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THE LYCHGATE



## CHRISTMAS ISSUE 2018

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December** Seasonal shopping and fun at the Christmas Market, 11am to 3pm, in the Memorial Hall.

**December 15<sup>th</sup>** Senior Residents' Christmas Luncheon from 12.30 onwards. Booking forms available in the village shop.

**December 17<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Bingo in the Memorial Hall. Eyes down 7.30pm, Jackpot £75.

**St Michael and All Angels** will have the following services over the Christmas period. All welcome:

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December** Carol Service at 6pm.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December** Crib Service at 4pm.

**Stoke St. Michael Allotments' Association.** There are spare allotments this coming year. They cost £1.00 a week. Help is available to clear the ground of older plots. We have communal tools, a secure community shed, water source, BBQ, covered patio, poly tunnel and play area. If interested please ring John on 01749 840888.

Well done to everyone who helped knit and crochet poppies, making £429 for the British Legion. The silent auction made £290 which was split between the Legion and Community Group.

Good news - the Memorial Hall has been accepted by the Shape Mendip Lottery Scheme. Search for War Memorial on:

[www.shapemendiplottery.co.uk](http://www.shapemendiplottery.co.uk)

Stoke St. Michael needs volunteers to help with the Youth Club activities on Wednesday evenings. Supervisors wanted as well as help behind the scenes. Please call 01749 841300 to speak to Kirsty. Full info on poster outside Memorial Hall.

**Family New Year's Eve Party** in the Memorial Hall. Come and join in the fun! More info on website: [stokestmichaelhall.co.uk](http://stokestmichaelhall.co.uk)

FOLC (Friends of Leigh Church)

## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



St Giles' Church  
Leigh on Mendip, BA3 5QJ

Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 December  
from 11am to 4pm

Come and see this beautiful 14th Century Church  
lit up with Decorated Christmas Trees

*Refreshments served all day - light lunches, mulled wine, cakes*

### Brief notes from the parish council November 2018

**The Lychgate is not an official record of parish council meetings. These are posted on the village website, firstly as draft minutes and then later as a correct record of proceedings. John Johnston at present compiles the Lychgate's brief p.c. notes.**

*Correction to the October newsletter. The parish council is not involved in any debate regarding the costs of hiring the hall. It acts solely the custodian trustee.*

1. The p.c. recommended the refusal of an outline planning application on land to the rear of the Old Post Office. Mendip District Council has recently reached a similar decision.
2. The parish council also recommended the refusal of a renewed application for two dwellings to the west of Coalpit Lane.
3. Mendip's Local Plan part II has now endorsed the possible development of land to the East of Frog Lane as the best parcel of land for future housing development.
- 4 The parish council will be looking at probable budget figures for 2019 soon. Village groups that are considering applying to the parish for grant support need to forward requests in the coming month.
5. Concerns were again raised about the number of abandoned vehicles on land in our parish.
6. The date of the next meeting is Jan 10th at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall.

John Johnston 2/12/18