin Moss**

**Sent on behalf of Kippax Band,**  
Kippax Band

# JUNGLE PUZZLE PAGE

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Unscramble the words at the top of the puzzle, then use all of the letters in the circled boxes to solve the final phrase!

Games on this page are jungle-related. "Go Wild" when trying to solve each puzzle!

Using just the letters in the word below, can you make at least 14 new words? **RULES:** You may only use a letter as many times as it is shown in the key word. Each word must be at least 4 letters long. **GOOD LUCK!**

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## WORD SAFARI

Hunt for the words shown on the list below, then circle them as you find them!

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## Bee Hive Word Search



**Can you find these word?**

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flower

hive

sun

nectar

bee

yellow

## A CIRCULAR WALK FROM KIPPAX TO GARFORTH.

This walk starts on Brecks Lane but it be started anywhere on Leeds Road.

There are no stiles but one steep hill, there is chance for a coffee stop and toilets half way. The walk

Start on Brecks Lane (if you need to park please park carefully) and walk away from Leeds Road and walk along the farm track, passing Swallow Hall Farm on your left (at present a farm shop) go down the track to reach a crossroads of paths, turn right and follow this track for a pleasant easy walk, going under a unused railway bridge. Then when you reach the second bridge keep walking straight on the now tarmac path.

The path then reaches a main road, cross carefully and TURN RIGHT walking towards the fire station on the left. Just before you reach the fire station turn left, with the Head Injuries unit now on your right.

Go on and climb straight up the hill between the houses on a tarmac path, keep pausing to admire the view (or get your breath!).

When you reach a track, turn left, after 10 paces and after passing a water tower, turn right into the field. Keep the hedge on your right and follow it to the corner then bare left and follow the edge of the quarry till you reach a farm track, Green Lane. TURN RIGHT

Stay on this track, cross the mini railway tracks, and you will have the Outdoor Shop on your left, keep walking and you will have Strikes Market Garden on your left. This is your chance for toilets and coffee.

Return to the exit road for Strikes and cross the busy road and reach the public footpath sign pointing towards a farm track. Stay on this farm track, as it meanders through a field, then a rabbit warren. The track narrows and can be rough underfoot so take care. Look to the right for some lovely views of Kippax and beyond to the Pennines.

Follow the track, then cross a field to enter a wood. The path is obvious and leads through the wood to the new housing estate. Again, follow this straight down through the houses till you reach a 'ginnel' (or passage to us non-Leeds people) into Baildon Close. Leave the cul de sac and turn right, then left you should then see in front to your right Gibson Lane Doctors surgery. At the surgery turn right, then at the T junction turn right again. You are now on Leeds Road. Follow this passed the Moorgate Pub on your right, then the shops, up the slight incline till you reach Brecks Lane which is on your left.



### KIPPAX W.I

Hello everyone I hope you are all keeping safe and well, and we are nearing the end of this Lockdown.

How lucky we have been with this lovely sunshine, we can look up in the sky and its clear and bright, how quiet everywhere is, and how lucky are we to the such lovely walks round Kippax.

I would normally be telling you about the wonderful speakers we have had in the past months, and telling you how much we are all looking forward to our annual outing, but unfortunately like everywhere else we have had to cancel.

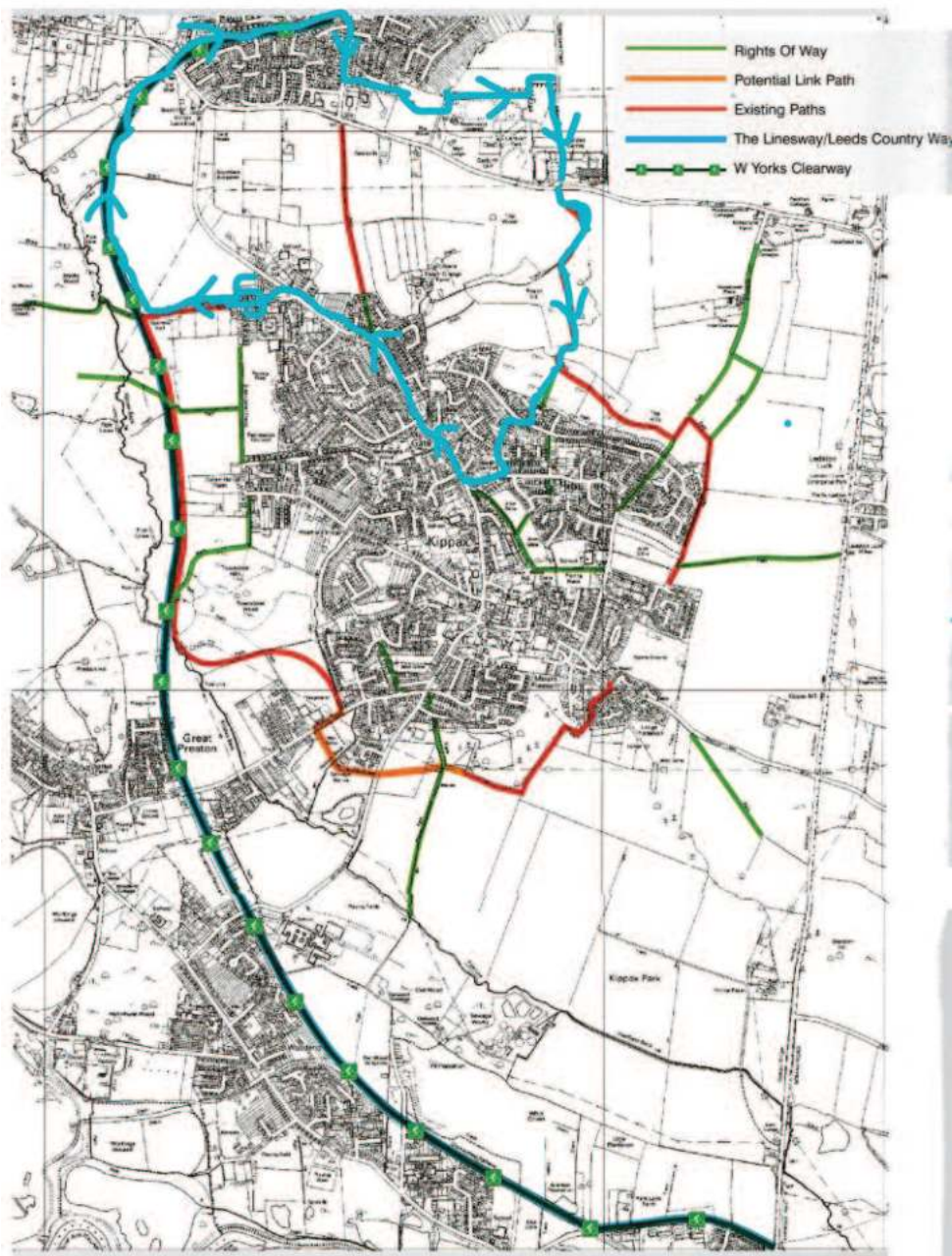
Fingers crossed our social activities will return before too long.

So here are some happy photos of our previous outings.



## MAP OF FOOTPATHS AND CYCLEWAY

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