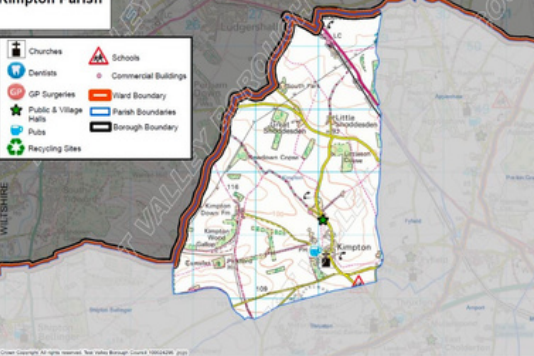


Welcome to the summer edition of the Kimpton Parish Council Newsletter, we hope you found the first one useful. In the last edition we focussed on Emergency Planning, the Parish Council is continuing to work on this subject and will keep you updated in future issues. This time, as well as our regular volunteering and social event notices, we are providing a bit of information about Neighbourhood Plans. The Parish does not currently have a plan, but having one could be a valuable resource in shaping the future of the Parish.

Detailed map of Kimpton Parish



## LOCAL EVENTS

### Kimpton Coffee Mornings

First Friday of each month

Time: 10am - 12 noon

Village Hall

Meet your neighbours to have a chat and a catch up over a coffee/tea and homemade cake!

### TVBC Local Plan

You may remember that last year TVBC published a draft local plan for 2029-2040 which included proposals to allocate two sites at the north of the parish, on the edge of Ludgershall, as strategic housing sites for 1500 dwellings. The plan was withdrawn following the government decision in December to increase the national house building target. On 18th June TVBC published an updated plan which reflects the new government policy. This has resulted in an increase in the proposed allocation in our parish to 1713 dwellings. In addition there is a new proposed allocation of 1034 dwellings at Weyhill.

The draft local plan will now go through a period of public consultation and the Parish Council encourages you all to feedback your thoughts about the plan.

### Neighbourhood and Community Planning

TVBC support communities to plan and develop practical ways to improve their area, through formal tools such as a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), Village Design Statement (VDS) or Parish Plan. Currently we do not have any such plan in place within Kimpton Parish, and having a plan would not have prevented the allocation of land for strategic housing sites, however if we put one in place now we can have some influence over the design of the sites and may benefit from increased Community Infrastructure payments from developers.

If you want to find out more about the Local Plan consultation process or get involved in Neighbourhood and Community Planning please come along to the next Parish Council meeting on Monday 30th June at 7pm in the Village Hall or contact us by email.

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## Kimpton Village Hall



**Friday 18th July 7pm**

*£5 per person to include burger or hot dog*

*Alcohol bar and refreshments will be available*

*Teams of no more than eight*

*Limited tables available. To book*

*Call Andy Roberts 07787 571094*

*Sue Michalczyk 07985 517751*

### Can you help Kimpton Parish Council?

We're looking for volunteers to help support the community, either on a regular basis or just when something needs to be done.

**Turn over to read more about the opportunities.**

### TVBC Recycling changes

TVBC are making some changes to provide more kerbside recycling to us later this year. During the summer they are planning to introduce the collection of batteries, vapes and small electrical items as part of weekly collections and in October will begin a new collection of food waste. TVBC will send notices to all properties as the schemes are introduced and we will put more details in our next newsletter too.

Volunteering Opportunities

The really great news is that since the last issue we have had volunteers for two of the roles, the community still has lots of volunteering opportunities

- **Parish Councillor** - We currently have a vacancy for an additional Parish Councillor. Joining the Parish Council could be the ideal opportunity for you to help our community.
- **Community Speedwatch Group** - We have had one resident ask us about the idea of monitoring traffic speed at the roadside. We can do this by joining an existing Community Speedwatch Group or creating a new Group if there is one. The Parish Council is investigating this, can anyone else who is interested in being part of a Community Speedwatch Group please let us know.
- **Footpath Wardens** - Did you know there are 21 footpaths in Kimpton Parish? Maintaining them is the responsibility of local landowners but to support them, we currently have a team of three volunteers who help manage the footpaths. If you would like to join the team which is part of Hampshire Countryside Services please let us know.
- **Emergency Help** - Do you have the training, skills or resources to help in an emergency? Do you have a medical qualification or training? Your help would be invaluable to the community.
- **Village Hall Trustees** - The Village Hall provides us with a community space for local events. The Trustees are looking for at least one more person to join their team, if you think that could be you let us know
- **The Parish does not have a neighbourhood plan** - if you think you would like to be part of a team who could help shape the future of the Parish let us know.
- **The Skylark Federation, comprising Kimpton, Thruxton & Fyfield and Appleshaw St Peter's CE Primary Schools**, is seeking enthusiastic individuals to join its Governing Board.

Do you have any other skills you think might be useful to the community? If so please do let us know. Please visit [www.kimptonhampshire.org.uk/volunteer](http://www.kimptonhampshire.org.uk/volunteer) to learn more or come along to the next Parish Council Meeting.



Scan here for more information about the volunteering opportunities in your parish.

Kimpton Village Fete

A big thank you to Andy Roberts and his team for all their hard work in organising the Kimpton Fete. It was the first Village Fete for over five years and the afternoon was a great success with over £2800 was raised towards repairs to the Village Hall. Planning for next year is already under way...



Parish Council Meeting Dates:

The Parish Council meet in the village hall at 7pm, 9 times a year in January, March, April, May, June, July, September, October, November. We warmly invite you to come along, share your thoughts, and be part of the conversation that helps guide our future. We look forward to seeing you there!

30th June - 28th July  
29th September - 27th October  
24th November - 26th January 2026

Church Service Times:

The Holy Communion services in Kimpton are usually on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9.15am for 1 hour which will be July 20th and September 21st. In August the service is on 3rd August at 11am.

**A little reminder:** if your property has hedges or trees which border the road, or you have a footpath running through or bordering your land, please ensure they are trimmed back to keep the road safe for both pedestrians and vehicles and the footpath accessible. If you plan to hire a contractor to carry out any work after the bird nesting season, it's a good idea to book them soon as they get busy at that time of year. See our Footpath & Hedge Maintenance page under the Council tab on our website for more information.

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