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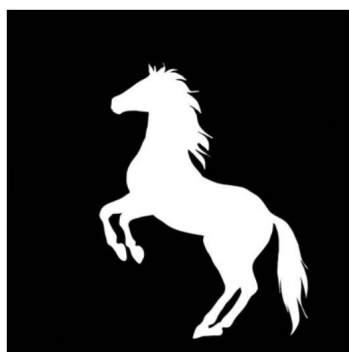
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Tuesdays			10am - 12	Coffee Morning	Village Hall
Tuesdays			9am-12	Post Office	Village Hall
Tuesday	23rd	September	3.15-4.00pm	Mobile Library	Near Village Hall
Sunday	28th	September	2-4pm	Bhads Auditions for Pantomime	Village Hall
Sunday	5th	October	11am-	Harvest Festival and Lunch	St Peter ad Vincula
Tuesday	7th	October	7pm	WB Harvest Supper	The Winterbourne
Sunday	19th	October	10am	Morning Service	St Peter ad Vincula
Tuesday	21st	October	3.15-4.00pm	Mobile Library	Near Village Hall
Sunday	16th	November	11-Jan	Farmers' Market	Village Hall
Saturday	29th	November	Evening	Christmas Party	Village Hall
Wednesday	17th	December	7pm for 7.30	Ladies Xmas Dinner	The Crown

Waste and Recycling collection days for October

Monday	6th	October	General Recycling	Blue Bin & Black Boxes
Tuesday	7th	October	Household Waste	Black Bin
Thursday	9th	October	Garden Waste	Green Bin
Friday	10th	October	WB General Recycling	Blue Bin & Black Boxes
Monday	20th	October	General Recycling	Blue Bin & Black Boxes
Tuesday	21st	October	Household Waste	Black Bin
Thursday	23rd	October	Garden Waste	Green Bin
Friday	24th	October	WB General Recycling	Blue Bin & Black Boxes

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Dear All,

Well done to the organisers of the **Family Fun Day**, at the Cricket Club, although perhaps just a touch less well attended than last year, it attracted quite a crowd who enjoyed bouncing on the bouncy castles, petting the animals, and various games including splat the rat and a coconut shy, at which some people were astonishingly proficient! There were fish and chips, a bbq and excellent coffee as well as crafts and video games for the kids, and a very well supported bar. A light breeze without rain was perfect. Thanks very much to all of you who offered your time and support to make this village event go ahead.

Don't forget to audition! Coming soon are the **BHADS auditions**. Bhads are putting on a pantomime again in January, so if you feel like taking a step upon the boards turn out on Sunday 28th September **see page 5**. If you are interested in helping out back stage, Bhads would love to hear from you too.

Harvest Services are on in local churches along with Harvest meals. **See pages 8 and 9**.

The **Village Hall** have almost sold out of tickets for the ever popular **Christmas Party**. A little bird has told me that there is just one table left, so if you are thinking about going, grab it soon, **see page 6**.

Sadly the **Baby and Toddler group** hasn't had enough interest to continue—not enough babies and toddlers locally, **see page 6** for other local groups.

The Neighbourhood Planning Group has an update on page 7.

Local News archives

There are now a few items scanned in and on the Local News pages of the Village Hall website including the pages of the 1973 copy shared last month, a copy from 1988 and a summer event

booklet, which covered the Victorian festival held in 1989 (see page 6) and which features lots of old photographs of the village and descriptions of what life would have been like living here in the Victorian era. A fascinating read. Many thanks to Mark Wightman for passing those along. If anyone has an other old copies, please let me have them to digitise.

Dogs

There have several mentions to me about various issues locals have with dogs in our community. I have passed on some of those views on page 11; please all be considerate to each other.

Did you get to any of the events last month?

Did you go to a successful event? Do you have praise for the organisers? Send me a few words about it. Is there something going on that I haven't heard about, send me some info and I'll let everyone know. Got something to say on any local subject, send it to me, your articles are always welcome.

Liz

**Visiting Ringers –
Saturday,
11th October**



Each year we are visited by ringers from the Calne Branch of the Salisbury Guild of Ringers, of which Broad Hinton tower is a 'member'.

This year, their visit is on Saturday 11th October. Ringing by accomplished ringers will start around 3pm and there will be a break at 4.30pm for tea and a business meeting. Any ringing after the meeting will conclude by 7pm.

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VILLAGE HALL OCTOBER NEWS



Broad Hinton Village Hall Christmas Party Saturday 29th November

There will be 11 tables which, as usual, have sold really fast. We only have one table left now. Hurry and get your Early Bird tickets £55 each if you pay in full by end of September. £60 paid in full by end of October. Pay on booking November onwards. Book with Sarah Kromer finance@broadhinton.org.uk or 07885 519221.

Canapes to start, sit-down dinner, maybe one game, No raffle, excellent DJ afterwards (not last year's!) That's it, lots of Christmas fun!

Christmas Market Sunday 7th December 11am-3pm

Our ever-popular Christmas Market will be serving up the usual helping of Christmas things to eat and drink and lots of shopping opportunities. If you'd like to book a table to sell, please contact Sue Robinson suerobinson14@hotmail.com

October Hirings

The purpose of this article each month is so everyone knows when the car park is required and when residents can expect people going in and out of BHVH. These times include set up time, not necessarily the time of the event.

Sunday 19th Christening Party 5pm-10pm
(This hiring is not yet confirmed)

Because the Local News copy date is 20th of the month, there may be hirings shown here, which are subsequently cancelled. However, you can always check future bookings on the BHVH website <https://broadhinton.org.uk/booking/lemon-booking/>

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£25 268 Liz Moakes

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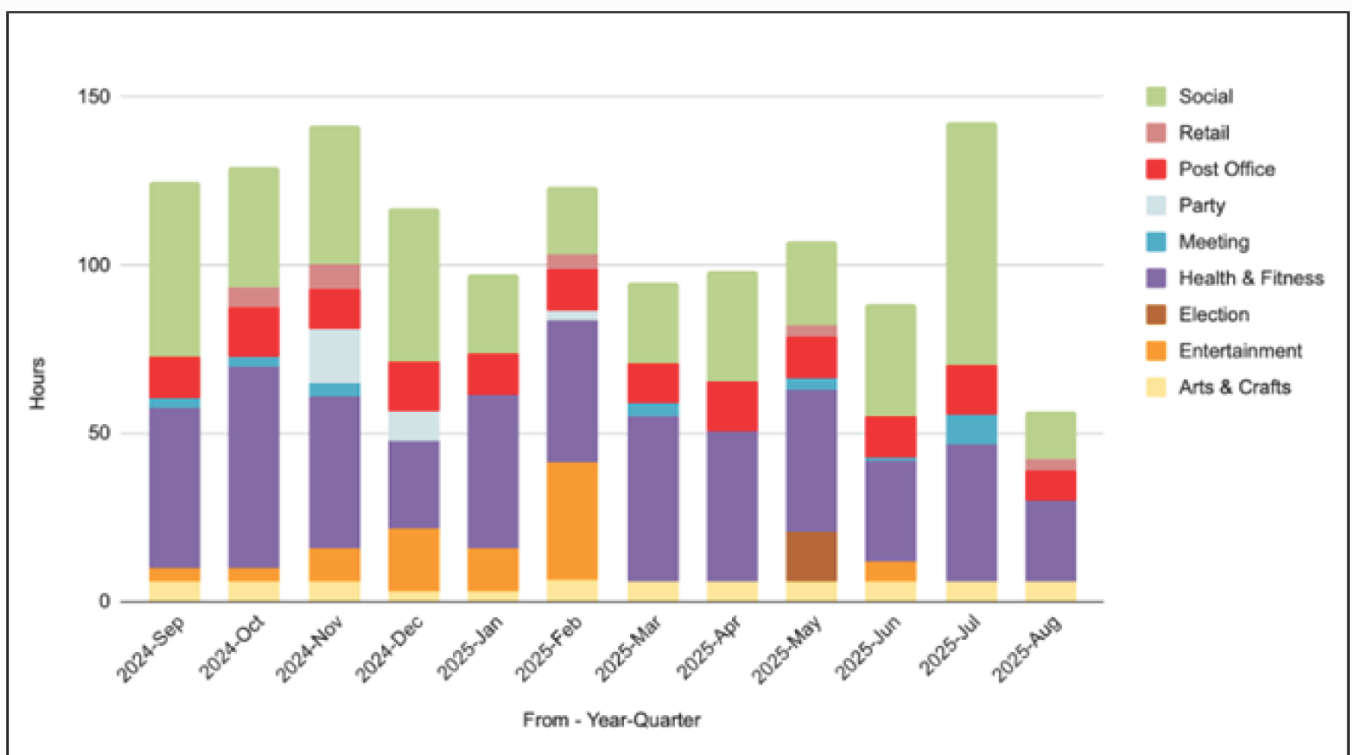
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In Broad Hinton Village Hall there were over 1300 hours of community activities, events and services over the last year. This included health & fitness classes, arts & crafts, hosting the Post Office, coffee mornings, Youth Club, Baby & Toddler Group, farmer's markets and bigger events like the Hackpen Beer & Gin Festival, the Christmas party, and BHADS' pantomime.



If you have any ideas for events or activities you'd like to see at the village hall, or that you'd like to run yourself, please get in touch
villagehall@broadhinton.org.uk



**2026 PANTOMIME
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Sunday, September 28 - 2pm

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Baby and Toddler Group



With regret I have decided not to continue with the Baby and Toddler Group.

There have been too few participants to make it worthwhile continuing to run.

For those who came along and would like to visit a group nearby,

check out:-

- Broad Town Bumps and beyond - Tuesday 9.30-11.30am
- Wroughton Little Lambs -Wednesday 10-12.

If you donated toys, thank you very much for your support. I plan to donate them to a local women's shelter. If you would prefer to have them back please message me directly. Tash

Broad Hinton Summer Event

This year the summer event of Broad Hinton takes the form of a Victorian celebration. Wiltshire County Council (like several others) enjoys its centenary this year. Broad Hinton, a small village on the Marlborough Downs, has changed much in recent years. Change is not always welcome in our lives but it is well to be reminded that changes were beginning to take place in Victorian times which were to revolutionise the taken-for-granted country life styles which had seemed to endure for ever.

Queen Victoria reigned from 1837-1901 and the period witnessed many significant changes - the development of the railways, of mechanisation on the land, in factories, the advent of the motor car, piped water, inside lavatories and even electricity. Life in the countryside, however, continued largely unchanged for a populace too poor to benefit from the 'new' technology.

Recapturing something of life in Victorian times is one aim for the weekend, to show us how today grows out of our yesterdays and tomorrow out of today.

It is hoped that you will enter into the spirit of a return to yesteryear by participating fully AND IN COSTUME TOO!

This booklet is intended to commemorate the event and to inform you a little of life in and around Broad Hinton one hundred years ago.

All profits from the weekend will be used to support local village charities.



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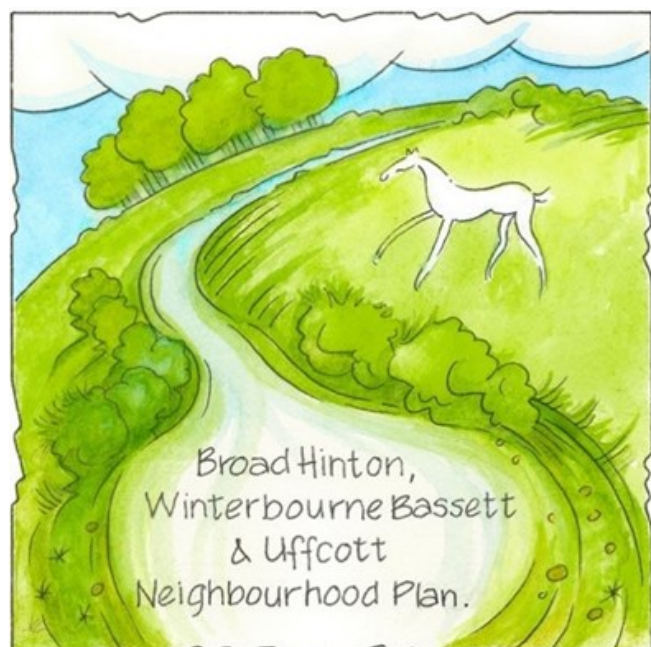
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Please call me JULIE WATTS (Volunteer) on (01793) 731476 if you're interested.

THANK YOU

Neighbourhood Plan

Latest Update



You may be wondering how we're progressing with the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)? The task since the regulation 14 consultation has been more complex than we anticipated. Some feedback caused us to deliberate further, and we have developed our thinking in parts of the NDP in response to feedback. In addition, we have needed to seek clarification from some statutory bodies who are slow to respond. We hope to have more news soon on when we can move to Regulation 15 (submitting our documents to Wiltshire Council).

Roderick Wightman

Roderick Wightman died on 31st July not long after his 83rd birthday.

He was a regular at Broad Hinton on Tuesday Coffee Mornings, with his carer, Holly.

He grew up in not far away in Purton and after training in property agency with firms in Kent and then Hereford, he joined the family business of Farrant and Wightman in Swindon.

He worked locally and was involved in opening branch offices in Royal Wootton Bassett and Commercial Road Swindon.

After a cremation service, a celebration of his life had been arranged by his wife, Annette in a marquee at the side of a lake.

The lake was created by their son Luke on his farm near Thornhill below Clyffe Pypard and is now fully naturalised.

His other son, Ross, gave a heartfelt eulogy covering many characteristics with which many present were familiar.

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Upper Kennet Churches Harvest Festival Services



Winterbourne Bassett	28 September	11.30 am
Broad Hinton	5 October	11 am

Holy Communion, followed by a Harvest Lunch in the church

Winterbourne Monkton	5 October	4 pm
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followed by Tea

Harvest Festivals 2025 Urgently Needed Food Bank Items

UHT dairy milk (not oat milk etc)
Long life fruit juice
Tinned tomatoes, peas, carrots, sweetcorn, potatoes
Tinned tuna, tinned ham
Long life sponge puddings (minimum of 4 months best before date, please)
Tinned custard
Chocolate bars
Instant mashed potato
Tinned hot meat (stewing steak, chicken in sauce, etc)
Shower gel, shampoo, conditioner
Jam/honey/peanut butter
Dried rice (500 gms)
Mug Shot/Instant pasta
Toilet rolls
Deodorant (ladies' and men's)
Adult toothbrushes

The foodbank has plenty of
Tinned pulses (lentils, beans, chick peas etc)

St. Katherine & St Peter,
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HARVEST FESTIVAL
Sunday 28 September, 11.30

*All welcome to come and celebrate the bringing in of the harvest goods,
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THE popular Devizes Autumn Fair, which has been running for more than 20 years, will once again be featuring unique gifts, clothes and crafts to raise funds for the Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust at The Corn Exchange in Devizes from 10am to 4.30pm on October 3.

The fair will feature dozens of stalls from craftsmen and women and producers from across the South West. There will also be refreshments available at the event's pop-up café.

Tickets are £5 per person but anyone booking online in advance can get two for the price of one. Tickets are available at devizesautumnfair.co.uk.

The charity operates two vans, both staffed by former police officers, which visit homes across Wiltshire and Swindon to offer free practical home security measures, fire safety assessments and online safety guidance for people over 60 or over 18 with a registered disability

It works in partnership with Wiltshire Police and other organisations including Victim Support, Age UK, housing associations and Wiltshire Council's trading standards department to identify people who need help and reassurance.

Director Jennie Shaw said: "This will be a wonderful chance to get started on the Christmas shopping, with so many stalls featuring some unique hand-crafted gifts from local producers – and help us to continue keeping older and vulnerable people safe in their homes."

For further details contact Gary Lawrence on 07866 422308 or gary@meadowcomms.co.uk

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust (WBVT) provides a free home security service and online safety service for over 60s and over 18s with a registered disability and people experiencing domestic abuse throughout Wiltshire and Swindon.

The charity funds the operation of two Bobby vans that provide mobile workshops for Bobby operators to secure homes. Its team of Stay Safe Online Volunteers offer one to one home visits and community talks on online safety.

(WBVT) is based at Wiltshire Police Headquarters, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 2DN

THE RIDGEWAY LADIES

On Wednesday September 3rd the ladies were delighted to welcome Alex Call to their meeting. Alex is the owner of Bert's Books, an independent bookshop, in Old Town Swindon.

On leaving school Alex worked in the book department of WHSmith's in Swindon followed by another thirteen years with the same firm at their head office as 'head of book marketing and promotion'. He was then made redundant which prompted him into starting his Bert's Books website. The origin of the name Bert came from the nickname Alex was known by as a child – the name stuck and he felt that the alliteration created a catchy name for a book establishment. He ran his business from his flat and then from a

small office near Cheney Manor Estate but his ambition was to have his own bookshop. He acquired the premises in Old Town and in 2022 fulfilled his ambition and opened his bookshop.

Alex shared many stories about his journey including when his window display went viral. He had placed several copies of 'How to Kill your Family' by Bella Mackie alongside Prince Harry's book 'Spare' !!!

Today Bert's Books offers a great personal in shop service (Alex and his two colleagues are incredibly knowledgeable), a wide variety of books, a wonderful website, talks from visiting authors, excellent coffee and so much more! Definitely worth a visit.....

Alex is an avid reader and has an infectious enthusiasm for books. An interesting and humorous talk - enjoyed by all.

Dogs again!

I have been contacted by several members of the local community with comments about the behaviour of dogs/and dog owners in the village.

In particular they would like to raise the problem of dog poo (again), but would like to **request that dogs are always walked on leads in the village.**

Another problem raised is the **barking and whining of dogs left alone.** Sometimes this is for several hours at a time and can be quite distressing to listen to, particularly when you have no means of changing the situation.

"If they are dog lovers, why do they leave these animals in such a state of distress. Perhaps the RSPCA should be contacted."

Perhaps if yours is one of these noisy dogs you could take some advice on how to keep them quieter or more settled from other dog lovers or professionals?

The Dog Poo Bin

The dog poo bin at the church is now being filled to overflowing.

If you own a dog and walk it in the village

please **take your dog's poo home with you.** The dog poo bin is emptied by volunteers not the council, they certainly do not need to be picking up bags that left around the bin and hanging off the sides. This surely is not rocket science.



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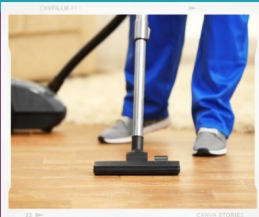


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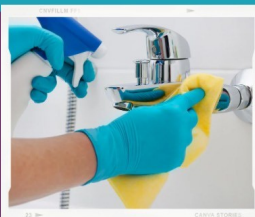
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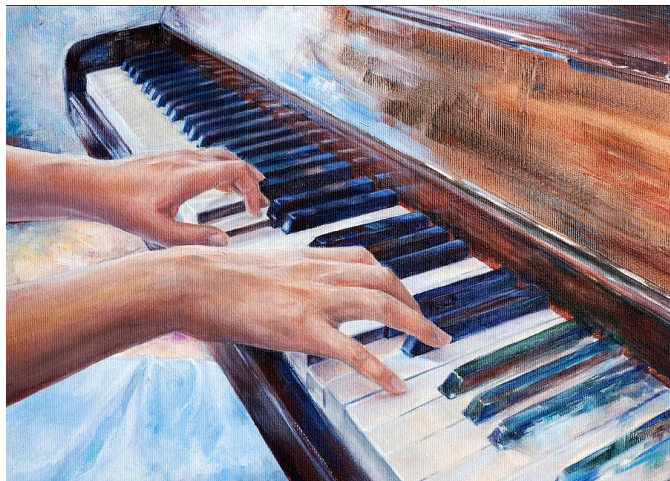
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The Village Choir

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Free admission - donations welcome

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So we should love to have more players to join the panel. You do not need to be a trained organist to play! Any keyboard player capable of playing hymn tunes on the piano or electric keyboard can do the same on the organ. It is not necessary to use the pedal board, and any of us existing players can teach you which stops to use on the organ in 10 or 20 minutes. You will soon come to love the organ – a glorious instrument! – and one with a great repertoire if you want to explore further.

If you'd like to play, and can help us enhance our Sunday worship in the Parish, please get in touch with one of us, listed below.

Stuart Laing (stuart-laing@outlook.com)

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Philip Scott (philipscott2@me.com)

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**Thursday, 11 December, at
7.00 pm**

**in St James's Church,
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**and the Rt Rev'd Andrew Rumsey,
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VIEW FROM THE RECTORY

The Stranger by Rudyard Kipling

**The Stranger within my gate,
He may be true or kind,
But he does not talk my talk--
I cannot feel his mind.
I see the face and the eyes and the mouth,
But not the soul behind.**

**The men of my own stock,
They may do ill or well,
But they tell the lies I am wanted to,
They are used to the lies I tell;
And we do not need interpreters
When we go to buy or sell.**

In the middle of last month I was rather up to my eyes with things to do when I had a phone call from someone asking if he could stay in the porch of one of our churches. We often get rough sleepers who are people passing through, but it is unusual for them to ask, and they usually stay one or two nights. He wanted to stay a bit longer.

He was no trouble, and I knew when he would be moving on but people in the parish got jumpy and concerned. I totally understand this. We didn't know anything about him except what he chose to tell us. All I can say for certain was that he was polite to everyone who spoke to him, had a gentle demeanour and broken shoes – so we bought him some new ones and he has now moved on.

Are we right to fear the stranger? We are certainly right to be wary, and it is a natural instinct to be so. 'Are they a physical threat to myself or others?' is our first natural instinct.

And then there is the broader issue of our day, the wider threat with the strangers who come in on a daily basis on inflatable boats.

We have the same dilemma. We don't know their story. We don't know if they are a threat. The instinct is to get them to move on. To get rid of them as communities feel threatened.

I don't believe the "Unite the Kingdom" march in September was full of right-wing bigots. I am sure that faction was there, but there were also ordinary folk worried about the affect on their communities, just like some in our parish were. Those who felt the conversation was not being allowed to be had and that inclusion seems to involve everyone else apart from them. Are they correct? Maybe we should have a conversation about it rather than demonising each other.

for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'

And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

(Matthew 25:35-40)

How do we reconcile the Gospel message of unconditional love (and its consequences) with social pragmatism? I fear that, as ever, stubborn politics on both sides of the fence gets in the way of the desire to seek a common solution. The stranger would learn very quickly of us, and our culture, if we were to sit at a table to discuss it once we've put the kettle on for a brew. I don't know about politicians but that's how ordinary folk still do it.

Every blessing

Jonathan – the rector.

News from Morobo



Plenty of good things have been happening in Morobo since the last update, despite continuing problems of security which have complicated life for the Church and community there. Two ambulances at the hospital were destroyed by thugs frustrated by being unable to get hold of drugs, and recently the solar panels at the cathedral were wrecked during a thunderstorm, cutting off their source of power.

The mission of the church progresses, though:

- Bishop Data was sponsored by a friend to attend a conference in the Philippines on Transforming Communities, and he returned with ideas that can be applied to Morobo.
- At the end of August there was a successful week of training for all church leaders in the Diocese.

Projects that we as a Deanery are supporting:

- Harvesting of crops continues successfully, including honey from most of the hives we purchased. Sales from these provide a small income for the clergy.
- Twelve more bicycles for clergy are now safely delivered.

- The money left over from the bore hole appeal has been used to purchase and install a new rainwater butt at the cathedral.
 - Some spare money in the Deanery account has enabled us to pay for a labour-saving grain grinder. At the time of writing, we are waiting for the security situation to improve before it can be delivered to Morobo.
 - The time saved from grinding by hand could enable the women to do other productive work, and when funds become available, we would like to send money for sewing machines for the Mothers' Union.
- A big thank-you to all who continue to support this partnership by prayer and giving.

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Morning Prayer

8.30-9am daily



Join us by zoom for half an hour to start the day in an atmosphere of quiet prayer and reflection with others, from the comfort of your own armchair. We are a small group who value this wonderful opportunity to gather ourselves for the day, to focus on what lies ahead and to enjoy silence together.

For more details, the service sheet and the zoom link, contact:

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Can you give yourself 25 minutes a fortnight?

Just to relax, turn off, and forget the trials and stresses of life, and everyday pressures, and to enjoy a time of peace, calm and silent reflection.

Every fortnight on a Wednesday evening at East Kennett Church from 6.00 to 6.25pm we hold a Taize meditation service: a chance to just sit quietly and relax and enjoy the silence and the peace by candlelight, with a background of occasional singing - often accompanied by guitar playing, plus a few words of wisdom and brief prayers – but mainly peace and calm.

No complicated service to follow, just peace and relaxation.

Put these dates in your diary and drop in to join us when you feel like it:

OCTOBER: Wednesday 8th; and 22nd.

NOVEMBER: Wednesday 5th

We look forward to seeing you.

Graham Kitchen, Jo Snape and Lindie White

Flower & Cleaning Rotas for October

	Flowers	Cleaning
HARVEST FESTIVAL (PROVISIONAL OCTOBER 5TH) PLEASE COME TO HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH		
4th and 11th October	Marjorie Sykes and Julie Watts	Helen Miller and Candace Gaisford
18th and 25th October	Trish Wightman and June Pillinger	Jo and Andy McCombe

Readings for October 2025

Sunday 5th October - Green

16th Sunday after Trinity

Lamentations 1.1-6
Psalm 137 (or 137.1-6)
2 Timothy 1.1-14
Luke 17.5-10

Sunday 12th October - Green

17th Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 29.1,4-7

Psalm 66.1-11

2 Timothy 2.8-15

Luke 17.11-19

Sunday 19th October - Green

18th Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 31.27-34

Psalm 119.97-104

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5

Luke 18.1-8

Sunday 26th October - Green

Last Sunday after Trinity

Joel 2.23-end
Psalm 65 [or 65.1-7]

2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

Luke 18.9-14

Sunday 2nd November – Gold

or White

All Saints' Day

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18

Psalm 149

Ephesians 1.11-end

Luke 6.20-31

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Wednesday 1 October				<u>10 am</u> Celtic Communion Service			
5 October Trinity 16	<u>8.30 am</u> Holy Communion				<u>4 pm</u> Harvest Festival & Tea	<u>10.30 am</u> Morning Service	<u>11 am</u> Harvest Festival Holy Communion followed by
Wednesday 8 October			<u>6 pm</u> Meditation Service (Taizé)	<u>10.30 am</u> Celtic Communion Service			
12 October		<u>10 am</u> Morning Service		<u>10 am</u> Parish Communion			
Wednesday 15 October				<u>10.30 am</u> Celtic Morning Service			
19 October			<u>8 am</u> Morning Prayer		<u>10 am</u> Parish Communion		<u>10 am</u> Morning Prayer
Wednesday 22 October			<u>6 pm</u> Meditation Service (Taizé)	<u>10.30 am</u> Celtic Morning Service			
26 October Last Sunday		<u>10 am</u> Parish Communion					
Wednesday 29 October				<u>10.30 am</u> Celtic Morning Service			

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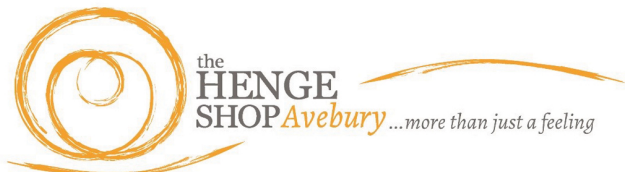
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