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The Playing Field is open - The signage required has been installed and a one way system has been set up for entering and leaving the Playing Field. The area is open for you to use at your own risk and we would recommend that you carry with you a suitable way to sanitise your hands, if you have Covid-19 flu like symptoms or have been in contact with someone that has please do not enter. Just a polite reminder to dog owners please keep them on a lead and make sure you pick up after your whilst using the Playing Field, and do not allow them into the children's play area. We are currently considering restricting dogs in the Playing Field and would like to hear your views or experiences, there is a short survey on our website, if you prefer you can email or call the office our contact details are above.

CCTV - The Parish Council have approved the cost of the CCTV installation in the Cemetery, the shed has had a bit of a face lift and the CCTV will be installed soon. It seems such a shame that we must even think about this within the Cemetery, but there you go, it's on its way and big brother will be watching you! Any vandalism or damage caused the footage will be passed to the police, and those of you who do not pick up after your dogs any incidents recorded will be forwarded to the dog warden. Due to ongoing Anti-social behaviour and mindless vandalism CCTV is also required within the Playing Field. Unfortunately, the budget does not stretch to this, so the Parish Council had the difficult decision to choose between the two areas, but rather than sitting back and waiting, we have decided that action is needed now to protect the equipment that everybody has worked so hard to fundraise for and get installed. We wanted somewhere great for the children to play in, somewhere St Dennis could be proud of. Instead we have a few disrespectful individuals who think it is ok to cause thousands of pounds worth of damage and ruin the enjoyment for all. So, we have decided fight back and launch a fundraising page we hope that you will support our efforts by making a pledge to keep the area safer for all to use. We are looking at launching the Crowdfunder in August so keep your eye on our website for updates.

Closure Dates for August The Cemetery and the Playing field will be closed on the 11th and 25th August for routine maintenance. The Playing field will be closed in the morning and the Cemetery will be closed for the day. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Cllr Vacancies – Have you enjoyed volunteering during the Covid-19 pandemic, or are you looking for a new challenge? Do you feel you can help to make a difference to your community? We have the perfect opportunity to get involved right at the heart of the village, we currently have two Councillor vacancies. Come along and join a meeting see what you think, for more information about what being a Councillor involves email or call the office.

Job Vacancy – St Dennis Parish Council are looking for a casual labourer this is a part time position offering a minimum of 8 hours per week and the flexibility to cover more when required. The applicant will need to be a friendly, reliable, and motivated, able to work efficiently by themselves, or as part of a team, with the initiative and flexibility to tackle differing situations as they arise. You will need to be capable of using hand tools and show a willingness to undertake any necessary training. For further information please contact the office using the details above.

Hardship Fund - This fund has been launched to help those who may be suffering financially as a result of the current pandemic. St Dennis Parish Council are working alongside St Stephen Parish Council administering this project for St Dennis and Nanpean Community Trust. If you are running low on cash and need a little assistance with food bills, please contact us. There is a short application form and we would require proof of your address to ensure that you are eligible. If you cannot complete the form online contact the office where we can arrange to post them out to you.

Education Grants - We are still accepting applications for the Educational Bursary Scheme. Now that children are being home schooled and most resources are online, do you have all the equipment for your child to learn? We are hearing in the news of a family's sharing a phone to gain access to course work this fund is there to help you. If you live in the St Dennis and Nanapean Electoral Division, you may be entitled to a grant to help with the purchase of essential equipment such as laptops and printers, that at this time could make the world of difference to your child's education. Further information and application forms can be found on our website under the 'Your Parish' section.

Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9:30am - 12:30pm