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Sherston Parish precept for 2021/22

The proposed Sherston Parish precept for 2021/22 is £48,347, an increase of 15.77% on the previous year (£42,175).

The Parish Council has tried to keep any increase to cover only essential extra expenditure: the main additional items are a £4,000 increase in village maintenance (repairs to walls, etc), £1,000 to secure the crumbling and unsafe sports field pavilion, £2,000 for repairs to the old playground equipment and £1,000 for improvements to the website for work to comply with statutory standards for accessibility.

We are very conscious of how unwelcome any increase will be in these difficult times and we have deferred some items. The increase brings the Sherston precept into line with other similarly sized villages in Wiltshire and is 17p per week for each band D equivalent household.

Full details of next year's budget can be found on the Parish website: <https://sherston.org.uk>

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Sherston friends launch Drain Doctor Chippenham



The coronavirus has changed the lives of millions of people, including local Sherston friends, Giles Robinson and Martin Whitehead, who have swapped their corporate lives for a new business in the drainage and plumbing sector.

Just as the second lockdown kicked off, the pair took the plunge and launched Drain Doctor Chippenham, part of a national drainage and emergency plumbing company, on 11 November. They are jointly running the business, with an experienced drainage engineer, Ben, and are already helping many local customers with their drainage and plumbing needs in and around Wiltshire. Giles and Martin, who met five years ago, started discussing the idea of setting up a business together in 2018.

With the same aspirations and realising the world was about to change, they started researching franchises at the start of 2020 and chose to buy an established brand, which was growing fast and recession proof. Drain Doctor was the perfect fit.

Prior to their new venture together, the duo have achieved success in their own careers. Giles, a qualified engineer and chartered accountant, most recently worked as a financial director for eight years in the optical sector. Martin, also an engineer, began his working life on a farm before turning his hand to construction and civil engineering, where he installed plumbing and drainage systems on commercial sites.

They said: 'We were a bit wary about launching during these uncertain times, wondering if people would be trying to look after their pennies, but we realised that drains never stop blocking, so our services would be in constant demand.'

'Having researched other franchise sectors, Drain Doctor stuck out as being the most professional brand, with a strong code of values and passion for providing quality and high standard solutions for customers. It just felt right. We both really enjoy meeting people and providing exceptional customer service so buying a Drain Doctor business was a no brainer! We are really looking forward to getting stuck in and being a key player in and around Bath and Chippenham ... and becoming an employer of choice in our area.'

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Lin's marmalade 2021!

Due to unkind weather and the pandemic, I was unable to sell my marmalade outside the Post Office during 2020 and consequently I have some of the January 2020 marmalade left. I have decided not to make any this year due partly to my oranges supplier closing down and partly to the uncertainty of the pandemic. However, if you would like to buy some of the January 2020 batch, please ring me on 840846. The prices are £3.20 for a 1lb jar and £3.10 for a 3/4lb jar. As in previous years, proceeds will go to local charities.

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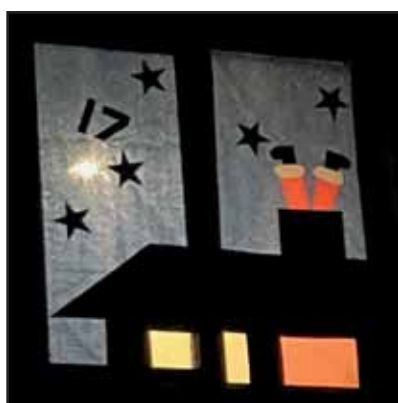


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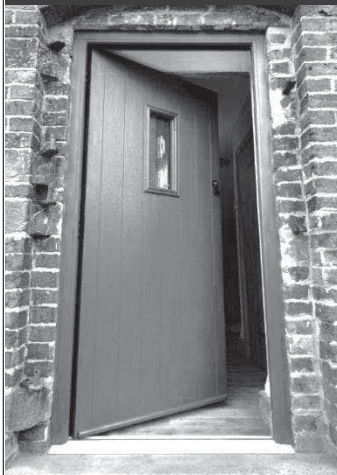


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Easton Square



Dad and brother (Ken and Robin) outside the coal house

My family, the Wilcoxes, were the first to move into 16 Easton Square. I was 10 months old. It was the summer of 1947.

Dad negotiated to have an extra piece of land beside the house for growing more vegetables to feed the family. We also had a small plot in Sandpits Lane and an allotment. As we became old enough, we all got a plot and I remember getting a prize in the children's section at the local WI Produce Show for my 'Mixed Vegetables'.

We had moved from Grandad's house, 8 Silver Street, to get two extra bedrooms, a flushing loo, and hot water (when you lit the Rayburn). All things which were not at Silver Street at this time.

At Easton Square, washing was done by lighting the fire under the copper in the wash-house which was separate. There was a separate coal house, where the bikes were kept as well. Like most people at this time, we had six chickens for eggs. This was until it became time to eat Peggy or Betsy or whatever name I had given the doomed hen.

I knew the house was a gift from the people of Sweden after the war as 'SWEDEN' was engraved on the keys. I understood that every county in England was given six similar houses and occasionally I have spotted them when travelling around the country.



Wilcox Family in 1947 (Reg, Dorothy, Ken, Robin and Brenda (Goug)). Note the onion sets drying in boxes.



My 4th birthday party

We lived there until 1960 when Mum and Dad were invited to move and buy 21 Cliff Road with Auntie Alice (Neal) as a sitting tenant. The Hilliers (Brian and Yvonne) moved into Easton Square after us.

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Thursday 24 December	normal collection	normal collection
Friday 25 December (Christmas Day)	Monday 28 December	no collection
Monday 28 December	Tuesday 29 December	no collection
Tuesday 29 December	Wednesday 30 December	no collection
Wednesday 30 December	Thursday 31 December	no collection
Thursday 31 December	Saturday 2 January	no collection
Friday 1 January (New Year's Day)	Monday 4 January	no collection
Monday 4 January	Tuesday 5 January	no collection
Tuesday 5 January	Wednesday 6 January	no collection
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UNICEF giving, virtual nativities & fun festivities

There was a great deal of festive fun and enjoyment in the gift of giving during the last term of 2020 at Sherston Primary School.



Helping children around the world

As Christmas cards could not be exchanged in school during the festive season due to Covid restrictions, the teachers came up with a very special way for the children to enjoy the gift of giving.

Each class created a wish list of UNICEF gifts to help children around the world. Parents then donated the money they would otherwise have spent on cards to their child's list.

'The children were amazing. They put a lot of thought into what to buy. Some classes drew up a shortlist and then debated the merits of the items before coming up with their final list. Every class impressed us with the compassion and empathy they showed when making their choices,' said head teacher Mrs Leyden.

Here's what the children chose:

- Tuberculosis vaccines to protect 100 children
- Meningitis treatment for newborn babies
- Mosquito nets to protect families from malaria
- 200 vaccines against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough
- 300 bars of soap
- 25,000 water purification tablets
- Skipping ropes and basketballs
- Children's Christmas gift boxes of essential supplies
- High energy biscuits for hungry children
- Polio vaccines to protect 100 children
- Life-saving salts for 60 children
- 1,000 pencils for a whole school

The show must go on

Although parents couldn't come into school to watch the traditional Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 nativities, the teachers and children alike were determined that the show must go on. So, the performances were filmed and streamed for parents and their wider families to enjoy at home.



Fun festivities aplenty

Crazy Christmas Top Day, which kicked off the festive season, brought much excitement and the children rose to the occasion with their creations! Despite the restrictions, everyone enjoyed all the festive fun of the last week of term. 'Class bubble' Christmas parties were held, along with the traditional Christmas lunch. The annual carol

sing-song with Mrs Berry at the piano took place in playtime bubbles and every class took part in virtual panto workshops from the 'West End in Schools' theatre company.

You can keep up to date with all the latest school news here and on the Sherston Primary School Facebook page throughout 2021.



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Malmesbury & District U3A continues to keep in touch with members with regular editions of the Lockdown News and events on Zoom, including two monthly talks, an AGM and a Christmas draw. Some interest groups are meeting virtually, while others are beginning to meet in other ways as government guidelines allow.

Our January Zoom talks are as follows:

Thursday 7 January: Brazil - Travels through unknown territory reveal the best kept exotic secrets.

Mandy Dobson

As the wife of a British diplomat, U3A member Mandy Dobson had an eight-year experience of working with national and international communities in Venezuela and Brazil. Her talk will touch on the background history, the architecture, culture, and flora and fauna of the area, as well as providing an insight into Brasília, the federal capital of Brazil.

Thursday 28 January: Oliver Cromwell and his effect on modern democracy.

Howard Robinson

Oliver Cromwell (Howard's nine times great grandfather) is a character who still engenders controversy about what he achieved during the Stuart era. However, Howard believes that Cromwell was, in fact, a great innovator in establishing Parliamentary democracy over and above the power of the monarch.

Retired? Semi-retired? Looking for new interests? Why not join us? We have more than 500 members and 40 different interest groups including: book group, history, gardening, dancing, languages and walking. Check our website for an up-to-date list of groups and other information: www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk.

Please contact Elaine Sharp for more information on 823568 or e-mail membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk.

'Sherston Brick Club'

British Schoolroom

Brick Club and Cuppa,
Cake and Chat have been
suspended until further
notice.

Malmesbury League of Friends donates over £60,000 in 2020

During 2020, Malmesbury League of Friends (MLOF) has donated a total of £61,000 to a variety of local organisations and needy individuals.

This sum includes nearly £20,000 at its meeting in November:

£8,000 - Seven configured laptop computers and a portable ECG machine for Malmesbury Primary Care Centre.

£5,000 - Doorway, Chippenham-based drop-in centre for the homeless and marginalised.

£3,000 - Malmesbury Boxing Club.

£1,500 - Defibrillator for the Sherston Tolsey medical practice

£2,000 - to two local residents with special needs.

MLOF chairman David Hide said: 'We are particularly pleased to have been able to help so many local organisations and needy individuals in this most difficult of years. These latest donations are typical of the requests we receive for support. Although some of them involve quite modest sums, each one will nevertheless make a major difference to the lives of those who will benefit. We are always happy to consider requests for help for those living in the Malmesbury area, who have a special need.' www.mlof.co.uk



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5th	72	Peter Johnston	£8
6th	227	Kirstie Blair	£7
7th	99	Minnie Hulme	£6

Christmas Bonuses

139	Jill Bowyer	£5
169	Pat Jones	£5
198	Mary Clements	£5
102	Phil Moore	£5
26	Fiona Picton	£5
94	Jim Bartlett	£5

Collectors: Anne Andrews, Mary Goulding, Pat Moody, Rachel Moody, Lin Prior, Margaret Thacker, Jill Woodward, Judith Wooliams

The COVID-19 pandemic has seen Sherston Village Hall closed during much of 2020. The large and small halls, to say nothing of the field, have not hosted the normal wedding receptions, children's parties, golden wedding parties, concerts, bazaars and many sports and youth group activities. The hall is now open and the committee need to recover the income that was lost during the year whilst raising money for the foyer improvements.

You may have read in last month's Cliffhanger that Lin Prior has retired from organising the Sherston Hall 300 Club after many years of sterling work for which the village and the Village Hall Committee are very grateful. The good news is that the 300 Club has not gone but is being run by the Committee. The Club, which is a draw, is a way by which the Sherston Villagers can contribute inexpensively to the Village Hall whilst having a chance of winning their money back. If every household in the Parish bought a ticket, we would have to rename it the 500 Club and from a small donation a large amount would be raised.

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A Jaunt through the Years

Another excerpt from the late George Stephens' recollections and stories of bygone life in Sherston that he compiled in 1995.

Water

Until the beginning of the 20th century, drinking water in Sherston came from two sources only, spring water and well water. Spring water could be found at several places: Seven Springs at Crowdown on the Sopworth Road. Hancocks Well along the Luckington Road. Crowdown is widely believed to be the source of the River Avon, although there are some people who say it is at Luckington, while others say it is to be found at Tetbury.

Personally I believe Crowdown to be the most likely source. About this time, (early 1900s) a piped water supply was suggested. At a cost of around £2,000, a well was dug at Knockdown road, after a borehole had been sunk to a depth of 90 feet. The well was dug by Mathew Powell, Sidney Lacey and Thomas Lydiard, all Sherston men.

A windmill and a pumping station were then built, and a storage tank was installed to hold 56,000 gallons of water, supplying 1,190 people of Sherston for three days at an average of about 14 gallons per person. Sherston now had its very own supply of piped water, distributed to the homes via 25 cast iron standpipes, carefully spaced around the village. One still remains at the brow of Fairlawn hill, to remind us of when we fetched our water from the street. The water spout of the standpipe was cast in the shape of a lion's mouth, its head surrounded by a finely

cast mane. A comfortable round handle was firmly gripped and turned to start the mechanism working. After a few seconds, one could hear the ticking of the chain and the cogs, then suddenly the water would gush forth. It refreshed many a thirsty child, or filled a bucket in a very short time.

The new venture became known as 'The Sherston Water Company'. Later, eight fire hydrants were placed at convenient positions around the village. The cost of all this was paid for by the villagers in the form of a rate.

'The Sherston Water Works' as it later became known by the villagers, was a place to be visited by both parents and children. Often a family Sunday evening's walk led there. The man who saw that everything ran smoothly was Fred Gough, he had landscaped and planted a very attractive garden. Almost every type of vegetable one could think of, and a variety of beautiful flowers. The school children were taken there as part of their education, but also it was a visit the children welcomed as a break from routine school work. Mr Gough would explain the whole pumping procedure to them. A man of small stature, he combined many talents with his knowledge of pumping and storing water. He was an experienced engineer and a plumber. Mr Gough was also our local chimney sweep, a man widely sought after when trouble loomed.

Over the years, and as the water pumping machinery showed signs of wear, and as more water was required, the water works gradually ground to a halt. It became derelict just before the outbreak of war in 1939. From that time onwards Sherston obtained its water supply from Malmesbury District Council, via Shipton Moyne pumping station. Later on it came from the West Gloucester Water Company and eventually Bristol Water Works. A large area of Bristol was at this time supplied from Shipton Moyne. Bore holes are being sunk on a regular basis around this area, North Wilts and Gloucestershire.

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Although the Flower Club has been unable to meet for many months, behind the scenes the committee has actively continued planning future events. A full programme for 2021 has already been arranged, incorporating several events postponed from 2020 but, given the recent increase in Covid cases, continuing restrictions on socialising, and the closure of venues, it is unlikely that events planned for early 2021 will go ahead. However, the vaccination roll-out has provided hope that by late spring or early summer we may be able to get together again. We will continue to keep you updated through these articles.

Our programme is always very varied and includes a good mix of workshops, demonstrations, social events and visits, all incorporating flowers in some shape or form. Meetings would normally take place at Crudwell Village Hall on the third Wednesday evening of the month, with visitors and potential new members welcome. We are a friendly and enthusiastic group with members from throughout the area and really look forward to welcoming both our current members and any guests as soon as we can.

We wish all our members and friends all the best for the New Year. In the meantime stay safe and well. If you'd like to get in touch, we can be contacted by email: nwvflowerclub@gmail.com

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Tickets £6/£7.50 to include ice cream from Lesley on 01249 783157 or email l_palmer@btinternet.com [underscore between l and p]

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Matinee doors open 2.00pm, programme starts at 2.30pm.

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Future dates for your diary

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Groups and Regular Events in and around Sherston

Please note all events and groups listed here below might not have started back yet or might be held virtually due to COVID-19 Corona Virus – please check first.

Sherston

Sherston 1016 Fundraising for local good causes and charities. For further details, contact sherston1016@gmail.com or 07717 424619.

Ashtanga Yoga class A strong flowing practice for mind and body (beginners to advanced) Fri 10.30-11.45am Sherston village hall. More info – Stuart 07986 003602 stuart@pulse4life.co.uk or www.pulse4life.co.uk

Sherston Baby and Toddler Group The group is a fun way for babies, toddlers and their parents to meet and play. Meets at 10 -11.30am each Tues in the British School Rooms with toys for all stages from wrigglers to toddlers, craft activities, music and snacks for all, and a cup of tea/coffee for the deserving parent. For further details contact sherstontoddlergroup@gmail.com or like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers

Sherston Badminton Club We play every Tues evening from 7.30pm in the Village Hall from Sept to the end of May. New members welcome – mixed ages (over 18) and abilities. For more information, contact. David Boyle 841587, 07740 188882 or email djboyle@hotmail.com

Sherston Brick Club Brick Club is open to everyone who is a fan of LEGO, so all children of all ages, with only one rule - use your imagination to the maximum! We meet on alternate Fridays from 5.30 to 7pm in the Congregational Church, Cliff Rd. Free Entry

Sherston Brownies Meet every Weds during term time 5.45 – 7pm in the Scout Hut. All girls are welcome to join after their 7th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit www.girlguiding.org.uk and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact Tawny Owl (Nicky) at nicky.gray@btinternet.com

Holy Cross Church The Coffee Shop - Fair Trade tea and coffee with homemade biscuits and brownies Easter-Oct Tues, Weds, Thurs and Nov-Easter Thursday only. Both 9.30am-12 noon Sunday services 8am Holy Communion; 1st and 4th - Holy Communion, 2nd - Worship Together - a service for all age groups preceded by breakfast at 9am, 3rd - Family Service preceded by breakfast at 9am See the Parish Life for more details

Sherston Community Choir The community choir with conductor Trudi Baker meets at 7.30pm each Wed in term time in the British Schoolroom. £3 per session. All welcome. Further information from Sheila Cutchner sheilacutcher28@gmail.com or 840067, or on Facebook.

Congregational Church – in The British Schoolroom. 11am Service, Communion every 2nd Sunday of the month led or hosted by Reverend Andrew Williams Tarling. Sunday School 10.15 – 11am use Cliff Road entrance. Alternating Mondays 8pm, Bible Study or Prayer Group Brick (Lego) Club alternate Fridays 5.30 – 7pm. Contact Minister - Andrew Williams Tarling -minister4sherstonconchurch@outlook.com /07921 390878 Admin/Bookings - Victoria Meheust - sherstonconchurch@outlook.com Secretary.- Candi Williams Tarling - secretary4sherstonconchurch@outlook.com or find us on Facebook.

Methodist Church Services every Sunday at 10.30am apart from 3rd Sunday in the month when service is held at Luckington. For further details see the Parish Life

Church Bell Ringing Practices are every Wednesday 7.30 – 9 pm. Call Chris Pickthall 841072 or come along.

Sherston Magna Cricket Club See website / facebook for fixtures. If you'd like to get involved with local cricket please email cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit the website www.sherstonmagnacc.co.uk.

1st Sherston Beaver Scout Colony Beavers is open to both girls and boys aged between 6 and 8 years old. We meet at the Scout hut from 5pm to 6pm on Fridays during school term time. There is a waiting list for Beavers, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form.

1st Sherston Cub Scout Pack Cubs is open to both girls and boys aged between 8 and 10 ½ years old. The Pack has regular meetings on Friday nights in term times from 6.30pm to 8pm. There is a waiting list for Cubs, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form

Sherston Drama Group The Drama group puts on plays and pantomimes in the Village Hall. If you are interested in taking part or helping out contact Sue Lehrer (Chairperson) lehrer.sue@icloud.com or 07780 661830

Drawing Classes in Sherston Classes are held in the British Schoolroom during term times Weds either 10am to 12noon or 1.30 to 3.30pm. Students have individual attention and the classes are friendly and welcoming. We work on observational drawing in a range of media, pencil, watercolour crayon and pastel; subjects include plants and flowers,

natural objects and still life groups. For further information please contact Heather Martin heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or phone 840375

Sherston Whitewall Explorers Explorers is open to both girls and boys aged between 14 and 18 years old, you don't need to have previously been a member of Scouts or Guides to join us. We meet at the Scout hut on Friday nights between 8.30pm and 10pm during school term times, if you are interested please email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk to obtain an application form

Sherston Town FC The club plays in the Stroud league at Knockdown Park on Sat afternoons - spectators and new players welcome. For more details contact Pete Brock on 07912 777647 or peter.brock666@btinternet.com

Footpaths Group 'Sherston Walks - a guide to local Rights of Way', featuring 10 local walks is on sale at the Post Office. If you would like to learn more about the Footpaths Group contact Tanya Burgess on 841498 or smythtanya@hotmail.com or visit www.sherstonwalks.org.uk

Forest School Independent sessions led by local outdoor learning specialist Niki Walden, that include an after school club at Sherston Primary School, weekly curricular sessions at Luckington School & Luckington Pre-School and occasional further fun extended sessions during school holidays. For further information please contact nikiwalden-forestschool@hotmail.co.uk

Fresh Air Fitness Total body outdoor workout for all levels (beginners to advanced) on Sherston Rec Mon & Fri 9 -10am. Info: www.pulse4life.co.uk Stuart 07986 003602 or stuart@pulse4life.co.uk

1st Sherston Guides Meet every Wed during term time 5.30-7.15pm at Sherston Village Hall. Girls are welcome to join after their 10th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit www.girlguiding.org.uk and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact Fi Picton via fi.picton@outlook.com

Hatha yoga class Small breath driven relaxing Hatha yoga class Tuesday 6.45 - 8am and Wednesday 6 - 7.15pm. Support for anxiety, depression and quitting smoking offered. Please contact Russ on 07710 170081 or russellhtownsend@gmail.com

The Hygiene Bank Drop-off location in The Co-Op in Sherston and The George Vets, Malmesbury. The Hygiene Bank collects donations of new and unused hygiene products, which are then donated to local charities who are in desperate need of these items, for example, women's refuges and young person's hostels www.thehygienebank.com.

Exercise for over 60s with Synchronicity Fun, social exercise class (no exercises performed lying down) on Mondays at 10.30am in The British School Rooms. Suitable both men & women. All abilities. Everyone welcome. 1st class free. Book your place with Emma: 07843 256081 emmacope@synchronicity.me.uk

Sherston Netball Club Training every Mon at 7.30pm at Westonbirt Leisure Centre. All ages and abilities welcome. £3 per session. For more info, please contact Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

Parish Council Meeting Takes place on the 2nd Thurs each month at 7.30pm in the village hall. Minutes of meetings can be read online at www.sherston.org.uk. Further details contact the Clerk at clerk@sherston.org.uk

Sherston Pilates Daytime and evening classes held in the village hall. Run by Saara Sharman, Chartered Physiotherapist. All ages and abilities welcome. For more details contact Saara on 07739 552336 or sherstonpilates@gmail.com

Rattlebone Boules League 48 teams playing in 3 Leagues Playing season Apr – Aug. For more information, contact Huw Bowles 07711 473243.

1st Sherston Scout Troop Scouts is open to both girls and boys aged between 10½ to 14 years old. We meet at the Scout hut on Tuesday nights from 7pm to 9pm during school term times. There is a waiting list for Scouts, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form

Senior Club Meets at 2.30pm during summertime 2pm during winter in the British School Room, more details call Helen Quirk 840516.

Sherston Sewing School Beginners' Sessions in the British School Room on the 2nd Sat of each month, 10am-4pm with a break for lunch at £65 per day Phone Goug Wilcox on 07788 558035 to book or for further information on the more advanced projects that are planned..

Sherston Short Mat Bowls Meet every Thursday at 2.30 to 4.30pm & 7.30 – 9.30pm. in the Village Hall. New members welcome – bring flat shoes, we have the woods. For more information contact Tony Weedon 841377 or Anne Andrews 840941

Sherston Tennis Club The tennis courts are located on Knockdown Road, next to the football pitch. If you're interested in joining the club or using the courts, please contact Nic Riley on 840682 or nic50riley@gmail.com

Sherston Theatre Club Excursions with a Sherston High Street-to-venue return coach service. Annual fee £20. See website for details www.sherstontheatreclub.co.uk or contact Helen Quirk on 840516 or helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com

Sherston Velo A cycling club formed of enthusiastic road cyclists from Sherston and the surrounding area. There are regular rides each weekend morning with a fast paced group leaving first for an hour, followed by a longer club run. For membership and other information about the club, visit the website www.sherstonvelo.cc or email Mark Walsh at secretary@sherstonvelo.cc

Sherston Village Hall Available for hire by all. Ideal for meetings, events, parties etc. For details contact Margot Holland 841019 mplholland@btinternet.com

Village Hall 300+ Club For an annual subscription of only £6, give yourself the opportunity of winning a cash prize in every monthly draw whilst supporting the Village Hall.

Sherston W.I. (Founded 1940) Meetings on first Thurs of the month May– Sep in the Village Hall at 7.30pm and Nov – Apr in the British Schoolroom at 2.30pm. Jan & Oct no meetings but lunch/dinner. Visitors always most welcome £4. Further information: Secretary 07388 606785

Yoga for All Mon evenings 7.45-9.15pm in the village hall. Drop in rate £8.50 reducing to £7 if you take up the course. More details contact 07779 600786 after 6pm or leave a message.

Outside Sherston

Avonvale Utd FC The youth section trains at The Recreation Ground, Shipton Moyne every Saturday morning (from 1 Sep – 31 May) from 9.30am, with FA qualified coaches. We welcome boys and girls age 6+ of all abilities and confidences to enjoy the beautiful game, whilst developing at their own pace in a friendly and calm environment. For more details email avonvaleutdfc@outlook.com or call Jo Hargreaves on 07518 017363

Boules at the Bull Friendly boules club at the Red Bull Inn (Malmesbury Rd) - meets every Thurs at 7.15pm – any level. For the more competitive members, there is a team playing in the Cotswold Pétanque league. To enter, please contact Sue McKechnie on 840601 or susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.uk

Carer Support Wiltshire - Monthly carers café 4th Thursday each month 10.30am – 12pm at the Kings Arms Hotel, Malmesbury - come along to chat with other carers over a hot drink or two. CSW is a charity with a team of support workers who can provide information and support to carers living in Wiltshire, by phone or face to face, along with counselling and advice relating to your role. Free and confidential for anyone aged 18+. CSW offers the chance to have a break through social cafés, days out, activities, craft groups and complementary therapies. More details or to register for some support, visit www.carersinwiltshire.co.uk, email info@carersinwiltshire.co.uk or freephone 0800 181 4118 (01380 871690 from a mobile).

Castle Combe Colts Football Club Join a charter standard club with CRB checked FA qualified coaches, fantastic playing & training facilities and a healthy inclusive culture – take a free 4week taster session. Currently recruiting for the following age groups: Mini-Kickers (Rec/Y1) U10 (Y5) U11 (Y6). Tel 837286 or secretary@cccfc.co.uk www.cccfc.co.uk

Easton Grey Parish Church See Parish Life for details of services

Gauzebrook Church for Children Children are welcome at all the services which are held in the Gauzebrook Group churches but there are some occasions which are particularly for them: Junior Church is held at Court House, Hullavington at 11.00am now on the first Sunday of each month, except for August. This is for children from 3 to 11+. Any children under 3 need to be accompanied by an adult. Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky.fisher@deanery.org.uk

Hogwards The Help a Hedgehog Hospital charity has a satellite hospital in Tetbury. Mary Hinton 07779 299224 www.helpahedgehog.org

Ingleburn Trefoil Guild Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, usually at St. Mary's School Tetbury at 7.30 p.m. Lifts are available for non-drivers in the Sherston/Malmesbury area. Details from Helen Price, 503187 or retreatcottage17@btinternet.com

Junction 17 Recorder Group A mixed ability adult group with recorders of all sizes meet on Tuesdays 7.30-9pm during term-time in Hullavington Church. Occasional concerts throughout the year. New members welcome. Email Janette jctn17recorders@outlook.com or call Heather on 07770 415171

Link - (Malmesbury and District)

Link is a charity run by volunteers to provide transport for people living in the Malmesbury area to hospitals and other health related appointments. Volunteers always needed. More information from the Helpline: 840861 or coordinators@malmesburylink.co.uk

Luckington Pre-School A well-established Montessori inspired Pre-School, for 2½ to 5 years old. Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, during term time. Government funding available and childcare vouchers welcome. Ofsted rated Outstanding For more information, call 840028, email chair@luckingtonpreschool.org.uk or visit www.luckingtonpreschool.org.uk

Malmesbury Area Board Meeting

For details see www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards

Malmesbury Concert Band Rehearsals on Fri evenings in Malmesbury, 7.15 – 9.15pm for performances at local bandstands. For further details see our website www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk or contact Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229 or musdir@malmesburyconcertband.org.uk

Malmesbury Community Choir A non-audition performing choir that meets for rehearsals in the Old School Room at the Town Hall every Monday evening from 7.30-9.30pm. The waiting list is currently full for ladies, but we would always welcome extra men and young people between 14-21 years old. Membership is £50 per quarter, but membership for U18s is free and U21s is half price. For further information please email info@malmesburycommunitychoir.org, visit the website at www.malmesburycommunitychoir.org or www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir

Malmesbury Embroiderers' Guild The local branch holds monthly meetings at Little Somerford Village Hall. On alternate months there are Saturday workshops on a wide range of topics, and on the intervening dates there is a Tuesday evening talk at 7.30pm. We always welcome newcomers and occasional visitors, although pre-booking is essential for the workshops. Just turn up for the talks – non-members £5. For further information please phone Heather Martin 840375 or www.malmesburyembroiderers.blogspot.com

Malmesbury Film Society

Memorable new, classic and foreign films are shown at 7.30pm every 3rd Sunday of the month at St. Mary's Hall, Malmesbury - no booking or membership necessary. Join us for unique films and an enjoyable evening out. See our website www.malmesburyfilmsociety.org.uk for details on all upcoming films.

Malmesbury Luncheon Club Over 60s meet every Wednesday at midday in the Wesleyan Room of Malmesbury Town Hall for a chat and a 2 course lunch followed by tea or coffee, apart from during school holidays. £3.50 Please call Helen Churchill on 840080 if you'd like to attend. New members most welcome. Volunteers also needed to prepare and serve lunch, no washing up.

Malmesbury Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers

For details contact the Division Commissioner at malmesbury@wncounty.org.uk or visit www.girlguidingwiltshirenorth.org.uk

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Wed evening at Crudwell Village Hall. Members come from the surrounding villages to hear speakers and enjoy floristry demonstrations and do workshops and competitions. Further details call Margaret Stanford on 01285 770639

Rotary Club of The South Cotswolds Meets at The Horse Guards Inn in Brokenborough each Mon at 7pm, with dinner served at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome to our speaker meetings, as are guests and anyone interested in Rotary and in helping the local Community. Further details at website www.rcsc.co.uk or from Ian Pegg on 840986.

Tetbury Camera Club Meets every Tues evening from Sept to end of May at 7.30pm in The Priory Inn, Tetbury. For more information and current programme visit <http://tetburycameraclub.org.uk/> or call Liz Cooper 840482. Visitors welcome.

Wiltshire Walks The walk lasts approximately 30-60 minutes - 3 levels available - and often ends with a cup of tea or coffee. Further information contact Rosie on rosie.golding@wiltshire.gov.uk or 07917 599964. For a full list of walking groups in Wiltshire please visit www.walkingforhealth.org.uk/walkfinder/get-wiltshire-walking

If you run a club, society or organisation in Sherston that holds regular events such as the above and wishes to be listed, please supply your details and we will add them to the Regular events list. If you have a particular event then please write a short piece about it and we can include it as an article and put the details in the What's On list for that month.

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WHAT'S ON

Check in the main section of the Cliffhanger, their website / facebook / contact details for dates and times and check to see if events are still happening during COVID19 restrictions.

Sherston

The Bridge Restaurant

Indian cuisine to eat in or take away daily from 5pm-10pm on the site of The Carps. Call 840665 or email info@thebridge.restaurant
For more details or for the menus, visit www.thebridge.restaurant/sherston/

The Rattlebone Inn

Takeaways available including Sunday lunches, weekend Wood fired Pizza Oven, outdoor dining, socially distanced indoor dining. Check boards for more details of events
For further details call 840871 or follow on Twitter or visit www.therattlebone.co.uk

The Angel

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for takeaways only

The Courtyard Café @ Lucy Tom's

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For further details call Lucy on 841433 or visit <https://lucytom.com>

Café at Hortico

Newly remodeled café in the garden centre for tea coffee and cakes 10am - 3.30pm daily - wood burner, fully sustainable off grid, log cabin style café, covered seating in the nursery and amongst the Christmas trees growing for next year - dog friendly
Further details on Facebook or visit www.horti.co.uk

Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

In Sherston Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm Sherston High Street
For further details call clerk@sherston.org.uk or mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk or visit <https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/Library/Stop/65>

Church of the Holy Cross - Church events

Details of this month's events in the main section of the cliffhanger and on the Church Noticeboard for details of services and events.
For further details call Rev Susan Harvey 840696 or Susan Harvey <susan.harvey055@gmail.com>

Luckington

The Old Royal Ship

Take away specials 12 noon – 7pm Daily Please order as early as possible 840222

Knockdown

The Holford Arms

Check boards for more details of events or call 01454 238669 or info@theholfordarms.co.uk

Westonbirt

The Arboretum

Admission by booked entry slot only. Tickets on sale for the Enchanted Christmas trail.
Summer 2021 concerts tickets on sale: Thurs 10 Jun: Rag'n'Bone Man; Fri 11 Jun: Keane; Sat 12 Jun: Madness; Sun 13 Jun: Jess Glynne
For further details call 880220 or visit www.forestryengland.uk/westonbirt

Malmesbury

Malmesbury Artisan and Farmers' Market
held at the historic Market Cross every Fri from 9am to 3pm with an enticing array of local, fresh and organic produce together with artisan products and gifts at great prices

Movies@Malmesbury

See article in main section for this month's details Movies@Malmesbury is run entirely by volunteers in Malmesbury Town Hall
For further details call For all of the latest information, schedules, synopses, trailers etc. check out our Facebook page at: [MoviesatMalmesbury](https://www.facebook.com/MoviesatMalmesbury) or visit www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html

The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair

Last Sat every month 11am-3pm - meet unique creatives, creators, makers, designers, producers and bakers. The Hub

Malmesbury and District U3A

U3A is a unique organisation which provides educational, creative and leisure opportunities for retired and semi-retired people. There are over 500 members and around 40 different interest groups including arts and crafts, book group, history, gardening, dancing, theatre trips, languages, walking etc. Malmesbury & District U3A continues to keep in touch with members with regular editions of the Lockdown News and Zoom events.

For further details visit www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

WOMAD 2021

World Festival in Charlton Park. 22 - 25 July
2021 Tickets now on sale and 2020 tickets will be valid <https://womad.co.uk>

Tetbury

Tetbury Goods Shed – café open

The Whistle Stop café remains open for takeaway coffees and takeaway food on Wednesdays 12-4pm and Thursday to Sunday 10am-4pm. We are thoroughly Covid secure and have been certified as such by Visit England : www.shed-arts.co.uk

Vegetables from Aunt Addie's Visit the amazing Ros for all your delicious locally grown vegetables. Adeline Farm is a farming venture with the emphasis on quality, fresh, local and seasonal produce. Although not certified as Organic they are committed to using organic methods ~ and to working with nature and respecting wildlife. They are also totally committed to producing the finest produce possible. Every Sat 11am-2pm Adeline Farm Community Project offers facilities to the disabled, people with learning difficulties, and other groups in the Wilts. /Glos. area.

Didmarton

Flicks in the Sticks

Will return – tbc Didmarton Village Hall
For further details call Jenny Body 01454 238358 or jenny.body@btconnect.com

Grittleton

Moviola - the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme
See main section for this month's film details
Grittleton Village Hall

For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or email l_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

Wotton-Under-Edge

The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community See website for this month's films. Allocated seating, prebooking essential. Face coverings must be worn, though can be removed

to consume drinks and snacks bought at the EPH.
For further details call 01453 844601 or visit www.wottoncinema.com

Cirencester

The Barn Theatre

For further details call Box office: 01285 648255
or boxoffice@barntheatre.org.uk or visit <https://barntheatre.org.uk>

Bath, Stroud, Bristol, Wotton-Under-Edge

Covent Garden Royal Opera House and Ballet @ the cinema

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National Theatre Live Live and pre recorded screenings from The National Theatre @ the cinema
For further details visit www.ntlive.com

Bath


Theatre Royal Bath

Live performances will return with performances in the socially distanced Main House auditorium.
For further details call 01225 448844 or visit www.theatreroyal.org.uk

Tetbury Bookkeeper



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If you are in immediate danger call 999

The public version of Sherston's Emergency Response Plan can be found on the Sherston website:

www.sherston.org/downloads/sherston-parish-council-emergency-plan/Sherston-Emergency-Plan-REDACTED-20-11-2015.pdf

Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator
emergency@sherston.org.uk (only during an incident)

Wiltshire Council

Highways, Social Care, Emergency Transport
24hr telephone contact: 0300 456 0100
EPRR@wiltshire.gov.uk (only during an incident)
Floods: 0300 456 0105 or drainage@wiltshire.gov.uk

Useful Information

Wiltshire Council Online Gritting routes
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting.htm

Utilities

ELECTRICITY – SSEPD Power track
To report a problem or for information call 105
www.ssepd.co.uk/Powertrack for a map of faults
0800 072 7282 or 0345 072 1905 from a mobile phone
@SSEPD for updates on twitter

WATER – Bristol Water

www.bristolwater.co.uk/contact/
Emergency Helpline: 0345 702 3797 (24 Hour)

WATER – Wessex water

www.wessexwater.co.uk/Contact-us/
Emergency Helpline: 0345 600 4 600 (24 hours)

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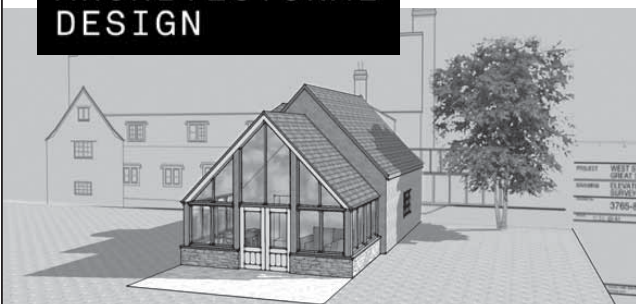
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Useful Numbers

BT fault line	0800 800151
CLARENCE (Highway complaints)	0800 232323
Cllr John Thomson	01666 840785
Malmesbury Activity Zone	01666 822533
Malmesbury Library	01666 823611
Malmesbury Police 101	(emergency 999)
Malmesbury Primary Care Centre	01666 825825
Malmesbury Secondary School	01666 829700
Malmesbury Youth Centre	0799 0908550
MP James Gray	0207 219 6237
Sherston Parish Council	07790 883503
Sherston School	01666 840237
Sherston Village Hall (bookings)	01666 841019
Sherston CoOp PO Stores	01666 840190
Tolsey Surgery	01666 840270
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