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## Editorial

This month sees the start of meteorological summer and also the longest day of the year on 21 June - if you plan to celebrate the solstice at Stonehenge! Before then we have a long bank holiday weekend at the beginning of the month to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and everyone will be aware of



the plentiful opportunities available within our villages to celebrate this remarkable event. Congratulations and thanks to all those who have helped to put the programme of events and activities together. We have the opportunity to attend the lighting of a beacon, one of some of 1,500 beacons scheduled to be lit across the country.

It is truly amazing to think that the vast majority of people in this country have only ever known Queen Elizabeth as the monarch. Let's hope that the weather is as kind to us during the bank holiday as it has been throughout this Spring and that after two very difficult years we really have something to celebrate.

If you are still looking for something to do nearby, the Glastonbury Festival reappears after its enforced absence between 23 and 26 June but a tamer and closer event might be the 'Pub in the Park' at the Royal Victoria Park in Bath where well-known chefs will be highlighting their skills alongside good food and drink and music between 17 and 19 June.

Summer marches on with its regular sporting events such as the Derby, Cricket Test Matches and Wimbledon marking the passing of the month. It is heartening to see such events, together with all the usual local ones, returning to the calendar without restriction. The countryside's fresh green Spring colours will begin to be replaced with darker hues towards the end of the month. Weather conditions permitting, the first cut of hay will take place leaving the fields a golden colour and crops too will begin to ripen and burnish the fields as harvest draws nearer.

## Assistant Editor

## Dear Friends,

I am writing this the day after saying farewell to Reverend Jim Scott. As expected, there was standing room only at St. Martin's as folk paid tribute to a much-loved priest who had served the parish for thirty years. I have also just attended a service at St. Mary's Church in Calne to celebrate lay ministry across the deanery. We gave thanks for licensed lay ministers, lay pastoral assistants and lay worship leaders who serve in our parishes.

The focus at the beginning of June is of course on another celebration of service. All kinds of events will be taking place over four days as we mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



At the beginning of her journey, Princess Elizabeth asked for the support of the people and for God's help. The then Archbishop of Canterbury compiled a series of Bible readings, meditations and prayers (A Little Book of Private Devotions) for the Queen to use in the days leading up to the Coronation to help her prepare for her new life of service. In it, Archbishop Fisher reminded her that she was not alone in this task. He quoted a passage from Acts where Jesus tells the disciples: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

June 5<sup>th</sup> is Pentecost (Whitsun) when we mark the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the first disciples. As we reflect on lives of service and those who have followed God's call, may we acknowledge our God-given gifts and abilities and listen for God's call in our own lives. May we open ourselves afresh to the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives, support one another in prayer and serve each other in love.

I hope you have a wonderful time however you are keeping the first week of June.

Blessings,

**Linda**

# Rota of Services – June 2022

Date	Service
5 <sup>th</sup> June Pentecost	<b>Thanksgiving Services - Queen's Platinum Jubilee</b> Foxham 9.30am Derry Hill 11am Bremhill 5.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> June Trinity Sunday	Foxham 9.30am Parish Eucharist Derry Hill 11am Parish Eucharist Bowood Chapel 6pm Evensong
19 <sup>th</sup> June Trinity 1	Derry Hill 11am Parish Eucharist Zoom 6pm Evening Prayer
26 <sup>th</sup> June Trinity 2	Bremhill 10am Parish Eucharist Foxham 6pm Evensong
3 <sup>rd</sup> July Thomas the Apostle	Derry Hill 10am Said Communion Derry Hill 10.30am Family Service Zoom 6pm Evening Prayer
Contact Rev'd Linda Carter to obtain the link for Zoom Services: <a href="mailto:lindac@mardenvale.org.uk">lindac@mardenvale.org.uk</a>	





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at

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on

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022

at 11.00am

to celebrate the

Platinum Jubilee

of

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

# Coming to Church

## Parochial Church Council (PCC) Guidance

At the joint PCC meeting on **8th April 2022** there was general agreement that it is time to move forward into a new phase of living with Covid and to amend PCC guidance accordingly

**Social distancing** Please respect the wishes of those who prefer a bit of extra space – ask before you sit.

**Face coverings** There are no legal requirements in respect of face coverings. However, please continue to wear a face covering if that is your preference.

**Communion** (intincted wafers/bread) may be received at the high altar (standing).

**Congregational singing** Hymn singing, Sung Eucharist and Evensong will be fully reinstated from Easter.

**Ventilation** doors and windows will be kept open during services as the weather permits.

**Zoom services** will continue.

If you are feeling unwell or test positive for Covid please stay at home.

Our Christian calling is to care for all our brothers and sisters, particularly those who are vulnerable; and there are times in our lives when every one of us (and those we have close contact with) is vulnerable. We ask that everyone continues to take extra care during our services and respects the wishes and needs of those around us so that everyone feels comfortable and safe.

**Rev. Linda Carter** on behalf of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham PCCs 8th April 2022.

## Church Contacts CHRIST CHURCH - DERRY HILL

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**(Day off Monday.**  
**Urgent calls only that day**  
**please)**

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lindac@mardenvale.org.uk

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### **PCC Treasurer (Tr) & Secretary (Sec)**

Mr Peter Roycroft (Tr) 01249 660550 Mrs Lucinda Prater (Sec) 07882 469005

*If you wish to discuss arrangements for Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals or would like a pastoral visit or meeting arranged then please contact Reverend Linda Carter*

## **Derry Hill and Studley Community Support**

Has been operating since the beginning of lockdown and is continuing to help those who find it difficult to go out.

We offer a range of help from shopping, picking up prescriptions, dog walking or just a friendly confidential chat.

Please get in touch if we can help.

**Email** the dedicated email account: **dhsfriend@gmail.com**

**Ring** one of our coordinators:

Carol Rigby 01225 704356

Ian Liddle 01249 816229

Richard Gribble 01249 812018

Richard Aylen 01249 814632

**Carol, Ian, Richard A and Richard G**

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# The Night Sky in June

Once again most of the planetary activity this month takes place in the pre-dawn skies and as the sun rises early in mid-summer, this means getting out of bed very early! At this time of year our night skies never really get dark as the sun slips only eighteen degrees below the horizon before climbing again into the morning sky. Once again though we may have the opportunity to witness a display of noctilucent clouds. These are the highest clouds in the Earth's atmosphere at some eighty km above the planet's surface and visible in the northern sky and shine with an electric blue tint. They are visible after sunset for a month or so either side of the summer solstice which is on 21 June.

We also have another supermoon this month – this occurs when the full moon coincides with perigee, the date on which the moon is closest to Earth in its elliptical orbit. This takes place on 14 June and results in the Moon appearing to be larger. Its distance from Earth will be 357,000 km compared with 406,000 km on 29 June when it will be at its furthest point away from us this year. We will also witness another supermoon next month.

At 04.00 on 22 June the Moon will be just below and to the left of brilliant Jupiter with Mars being slightly to the left of the Moon. The following day, the two planets will be slightly above and to the right of the Moon.

Jupiter rises in the eastern sky at around 01.30 and is joined by Venus in the north-eastern sky at around 03.00. It may be possible to see Antares just to the right of the Moon low in the south-eastern sky. Its name means 'rival to Mars' so will have a reddish tinge.



On 23 June the BepiColumbo probe will swing past Mercury for a second time. It will enter orbit around the planet in 2025.

	<b>Sunrise</b>	<b>Sunset</b>
1 June.	04.56	21.15
15 June	04.50	21.26
30 June	04.54	21.28

**Richard Carter**

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## 2022 Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete



A quick update on the 2022 Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete which will be held at the Lansdowne Hall and school field from **1.30pm on Saturday 9th July**.

The fete committee are busy planning a fun filled schedule for the day. We now have 20 stalls confirmed and an exciting line up for the Main Arena, concluding with the annual Tug of War. Many thanks to all the village groups who have signed up! If there are any groups who have not yet requested a pitch for a stall, please sign up as it would be great to have you involved. It's not too late! If you have any questions, please give me a shout using the details below.

For the Arts and Crafts competition, we have agreed a theme of Movies this year. Please see the 2022 Arts and Craft Competition poster for more details.

We have an exciting kids' entertainment zone planned this year.

Refreshments will be available with the usual bar offering, hot food served by Foxglove and Ginger and Ice Creams served by Lacock Dairy.

Do you want to raise your company's profile at the fete? How about donating a raffle prize or sponsoring an activity/stall? Drop me a line on the email below and we can discuss that further. Would you be prepared to help us on the day? We're always looking for volunteers for a variety of tasks so if you're interested, again please let me know.

Look out for more information on the fete organising committee Facebook page: Details are:

 Derry Hill and Studley Fete

**Tom Metcalfe**, Email: [tom\\_metcalfe@sky.com](mailto:tom_metcalfe@sky.com)

Chair, Derry Hill & Studley Fete Organising Committee

# 2022 Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete

## CRAFT COMPETITION

This year's theme is "MOVIES"

### CHILDREN'S COMPETITION:

Friends of Derry Hill School have kindly agreed to organise a children's competition. We would like to invite children to decorate a wooden spoon as their favourite movie character. We will be running the following entry categories.

#### Pre-School

Reception/KS1

(Reception and Years 1 and 2)

KS2 (Years 3 – 6)



### CHILDREN AND ADULTS' BAKING COMPETITION

The WI have kindly agreed to organise a baking competition for all ages along the Movie Theme. Inspired by Bruce Bogtrotter's Chocolate Cake from Matilda, and Gingy from Shrek. We'd like you to enter:

An iced chocolate cake

and / or

Three identical gingerbread men  
of your favourite movie  
character



Please bring your competition entries to the village hall at the start of the fete (no later than 2pm) for your chance to win. Prizes are on offer for all winning entries in each competition and age category!

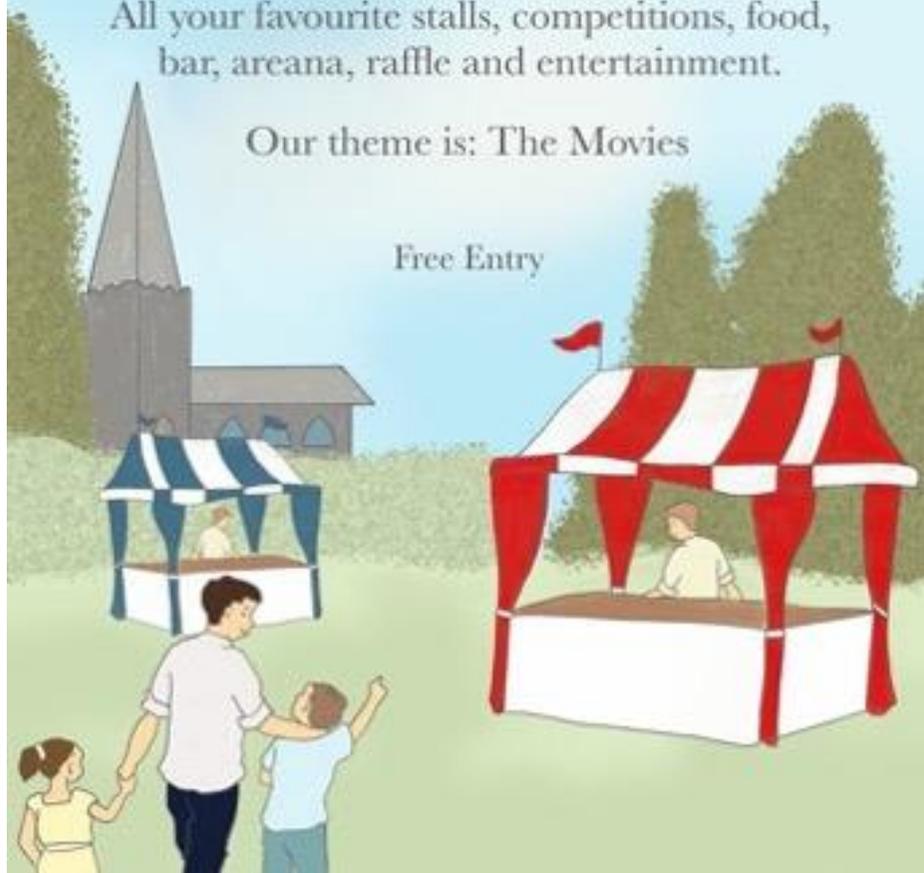
# Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete 2022

Sat 9th July 1:30pm - 5pm

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Our theme is: The Movies

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## Derry Hill & Studley Gardening Club



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The Club met at Christ Church for its April meeting where members were engaged and entertained by Claire Satchell, our very own Derry Hill Florist in a demonstration of creating both a hanging basket and a door wreath.

We also took the time to gauge the level of gardening knowledge of the membership via a short sharp quiz. This focussed on a picture round of popular garden flowers along with a couple of

rounds on plant knowledge and history. I'm pleased to be able to say we know our onions from our alliums.

Our June speaker will focus on bees, their husbandry and importance to us all and our July speaker will then follow this with a session on year round planting for pollinators.

By now, you may well have had the opportunity to visit a number of Derry Hill and Studley gardens as a result of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. I am very grateful to all those prepared to invest their time and money in preparing their gardens for this event and hope they enjoyed it as much as I am sure the visitors did too. As I sit here typing this I am keeping my fingers crossed that I can safely remove tulip debris from the beds in time for the Open Gardens and that my alliums hold up and the lavender and the Platinum Jubilee wild flowers come into bloom.

Our next outing in the community will be at the fete and we look forward to speaking with you then.

To apply for membership please drop me a line at [peterprater@btinternet.com](mailto:peterprater@btinternet.com).

**Peter**

## Pop up History of Derry Hill, Old Derry Hill and Studley event



Derry Hill, Old Derry Hill and  
Studley pop-up history event

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June – Lansdowne  
Hall, Petty Lane, Derry Hill

You can get further details on our local history on Facebook by  
searching for 'Derry Hill, Old Derry Hill and Studley History'

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/945871439445588>)

**Steve Calder**

## Calne Without Parish Council

Calne Without Parish Council met on 9<sup>th</sup> May for full council.

During the meeting Cllr Ioan Rees was elected Chairman of the Parish Council for year 22/23 with Cllr John Barnes being elected as Vice Chairman (see further information from Cllr Barnes below)

During the meeting they voted to financially support a wide array of projects to help improve the locality, among them they will be supporting a commemorative bench for Calstone, improving equipment provision for a local scout group and helping a local village group improve communication within the community. If you are a local community group within Calne Without Parish Council or a group whose work benefits residents of Calne Without Parish Council and has a project that the Parish council might be able to help, we would love to hear from you.

The Parish Council continues to welcome grant applications from the local community groups, if you have a project or initiative that needs help with funding please get in touch and we can discuss if it is something that we may be able to consider funding.

Wiltshire Council are currently considering all the responses to the Community Governance Review with regards to the proposed changes to the boundaries of Calne Without Parish Council. The official decisions on the changes are expected from Wiltshire Council in July. As soon as we get any official notification, we will provide the information on our website and Facebook page.

### **Reflections on a year as a Parish Councillor – Cllr John Barnes**

It's now one year since I was elected to serve on Calne Without Parish Council (CWPC), as the councillor for Pewsham Ward. It's been challenging at times, but mostly very enjoyable.

Just some of the things I've been involved in over the past year include:

- I'm current Chair of CWPC's Finance Committee, which sets our budget and provides financial oversight. I'm pleased that we were able to keep our Precept unchanged this year and that we have just passed through our year-end internal audit with flying colours.
- Road Safety is the biggest issue that people raise with me. I'm chairing CWPC's working group on this issue. Among other initiatives, we are working with a highways consultant to develop solutions to traffic

problems at 11 locations around the parish and have just procured two portable speed indicator devices.

- My ward has 8 miles of popular footpaths, which always have issues. I've surveyed the full network and I'm working with Wiltshire council to address problems. (Examples include stile repairs on Naish Hill and surfacing improvements just up from the new footbridge over Cocklemore Brook.)
- Litter is a continuing problem along our roads. This Spring, with the help of some fantastic local volunteers, we were able to clean up the verges along the A4 from Forest Gate to Studley Gardens, the A342 from Old Derry Hill to Sandy Lane, and the road on Naish Hill.

Most of our local services are provided by Wiltshire Council. One of the roles of a parish councillor is to be their eyes and ears on the grounds. Some of the issues that I've passed on for resolution include fly tipping, fallen trees and blocked gullies.

I believe that we're working well together as a parish council. Most of our decisions are made by consensus. As a group, we've had times when we have disagreed about important issues, such as the solar farm or the community governance review, but we have kept these disagreements amicable, resolved them democratically, and moved on.

A year on and I'm still enthusiastic about the role.

***Cllr John Barnes***

If you have questions or queries about anything the Parish Council can do to help please do not hesitate to get in contact.

***Katherine Checchia***

Parish Clerk

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## Derry Hill & Studley Platinum Jubilee Coordination Committee



In the hope that inSPIRE is delivered before the Platinum Jubilee celebration may I take the opportunity to thank all of you that have given time and expertise to bring the programme of events together, I think we have achieved a great deal in a relatively short period of time. It has been a real joy to work collaboratively with so many people across the community and most of you for the first, but hopefully not the last time.

So, the big news (in more ways than one!) is that we plan to unveil the Jubilee Commemorative Stone on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at midday at the Lansdowne Hall. While many of you will be around at that time having just concluded the Tidy Up, we welcome all members of the community to come and witness the short ceremony which includes several community VIPs.

We hope that you have been able to organise your own street/neighbourhood parties for the late afternoon of Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and that you will then join the whole community at the BIG Lunch picnic on the Front Lawn at Bowood. You need to collect your BIG Lunch wristbands from the Jubilee Hub at the Lansdowne Hall on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> or Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June please. If you have not registered your interest in this event that is not a problem, you just need to come and get a wristband as you will need this to gain access to the lunch venue and to Bowood House and Gardens throughout the Sunday afternoon.

When you collect your wristbands you will be able to attend the DH&S exhibition in the main hall. I think this is going to be an amazing thing judging from what I have seen so far, I congratulate and thank Steve Calder and Rosamond Millett and all contributors for their efforts. You can also get a cup of tea and stop for a natter too.

We had hoped to stage a procession through the village on the morning of Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> before attending the Service of Thanksgiving at Christ Church. That was not to be but the service is going ahead at 11am and I hope to see you there for this unique opportunity to give thanks for 70 years of selfless service to us all.

So, I hope to catch up with many of you during Open Gardens or around the scarecrow or Treasure Hunt trails as Derry Hill and Studley get out and about on what is bound to be a beautiful warm few days.

*Peter*

## Can you help us to help you?

The 5 defibrillators in the village cost between £350 and £400 to maintain depending on usage of pads, batteries etc. A lot of people in the village already help us to raise the funds by making an annual standing order of just £5 towards this cost. As well as looking after the units the Heartbeat team fundraise to help cover costs. If you haven't yet made your contribution, there is still time to join with your neighbours who have already committed their support.



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**So, can you help us to help you?** We only need £5 from each household to keep the service running. If you don't do online banking then give me a shout and I can let you have a paper standing order form. Many thanks for all your support.

*Julian* (Chair) 01249 814145 / [julesoliver3@gmail.com](mailto:julesoliver3@gmail.com)

# Neighbourhood Policing update



Welcome to my latest Neighbourhood Policing update for Derry Hill and surrounding villages. If there is anything you wish for me to add to these updates, or concerns you may have please let me know using my Email address: [mark.cook@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:mark.cook@wiltshire.police.uk)

Wiltshire Police is reminding people of the latest laws around owning knives as part of a national knife crime campaign.

Operation Sceptre, which launches today (16/05) and runs until Sunday 22 May, will focus on the latest update to the Offensive Weapons Act (2019).



The focus of the week is on the revisions to the law which includes:

- Changes to buying online, including the change in age verification
- Changes to delivery by couriers, including increased age verification
- Certain weapons which are now prohibited even in private homes

The week will combine operational police activity including a focus on informing young people, parents, carers, and schools and colleges about the efforts taking place to tackle violent crime.

It's part of the ongoing work of officers and staff with a wide range of stakeholder partners, including the two local authorities, public health, youth workers and charities, with the aim of coming together to help prevent knife crime and protect young people becoming caught up in violence and criminal gangs.

## **Knife crime priority**

Assistant Chief Constable Dave Minty said: "The latest Offensive Weapons Act has been introduced to help protect people from the often devastating consequences of knife crime.

"This type of crime remains a police priority both nationally and in Wiltshire, although thankfully here the number of knife crimes remain comparatively low. However, that doesn't mean we are complacent in our approach to prevent this type of crime from happening; for those it does affect - directly and indirectly - the consequences can be devastating.

"We know that knife crime often involves our young people, and - although most children and teenagers are not involved in criminal activity, nor would they ever dream of carrying a knife or bladed weapon - we know that possession of knives is on the rise nationally.

"Young people hear about it on the news, they talk about it at school, and we know some, because they tell us, would carry a knife for protection. However, carrying a blade means you are more likely to find yourself in a situation where you could get seriously injured or even killed.

"Operation Sceptre is about us working with our partners as well as the public to educate, engage and prevent knife crime.

"Any incidents of knife crime are a major concern, but the public should be reassured that we will continue to vigorously investigate offences linked to any knives or weapons recovered."

## **Feeling safe in communities**

Police and Crime Commissioner, Philip Wilkinson, said: "Whilst Wiltshire Police officers and staff are doing great work to get knives off the streets, and I fully support proactive policing in those areas where it is most likely to occur, more needs to be done to make sure people feel safe in their communities, in addition to actually being safe.

"It's ultimately through the work of our early intervention teams that we'll be able to effectively deal with knife crime. Knife crime not only ruins the lives of victims and their families but also of the perpetrators, who, in the majority of cases, are young.

"The Police and law enforcement agencies have their part to play in stopping knife crime, but my office and other bodies must intervene at the earliest opportunity, to make sure that we're providing positive alternatives

and opportunities to those who are at risk and vulnerable to being targeted and drawn in.

**“Prevention will always be far better than cure.”**

If you have information about someone who carries a knife or is involved in knife crimes, please call us on 101 or 999 in an emergency. Information can also be left anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

More information on the latest Offensive Weapons Act can be found here: The Offensive Weapons Act 2019 - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))

### Wildlife Crime

Last week, PC Kevin Golledge and PCSO Mark Cook from the Calne and Corsham neighbourhood police teams attended a five-day Police Wildlife Crime course at the Avon and Somerset police Bridgwater centre in Somerset.

The course was hosted by Partnership for Action Against Wildlife Crime. The course covered various aspects of wildlife crime and related matters.



Both officers successfully completed the course qualifying them as Police Wildlife Crime Officers.

### Mark Cook



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Thank you everyone for coming back and supporting us in May.

We shall be showing our next film on **June 15 at 7.30pm**. This will be '**The Duke**'...starring Helen Mirren and Jim Broadbent.



A 60-year-old taxi driver and his wife steals Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery London.

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## Rub A Dub Pre School

Term 5 has been another bumper term, with lots of fabulous activities culminating in our Jubilee Celebrations. Its lovely to see the little ones taking part in such a momentous celebration.

We recently held our latest 'Bags 2 school' collection, as ever we were delighted with the support from the local community, thank you for your continued support.

Updates on the preschool and our fundraising activities can always be found on our Facebook page, please feel free to follow our page to see what we are up to.

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**Kate Checchia** Chair of the Committee



## Studley Methodist Church

### Jubilee Celebrations:

To celebrate the Jubilee, local residents are invited to bring along flower displays to the Chapel on **Wednesday / Thursday 1/2 June (10am - 4pm)** Flower arrangements should be along the theme of red/white/ blue/purple.

The Chapel will be open to visitors, to view the arrangements **Friday/Saturday 3/4 June from 11am.**

Morning worship will take place on Sunday 5 June at 10.30am led by Mrs M Pickering.

An afternoon tea service is being planned for Sunday 19 June at 3pm with Mrs C Whittington All welcome to any of the above.

For further information please phone 01249 448292.

Wishing everyone much happiness as we celebrate this very special occasion!

**Tina**





## Spring / Summer Update!

Thanks to all those who have responded to our launch survey, placed a pin on our online map, or chatted to one of the Steering Group at one of our pop-ups –

we're off to a good start with our work on updating the Neighbourhood Plan. We've put together a report of the results of the consultations and are using the feedback to inform our next stages of work. The report is available to read on our website: [www.calnecommunityplan.com](http://www.calnecommunityplan.com)

## Upcoming Consultation Opportunities Launching in June

### Planning for Homes and Facilities to Meet Our Community's Needs

To successfully influence the delivery of the right types of local housing and community benefits delivery, our plan for local homes must be built on solid local evidence.

In June we will launch a Housing Need survey. It will help us plan for the right type and location of new homes to provide opportunities for our community through the Neighbourhood Plan policies.

So please, please take part! Fill out the Housing Survey!

### Protecting Local Green Spaces

We need to know which green spaces you value the most and why they are special to you and your community.

The Steering Group have been working on a long list of spaces, which we'll share on the website, please give us your thoughts, and add any others you think should be considered.

### Identifying and Protecting Local Heritage

Heritage is a key part of our distinct character. We have Conservation Areas in Calne, Sandy Lane and Derry Hill and there are numerous listed buildings of national heritage importance.

Through our Neighbourhood Plan we can add to this a list of locally valued historic buildings and features. The properties and features themselves will not be subject to additional planning controls, but their character will be taken into account should development be proposed that will affect them. Check the list on the website and tell us about your favourite local heritage assets.

## Friends of Derry Hill School (FODHS)

We are a voluntary group of parents, grandparents, carers, friends and allies supporting the school by raising money to enhance, enrich and improve learning experiences for the children.



Summer Term is here and we have lots of exciting events planned. The children have just had lots of fun taking part in a Ceramic plate workshop to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We have lots more exciting activities planned to celebrate this momentous occasion, including a Jubilee inspired final day of term with a family afternoon and making Scarecrows for the Jubilee weekend. Cake bakes are back in full force and the return of the school Disco to be enjoyed by all.

If you have any unwanted saleable clothes and accessories, we would really appreciate it if you could bring them in a bag to the bike shed for 9am on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June** to be collected by bags2school. This fundraising activity raised £113 last time we did it!

The Next committee meeting is Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Lansdowne arms. If you would like to know more about FODHS and our activities we'd love to hear from you. Send us an email to [friends@derryhill.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:friends@derryhill.wilts.sch.uk) or visit us as at Facebook

Thanks as ever for your continued support,

***Sarah, Lauren and the rest of the team***

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## Mobile library visits to Derry Hill

### Lansdowne Hall Derry Hill

14.20 – 15.45

Tuesdays: 14<sup>th</sup> June and 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Kingston House Derry Hill

10.10 – 10.30

Mondays: 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022



## Book Club Review

### The Appeal by Janice Hallett

I chose this debut novel for our book club because of its highly original way of presenting a mystery murder.

Someone has gone to prison but a QC presents written evidence to two of his star pupils to test their abilities and to see if they can help him solve a case and put right an injustice. The case is told through emails, text messages, letters and transcripts of calls between the suspects and between the legal team. The reader is invited to solve the mystery in the same way as the two law students.

The title of the book, *The Appeal*, refers to the ongoing legal action but also to a major fund-raising campaign called 'A Cure for Poppy'.

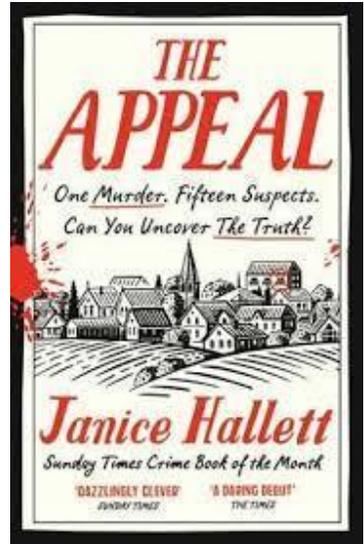
The story is set in the small town of Lockwood, where the alpha family of the Haywards rule the roost. They are the leading lights in the local am-dram group, the Fairway Players, and they also own and run The Grange, an upmarket golf and country club.

Throughout the disastrous staging of 'All My Sons' and the shady charity appeal for a little girl's medical treatment, the murderer hides in plain sight. The evidence is all there, waiting to be found.

There were mixed opinions about this book, some found it highly entertaining whilst others found it a little confusing. I was surprised to find how cleverly Hallett managed to develop the characters through the use of emails etc.

An entertaining and original take on a murder mystery.

The June book is 'The Offing' by Benjamin Myers



## Christine



## CAN YOU DECORATE A JUBILEE THEMED CAKE OR DESIGN A JUBILEE MENU

**You are cordially invited to  
decorate a Jubilee themed cake.**

Cakes will be judged solely on  
appearance. Judges will be looking for  
interpretation of the theme and  
originality, overall visual impact and  
skill of execution.



**Adult classes** 17 years and over

Cakes should be at least 20cm at the base.

**Children's classes** under 7s, 7-10 and 11-16 years

Cakes should be at least 15cm at the base, 5 cupcakes may be made in place of a single  
cake.

**Design a decorated Jubilee themed  
menu. What would you serve and why?**

Judging will be on interpretation of the theme  
and originality and design and presentation.

**Classes** 7-10, 11-16 and 17 years and over

Menus should be no larger than A4 and a minimum of 3  
courses.

**Under 7's only**

Imagine the Queen is coming for tea. What would you give  
her to eat? Draw or write a menu on A4 and decorate it.

Entries to the village hall, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June between 10.30  
and 11.30, judging at 12.

Please collect your entries by 4.30pm – any cakes left  
behind will go to the Big Jubilee Lunch on Sunday  
for sharing.



## Avon Needs Trees

Avon Needs Trees (ANT) is a charity based in Bristol that is buying land in the Bristol-Avon Catchment Area to reforest and rewild. The first piece of land purchased by the charity was 34 acres at Hazeland. Since a part of the Wilts & Berks Canal runs through this land, ANT decided to invite the public onto the land to join a walk led by local history enthusiast Pete Williams. Judging by the feedback afterwards, this event was a great success.



Over 30 attendees enjoyed a fascinating walk about the heritage and hidden features of the old Wilts and Berks canal that runs through Hazeland and the ancient woodland, which is teeming with spring flowers at this time. We learnt that the Wilts & Berks Canal was conceived by an Act of Parliament in 1795. At 52 miles long, and with 42 locks it connected the Kennet & Avon Canal at Semington, to the River Thames at Abingdon.

Trade on the canal was buoyant through to the 1840's but the completion of the Great Western Railway brought a faster, more efficient rival, and gradually trade died away, so that by the late 1800's very little traffic was recorded and the canal slowly began to silt up and become overgrown.

The final nail in the coffin was the collapse of Stanley Aqueduct over the River Marden in January 1901 which effectively severed the canal and drained many miles of the canal bed. The Wilts & Berks was officially abandoned in 1914 by another Act of Parliament. Much of the land, and buildings were sold off, and the canal was slowly filled in, or built upon.

However, even after over 100 years there is still much to see, and the canal at Hazeland Wood is a good example. Thanks to the efforts of Avon Needs Trees the towpath has been cleared, and about a half a mile of the path can now be walked here.

Here are some events in June you might want to attend:

### **'All Things Trees' at Hazeland Saturday 11th June**

Having spent two winters planting trees at Hazeland this event is a chance to celebrate and learn more about the trees at the site. Tree

identification walks will be running morning and afternoon with tree-themed family activities in the afternoon. The site is truly stunning at this time of year and we hope you can join us.

### **Summer Tree identification walks 11am and 2pm**

Would you like to learn more about identifying native British Trees? Join Neill Talbot, from Avellana Ecology, at our beautiful 34 acre Hazeland site this June, for an opportunity to learn more about identifying native British Trees. The trees will be in full leaf and with Neill as your guide you will learn common identifying features to familiarise yourselves with our native trees. The site features a range of habitats from riverside meadow and ancient woodland, to pasture and hedgerow with a wealth of trees to discover.

### **'All Things Trees' Families activity session 1.30pm to 3.30pm**

To celebrate the wonderful diversity of trees at our Hazeland project we invite children aged 5-12 (with flexibility for accompanying siblings), accompanied by parents or carers, for an afternoon of tree themed activities and trials around the site. The sessions will



be led by our very own John Chew who has run a number of hugely successful family sessions at the project bringing his sense of joy and discovery to all aspects of the natural world. Join him to explore the world of trees.

To register for any of these events please visit the events page on our website: <https://www.avonneedstrees.org.uk/events/>

If you wish to find out more about Avon Needs Trees or support the charity either financially or as a volunteer, please visit our website <https://www.avonneedstrees.org.uk/>

***Tara and Sue***

## Derry Hill and District W.I.

We had a wonderful walk around the Bowood Woodland Gardens on 19<sup>th</sup> May. We are so fortunate to have this on our doorstep. The colours of the rhododendrons are magnificent and very much enjoyed by our members. Many of us stayed for coffee, cake, chat and catch up at the Nosh Box near the entrance before returning home.



The Heartbeat Team gave us a very informative talk at our May meeting. They covered common heart conditions and when a defibrillator would be needed. We were shown a defibrillator and how it works. They talked us through how to administer the latest CPR procedures and gave us the chance to practice on the resuscitation dolls. An excellent talk and explanations which certainly empowered us! Thank you Heartbeat. The Jubilee projects are progressing well, still knitting and cake baking – should be good!

We have a trip to Cadenham Manor on 9<sup>th</sup> June and a Garden Party at Sally's (our President) house on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm. Lots to look forward to and enjoy.

Our speaker at the June meeting will be Richard Ricketts who will tell us about 'The Amazing Honey Bee'.

Derry Hill & District WI meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Lansdowne Hall, 7.30pm. Why not come along and give it a try.

**Tina**

## WI Walking Netball

We had our spring social evening at the Lansdowne Arms on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Our meals were delicious and the company excellent. There was a lot of fun and laughter, Walking Netball is very sociable and we have all become good friends.



Excitingly, we have 2 new members giving Walking Netball a try! It is always good to meet new people so if you would like to come and have a go it is £3 per session, Monday and Friday at 1.45-2.45 pm on the outside multi-pitch next to Lansdowne Hall. A perfect way to have fun and keep fit.

Looking forward to seeing you

**Tina** (01249 814145)

## Mothers' Union Prayer & Fellowship Group

We met on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May In Christ Church and Barbara welcomed everyone; as she lit the candle we all REMEMBERED Rev'd Jim Scott and keep Judy and all his family in our prayers. Mary Hobbs then led us with the prayers before dealing with the relevant business of the day.



Our main event was a talk by Nan about named saints and she chose the saints with the same name as many of our members. This was very interesting and worthy of note that most, but not all, came to a rather grisly end! I think we all learnt so much as it was truly fascinating and we thanked Nan very much for all her efforts. We followed this splendid talk with refreshments kindly done by Jean and Barbara.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 2.30pm when we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by having a Holy Communion Service followed by cake and prosecco, or a cup of tea for those driving!

**Barbara Parry**

## Gardening Tips

This month sees Jubilee celebrations, so it would be great if we have hanging basket and borders brimming over with the vibrant colours of red, white and blue with a dash of purple.

Watch out for dry periods when you need to make sure your growing plants get the moisture they need without over watering and leeching out the nutrients.

Yes, the weeds are shooting up, so get that hoe out when it's dry and clear them away.

The grass is growing quickly at this time of the year, so you may be mowing and edging once a week. Spare a thought for wildlife and try and leave some areas unmown to encourage wildflowers. You'll be rewarded by an increase in butterflies and other interesting insects.

I don't know about you, but my greenhouse is getting hot some days already. Try some shading netting or water the floor during hot spells.

Above all work with nature and enjoy!

## Ed

### Collective buying scheme for solar panels

From 9 May until the 14 June, if you own your own home and live in Wiltshire you can register to join Solar Together Wiltshire, a group-buying scheme which offers [solar panels](#) with optional battery storage and EV charge points.

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Wiltshire Council is working in partnership with Swindon Borough Council and independent experts to deliver the scheme and make the transition to clean energy as cost effective and hassle-free as possible.

For more information people can visit [www.solartogether.co.uk/wiltshire](http://www.solartogether.co.uk/wiltshire), email [wiltshire@solartogether.co.uk](mailto:wiltshire@solartogether.co.uk) or call 0800 048 8113.

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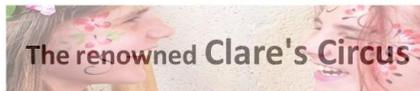


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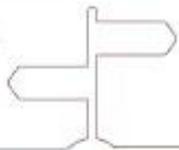
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## Wellbeing notes

### **This is the plant for relaxation**

In June, lavender starts blooming, and gardens are fragrant with its sweet, herbal aroma. The word 'lavender' comes from the Latin, '*lavare*', meaning 'to wash'. Many people's favourite herb, there are various ways to bring it into the home, where its calming and antibacterial properties can be helpful. Here are a couple of favourites.



### **Fragrant sachets**

Place a handful of fresh lavender heads in a pocket-sized, unbleached cotton bag, and hang up in your bathroom where it will dry quietly away. Then, for a fragrant bath, suspend under the running tap. You may like to squeeze the bag once or twice to release more aroma. When the bath is run, use the bag as a loofah over your skin. Discard the lavender after the bath.

Embroidered little bags of dried lavender are, of course, lovely to place in drawers and storage boxes.

### **Lavender milk**

This soothing bedtime drink encourages a good night's sleep. You can use any kind of milk – we prefer oat. Pour a cupful of milk into a saucepan. Add a teaspoon of dried lavender flowers, bring to the boil, then remove from heat and leave to infuse for ten minutes. Stir in a teaspoon of honey, strain into cup and drink.

**Finally**, I do believe that every home needs a small bottle of lavender essential oil. Apply neat on minor burns and insect bites; place drops in a diffuser or just on a tissue to scent a room and bring wellbeing.

***Suzanne Askham***

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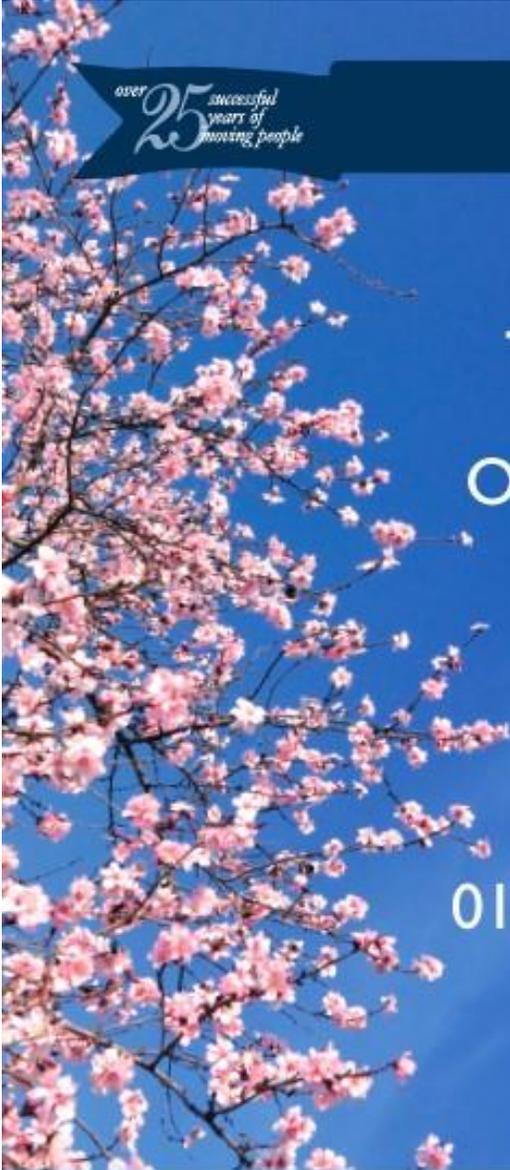
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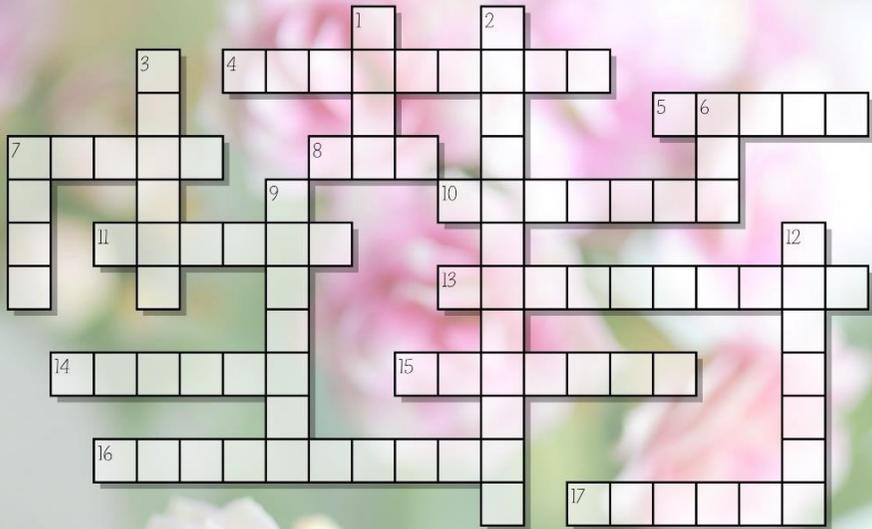
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# June 2022 Crossword



## ACROSS

- 4 Large marine bird (9)
- 5 Moist and heavy (5)
- 7 Airship (5)
- 8 Church seating (3)
- 10 Large church (7)
- 11 Lookout soldier (6)
- 13 Temperature controller (10)
- 14 Paper handkerchief (6)
- 15 French castle (7)

- 16 Temperature scale (10)
- 17 Dog's home (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Palm fruit (4)
- 2 West Country pie (7,5)
- 3 Season (6)
- 6 Rowing blade (3)
- 7 Infuse tea (4)
- 9 Swiss cheese (7)
- 12 Sunshade (7)





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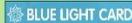
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