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From Keith, Margaret, Tash and George...

We would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the last four years. We will be handing over the pub to the Carr family on Monday 29th June. We have purchased tea rooms at The Wharf in Devizes and will be taking over straight away. We look forward to keeping in touch.

DEVIZES CHILD CONTACT CENTRE

I volunteer at the above Centre, which provides an opportunity for children to keep contact with both parents where the parental relationship has broken down; and for a variety of reasons the courts have deemed it necessary that the contact should be supervised and take place in a neutral venue.

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As a volunteer one is asked to do 6 Saturdays a year. There are a number of volunteers who share in keeping this facility going. We are never less than 3 'on duty' and it is possible to tell the rota organiser of any Saturday that you have a previous engagement. It is also possible to swap dates.

More volunteers are needed to keep this important facility going. If anyone reading this might be interested, please contact: devizesccc@yahoo.co.uk and the organiser will be in touch.

Carola Thorpe

Christ Church Coffee, Cake & Chat

Our next coffee morning in Christ Church will be on **Saturday 18th July** from 10.30am - 12 noon.

Voluntary donations will be for the benefit of Dorothy House Hospice Care. Please come along and bring a friend or neighbour. It is always a very relaxed, friendly time—with lots of cake!

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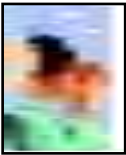
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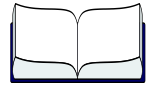


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Letter from the Vicarage



Has anybody really impressed you in the past few months? It's not often an individual stands out from the crowd, but one person did that for me recently. I don't know his name; he is the delivery driver who brings the paper order for the church (on which this magazine is printed). The order is some 25 heavy boxes, and it was always dropped by the Vicarage front door for me to carry to church, no driver would take it down the church path. Then a new driver appeared. He offered to take the boxes to the church door and so, for the past three deliveries he and I have worked together with sack trucks to do the job.

Last time he delivered it was raining and I suggested he could leave the paper at the gate under the yew tree, until I could move it. "It's an awful day", I said. "Well", said the driver with a beaming smile (he is always smiling), "you have to take the good with the great!" It was a lovely twist on a saying we use rather differently. He said that in his view there are no bad days, only good days and great days. We got on with it and he ended the delivery soaked (I had a coat), still smiling and thanking me for my help! He made my day, and the fact I am sharing the story shows what an impact he made. He is an object lesson that, no matter what your role or job in life, you can make a difference. No one should think their situation is so ordinary, or their life so unimportant, that they cannot be a positive influence. YOU can alter things by your attitude and the way you treat others.

I don't know whether this guy is a Christian, I must ask him next time he comes. I hope so because he demonstrates what a Christian should be.

Jesus gave his followers some instructions as to how they should act towards other people, and if all Christians took Jesus seriously the world would be a different place.

For example, He said to his disciples: "let your light shine before people so they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven". So a Christian should stand out by the quality and quantity of their good works.

Again, Jesus told his followers to do many things which have passed into everyday language. 'Go the extra mile', He said: "when someone asks you to go one mile, be willing to go two with them." It was Christians who were first called to be 'salt of the earth'.

If you are a follower of Jesus ask yourself how you can make an impact on others by the quality of your life; and if you are not, hold us Christians to account. We follow a Master who wants us to make a positive difference to others – like the van driver whose name I do not know.

David Howard 01380 723189
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SERVICE CALENDAR

July

July

Sun 5th TRINITY 5
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Family Service
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
No Service

Sun 26th TRINITY 8
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Renée Coulson

August

Sun 12th TRINITY 6
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
No Service

Sun 2nd TRINITY 9
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
No Service
4.00pm *The final event of Holiday Club*
will be a United Open Air
Service on Marston Green

Sun 19th TRINITY 7
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Matins
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev David Ellis



There were no Weddings, Funerals or Baptisms at Christ Church during May.

Visit the church website: www.christchurchworton.org.uk

CHURCH ROTAS

Sidesmen – July 2015

Sun 5 th	8.00am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Mrs A Pratt, Mr T Brewer	Family Service
Sun 12 th	9.30am	Mrs J Mason, Mr R Boyns	Parish Communion
Sun 19 th	9.30am	Mrs G Nott, Mr T Walker	Matins
Sun 26 th	9.30am	Mrs S Courth, Mr L Courth	Parish Communion

Sidesmen – August 2015

Sun 2 nd	8.00 am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
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	Altar Flowers	Brass Cleaning	Church Flowers
July 5 th	Mrs Brierley	Mrs Mason	Mrs S Horn
July 12 th	Mrs Brewer	Mrs Hailstone	Mrs D Harwood
July 19 th	Mrs Walker	Mrs Lane	Mrs G Holiday
July 26 th	Mrs Francis	Mrs Brierley	Mrs J Mason
August 2 nd	Mrs Brierley	Mr Collins	Mrs L Phillips

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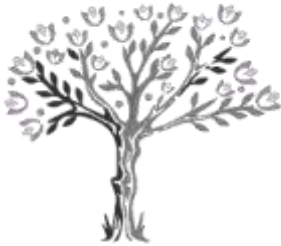
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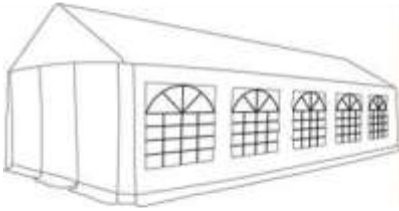
Informal Service of
Praise and Worship

SATURDAY July 11th
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Preacher: Rev Annie Wintour



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FEEDBACK & CRAFT GROUP MEETING

Our next Craft Group meeting in aid of 2015 **Operation Christmas Child** will be held on **Friday 3rd July, 10.00am – 12.00noon, at St. Andrew's Church**

Please bring any empty shoe boxes you may have and any donations of items for the shoe boxes. Craft materials will be available to take away and this is your chance to say what materials you would like to be available for the next meeting.

We are hoping to pack 100 10-14 year old shoe boxes so appropriate items gratefully received especially hats and mittens (scarves are not as important for this age group).

If you haven't been before please come and join us for coffee and a chat, see which activities take your fancy and help fill the shoe boxes for the Christmas shoe box appeal. You do not have to have any previous experience as we have crafts suitable for volunteers of all standards.

COFFEE MORNING/BRING & BUY AND RAFFLE

Our second fundraising coffee morning for 2015 **Operation Christmas Child** will be held on Saturday 11th July, 10.00am -12.00noon, at St. Andrew's Church
Please come and support us.

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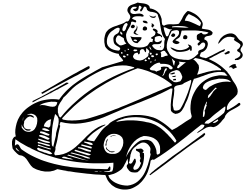
Keep the date



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Annual Drive In Service on Marston Green

Sunday August 2nd at 4.00 pm



We invite you all to join us for what is always a very special occasion.

Like last year, this will be the final service of the Holiday Club, with some of the team taking part.

Enjoy a barbeque with us after, salads and bread provided; please bring your own food to cook, and whatever you like to drink.

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For our first garden visit of the year, we visited Windmill Cottage Garden, where we received a warm welcome from our hosts Rupert and Gill Wade. Full of surprises, the garden opens during different times of the year under the NGS. This rambling garden is full of wild and garden flowers as well as a kitchen garden, woodland area, and a pond and bog area. The garden has been pesticide free for nearly 20 years.

Our next visit is to Beggars Knoll Chinese Garden in Westbury. The owners are opening their garden especially for Gardening Club members and their guests. We shall visit on Wednesday 22nd July. N.B. THIS IS NOT OUR NORMAL MEETING DATE. We will meet at the Village Hall at 6pm to arrange car share. If you have any questions about the visit please see contact details below.

Notes for your diary:

- There will be no formal meeting of the Gardening Club in August as the Annual Village Flower Show takes place on Saturday 22nd August.
- There will be no meeting in September.
- Our next meeting in the Village Hall will be on Monday 19th October at 7 -30 p.m. This will be our Grow It, Cook It Event.

If you have any questions about any of the above events, please call Dot Francis 01380 739986 or email blyb01@aol.com

Dot Francis , Programme Secretary

If you would like to receive a copy of this year's programme please contact: suzanne.bonfield@gmail.com or Bill Francis at blyb01@aol.com





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Great Fun and Presentations Day held mid-June, with a BBQ and luckily the weather held out ok. Full List of Award Winners shown in the table in this edition.

Team Reports:

New Reception year training will start in September (first Saturday after term starts) either at Holy Trinity / Gt Cheverell or Worton – contact Jason 07590-427999 to register

U7 – With only 1 loss in 2 years the team are looking forward to joining the League in September.

U8 – Great season, ending with tournaments in Devizes, Westbury and Trowbridge. Last session is on 3rd July, when the **Chelsea FC Foundation** will run a training evening for the squad.

U10 – Successful recent tour of Manchester and Bolton, including a visit to Old Trafford, was enjoyed by the whole team.

U14 – Ending in 6th place (3 points behind 3rd) in the top league. This International team recently completed a tour to Germany, playing 2 matches (winning one on penalties, and losing the other). Other highlights included a Tour of FC Koln stadium, the Dom (Cathedral) and Phantasialand. Many thanks for all those contributing to fundraising.

Full list of team contacts for next season in the next 2 editions.

2014/15 Presentations July 2015

	<u>Respect Award</u>	<u>Players Player</u>	<u>Managers Player / Most Improved</u>	<u>Golden Boot/Glove</u>
Under 6	Theo	Leon H.	Charlie	Leon H.
U7 - Badgers	Jensen G.	Thomas B.	Bailey P.	Cory N.
U7 - Wizards	Oliver E.	Archie B.	Theo C.	Thomas E.
U8 - Badgers	Dominic E.	Oscar T.	Joe B. / Elliot D.	Finley K.
U8 - Wizards	Joseph P.	Sam L.	Henry P. / Alexander H.	Toby W.
U9	Joe B.	Oliver R.	Oliver R.	Rory L.
U10	Ben L.	George L.	Eddie W.	Jake M.
U11	Jeremy B.	Charlie S.	Josh B.	James H.
U12	Henry	Jacob	Isaac	Luke
U14 - to be announced in July. (U16 / Adults - not included)				

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Christ Church PCC Meeting

The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church met on Tuesday 9th June and discussed the following:

1. Thanks were expressed to all who had helped in any way at the recent School Sports Tournament/Church Plant Sale and Fete. This event had been well attended, with more schools participating, and had made a slightly larger profit than in recent years to share between the two organisations.
2. There have been a few responses already to the recent appeals (in The Bridge and elsewhere) for increased giving by church members and the wider community to support church running expenditure. This has been very encouraging and, if more positive responses are received, the situation by the year-end should be closer to long-term financial viability.
3. Damp problems in the church continue to cause anxiety and the situation is being closely monitored in conjunction with the church architect.
4. It was agreed to continue with a de-facto separation between the administration of the PCC and the separate ecumenical body known as the Worton & Marston Family of Churches. This is in accordance also with the wishes of the other denominations.
5. The annual Holiday Club in the school summer holidays will be held, as usual, in the vicarage garden for the week beginning 27th July. More volunteers have come forward to help with this, but more would always be welcome to maintain a good ratio of adults/teenagers to children.

Peter Witcher, Secretary of the PCC

Bulkington Family Dog Show at Bulkington Fete and Fun Day

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MARSTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING REPORT

May 26th 2015

Philip Salaman chaired the meeting attended by 11 parishioners.

Items discussed:

The police were present and asked for any information regarding the criminal damage inflicted on Croft Farm during the evening of May 9th. Anyone with information should make contact by calling 101. This is the first such incident occurring in the village within anyone's memory. Please help if you can.

Since the Worton cabinet has been upgraded, villagers are reporting better Broadband speeds.

Construction work on the Solar Farm is now complete. Landscaping will follow.

Ideas were sought regarding the use of the proposed Community Fund.

A 30mph limit has been agreed to cover the centre of the village. We are awaiting signs.

The grass cutting contract will be extended to allow more areas to be maintained

The next meeting will be on November 24th 2015

The meeting was followed by the **Parish Council meeting.**

Additional matters discussed:

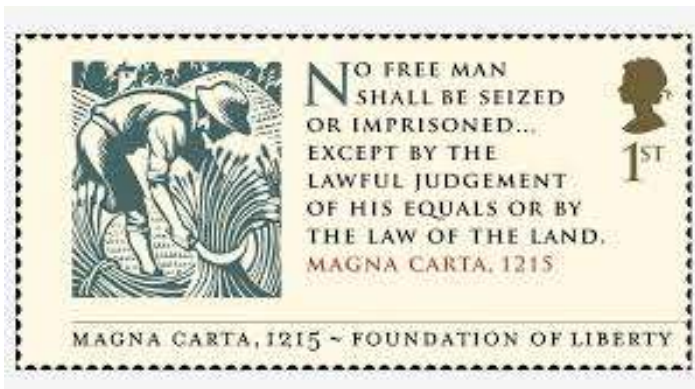
The fencing of the Village field is now complete and the tenant has agreed to pay for a five year agreement.

The Norney Bridge bench has now been acquired and if anyone can help with placing it they should contact William Warden.

Any vulnerable person for whom a loss of electric power would cause problems should contact SSE to register their need.

There will be an Open Air Service on the Green in July. Look out for notices.

The next meeting will be on 28th July





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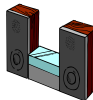
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Five Lanes Women's Institute

The Five Lanes WI group has continued its regular monthly meetings. Unfortunately, a bad cold prevented me from attending our May meeting when the group learnt the basics of line dancing. I understand that an enjoyable time was had by all!

I was fully recovered and able to attend our June meeting. This month, we did something a bit different, and met in the afternoon, rather than the evening. A group of us visited Westonbirt House and gardens - not to be confused with the Arboretum! These are the creation of successive members of the Holford family, with the house being a Grade 1 listed building dating from the Victorian age. After a guided tour, we were treated to a cream tea, and walked in the magnificent Italian gardens. It was well worth the visit - check their website: www.holfordtrust.com, for the opening times.

As summer has arrived, we are out and about again in July. This time we will be having our meeting in Jean Lane's garden. Hopefully, it will be sunny and warm! We meet at 6.45pm on 14th July.

Have a great month!

Jane Loveys, President

Flower Show 22nd August

Just a final reminder of the photographic classes for this year. We look forward to lots of entries.

Children's Section (for those under 16 on 31st August 2015)

1. Leaves
2. A potted plant
3. A bird or birds in the garden

Adult's Section

1. Wet weather
2. Inside a greenhouse
3. Purple - in the garden - could be flowers, furniture, fencing, gates etc.

Heather Walker for Flower Show Committee



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Five Lanes CE Primary School



Topic - The children have just finished the topic 'Take one Penguin' and linked their learning about the Humboldt penguin with a whole school trip to Longleat, which included an educational workshop with the penguins. Then the pupils enjoyed a 'Wear it Wild day' in order to raise money for the WWF and learnt about animals from around the world. The current topic is 'Good to be Green'.

Fete - On the 16th May the school & church held a very successful combined Plant Sale and Sports tournament at Worton. The event was a great success, raising £1250 for the school. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this such an enjoyable and profitable event, in particular to Paul Sperring & his team for organising and managing the football tournament.

Parking – Potterne site - Please can all parents & visitors be respectful to the neighbours living near the back school entrance of the Potterne site and ensure that no driveways are blocked when parking or visiting, particularly in the morning.

Thank you - Our thanks goes to the PFA who funded the buses for the Longleat trip. Also thank you to the Potterne Panto Committee for their kind donation to the school. This money is going to be put towards a new wall mural being planned at the Potterne site.

Breakfast Club - This Club runs Monday to Friday from 7.45 – 8.45 a.m. daily at the Potterne site and costs £2 daily. The children receive breakfast and have fun playing games and doing various activities before school. Please contact the school office for a registration form or more information. 01380 723068.

JUMBLE SALE

Saturday 4th July 2015

2.00 - 4.00 p.m.

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Hilary Hams has taken over running Worton toddlers as my youngest is off to school in September. It has been a great source of friendship and enjoyment over the years so if you are thinking about coming along definitely do. You won't regret it.

Corinna

From play dough to baking, painting and sticking to planting sunflowers and singing, the Toddlers at Worton have lots of fun! Please drop in for a friendly chat and a cup of tea with lots of interesting activities to entertain all babies & under 5s on Wednesdays in term time. 10.00am – 12.00pm

All Babies and Under fives, parents, grandparents and carers welcome. £1.50 per family.

Contact: Hilary Hams 01380 729875

*Said Hamlet to Ophelia,
‘I’ll do a sketch of thee.
What kind of pencil shall I use,
2B or not 2B?’*

Spike Milligan



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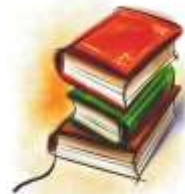
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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Trustees of the Village Hall are very pleased to let you know that we have been successful in achieving a substantial grant from Viridor to overhaul the external fabric of the building. The intention is to replace rotting timbers and the rendering, and insert new windows and improve the insulation. We still have some hoops to get through but we are tentatively looking at an August/September start. The work should take around 8 weeks and we believe that the Hall will be able to be used for most of this time. We will keep everyone updated via The Bridge and will negotiate with anyone who has booked the Hall to minimise disruption, when we know exact dates. This is a much needed boost to our Hall and should ensure its continuance for the foreseeable future.

We are still looking for a sixth Trustee to complete our group and are really keen to hear from anyone from Marston who may be interested. At present the existing five trustees are from Worton and we feel it is important for Marston to be represented. If you would like to join a small but friendly and active group of volunteers who are committed to ensuring that both villages have access to a well maintained Village Hall then please contact Jo Banks on 726658 or Veronica Franklin on 726845.

We are also looking for a young person (16-25) to take on the role of working with the Trustees, possibly co-ordinating a group of young people from both villages, to advise on what they would like to see taking place at the Hall and possibly arranging some events that would attract people from this age group. This may be suitable as a project for the Duke of Edinburgh Award or for someone who wants some experience of working as part of a team and/or leading projects. OR you could just fancy doing it for the sake of it. For whatever reason, if you would be interested in this please contact Jo Banks (726658) or Veronica Franklin (726845).

VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB - Despite best efforts, in reality we are the Village Hall 82 club. This is the fewest number of participants we have had since the 200 club started. The good news is that those who have joined stand a better chance of winning a prize during the year; the bad news is that what was an excellent source of income for the Hall has now declined in value leaving us wondering how best to raise funds in the future. We need this funding to continue to carry out our programme of maintenance and improvement. Should you wish to join you can do so by contacting Veronica Franklin on 726845.

The winners for May were Nick Stokes (ticket 139) and Mark Fisher (ticket 88).
Veronica Franklin

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WORTON & MARSTON LADIES GROUP

Our May meeting was well supported when we had a talk by Richard Snow on Wild Flowers and the effect they had on our open spaces.

Again by the time you read this we will have had our June meeting which was a lunch at Trowbridge College; more on this next month.

We will be meeting in the Village Hall on the 29th July at 8pm for our next get together when our speaker will be Lynda Warren who will be giving a talk on Heroes & Sweethearts of WW2, which I'm sure, will be very interesting.

If anyone would like to come along and join in with the ladies group for music and a sing along all would be most welcome, hope to see you there.

Hostess for July: Cheryl Hailstone & Sheila Horn

Pam Woods

Trading Standards have alerted us to a scam that appears to be a nationwide problem.

There have been 2 reports in the Wiltshire area in the last few weeks – Marlborough & Bromham.

They have the same style MO, mostly targeting elderly vulnerable people where Door to door fish sellers visit addresses, the Trader states “THREE FIFTY” (Price) and Customer thinks £3.50. The Trader relies on IP not looking or not seeing properly using a chip and pin reader, he then types “£350” into the card reader and IP then enters their PIN number. The Trader then dumps three carrier bags of fish on the doorstep, the bank will confirm that £350 had been debited.

Please disseminate this information to villagers and neighbours and report any such incident to Police.

Kind regards
Fiona

Fiona Marno 6005

Police Community Support Officer, Devizes Neighbourhood Policing Team

Phone: 101 E-mail: fiona.marno@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Mail: **Devizes Police Station, New Park Street, Devizes, SN10 1DZ**



Seend Acoustic Club

Seend Community Centre, Rusty Lane, Seend SN12 6NS
7.45 for 8pm in the upstairs Village Room.
All welcome! £4 unless otherwise stated.

Special guests:

1st July – Blues from the amazing Kevin Brown

15th July – perfect three-part harmonies from The Croutons

Plus support acts, floor spots, free chocolates and unusual raffle.

All in all, a great evening out! See seendacoustic.org

Summer Saturday Breakfasts

18th & 25th July & 1st, 15th and 22nd August from 8-10.30am
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Key Messages from WORTON PARISH COUNCIL (WPC) who met on Monday, 1st June at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. (Agenda and Minutes of all meetings are on the Parish noticeboard located outside the Rose and Crown Pub.)

Village Survey

As previously reported, the response to the village survey has been overwhelming. WPC have therefore decided to appoint an independent, experienced third party to analyse your responses so that maximum benefit and use will be obtained from everyone's contribution. The results will follow in the Bridge and on the Worton website and be on display at the WPC Community Planning Open Session in October.

Worton Tree Regeneration

This is a really important initiative. One of the features that makes our village special is the rural setting and a significant element of that is our trees. We must plant now to ensure that we pass on a green and tree-filled village to future generations. If you could accommodate even one tree then please contact us – you will have a choice of tree to ensure it is suitable for the location and a protector and stake will be provided. If you think there are places in the village where a tree would be an asset then contact us too.

Superfast Broadband

As previously reported, superfast broadband is now available in Worton to all subscribers serviced through Cabinet 21. WPC, with kind advice from Marston WPC, is making enquiries to endeavour to get the same benefits to the 40 or so Worton residents serviced through Cabinet 3. Watch this space!

Litter Bins

Wiltshire Council have advised WPC that it is no longer necessary to have separate bins for dog waste. Provided that dog waste is properly bagged it can be deposited in any waste bin. Hopefully, this will assist those responsible dog walkers who bag it, then carry it for some way before binning it!

Parishioner Attendance

We are delighted to report that we have had a significant number of parishioners attending the last few meetings. All your Parish Councillors are volunteers who have made a commitment to give up their time each month to attend meetings and to consider matters affecting the village and wider surrounds. The next **Council Meeting is on Monday 6th July at 7.30 in the Village Hall.**

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If you feel you would like to know more about us please contact Janice Charlton on 07740720434 or Barbara Galloway on 07884162559.

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Barbara Gompels, Secretary WHO



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A Message from Richard Gamble Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

In one of my recent Messages, I suggested that the General Election could be seen as an expression of the liberty of the people that can be linked back to the Magna Carta, signed 800 years ago.

A mere two hundred years ago, another event curtailed the career of a despotic ruler of the time and that too has had implications that resonate today. I refer, of course, to the Battle of Waterloo.

In the years before Waterloo, Napoleon had sought to extend his hegemony across the whole of Europe. Military power was part of it but Napoleon had also sought to diminish the prosperity and growth of his rival, Great Britain, by the imposition of a large-scale embargo against British trade. This policy was known as the Continental System and it was, in part, successful. British trade dropped considerably, but the law of unintended consequences applied and Marseille, Bordeaux and La Rochelle also suffered from the loss of trade. Across the continent, food prices rose and the resentment of client states against Napoleon increased. Russia's refusal to join the Continental System led eventually to the invasion of Russia in 1812 and Napoleon's defeat there marked the beginning of his downfall.

Indeed, the support of other nations was vital to Wellington's success at Waterloo. His army was described as a Coalition and included Dutch and Belgian troops and soldiers from various German states as well. The battle was eventually won only after the intervention of the Prussians under Blucher.

I am not sure if we can draw any lessons from this. The power of free trade? The need for alliances? The fact that what seems like a good idea at the time can have unintended consequences?

I can't help noticing that the Waterloo battlefield is very near to Brussels and, in a year or two's time, the liberty of the British people will again be expressed in the EU Referendum. It will be interesting to see if that too becomes a landmark in history.

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email to:
richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk or by phone on **07762 018209**.



VILLAGE DIARY

Regular Meetings

In the Village Hall

- **Gardening Club**
3rd Monday 8.00pm (not Aug /Dec)
- **Ladies Group**
Last Wednesday (not Aug/Dec)
- **Women's Institute**
2nd Tuesday 7.45pm
- **Worton Toddler Group**
Wednesday 10.00 am—Noon
- **1st Worton & Marston Brownies**
Every Tuesday
- **Potterne Rainbows** (term time)
Tuesday 4.30-5.30pm

In the Village Hall

- **Worton Parish Council Meeting**
1st Monday (not Aug) or as shown on notice boards

In the Chapel at Marston

- **Marston Parish Council Meeting**
Last Tuesday (every odd month)

Various Venues

Announced Monthly

- **Book Swap**
2nd Saturday 10.00 - Noon

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- Monday July 13th
- Monday July 27th

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July

- 11th Book Swap
- 14th W.I.
- 18th Coffee & Cake
- 22nd Gardening Club
- 25th Dog Show
- 29th Ladies Group

Devizes Farmers' Market

Next: Saturday 4th and 18th July

The Shambles Antiques Market

Every Tuesday

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Wednesday 1st & 15th & 29th

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Deadline for items for the next Bridge is 15th July 2015.
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