

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER –

August 2017

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Date	Long Sutton & Long Load Calendar	
5 th	10.30am	Coffee morning in the Church
6 th	6.30pm	Evening Prayer
13 th	8.00am	Holy Communion
		At The Vicarage 11.00am Second Sunday Service – Lay Team Followed by BBQ
16 th	10am	Corporate Communion @ Long Sutton Church
19 th	2.30pm	Flower show
20 th	10.30am	Benefice Service at Drayton
27 th	9.15am	Eucharist

Flowers & Brasses Rota.

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5 th August	Mrs Brand	
12 th August	Mrs Bond	Mrs Thomas & Mrs Pomeroy
19 th August	Mrs Bond	
26 th August	Mrs Jones	
2 nd September	Mrs Jones	

Coffee Mornings in the Church

In July the coffee morning raised £529 for the Langport Branch of the British Red Cross. The event was well supported and additional contributions to the produce stall were much appreciated.

Future events:

- **On Saturday, 5th August** we will be supporting MIND, the mental health charity. The charity provides advice and support to anyone experiencing a mental health problem. It campaigns to improve services, raise awareness and promote understanding.
- **On Saturday, 2nd September** we will be raising funds for Practical Action. This international non-governmental organisation uses practical technologies to help to alleviate poverty in developing countries.

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No meeting in August; Flower Show

**September 21st : Open Meeting for anyone to attend
From Plant to Plate**

Sue Applegate works for Hurst Brook Plants. She will be telling us about the work within the UK Fresh Produce Industry on supplying Farm Assured food to Farmers Markets and Supermarkets.

Refreshments will be served

Sales table: Local produce

Mothers Union

August 16th: Corporate Communion
@ Long Sutton Church

Long Sutton Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee

**Volunteers are URGENTLY needed to fulfil the roles of
Chair, Treasurer, Booking Clerk and also Secretary.**

This committee looks after the day-to-day running of the Village Hall and Recreation Ground (which is a Charity) on behalf of the Trustees which is the Parish Council.

It comprises of three elected Parishioners and three Parish Councillors and is assisted by co-opted members. The meetings, that last about an hour, normally take place monthly in the Village Hall.

The post of Booking Clerk is mainly a monitoring and overseeing of a recently automated electronic booking system which requires basic computer skills but additional training will be given.

The post holder may be required to occasionally assist with booking applications from those who cannot access the web-based system.

In return for taking the opportunity of supporting a vital asset of the local community there is an honorarium of £500 p.a. which is currently under review with a possible increase.

Please forward applications for the posts to
Mrs Paula Allen,
Clerk to Long Sutton Parish Council
Tel 01460 241497
Email clerk@longsutton.

Gardening Club

19th August: Flower show 2.30pm-4.30pm

Somerset Churches Trust - Ride and Stride Saturday 9th September

The annual sponsored bike ride or walk in aid of the Somerset Churches Trust will take place on Saturday 9th September. Would you like to help? You do not have to be young to participate. If you prefer to walk rather than ride, that is fine. You can visit as many, or as few, churches as you like. This is a good-humoured and enjoyable day and the weather is usually favourable. If you cannot manage 9th September, you can ride or walk during the week before or the week after 9th September. Last year we raised £835.50, of which half went to Holy Trinity church. Please support the church again. If you would be prepared to help, either as participant, or as sponsor, or by manning the church for a while on the day, please contact Dan Shorland Ball (241626). Thank you.

Ladies in stitches

The craft group meets every other Friday afternoon 2.00 to 5.00pm starting again on the 1st of September. For info please contact Lieve. Tel. 01458 241450

LONG LOAD

Long Load Parish Council meet every 3rd Tuesday in the month in Long Load Village Hall starting at 7:30 pm with the exception of August when there is no meeting at all. All residents are welcome to attend these meetings to have their say and to keep up their knowledge of what is happening in Long Load.

Open Gardens Success

The Open Gardens event in Long Load was a tremendous success. Thanks to everyone who was involved in opening gardens, organising the event, providing refreshments and, especially, all those who came to see the gardens. Despite some bad weather in the days before the event, all the gardeners had been busy tidying up and the gardens were in excellent condition.

Six gardens and the allotments at Fore Moor were open and 112 people bought tickets over the weekend. Takings totalled £743, with a further £45 raised by the allotments group.

Visitors were amazed by the quality and variety of the gardens and several people who came on Saturday decided there was so much to see that they came back again on Sunday. Feedback has been very positive, with one visitor simply sending a message to say 'spectacular'.

Annual Show – Saturday 2nd September

The schedule of classes for the Annual Show will be distributed at the beginning of August. There will be classes suitable for everyone, with flowers, fruit, vegetables, cookery, handicrafts and photography. The exhibits will be on display from 4pm on Saturday after the judging has been completed. Everyone is welcome, even if they didn't have time to submit an entry.

Broadband in Long Load

Connecting Devon and Somerset has been set up to deliver next generation broadband infrastructure to areas where the market has failed to invest. CDS is a public-private partnership aimed at drawing on the strengths of each sector to implement a cost efficient plan to bring superfast broadband to Devon and Somerset.

We, the residents of Long Load, were one of the communities where BT failed to invest in our infrastructure and as such a company called Gigaclear have now been contracted to deliver fibre broadband to our village. Please can you go onto their website, www.gigaclear.com, enter your postcode on the front page, select your address from a drop down box and then register interest in the project. I have spoken to the company and if they have enough interest and it is financially viable for them then they will upgrade our connection to Fibre broadband. Without interest then we will most likely be left unto last, or not get it at all. Registering interest takes less than 5 minutes, does not commit you to any contracts or financial obligations, but does help in ensuring the delivery of better broadband to Long Load.

If anyone would like to see the correspondence I have had with BT and Gigaclear then please let me know.

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Items for the September newsletter to Lieve Cousins, Spring House, Shute Lane, Long Sutton TA10 9LU or preferably by email to lnewsletter@btinternet.com by 12th August please. For more information call 01458 241450