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Hello,

I am Ella, the new editor of the Hutton Parish News.

I am super excited for this role and I am really enjoying the job so far.

I have lived in Hutton almost my whole life and I have been involved with many aspects of it over my childhood including the pre-school, primary school, Brownies and Guides and being involved in events such as wassailing, the village show and the May Day Parade.



I have just graduated from Bath Spa University in English Literature and Creative Writing. I hope I can use these skills to give back to the village I have lived my whole life.

I want to thank the Parish council and Polly White for welcoming me and supporting me in this role. The Hutton Parish News has developed so much over the years in Polly's hands and I hope I can fill these shoes.

Thanks you!

#### Letters to the editor

From Ivan & Wendy Smith

We would like to thank everyone for their generous donations of cash and gifts following our recent fire. The support received from the village has been both overwhelming and wonderful. As you can see repair work has begun, although it will be awhile before we can return home.

Many people have mentioned our hiking in their notes, our insurance company has already replaced some of our gear and we are back out in the hills.

Special thanks to the Orchard family for their assistance in the immediate aftermath. The most important thing is that both us & our cats escaped unscathed .

Thanks again for the generosity, support and continuing good wishes.

## **Parish Council News**

#### Elmhurst Play Area Refurbishment

Phase 2 of the Elmhurst Play Area refurbishment is now complete. A big thank you must go to the Parish Council Lead on this project - Cllr Ben Groom. Ben has worked on the project for over 2 years and has liaised and consulted with users, contractors, National Lottery, North Somerset Council and subsequently dealt with the dismantling, removal and disposal of the old equipment and the installation of the new play equipment. The Parish Council will now look to secure funding for Phase 3 of the refurbishment. Further detailed information on the Elmhurst Play Area refurbishment can be found in this edition.

#### Hutton Wassailing

On a very cold evening in January, it was Wassailing time again, with the Hutton & Dabaso Twinning Association Committee holding its annual Dabaso fundraising event. Another big thank you must go to all at the Hutton & Dabaso Twinning Association Committee, 15A Moorcroft Road, Walnut Barn and the Wassailing event volunteers for this extremely well organised and enjoyable traditional Hutton community event.

#### North Somerset Council – Hutton Speed Reduction Plan – 20 MPH Scheme

Following the North Somerset Council and Parish Council - Hutton Speed Reduction Plan – Public Engagement Event on the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and the on-line electronic consultation platform (**now closed**), the Parish Council has now received North Somerset Council's feedback on the event and on-line consultation.

The 20 MPH scheme is currently being designed by North Somerset Council, for its planned implementation in 2023. Whilst this design phase is underway, the Parish Council will continue to consult with North Somerset Council on the Parish Council's and parishioners preferred option, which is to extend the 20 MPH scheme further than originally planned by North Somerset Council. This option is very strongly supported and endorsed by our District Councillors – Cllr Terry Porter and Cllr Mike Solomon who, along with the Parish Council, continue to push North Somerset Council for its inclusion in the 20MPH scheme. Further detailed information and an update on the 20 MPH scheme for Hutton can be found in this edition.

#### North Somerset Local Government Elections - May 2023

This year will see the North Somerset Local Government Elections – to be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – for the Parish of Hutton, this includes both the District and Parish Council. Once the Councillor nomination packs and statutory notices are published by North Somerset Council and have been received by the Clerk to the Parish Council - Steve Cope, then all the applicable materials will be produced and information will be put on Parish Council noticeboards, web site and social media. North Somerset Council will also have a communications network in place with their magazines and notices. Further detailed information on the North Somerset Local Government Elections 2023 can be found in this edition.

#### <u>Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort –</u> <u>Coronation Weekend - 6th – 8th May 2023</u>

With the Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort taking place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and with other Coronation events taking place over the rest of the additional Bank Holiday Coronation Weekend, the Parish Council will offer support and advice to any individual groups wishing to hold events in the Parish of Hutton. Further information on the Coronation Weekend can found in this edition.

#### **Final Thoughts**

The days are getting longer, the daffodils are showing, spring is on the way!

#### Please stay safe.

#### Peter Dutton, Chairman, Hutton Parish Council

#### Parish Council Financial Information on the Web Site

The following information is available on the web site <u>www.huttonsomerset.org.uk/</u> <u>financial-information:</u>

- Audit Reports.
- What does the Parish Precept Pay For?
  - Financial Regulations.
  - Financial Risk Assessment.
- Expenditure and Income to date for the Financial Year.
  - Precept requirement.
- Parish Council budget for the current Financial Year. Na

#### PUT YOUR HANDS UP! BLOOMERS NEEDS YOU OR YOUR DONATIONS



Dear Residents of Hutton , Elborough & Woodside -

If you enjoy flowers & the Christmas tree in our parish, then we need your help to keep them . Hutton Bloomers are no spring chickens & numbers are lower than we need. There are 2 volunteers from Elborough, 28 from Hutton & 1 from Woodside.

So can you think of anything YOU can do? We need more hands.

We would love help with; Hands on planting - as much or little as you can do.

Watering Friday & Saturday , every two weeks with the van. This takes about two hours.

Elborough will now be included in watering. Thanks to the one Bloomer who has kept flowers alive there for a few years on her own with a watering can.

Odd DIY jobs, gardening & admin when needed.

Help with fund raising - make or buy a cake and help with refreshments at fund raising events.

We are planning a Coffee morning & cake stall with BACON ROLLS & later this year a quiz & would love you to attend. We would like to see some families, so would any young Mums /Dads able to run a table? a story corner? Or a planting table to encourage new Bloomers?



If you are unable to help in any of these ideas & are able to sponsor us, do you know about the plaques we put in among the flowers. These can be for remembrance or anniversarys.

Unable to do any of that? - then a simple donation to Bloomers however small would be appreciated.

BUT Bloomers needs help from residents in the parish . Please try & help in some way. Ideas welcome.

Let's have a show of



Thank you from The Bloomers Team



Any questions please contact Bloomers co - ordinator Louise - email Louisebeamish162@gmail.com

Any offers of help please contact Elizabeth - email elizabethcayford@aol



#### Hutton Village Hall



As you will all be aware, energy prices have increased dramatically both domestically and to a larger extent for business premises. The Village Hall is considered to be business premises and is subject to the higher charges being imposed by energy companies. To give you an example, our energy bills prior to the major increases were on average £750per month. Over the last two months, the bills have been in excess of £2,000 per month. The largest contributory factor to the increased charges was the price of gas, which, for December, accounted for £1,800 of the total bill.

You will no doubt agree that drastic measures are going to have to be taken to help keep the village hall functioning as a community facility. The Village Hall Executive Group are currently looking at what measures we can take to alleviate these problems. One of the things to be discussed at our next committee meeting will be increasing the hiring charges for all users. We do want to avoid any major increases. However, this will be open for discussion when we next meet in March.

As the main area of expenditure appears to be our gas usage, it is intended to switch the boilers off completely which will affect the heating in the whole of the building. To counteract this, it is intended to purchase a number of electric, ceramic fan heaters to use throughout the building and to limit the use of them so that they will only be on when groups are present in the building. We have researched the running costs of these, taking into account the average number of hours that the building is actually occupied, which rooms are regularly used, the amount of energy that will be used by these heaters and the increased efficiency of these over the antiquated system that has been in place for over 40 years. The results of all of this shows that we could be saving over  $\pounds750$  per month at the most conservative estimate. This is a significant step to take and we will be relying on all of our users to be vigilant and energy conscious when using the building.

We are ever hopeful that energy prices will begin a downward trend before too long. However, in the meantime we must ensure that we keep the village hall financially secure. In the future when we are more financially secure, it will be up to us to look further afield for energy solutions and seek funding for greener energy initiatives, but for now we have to make do with the situation as it is and try hard to help keep the Village Hall as the centre of community activities for the whole Parish of Hutton. Thank you for your understanding on these matters. Please help us to help you and keep Hutton Village Hall actively engaged with the community.

Steve Cope – Chairman on behalf of the Village Hall Executive Group.

## **HUTTON DRAMA CLUB**



The Village Hall was inundated with hair jokes when the drama club brightened up the grey January days with a hugely entertaining Rapunzel pantomime. The biggest audiences for many years were in loud voice, laughing, booing the villains and of course shouts of the obligatory "it's behind you!"

Thank you to everyone in the club for putting on such an amazing show, the legends Eric, Jamie and Mike for the live music, the front of house helpers and to everyone from the village who came to support it.

#### **Hutton Ladies**

Our last meeting for 2022 was on 6th December. It was lovely to see so many members who braved the chilly evening to come along to the Christmas meeting, and bring a contribution to a lovely buffet spread.

We started the evening off with a photo session. Don Bailey, one of our Hutton residents, kindly came along to take a photo of us all and made a lovely job of making us look good!!! Thank you Don.



We then played a few games of bingo and two lucky winners received vouchers for Hutton Garden Centre. The buffet followed with wine and soft drinks and lots of chatter which was great. This was followed by a festive themed quiz and a raffle, with some lovely prizes, some of which were donated by local business including Sandra's Hair Salon in the village, the Old Inn, Parklands Café in Locking and Hutton Garden Centre - a big thank you to them all for their much appreciated contributions.

We had a lovely evening and even welcomed some new members - a great way to round off our 2022 meetings.

Our first meeting in 2023 was on Tuesday 10th which commenced with the Hutton Ladies Annual General Meeting (AGM). Following the usual nominations and re-elections, it was agreed that the existing committee members will continue to serve for another year. After the AGM, our speaker for the evening was Mr Graham Sparks who gave a very informative presentation and slide show on the life and career of Morecambe and Wise (also known as Eric & Ernie). As I am sure many of you will remember, the much loved double comic act worked in variety, radio, film and television, the most well-known television show being the BBC's `Morecambe and Wise Show'. During its time, the show featured many famous guests such as Shirley Bassey, Andre Previn (or should we say `Andre Preview'), Des O'Connor and Angela Rippon to name but a few.

In addition to many interesting facts about the comic duo's life and career, Graham's presentation included several old famous television clips, and some previously unseen footage as well. As you can imagine, the evening provided for much laughter. Future meetings will continue to be held on the first Tuesday of each month in the village hall, commencing at 7.00 p.m. We would be happy to welcome you. Lyn Dutton & Julia Anderson



# Get ready for local elections

Local elections will soon take place in North Somerset so you'll get the chance to have your say on who should represent you locally.

On Thursday 4 May, you'll be able to help choose who will take the 50 seats on North Somerset Council and the 436 seats on the area's 39 parish councils.

For the first time this year, you'll need to show photographic ID at the polling station before being given a ballot paper.

#### Why should I vote?

As soon as you walk out your front door, you are affected by council services in some way.

Those elected will have responsibility for deciding how these services are delivered, so it's important that residents take the opportunity to have their say on who these people are.



#### What's the difference between North Somerset Council and the parish councils?

North Somerset Council is one of the UK's 47 unitary authorities. It is responsible for the vast majority of services used by residents, from recycling and roads to libraries and social care.

Parish councils tend to be more 'grass roots'. They have fewer decision-making powers or financial clout but perform a vital role for their local community.

#### Am I allowed to vote?

To vote in May's elections you must be:

- on the electoral register
- aged 18 or over
- a British, Commonwealth, Irish or European citizen registered to vote as a UK resident.

The deadline to add your name to the electoral register is Monday 17 April. Visit **www.n-somerset.gov. uk/localelections** to find out more.

#### How do I vote?

- In person
  Visit the polling station printed on your poll card between
   7am and 10pm on Thursday
   4 May
- By post

Complete an application form and return it to the council by 5pm on Tuesday 18 April. Postal ballot papers must be returned before voting closes at 10pm on Thursday 4 May.

#### By proxy

A proxy is someone who votes on your behalf. Complete an application form and return it to the council by 5pm on Tuesday 25 April. Reasons for doing this must be given. Both you and your proxy must be registered and eligible to vote. Your proxy must be able to attend your allocated polling station.



#### Voter ID

Voters are now required to show photographic identification before being handed a ballot paper at a polling station.

This new requirement, introduced by the Government, will apply for the first time at the local elections on Thursday 4 May.

If your photo ID has expired, it will still be accepted if the photograph is still a good likeness of you.

You can use any of the following:

- passport
- driving licence (including provisional)
- blue badge
- certain concessionary travel cards
- identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)

#### Key dates

**Tuesday 4 April, 4pm** Deadline to apply as a candidate

Wednesday 5 April Full list of candidates published

**Monday 17 April, midnight** Deadline to apply to be added to the electoral register. Postal ballot papers start to go out

**Tuesday 18 April, 5pm** Deadline to apply for a postal vote

**Tuesday 25 April, 5pm** -Deadline to apply for a proxy vote and deadline to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate

**Thursday 4 May – election day** Polling stations open 7am-10pm

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	No ID? You can apply for free voter ID Find out more at electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID or call 0600 328 0280

- biometric immigration document
- defence identity card
- certain national identity cards.

For more information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, visit **www.electoralcommission.org. uk/voterID** or call the helpline on 0800 328 0280.

If you don't have an accepted form of photo ID, you can apply for a Voter Authority Certificate online, by post or in-person.

#### Visit voter-authority-certificate. service.gov.uk

Alternatively, contact North Somerset Council's elections team at electoral.services@n-somerset. gov.uk or call **01934 634909** to request a paper application or to book an in person appointment.

## When will I find out the result?

All votes will be verified after polls close at 10pm. Counting will then take place on Friday 5 May. Results will be published on the council's website following the declaration.



#### Could you be a councillor?

It's not too late to stand as a councillor in North Somerset's local election if you want to make a difference in your community.

The deadline for standing as a candidate is 4pm on Tuesday 4 April.

Being an effective councillor requires both commitment and hard work. Councillors must balance the needs and interests of residents with the political party they represent (if any) and the council.

Find out more at www.gov.uk/government/get-involved/take-part/ become-a-councillor





## ST MARY'S CHURCH

Where faith and daily life grow together

Dear Friends,

Services for February, March and April are listed below and we hope that you can come and join us in our worship

22 <sup>nd</sup> February	7pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion		
26 <sup>th</sup> February	10am	Mattins`		
5 <sup>th</sup> March	10am	Holy Communion		
12 <sup>th</sup> March	10am	Church in the Village Hall for all the family		
	4pm	Evening Prayer		
19 <sup>th</sup> March	10am	Mothering Sunday Service		
26 <sup>th</sup> March	10am	Mattins		
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	10am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion		
6 <sup>th</sup> April	7pm	Maundy Thursday Supper and simple Communion – Scout Hut		
7 <sup>th</sup> April	2pm	Good Friday Hour of Reflection		
9 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Sunday Family Communion		
	6pm	Easter Evening Prayer		
16 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Morning Service		
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	10am	Mattins		

Our Ash Wednesday service marks the start of our Easter worship. Spring seems to burst forth from the ground and the trees come into foliage and blossom; we leave winter behind to welcome the warmth of the spring sunshine. May this season fill you with hope and joy.

All morning services are followed by refreshments and we do hope that you will enjoy this selection of worship over this Easter season.

**Keeping in touch to find out what is happening in St Mary's,** please go to the website www.stmaryshutton.org, check the noticeboards or Stay Connected, which is our Benefice news sheet, published on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month. Please contact the Benefice Office,

huttonandlocking@gmail.com or call 822857 if you want to receive Stay Connected by email or delivery.

**THANK YOU** for all your support with the fish and chip quiz – a good night was had by all. 20.95kg of food was donated that evening, which went to the Food Bank – amazing!

**Please remember Pancakes and Coffee in** the Village Hall, **18<sup>th</sup> February, 10.00 - 12noon** Your support is so much appreciated.

**MESSY CHURCH** join us for lots of fun, craft, songs, story and food. For all the family. 11<sup>th</sup> March in Hutton Village Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> April in church, 13<sup>th</sup> May in Hutton Village Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Join us for our Lent lunches in church 12noon on 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March. All profits go to Christian Aid. Everyone is very welcome.

**Welcome, warmth and food** 12.30pm – 4pm every Thursday. The last one will be on 30<sup>th</sup> March. Come and join us for a hot soup and roll, chat and friendship. Stay for as long as you want. There is also a pantry for any who need some supplies. Give what you can, take what you need.

#### **Gregory Steward concert**

Gregory sang at the Proms night. Now we have the opportunity to hear him again on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.30pm in church. Come and enjoy wonderful music. Tickets £10 from the Benefice office 822857, Locking Vicarage 823556 – these include refreshments. Tell friends and neighbours of this good night out.

**CLEANING For** many years our church has been cleaned by a team of volunteers who have given us a few hours of their time to keep our church clean. This has been done very successfully on a rota basis but for various reasons the rota has become depleted and we need additional help. Could you possibly vacuum and polish for us (with a friend).

#### Want to help Hutton church - you can give at no cost to you?

Easyfundraising enables you to give when you buy online. When you buy anything a donation will be given to us at no cost to you.

Scan the QR code using a QR scanner on your smartphone or tablet/ipad and you will be directed to the churches' landing page. If you can't scan the QR Code, then visit the website:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmaryschurchhutton/

On the landing page you just need to click the pink button "Support this Cause" and enter your details. Once you are signed up it is recommend that you download the Donation Reminder tool so it sits within your browser and then whenever you shop online it will tell you that a donation is available and you just o activate it. That simple!



When I think of Easter,

I think of Hot Cross Buns

Of chocolate eggs and holidays,

Of treasure hunts, what fun!

But then I start to wonder

Why is there all this fuss?

What does this Easter really mean

To others and to US?

#### **Open Spaces and Recreation Areas**

Despite the wet and often cold weather, work has continued to enhance and improve these assets. Ground conditions across our parks and open spaces remain muddy and slippery in places. Please take care when enjoying these areas. If you wish to submit any of your photographs whilst out enjoying our beautiful open spaces and recreation areas, please do submit them via e-mail to <u>huttonnewseditor@gmail.com</u> or <u>bgroom@huttonsomerset.org.uk</u> for the next edition and include a brief description.

#### **Des Phippen Park**

The hard work is set to continue with a working party taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> February. Work will be undertaken within the orchard to prune, replant and clear sections. Thanks to Mr John Wheatley for offering to help with this work.

Thatchers Cider Company is also running its community orchard campaign once again and an application has been submitted on behalf of the Parish Council. Look out for further updates in the next edition of Hutton News. New apple trees will be planted where necessary to replace any fallen trees that cannot be rescued and ensure that this fantastic community orchard continues to thrive.

The re-wilding areas that were cut-back last year, now await the arrival of Spring to begin encouraging further growth of wildflowers and continue attracting the vital bees and insects to this wonderful space.

At the end of last year, work was completed to relay the pathways throughout the park and the cutting-back of reeds, removal of some over-hanging tree branches and wooden pallets on the island replaced. Further work to tidy up the island will be completed once water-levels have dropped.

#### Elmhurst Play Area

Work commenced in early January on phase two of the play area refurbishment



project and was completed by the end of the month. Our thanks go to North Somerset's Leisure Service team for the grant awarded to help complete this phase. The roundabout has now been replaced with an inclusive version suitable for children of all abilities, including a pathway way and new safety surfacing. A new set of junior swings has been installed to replace the old set, relocating these to where the spring rockers were previously positioned. This includes an inclusive swing chair and new safety surfacing.



Activity panels have now been ordered and should be installed within the park by late March/early-April. Our thanks go to the last year's Year One pupils, staff, friends and family from Hutton Primary School who raised funds from a reading challenge, to help towards the costs. The two panels selected are a sliding-tile frog puzzle and a flip-over noughts and crosses' game.





Please note that this play area does have a Public Space Protection Order in place which means no dogs are allowed in this space.

#### <u>Village Green</u>

Following the clearance of overgrowth in the former quarry, 1st Locking & Hutton Scouting Group will begin utilising this space and assist in keeping it clear. Maintenance work on gates and fences will be carried out over the coming months around this area.

#### Public Space Protection Orders are in place and all dog walkers are kindly reminded to keep their dogs on a lead where signposted, always clear up after them and to please use the bins provided.

If anyone sees anything of interest or of concern in any of our Parish Council owned open spaces or recreation areas or if you wish to loan any of the Parish Council owned wildlife study equipment, please contact the Parish Council Office in the Village Hall.

Please continue to enjoy all our open spaces and recreation areas, responsibly, safely and whilst following government social distancing requirements.

#### **Cllr Ben Groom**

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#### Coronation Day Saturday 6 th May 2023

The Coronation of King Charles III will take place on Saturday 6 th May 2023, as part of an additional Bank Holiday weekend to celebrate the occasion. It is hoped that you will all celebrate by organising local street parties or attending any events going on locally or in Weston super Mare.

Local Government elections take place on Thursday 4 th May 2023 which, for our area includes both the District and Parish Council. In effect, this means that on the day of the Coronation, there will not be a Parish Council until such time as new Councillors have met and signed declarations of acceptance of office, which will take place on Monday 22nd May. As we will not know who is going to be elected to the Parish Council at that time, current Councillors cannot make any financial or planning decisions for Parish wide events.

However, whilst the current Councillors are in office, the Parish Council will offer support and advice to individual groups wishing to hold events. This includes requesting any required road closure notices (which must be submitted as soon as possible) for local street parties and offering the use of St Mary's Field and Scout Hut facilities free of charge and our public spaces to anyone wishing to book them.

We will also advertise your event in the April edition of Hutton Parish News, print and laminate posters for the events and any other support that we can freely give to support events being organised.

If you wish to discuss any of your events and ask for support, please contact the Clerk to Hutton Parish Council on clerk@huttonsomerset.org.uk or by telephone on 01934 813871 (weekdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.)



#### **20 mph Scheme in Hutton**

A meeting between members of Hutton Parish Council, our two District Councillors and North Somerset Council was held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February to further discuss the proposed 20mph scheme for Hutton. The Parish Council and our two District Councillors have petitioned for an extension of the 20 mph speed limit Eastwards from the proposed end point on Hutton Hill to a point beyond Windmill Hill and Canada Coombe. Additionally an extension of the limit to the West of the proposed site on Oldmixon Road. At the open public consultation meeting in October, which gave parishioners the chance to comment on the proposals, it was evident that residents strongly agreed with the Parish Council and District Councillors recommendations. This was also reflected in the online consultation which was open until mid-November.

All meeting attendees agreed that these extensions to the limit were needed on what were considered by the Parish Council and parishioners (as shown in the 2021 Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Survey Report and October public consultation) to be the most dangerous positions of the road leaving and entering the village. Pedestrians, dog walkers, cyclists, and horse riders regularly use Hutton Hill to access Canada Coombe and Windmill Hill for recreation purposes. The layout and width of the road, along with blind corners and junctions make it a danger not only to them, but also to road users in vehicles. The lack of safe pedestrian walkways going West from the village is the reason why it is considered imperative that the speed limit is extended further along Oldmixon Road.

The meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February was very positive with both sides articulating their thoughts on the proposals and the desired outcomes. It was agreed that the North Somerset Council Head of Highways Technical Services would discuss the requirements of the Parish and District Councillors with his team and direct them to look at a revised scheme to facilitate our requirements. This may include the design and implementation of "build outs" in the road to narrow the driving line and make it feel like drivers are entering a low speed zone which signposts alone will not achieve. The Head of Highways Technical Team will direct his staff to attempt to get revised plans published for further discussion with the Parish Council by the end of March, at which time site visits can also be made to establish the requirements outlined above.



## Hutton Horticultural Society AGM, Slide Show & Refreshments



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## **Tuesday 14th March**

The AGM is in Hutton Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 21st March

The AGM will be followed by a slide show, including pictures to remind you of Hutton in 2022 and includes **Taste of Somerset, Flower show, Proms night**.

The show this year will be presented by Steve Cope,

The slide show will be followed by Cheese, Wine and some local Cider .

There is no charge for coming to the AGM and slide show, every one is always welcome and all village residents are deemed to be Society members.

## NCS Western Group Race Day





Sunday 23rd April Hutton Village Hall 2.00 pm. Afternoon Tea Available

Entry FREE Tickets from Terry Porter Tel 07989 855339

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Mar				
6th	HVH	7pm	Parish Council Meeting	Hutton PC
14th	HVH	7.30pm	AMG, slide show and refreshments	Horticultural Society
19th	Church	10am	Mothering Sunday Service	St. Marys Church
Apr				
3rd	HVH	7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting	Hutton PC
9th	Church	10am	Easter Sunday Family Communion	St Marys Church
18th	HVH	7.00pm	Annual Parish Meeting	Hutton PC
23rd	HVH	2pm	Weston Group Race Day	NCS
May				
4th	HVH	7 a.m. to 10 p.m.	Local Council elections	North Somerset Council
7th	HVH		Plant Sale	Horticultural Scy
22nd	HVH	7 p.m.	Annual Parish Council Meeting (first meeting)	Hutton PC



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