

Kingston Seymour 124th Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 30th April 2018



Welcome & Introduction

Agenda

1. **Minutes of the 123rd Annual Village Meeting** - M Sewell
2. **Matters Arising** - M Sewell
3. **Parish Council Reports**
 - The 2017-2018 Year / Parish Report - M Sewell
 - Financial Report - S Dixon
4. **Village Hall & “Friends” Updates** - A Gillam / M Humphries
5. **Fracking Information** - S Dixon
6. **Battle’s Over Commemorations** - M Sewell
7. **Open Forum** - M Sewell

Refreshments



Minutes & Matters Arising

- **Minutes of the 123rd Annual Meeting**
 - To be proposed and seconded
 - Matters Arising will be covered during this meeting
- **Matters Arising**
 - Items not otherwise to be covered in the meeting





Parish Report 2017 - 2018

- **A busy year** – We have a real commitment to needs around the village with no increase to the precept:
 - **Village gates** – Enhancing the area in-front of them with gravel and planters (it will happen honest!)
 - **New bench for the village green** - This one won't fall over
 - **Maintenance of the war memorial** - Including stone repairs and removal of trees threatening it
 - **Churchyard maintenance** – Ongoing support
 - **Village magazine** – Ongoing support
 - **Village Hall Wi-Fi** – Funded in 2017/18 & working with the village hall to ensure it continues
 - **Phone Box** – Toddlers continue to keep it topped up, will be painted shortly
- **Schools & School Transport**
 - **Yatton Schools** - Now in a MAT with Backwell, we face the opportunity / challenge of a new free school
 - **School Transport** – In 2017/18 6th formers have lost the opportunity to buy a seat, we are pushing to get it back



Parish Report 2017 - 2018

- **Village Wellbeing**

- **Heart start courses** - Run for parishioners on emergency first aid and use of our defibrillator
- **Maintenance of defibrillator** - new battery this year
- **Community resilience** – Tested a little by the beast from the east

- **Village Website**

- Since its re-launch in its new format has been visited 3,424 times and visitors have looked at 12,228 pages.
- Currently averaging 10 users a day viewing 2.5 pages each. The website is kept up to by Steve, needs your input

- **Things Being Done To Us Which We Are Monitoring / Engaging With**

- **Cycle Route and Coastal Footpath activity**
- **Hinkley Point New Grid Connection**
- **Potential of Fracking (more later on)** – We are keen on your views?



Financial Report (1) - *Unaudited*

Financial Assets at Start of Year (01.04.17)

Current Account	2,374.24
Business Reserve	7,130.29
	9,504.53

Financial Assets at End of Year (31.03.18)

Current Account	5,410.24
Business Reserve	7,132.10
	12,542.34

Net Increase in Overall Financial Assets **3,037.81**

Accounted for by:

Overall Income	11,214.77
Overall Expenditure	8,176.96

Net income over expenditure **3,037.81**

Income

Precept & grant	10,832.36
VAT Refunded	160.60
Web site sponsorship	220.00
Bank Interest	1.81
	11,214.77

Expenditure

Clerk salary & PAYE	4,394.59
Grants Awarded	855.00
Maintenance of Assets	558.36
Village Hall Wi Fi	514.79
Memberships & Audit Fee	362.60
Insurance	311.96
Website Support Fee	274.00
Purchase of Bench	200.00
Admin Costs	183.56
VAT Paid	160.60
Heartstart Courses	150.00
Hall Hire	146.50
Wreath and Recognition	65.00
	8,176.96





Financial Report (2)

Parish Council Fixed Assets as at 31st March 2018

War Memorial
War Memorial Railings
Bus Shelter
Postbox Surround
Noticeboard
Phone Box
Defibrillator
Bollards
Village Gates
Bench - New
Office Equipment

Draft Budget 2018/19

Councillors will discuss on 16th May 2018

Income

Precept

10,700.00

Possible Expenditure

Clerk's Salary & PAYE

4,500.00

War Memorial

2,700.00

Parish Investment

1,500.00

Hedge Maintenance

1,000.00

Grants

1,000.00

Website

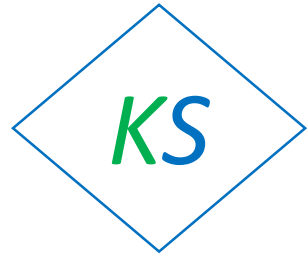
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Everything Else

2,700.00

13,700.00





Village Hall & The Friends

Andy Gillam

Our Village Hall



Mark Humphries

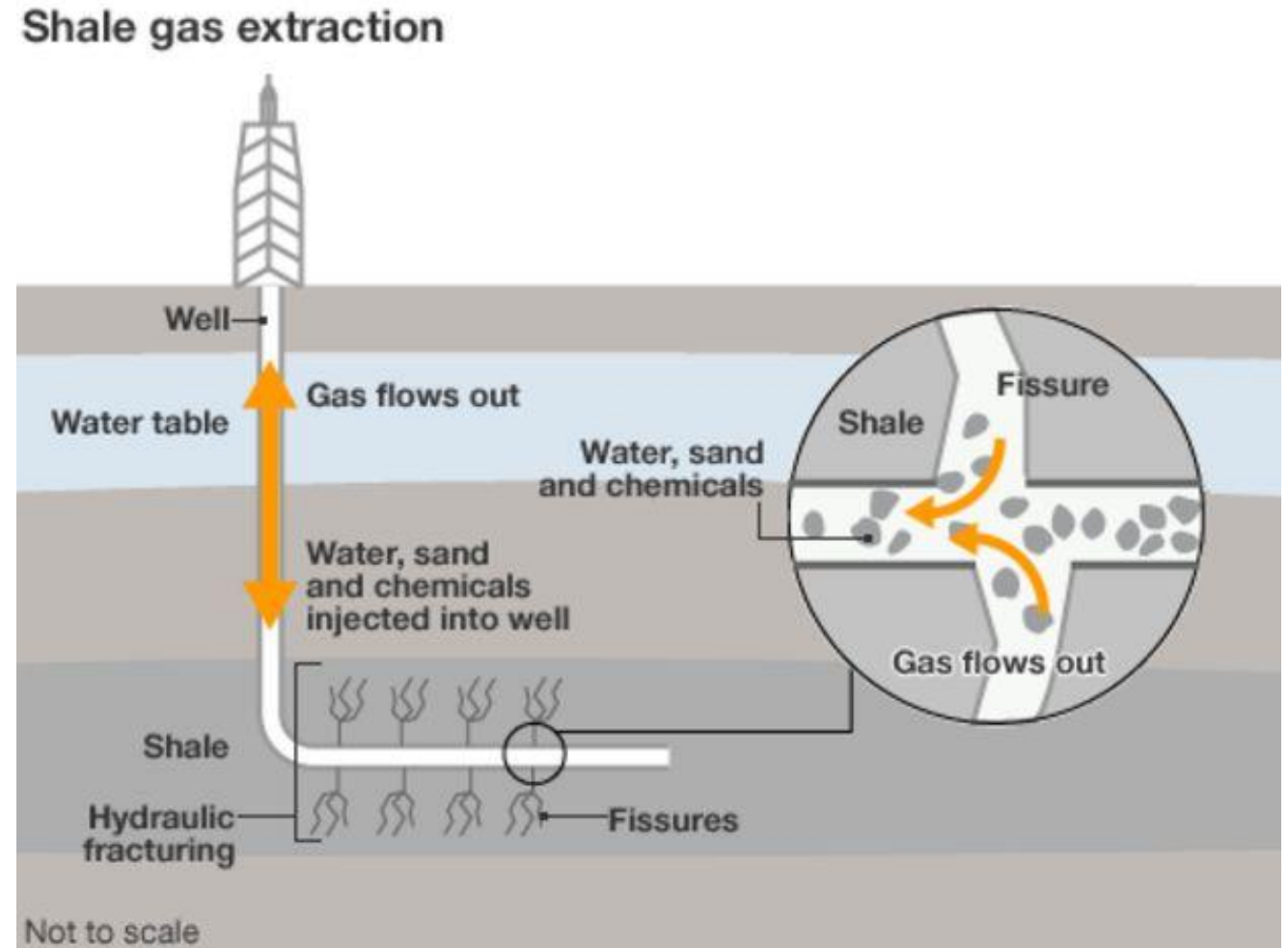
The Friends of All Saints

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Fracking Information - 1

What is “Fracking”

- The extraction of gas from shale rock deep within the earth by the fracturing of rock by the injection of a water, sand and chemical mix, injected at very high pressure.
- Typically, a vertical shaft is drilled and then a horizontal route (often several miles long) is drilled through a rock layer to release the trapped gas.



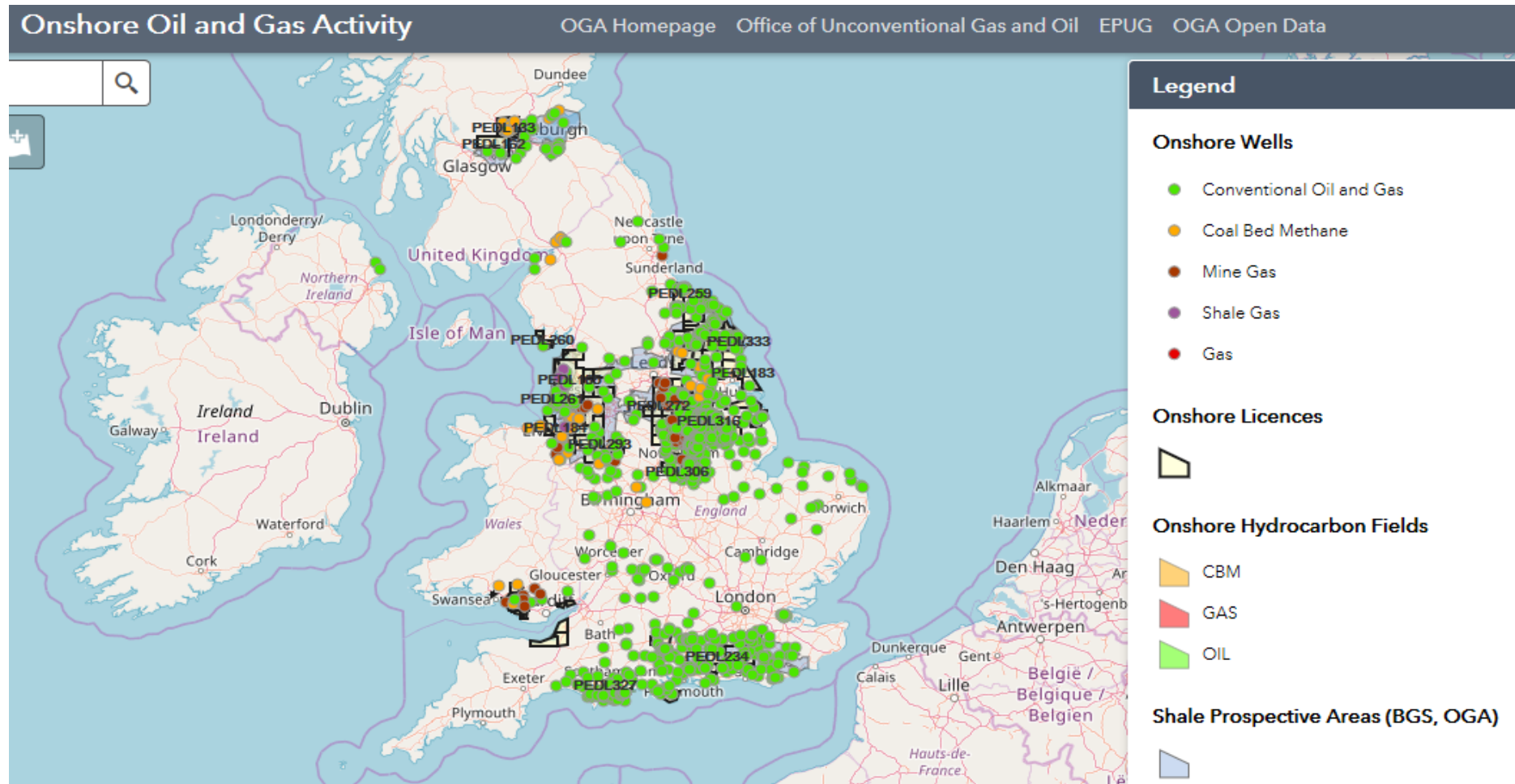


Fracking Information - 2

- In 2015, the UK Government stated *“that there is a national need to explore and develop our shale gas and oil resources To bring substantial benefits and help meet our objectives for secure energy supplies, economic growth and lower carbon emissions”*
- Areas where there is potential for shale gas to be present have been identified across the UK. The following map shows where these – and other resources – may be present.

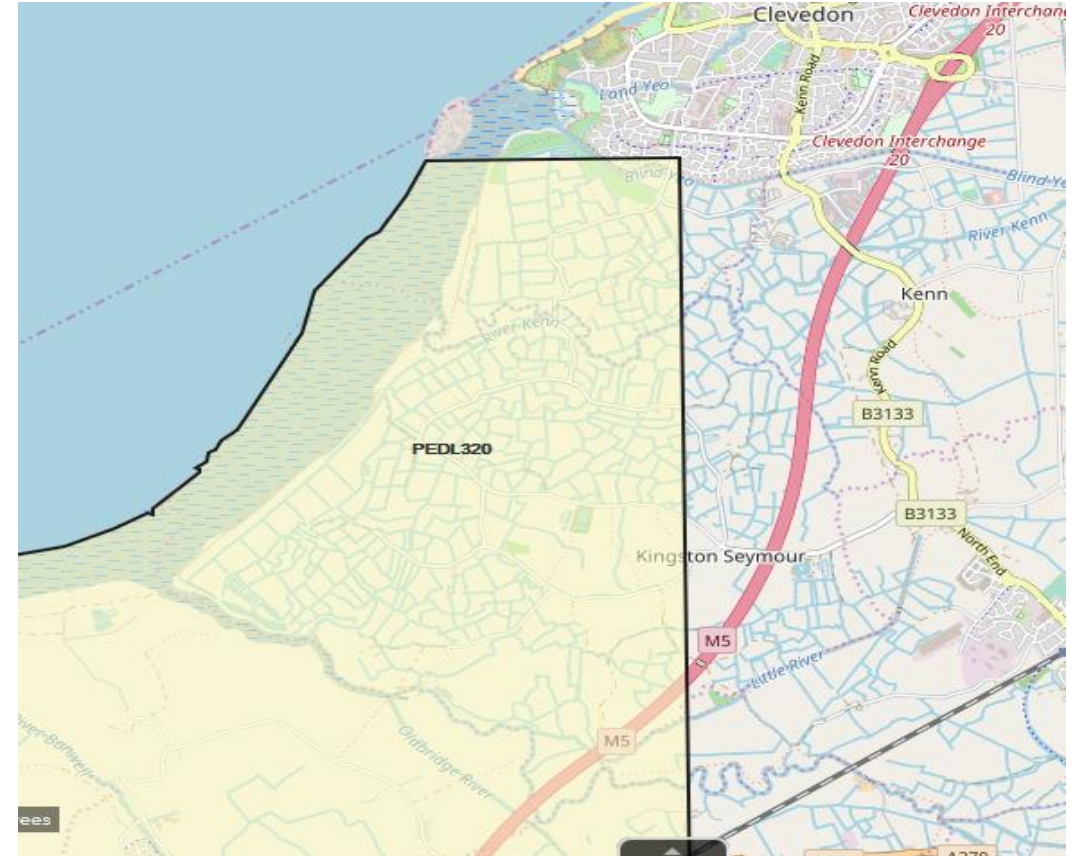
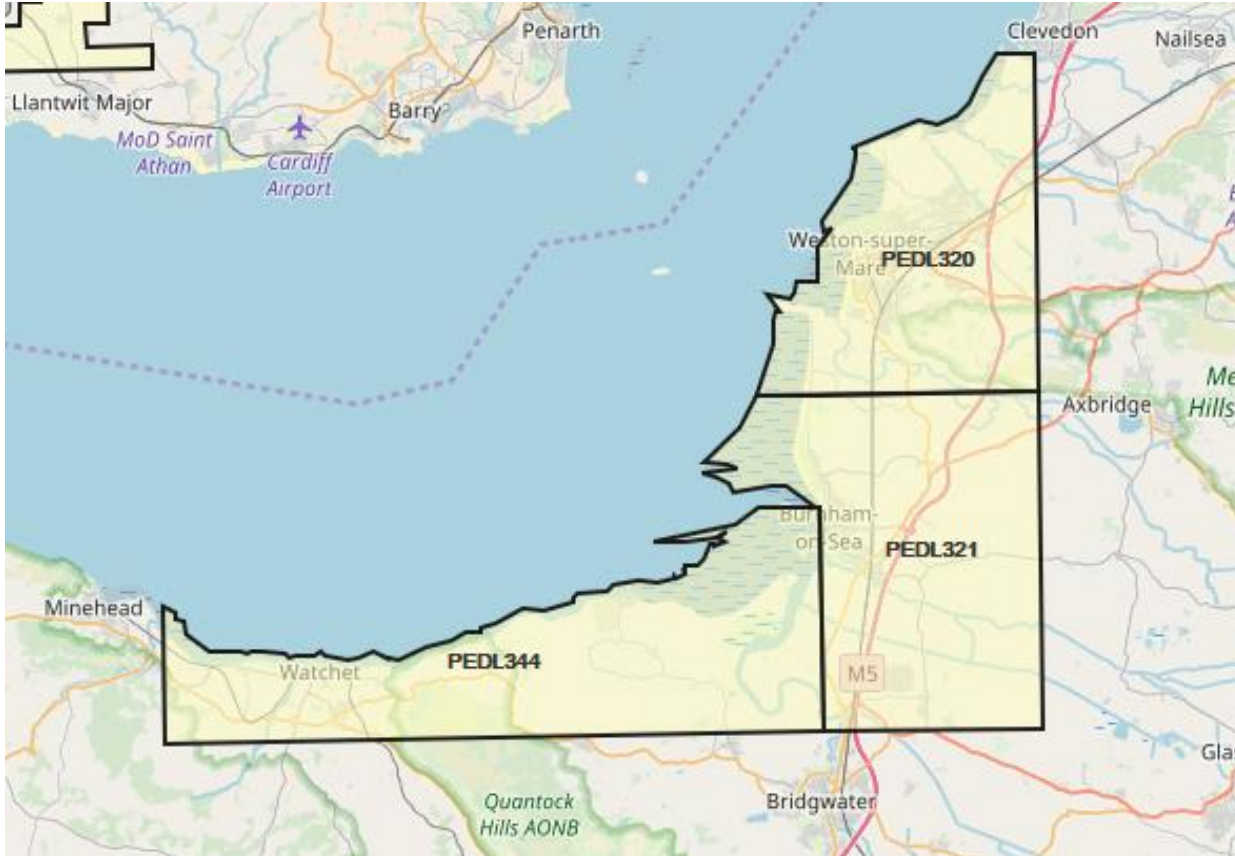
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Fracking Information - 3





Fracking Information - 4





Fracking Information - 5

- The Onshore Licences referred to are called PEDLs – Petroleum Exploration and Development Licences – and grant the licenced company the right to explore in that area for up to five years.
- On the 10th September 2016, a company called **South Western Energy Limited** signed for PEDLs in Somerset - and now has the right to explore in these areas until July 2021 when this licence expires.
- Progression to any further stage is dependent upon findings but any and all operations beyond exploration - such as drilling and production - will require local planning permission & scrutiny, together with Environment Agency permits and HSE scrutiny.



Fracking Information - 6

- South Western Energy Limited is a private limited company – registered no 08019159.
- Gerwyn Llewellyn Williams is the MD and holds 75% of the shares. As at the end of December 2016, the Company's Net Worth was minus £10k
- The Parish Council has contacted the MD twice and was told:
 - **October 2016** - *The next year or so will be spent on further geological studies examining potential hydrocarbon targets across North Somerset, which in terms of hydrocarbons is a large geographical area with varying geology. Following that it is likely that an application for permission to drill an exploration borehole will be made to the Local Authority.*
 - *If the exploration results prove there is a resource that can be economically recovered we may apply for the necessary permissions to drill a production well, this depends on a number of factors which include infrastructure and markets for gas and electricity.*
- **December 2017** - *We are progressing our modelling as previously indicated to you, this work continues. There have been some distractions that have caused delays but we are still working on North Somerset.*



Battle's Over Commemorations

The weekend 9 to 11 Nov 18 (we have a team)

- **Aimed** - As a celebration of the end of WW1 and a commemoration to all those who have given their lives in defence of our country.
- **National Theme** - This is of *light* which is driven out of Sir Edward Grey's famous remark "*The lamps are going out all over Europe we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime*". There is also a famous speech by Winston Churchill that takes a similar theme with the light of freedom going out over Europe as the Cold War descended.
- **RBL** - There is no aim to make money on the weekend except for the poppy proposal. Any monies made / surplus to be given to the Royal British Legion.

Programme of Events (Planning in full swing)

- **Fri 9 Nov 18 - Evening**
 - Concert in the church
- **Sat 10 Nov 18 – Daytime**
 - Village wartime history trail (aimed at all ages)
 - Cream Teas in the church
- **Sat 10 Nov 18 – Evening**
 - Period dinner in the Village Hall
- **Sun 11 Nov 18 - Daytime**
 - Wreath laying and Remembrance Service
 - The village, the war memorial and the church will be decorated
- **Sun 11 Nov 18 - Evening**
 - Bonfire and Fireworks on the coast



Open Forum

