

# Community Calendar

Sat	27	Apr	Book Cafe: VH 9.30am – 11.30am
Wed	1	May	Ridgeway Ladies: Talk - Endangered Species VH 7.45pm
Tue	7	May	Parish Council & Annual Parish Meeting: VH 7.30pm
Tue	14	May	Mobile Library: VH car park 3.15pm – 4pm
Fri	17	May	Gardening Club: Trip to Oxford Botanic Garden
Wed	29	May	Vintage Cine Club: The Adventures of Robin Hood, VH 7.30
Sat	8	June	BHC Building Trust: 9 -12 The Crown Car Park
Sat	6	July	Safari Supper



**Happy Birthday to the Broad Hinton School pupils**

**Rosemarie Spring, Talei Waqabaca, Maxwell Lacey,  
Luca Barbato, Lucy Baverstock and  
Florence Humphries**

**who celebrate their birthdays in May**

## Waste & Recycling collection days for May

Tue	30	Plastic & Cardboard (blue bin) and Recycling (black box)
Thurs	2	Garden waste (green bin)
Tue	7	Household waste (black bin)
Tue	14	Plastic & Cardboard (blue bin) and Recycling (black box)
Thur	16	Garden waste (green bin)
Tue	21	Household waste (black bin)
Tue	28	Plastic & Cardboard (blue bin) and Recycling (black box)
Thur	30	Garden waste (green bin)

**The copy date for June 2019 will be  
20<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

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Contact – Rachel Kent 07818 402 474 [rachel.bethell@icloud.com](mailto:rachel.bethell@icloud.com)

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## **Wroughton Country Market**

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent raffles for Red Nose Day where we raised £70 and for Dressability where we raised £67. We, as a market, are pleased to be able to support local charities with our monthly raffles. Don't forget the Country Market has a stall at the annual Wroughton Duck Race on Monday 7th May so come and find us! We also have a stall at the Wroughton Carnival on Saturday 6th July so make a date in your diary.

The Country Markets is 100 years old this year so there will be lots going on to celebrate this nationwide. Watch this space for what Wroughton will be doing to mark this milestone.....

Don't forget if you need anything bespoke or have any special requests please either come and speak to any of the producers at the market on a Friday morning or ring Tina Grice on 01793 638240.

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## **Open Gardens, Winterbourne Monkton Sunday 14 July 2019**

There will be 7 gardens open to the public in Winterbourne Monkton on Sunday 14 July 2-5pm including: vintage cars, scarecrows, delicious teas and a plant stall! Pop it in your diaries and come along for a lovely afternoon out. Children under 12 free, admission price £5pp includes a free cup of tea/coffee! More details to follow! All profits to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance and Monkton Church.

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## **Choir Leader for St Peter ad Vincula, Broad Hinton**

Broad Hinton is looking for a choir leader to take over from Jenni Moseling, our current Choir Leader, as she leaves the village. The choir is small but dedicated, and has an excellent reputation in the area. We are lucky enough to have a very good organist. The successful applicant will need to be a competent musician (and singer), with the ability to support choir members in their learning. A knowledge of church litany (Mattins, evensong etc) would help, but can be learned. He or she will be responsible for selecting the hymns, settings etc. for services in consultation with the Rector, using RSCM materials as back-up.

There would be a commitment to weekly choir practices (generally), and twice monthly services, plus the occasional Benefice Service. It would involve organising material for festival services such as Easter, Christmas and Harvest; also a willingness to practise the choir for weddings at St Peter's, and also across the Benefice if asked (and if the choir is available). Probably not more than 2 or 3 each year.

According to the current Choir Leader, a sense of humour and a lot of patience are also desirable!

Re-numeration in line with RSCM guidelines, a full enhanced DBS check and completion of Diocesan Safeguarding Training is a requirement of appointment to this role. Please apply in the first instance to PCC Secretary Mrs Marjorie Sykes, at [sykes@silversurfers142.plus.com](mailto:sykes@silversurfers142.plus.com), or write to 142 Yew Tree Lane, Broad Hinton SN4 9PN

# Broad Hinton and Winterbourne Bassett Parish Council Meeting

Broad Hinton Village Hall, Broad Hinton  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019. 7:30pm

## DRAFT MINUTES

**Councillors Present:** Alex LaRoche (AL) (Chairman)  
Adrian Smith (AS) (Vice Chairman)  
Candace Gaisford (CG)  
Jim Gunter (JG)  
Ray Smyth (RS)

**Apologies:** Zoe Cooper (ZC)  
Tristan Norman (TN)  
Howard Witt (HW)

**Clerk:** Alison Robinson (AR)

**Guests:** Cllr. Jane Davies (JD) (Wiltshire Council)

Item No.	Subject	Action
1	<b>Introduction, Quorum, Apologies for Absence, Declaration of Interests</b>	
	The Chairman welcomed Councillors to the Meeting, including Jane Davies our Ward Councillor. Apologies were taken. The meeting was declared quorate. Cllr. Smith declared an interest in any discussion regarding 'The Winterbourne'.	
2	<b>Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	AL
	The minutes were reviewed, agreed and signed by the Chairman, Cllr. LaRoche	
3	<b>Matters Arising</b>	AL
	<p><b>Bonfires:</b> The Chairman had received a complaint about bonfires. There are no bylaws restricting bonfires but if smoke is a nuisance Wiltshire Council can take action under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1980. Parish Councillors would ask that residents act responsibly when lighting a bonfire with consideration for their neighbours. <b>Action:</b> The Clerk will put an article in the <i>Local News</i> requesting residents to use common sense with bonfires.</p> <p><b>Tree on the corner of Pitchens End:</b> Cllr. Gunter has had complaints about this tree, which does not get pollarded by Wiltshire Council (WC) when the rest of the High Street trees are pruned. WC deny ownership of this tree and verge. The tree has a Tree Preservation Order. The tree has become too tall, a nuisance to residents and a road safety issue. <b>Action:</b> Cllr Davies suggested contacting Martin Cook at WC.</p> <p><b>WW1 Commemorative Tree planting at Winterbourne Bassett:</b> The Parish Council bought the trees and there was a joint commemoration with the Church. Councillors thanked Steve Windel for his donation of stakes, planting compost and other sundries.</p>	AR  JG
4	<b>Finance Report, Defibrillator update and Donation Discussion</b>	AL/AS/ AR
	<p><b>Clerks Finance Report:</b> The Clerk asked Councillors to accept the Financial statement and bank reconciliation dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019. This was approved. <b>PC Bank Account Balances:</b> as at 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Current Account: £909.56                      Savings Account: £9,601.84 Expenditure: £5521.01                      Income: £6,946.74 Allotments Balance: £2,493.87      Transparency Fund: £274.61 Payments over £100 since the January meeting: Steve Windel – Trees and planting      £201.60 Clerks January Salary &amp; Tax                      £250.00 The Clerk asked that a correction be made to the Finance Spreadsheet for the payment made to the Information Commissioners Office on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018. This states that the subscription for the Data Protection Registration is bi-annual. The Clerk has confirmation that this is an annual subscription and that the next payment is due on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. <b>Action:</b> Councillors agreed that this correction should be made.</p> <p><b>Defibrillator at Winterbourne Bassett:</b> Cllr. Smith reported that the original quote was for £1000 + VAT, with additional costs for fitting and training. At the time of placing the order the price had changed to £1800 + VAT. Cllr. Smith has been able to negotiate with SW Ambulance service who will honour the original quotation.</p>	AR

	<p>The Marlborough Area Board has awarded a grant of £800 which is to be match funded. The Parish Council has agreed to pay £200 and the rest of the cost will come from private donations.</p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> That the Parish Council purchase the defibrillator and then draw down the grant and donations. All Councillors agreed.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Clerk will make payment as soon as possible.</p> <p>The PC should be able to reclaim the VAT, which will reduce the overall cost. Cllr. Smith will contact the Marlborough Area Board to ensure that transparency is maintained, with any grant or donation not used accrued for further training sessions.</p> <p>Cllr. Smith suggested that due to the increased cost of the defibrillators the PC will have to put aside additional funds for their renewal. Councillors agreed to this proposal.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Cllr. Smith and the Clerk will calculate a suitable amount to set aside.</p> <p><b>Donations:</b></p> <p>Chairman Cllr. La Roche stated that historically the PC has given yearly donations to Community Assets. This has included Broad Hinton Village Hall and the village churches in Broad Hinton and Winterbourne Bassett. 'The Winterbourne' is a new community asset. Councillors discussed if a donation to 'The Winterbourne' should have any stipulation on how the monies are spent. Funding towards a named project may attract matched funding from Marlborough Area Board. WC are keen that PCs support local community assets with funding where appropriate. Donations to 'The Winterbourne' could also be used to paydown the debt.</p> <p>Councillors pointed out that there are a number of other community assets within the villages, such as allotments and bus shelters.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Councillors agreed that funding of Community Assets needs to be discussed further at a future meeting.</p> <p>There was further discussion around the yearly donation given to each church. Some villagers have expressed concern that the PC may be asked to donate tax payer's money to the proposed Queen Elizabeth II Commemorative Window. Councillors confirmed that this is to be funded by private donation only and no contributions will be made from public funds.</p> <p>There was discussion concerning the planning regulations regarding Grade 1 listed buildings which are owned by the Church. Planning applications go through the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) and Councillors are not able to comment on changes to a listed building as they would for any other planning request. Cllr. Davies suggested writing to DAC with any comments.</p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> To give a donation of £200 each to the fabric fund only for both St Peter Ad Vincula and St Katherine &amp; St Peter. Councillors were in agreement.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Clerk will make payments in this financial year</p>	<p>AR</p> <p>AS/AR</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>AR</p>
5	<b>Planning</b>	AL
	<p>18/09869/LBC <b>Wellview, Broad Hinton</b>. Installation of temporary door canopy. No objection with conditions. Approved with conditions.</p> <p>18/10560/FUL <b>Uffcott House, Uffcott</b>. Change of use from equestrian land to domestic curtilage. Removal of existing swimming pool and construction of a tennis court. No objection with conditions. Approved with conditions. Although nearby tenants objected due to expected noise The Officer's report stated that '<i>The tennis court is proposed for private use only, therefore the use is considered to be minimal and for enjoyment purposes only. It is not considered that the tennis court will ever be used to such an extent as to result in harmful noise pollution – noise generated from the enjoyment of a dwelling house is seldom at a level to justify a reason for refusal.</i>'</p> <p>18/11507/TCA <b>Glebe House, Broad Hinton</b>. Fell 1 spruce and 1 pine in conservation area. No objection. Approved with conditions.</p> <p>18/11092/FUL <b>1 New Cottages, Uffcott</b>. Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, single storey double garage and front porch. No objection. Approved with conditions.</p> <p>18/11278/FUL <b>8 Fox Row, W. Bassett</b>. Two storey side/front extension. No objection. Approved with conditions.</p> <p>19/01144/FUL <b>39 Pitchen's End, Broad Hinton</b>. Retrospective planning</p>	

	<p>permission for single storey sunroom. On circulation. Building Control required a warm roof, increasing the existing height to above the eaves and therefore requiring planning permission.</p> <p>19/01775/FUL <b>Huntersley, Post Office Lane, Broad Hinton.</b> Infill rear extension. On circulation.</p> <p>19/01646/FUL <b>St. Peter's House, Broad Hinton.</b> Replacement single storey extension to create larger utility room and internal porch. On circulation.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Highways and Maintenance</b>	<b>JG</b>
	<p>Cllr. Gunter reported that we are no longer getting reports of road closures.  <b>Action:</b> The Clerk will contact highways again.</p> <p>The warning sign for the junction for Winterbourne Bassett still has not be replaced.</p> <p><b>Road Safety Group for A4361:</b>  The road safety group, comprising of Cllrs. Davies, Gunter and a Councillor from Winterbourne Monkton and Berwick Bassett PC, with representatives from the police and the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) has not yet met. Cllr. Davies stated that other communities in Wiltshire also need help through CATG to improve road safety.  <b>Action:</b> Cllrs. Davies and Gunter will press for more action with the police, Chris Martin, and CATG. Cllr. Gunter will find the contact at Berwick Bassett and Winterbourne Monkton.</p> <p><b>Speeding Traffic at Broad Hinton Primary School:</b>  Cllr. Gaisford reported that Mrs Floyd, the head has expressed concern with traffic coming around the bend at speed.  <b>Action:</b> Cllr Davies suggested that the matter should be raised as an issue with Alexa Davies at the Marlborough Area Board. We should also contact Cllr. Wayman. If the school has a travel plan it can access safety measures, like zig-zag lines, through Taking Action on Journeys to School, coordinated by Ruth Durrant.</p> <p><b>Finger Post at Clyffe Pypard:</b>  Cllr Gaisford reported that work repairing the finger post is ongoing and that she is awaiting a quote from Steve Sumner for carpentry.</p> <p><b>Bank Degradation on the A4361:</b>  Lorries continue to degrade the bank, which has reduced by half a metre and exposed the water stop cock at Brow Cottage.</p> <p><b>Road Sweeper:</b>  Cllr. Smith reported that the yearly curb road sweep missed the curb in Winterbourne Bassett and WC have stated that it will not return. The mud is encouraging weed growth and water is not draining.  <b>Action:</b> Cllrs. Smith and Gunter will chase the issue with the Parish Steward.</p> <p><b>Dog fouling and aggressive behaviour at Winterbourne Bassett.</b>  <b>Action:</b> Cllr. Davies suggested that reporting to the Dog Warden is the best approach. However, there is now only one Dog Warden for the county. Cllr. Davies will try and supply some more WC dog fouling signs</p>	<p><b>AR</b></p> <p><b>JG/JD</b></p> <p><b>CG</b></p> <p><b>AS/JG</b></p> <p><b>JD/AS</b></p>
<b>7</b>	<b>Footpaths Maintenance and Fly-tipping</b>	<b>CG/RS</b>
	<p><b>Footpaths:</b>  Cllr. Gaisford reported that the local footpaths need maintenance and that she will contact Alan Banting to see if he can do the work.</p> <p><b>Fly-tipping:</b>  Cllr. Smyth had reported tipping on Vize Lane on a Saturday and WC cleared it by Tuesday. Fly-tipping continues to be a regular problem on Vize Lane. Cllr. Davies advised that contacting WC for advice on taking a proactive approach and the legality of signs and camera monitoring. The lane cannot have bollards as it is a byway.  <b>Action:</b> Cllrs. Gaisford and Smyth to follow up with WC</p> <p><b>Villages Annual Clean Up:</b>  <b>Action:</b> Cllrs. Gunter and Smith will arrange a date in early April for the annual clean up.</p>	<p><b>CG</b></p> <p><b>CG/RS</b></p> <p><b>JG/AS</b></p>
<b>8</b>	<b>Emergency Planning</b>	<b>JG</b>
	Cllr. Gunter reported that this is ongoing and that there are volunteers to monitor the water depth in The Well and the ditch from Manor Farm to Yew Tree Lane.	
<b>9</b>	<b>It Update and Communications</b>	<b>RS</b>
	Councillors discussed a suitable domain name. It was agreed that this must	

	<p>include Winterbourne Bassett as their Parish Council is joint with Broad Hinton. The full council name would be too long so an acronym will have to be used. Cllr. Smyth confirmed that as long as the public can find the site through a web search then an acronym would be suitable. The opening page could include all three villages.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Councillors agreed that Cllr. Smyth look at the availability and cost of BHWBparishcouncil.org.uk, if available, and the PC purchase and register this as its domain name. It would be possible to change to a .gov.uk domain, currently managed by the Joint Academic Network, at a later date, however this option is not suitable, or cost effective for the PC at the present time.</p> <p>Councillors discussed website creation and maintenance. Cllr Smyth has looked and priced a number of options including a company which designs parish council websites for a fixed price and self build. A specialist company has the knowledge to ensure that the site complies with current legislation. There is an option for them to upload and post at £250 per year. This would not be necessary as with training, the Clerk would do this. Having another organisation to post would not work well for using the website as part of any emergency plan. Various self-build options are available. However, we would need the skills to ensure that the site is compliant with W3C standards, the General Data Protection Regulations and with any legislative changes. Whichever route the PC chooses there would still need to be an administrator (Clerk) and a process in place for posting items and documents.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Cllr Smyth to investigate the pricing and break-even point for three web site options, including self- build, and the 5 year costs.</p>	<p>RS</p> <p>RS</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>Local Government Boundary Commission Report &amp; Consultation</b>	<b>ALL</b>
	<p>Chairman, Cllr LaRoche explained that Marlborough Area wards had been split from 4 wards into 3 wards, increasing the numbers of each ward.</p> <p>Cllr. Davies gave an update on the reasons behind the new boundaries. The south of the county has grown recently and in order to even out the disparity in numbers in the electoral Wards, WC requested 99 Councillors and 98 Councillors have been proposed, each representing an electorate within 10% of 4200 electors. In order to achieve the numbers Broad Hinton and Winterbourne Bassett parish is one which has been proposed to move to a different Ward (Lyneham). Area Board (Royal Wootton Bassett) and be placed in a new Parliamentary Constituency for Chippenham &amp; North Wiltshire from May 2021.</p> <p>The Parish Council do not agree that Broad Hinton and Winterbourne Bassett should be moved as the villages have historical, cultural and geographical links to the Marlborough Area. The sub-committee formed in September 2018 worked on a response which was rejected by the Boundary Commission due to excessive electorate numbers. The sub-committee are producing a further response, to LGBCE, which will show that the numbers can work to keep us in our historic area. Other areas of the country, like Cornwall are keeping larger Wards.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respond to LGBCE, Claire Perry MP, WC Cllr. Jane Davies, Cllr Clewer, WC Cabinet Member and Lead for Boundary Change, Baroness Scott, WC leader, by 25<sup>th</sup> March when there is a WC Council meeting.</li> <li>• To ensure all householders are aware of the proposed changes and their right to respond; promotion by <i>Local News</i> article, Village Hall website, Notice Boards, Local pubs, and Facebook. Continue to continue to engage until the consultation closure date on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019.</li> </ul>	<p>AL/AS/ CG/JAG</p> <p>ALL</p>
<b>11</b>	<b>Parish Council Insurance Quotes</b>	<b>AS/AR</b>
	<p>The Clerk has looked to see if our current quote for insurance is competitive. The PC is ensured with Zurich through Community First, which is giving us a competitive rate.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The renewal date is 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 and the Clerk will check again this time and possibly update at the next meeting.</p>	<b>AR</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Marlborough and District Link drive Scheme</b>	<b>AL</b>
	<p>This scheme aims to recruit 2 new drivers from each parish to take people to medical appointments, shopping and to social events to reduce loneliness and isolation.</p>	<b>AR</b>

	<b>Action:</b> To promote through the <i>Local News</i> , Village Hall website and Facebook. The Clerk will ask the scheme about their insurance for drivers	
<b>13</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	Cllr Gunter reported that the water level in the Winterbourne is the lowest it has been for 7 years. Cllr. Davies reported that The Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group have a small pot of money for a carer's champion, who will visit vulnerable people in the home and give advice. Cllr. Davies will send more information, for promotion, when the job description has been finalised. The meeting closed at 9:15	
	The Annual Parish Meeting is on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7:00 pm Next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May at 7:30 pm All meetings to be held at Broad Hinton Village Hall Meeting Room	

# Avebury Writers' Café

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## **A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES**

**Saturday 31st August  
2019**

**Broad Hinton & Uffcott  
VILLAGE FÊTE  
& FUN DAY**

**Further details to follow**

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## **WHITE HORSE GARDEN CLUB**

On Wednesday 10th April the Garden Club enjoyed a tour of Broad Hinton and surrounding countryside without stepping outside the warm confines of the Village Hall. David Eagle, a keen and skilled amateur photographer took us, via his photography, around the village. The images spanned a whole year and trees green and verdant in June and July took on a sculptural almost ethereal quality when seen in their winter skeletal beauty.

David's keen eye for composition showed fields of grain resembling Impressionistic paintings and made the audience view everyday places such as the Whettles in an entirely different way. His use of light made an image of an ear of corn a thing of beauty and made us marvel at the intricacies of Mother Nature. He also showed images of the local fauna. Dragon flies emerging from their chrysalis, insects displaying amazing colours and fearsome looking bodies. Who knew nature could look so alien? During the autumn months he had visited the Savernake forest to look for fungi. Many were astounding in form and colour but also potentially deadly if eaten. Leave well alone, look do not eat was the overarching message.

Finally, David showed us what beauty could be found just outside our own backdoor. The photos of the bird life that visited his garden were so clear and showed our avian friends in all their feathered splendour. He even captured an image of a blue tit perched on the door handle! The whole evening prompted, aside from oohs and ahhs, lots of discussion and a renewed desire to get out in the countryside and really use our observational skills. Thank you David for a thoroughly enjoyable evening .

## **THANK YOU**

A very big thank you to Juanita and Brian Poulton and their helpers who have very kindly volunteered to take over the collating and distribution of this magazine. The collating will usually be done near the end of a month after the Tuesday Coffee Morning, so, if you are free then, why not come along have a chat, coffee/tea and cake and give them a hand.

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## **THE RIDGEWAY LADIES**

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April the Ridgeway Ladies were delighted to welcome Pam Howells, a Homeopathic Practitioner, to their meeting. Homeopathy is a natural form of medicine and is based on the principle of 'like cures like'. In simplest form the homeopath looks at the symptoms of the client and treats them with a natural product that would create the same symptoms. The remedy is a much diluted form of the natural product.

Pam became interested in Homeopathy approximately thirty years ago. At the time she was suffering with a series of ailments that conventional medicine did not seem to be able to alleviate so she sought alternative help. And so began her journey into Homeopathy and other non-invasive therapies (Reiki, Bio Feedback and Nutrition). She, after four years of intensive training completed in 2002, is now a qualified Homeopathic Practitioner. Pam believes in the holistic approach when treating clients looking not only at their 'physical' ailments but at their emotional and mental well being too. Listening to clients is of the utmost importance and that is why an initial consultation with Pam will most probably take an hour! Also it was stressed that with homeopathic medicine there is no one remedy for an ailment. For example with Hayfever....each allergy sufferer experiences their allergy in a different way so the homeopath selects a medicine that is matched to the 'allergy picture' of the person.

A most interesting talk which prompted much discussion amongst the ladies.

The next meeting of the Ridgeway Ladies is on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. Dawn Lawrence will be giving a talk entitled "2 steps away" about endangered species. This is an open meeting so everyone is welcome (£3 admission including coffee and a biscuit!).....look forward to seeing you.

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## **Broad Hinton Church Building Trust Gift Day**

The Crown Inn (car park)

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019

9.00am - 12.00pm

Trustees will be available to accept your Gift that help the Trust continue to care for the fabric of our beautiful church

Please come along and make your donation and receive your free entry into the draw.

Your gift envelope will be arriving in early June

# Broad Hinton & Winterbourne Bassett Parish Council

*Your invitation to:  
The Annual Parish Meeting  
Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall*

Come along to the Annual Parish Meeting to hear what your Parish Council has been doing in the last year.

The Annual Parish Meeting is your meeting where you can ask questions and raise issues. The Annual Parish Meeting will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at 7:30 pm.

All residents are welcome to attend any Parish Council Meeting. The dates and agendas for these are publicised on the Parish Notice Boards, *Local News*, and the Broad Hinton Village Hall web-site.

For further details contact: Alison Robinson, Parish Clerk, 07900 591058  
ARobinson\_Clerk@outlook.com

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*little angels*



Come along for singing, snacks, Bible stories, play and craft activities for toddlers  
Tea and cake for grown ups!  
10 am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at Kennet Valley School.

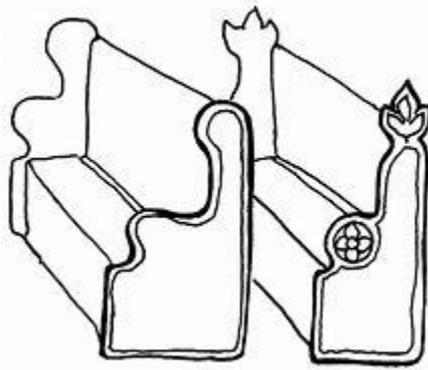
**Free of charge**  
We look forward to seeing you there.

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## **Would you like to do something for your community?**

We are looking for a new editor of *Local News* and someone to help with or do the printing of the magazine. If you could spare a couple of hours a month and think you could help either as editor or as the printer please contact

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St James' Church, Avebury

ALL available pews are now sold and going to good homes.

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest.

We could have sold the LOT!

Donations exceeded our minimum in many cases and were GRATEFULLY received.

Rev'd Maria and all at St James

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# Atlantic Odyssey

## A Journey through Music



**A Cantata for Choir, Children's Choir,  
Soloists and Orchestra**

**by Robin Nelson**

**Words by Michael Polack. Photographs by David White** (Created by 3 local residents: Robin & Michael from Avebury, David from Berwick Bassett)

*"Atlantic Odyssey" is the extraordinary story of the Arctic Tern's 40,000-mile annual migrations spanning the Atlantic - from Arctic to Antarctic and back - told through music and song and photographs.*

Performed by the **Swindon Choral Society**, with the Choral Society of **Middle Georgia USA**, the JTP Junior Choir, the Odyssey Chamber Orchestra and Soloists: Rebecca Lea (Soprano) **Greg Hallam** (Baritone)

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May – 7.30pm**  
**STEAM Museum, Swindon**

Premiered in 2013, Atlantic Odyssey is now being performed as part of Swindon Choral Society's 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.

Some audience responses to the premiere: *"amazing...spellbound" "lovely and accessible music" "environmental matters... spectacularly displayed and mixed with social history... deeply moving"*

Tickets from [www.swindonchoral.org.uk](http://www.swindonchoral.org.uk) U-18s free

# Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## Safari Supper



Join us for the annual Safari trek across the villages to share food, wine and good company!

£20 per head for three courses

Fundraising for local churches, BH primary school and Prospect

The format of the evening is a safari starter and safari main around the village, and a selection of scrumptious puddings/ cheese & biscuits in the village hall. Whether you've just moved here or if you've been here for years, the event is a brilliant way to meet new people and mingle with your fellow villagers.

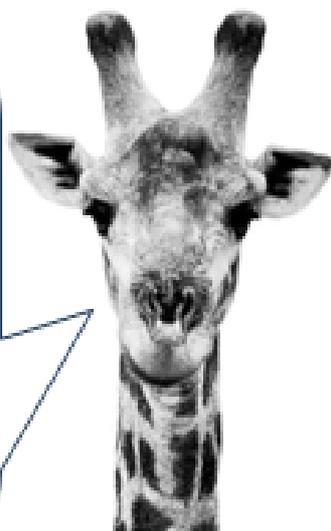
**Hosts:** The event couldn't take place without the fantastic support of those who generously offer to act as hosts and we **really appreciate** everyone who does.

Please do get in touch if you are willing to help support this year's Safari by acting as either a starter or main course host.

If you host a starter for fellow Safarians you will be entitled to one free ticket, and if you host a main two free tickets.

Please get in touch with the team for tickets... they always sell out fast. Last year there was a waiting list!!

Please also contact us for any queries – phone, text & email



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## Our Champion Fundraisers

The Dodecantus concert in St Peter ad Vincula on Saturday 13 April raised a total of **£579** for the church. This exceeded all expectations. We are so grateful to everyone who worked to set up the evening and especially to all of you who came.

This achievement has set me thinking. Each Summer, a group of Broad Hinton ladies run "Teas for Tourists" for several weekends in Avebury church but in aid of St Peter ad Vincula. These "Teas" in reality start with breakfast and finish late in the afternoon when all the cakes and sandwiches - and our volunteers- are exhausted. The record "Teas" profit for one weekend is **£2,100** and we are grateful to the Avebury churchwardens for allowing us to use their church without charge.

But there is an unheralded money raising event which absolutely dwarfs these figures. Jenni and Martin Moseling started Tuesday Coffee Mornings in the Village Hall in June 2009. These have so far raised a magnificent **£15,400 each** for the Village Hall and for our church. Moreover they spread happiness across all age groups. Our old people congregate by choice together on one table, some now 90 years old! Occasionally the School brings pupils as ambassadors to us all – they are keen cake consumers. Amongst the really young children brought by Mums keen to socialise, who can forget Fletcher The Floor Polisher? This young man couldn't manage a conventional crawl but wriggled impressively around, giving the floor a good polish.

Broad Hinton is an extraordinary place in which to live – people are so generous, so keen to help each other. I'm very glad that I live here.

**Sally Cartwright**

The Ridgeway Ladies would like to invite you all to their next meeting

### **'2 STEPS BEHIND!'**

**SPEAKER DAWN LAWRENCE**

**Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.45pm**

**Village Hall Broad Hinton**

Dawn talks about rare and endangered wild animals. Her book '2 Steps Behind!' has a foreword written by Virginia McKenna.

This is an open meeting everyone (yes men as well!) is welcome.

£3 admission...including coffee and biscuit.

## View from the Rectory

'May is here! The air is fresh and sunny; and the miser-bees are busy hoarding golden honey.'

-Thomas Bailey Aldrich

May is the month when the frosts are finally over, and gardeners can draw breath as their tenderly cultivated seedlings take root and begin to flourish. The hedgerows are alive, the swallows back in St James' Church porch. Anyone out and about in West Woods will see the sharp green leaves of the bluebell spiking the undergrowth, though the flower may not appear just yet. The pale star of the wood anemone is glimpsed along the wayside and the narrow yellow petals of the lesser celandine shine out of almost every hedge bank. Small wonder then, that our ancestors regarded May as the start of the summer and in ancient times, as now, May Day was something to celebrate with joy and hope.

The tender first blooming shoots of green were eagerly awaited for cooking purposes, and for healing too, but there was one plant that was not gathered. The white flowers of the wood anemone were often left alone, as there was a belief that it was a holy flower - in the medieval period, the juice of the anemone was prescribed externally to treat leprosy, reminding the users that 'thank you' is a good thing to say - especially if your ailment was healed.

There is much in need of healing in our world - I wonder what plant in God's creation you would choose as a symbol of hope and healing? I'd choose the little forget-me-not. Why? Because although we often forget God there is always a holy presence waiting around us - in creation, in others, in art, music and creativity, poetry and a hundred other things - to offer us new life, a new way, a new road, including the road of death which I am on, alongside the whole world .

Benjamin Franklin, in a letter to a friend, wrote "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes." I add 'and hope beyond the horizon of the life we think we know'.

I see a forget-me-not and feel joyful that we, all of us, are not forgotten by the one who created such a beautiful, wonderful world. Perhaps we can find a moment to savour this new beginning to summer and simply be filled with thanks.

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## Visual Theology

**Marlborough College, September 21st and 22nd**

### **Ruskin and the Pre-Raphaelites: Sacre Conversazioni**

To include speakers from Britain, Europe and the States, as well as the Bishop of Salisbury.

Would anyone consider hosting a speaker over the conference weekend in September? (Definitely the Saturday evening, but if a family was willing to offer space to someone travelling from further afield perhaps from the Friday through to the Monday morning).

There will also be an early morning service at Marlborough College Chapel - tickets will be on sale towards the end of April.

For further information or if you are able to offer to host a speaker please contact **Sheona Beaumont** or **Madeleine Thiele**, e-mail [conference@visualtheology.org.uk](mailto:conference@visualtheology.org.uk)



**Talking Tuesdays**  
**@ The Rectory, Avebury**  
**7.30pm**  
**Talk, Eat, Pray**  
**Lively debate,**  
**Great refreshments**

Did you enjoy the Autumn Groups? Fancy more of the same?

Then join us this Spring for 'Talking Tuesdays'

**Tuesday MAY 14th - Prayer and Distraction:** a useful tool-box of ideas to help us listen to God.

**Tuesday JUNE 25th - Christian Mindfulness** in the Rectory garden on a summer's evening - a chance to breathe and be open to God's presence here and now.

**Tuesday JULY 16th - Unanswered Prayer** and the 10 prayers God always says 'yes' to.

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**ALL WELCOME**

**Christian Aid Week: 'All mums should live'**

*Christian Aid supports people of ALL faiths, cultures and genders wherever there is hunger, poverty or need.*

**Stand with mums @ THE BIG BREKKIE**

**St James' Church, Avebury**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 8.30am- 10am**

Sierra Leone is the world's most dangerous place to become a mum. Every day 10 women die from giving birth. In Sawula district, the community struggle with a clinic which has no electricity and only two delivery beds.

Jebbeh is heavily pregnant but as her baby grows, it's not joy that fills her heart, but fear. When Jebbeh's sister Fatmata went in to labour, there were so few ambulances that Fatmata had no choice but to walk for three hours under the baking sun, to the nearest hospital. The journey was long and with every step Fatmata struggled to keep walking. Jebbeh told us: 'My sister was crying out with hunger. She died on the side of the road. She never gave birth.'

This year we can make childbirth safe for mums and babies. Through our gifts and prayers, we can help give the world's poorest mums a chance to live.

Will you be a partner for change? If our church raised £300, it could help provide a new delivery bed so more mums like Jebbeh can deliver their babies safely.

“A brief respite from everyday pressures –  
a time of peace, calm and silent reflection.”

**MEDITATION (TAIZÉ) Service**

Every fortnight on a Wednesday evening at East Kennett Church from 7.00 to 7.25pm:  
a chance to just sit quietly and relax and enjoy the silence and the peace by  
candlelight, with a background of occasional singing and some words of wisdom.

*Future dates for your diary:*

**Wednesday 1st May, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May, Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June.**

**May 2019**

## Church Notice Board

### Funerals

<b>Sidney Holbrook</b>	1 April	Fyfield
<b>Geoffrey Sillito</b>	5 April	Winterbourne Bassett

### Burial of Ashes

<b>David James Styles</b>	15 April	Broad Hinton
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### **Broad Hinton**

#### Flower Rota

4 & 11 May	Vicky Lowes and Clare Fitzpatrick
18 & 25 May	Marion Johns

#### Cleaning Rota

29 April & 6 May	Liz Palfrey & Joy Reynolds
13 & 20 May	Jane O'Neill & Marjorie Sykes
27 May & 3 June	Helen Miller & Candace Gaisford

### **Winterbourne Bassett**

#### Flower Rota

4 May	The Cole Family
11 May	Barbara Dodds
18 May	Sarah Harvey
25 May	Angela Henery and Thelma Moss

If the dates shown are not convenient for you, please arrange to swop  
with someone else or telephone Clare Knight on 731764

#### Cleaning Rota

4 May	Deborah Young & Glynis Long
18 May	Sarah Harvey

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