

ENFORD NEWSLETTER

What's happening In and Around East and West Chisenbury,
Compton, Coombe, Enford, Fifield, New Buildings & Newtown

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October
2026



October

Thurs	1st	Household waste
Tues	6th	Mixed dry recycling
Wed	7th	Garden waste
Thurs	15th	Household waste
Tues	20th	Mixed dry recycling
Wed	21st	Garden waste
Thurs	29th	Household Waste

November

Tues	3rd
Wed	4th
Thur	12th
Tues	17th
Wed	18th
Thur	26th

All dates are taken from the Wiltshire Council website and are accurate to the best of our knowledge.

Further information is available at

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling

Dates of Note in This Edition.

October

Thursday 1st	Brews in the Pews
Sunday 11th	Open Door Service
Tuesday 13th	Gardening Club
Tuesday 27th	Film Night
Saturday 31st	Fireworks & Halloween

November

Sunday 8 th November	Remembrance Breakfast
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The Newsletter deadline is Wednesday 14th October

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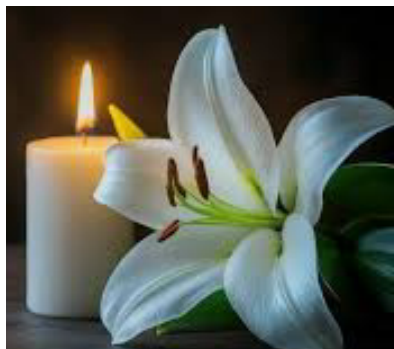
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All items, however they are submitted, must be with us by the deadline and signed. We will withhold the author's name if requested.

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In Sympathy

We would like to extend our condolences to the family and friends of **Ivan Behan**, who grew up in Enford and was a well known bell ringer.





Thoughts from Rev. Joe Stone

Autumn

"The trees are in their autumn beauty,
The woodland paths are dry,
Under the October twilight the water
Mirrors a still sky;" - W. B. Yeats

After a lively summer at the vicarage filled with our boys splashing in the paddling pool, the air has turned distinctly crisp. I really enjoy Autumn - hedgerows heavy with blackberries, morning mists settling over the fields, the sharp evening chill, and gathering round the fire on bonfire night.

Lately, catching the growing silver in my own hair, I feel a kinship with those turning leaves. As human beings we are unique in so many ways - we plan, feel, and achieve so much. Yet in the end each of us physically returns to the earth - dust to dust. Even King David—the great warrior and giant-slayer who became king—eventually grew old and shivered under his blankets. Just before he died, he said he was about to go "the way of all the earth" (1 Kings 2:2).

Yet the Christian faith offers hope that even though we will fall and fade like autumn leaves, there is enduring hope. Just as autumn carries the quiet promise of bright spring days and new growth, Christ's resurrection—which the New Testament calls the 'first fruits' of a great harvest to come—offers life beyond our earthly life. In his death and resurrection, winter never has the final word.

Blessings,
Reverend Joe Stone

Team vicar, Avon River Team.

For more information about the Avon River Team Churches contact:

The Team Office: 01980 655457 www.avonriverteam.org.uk

Rev. Philip Bromiley: 01980 258549 or philip@avonriverteam.org.uk



ENFORD CHURCH SERVICES



October

Sunday 4th	9:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 11th	10:30am	Team Service Fittleton
Sunday 18th	9:30am	Breakfast church
Sunday 25th	6:00pm	Evensong

November

Sunday 1st	9:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th	9:00am	Remembrance Service
Sunday 15th	9:30am	Breakfast church
Sunday 22nd	6:00pm	Evensong
Sunday 29th	9:30am	Holy Communion

Don't forget that if you would prefer to worship quietly in your own home, we have a short Compline Service at 8pm each Sunday... a wonderful way to end the week and set yourself up for the week ahead. Ask for the link on Facebook or email avonriverteam@hotmail.com



Enford Defibrillator



It is very concerning that the door of the Enford defibrillator cabinet has been found open on several occasions during its weekly check.

Everyone in the village should be aware that the machine is easily damaged and very expensive to replace.

Over the recent months the defibrillator has been used in a number of emergencies, and if it were to be vandalised it could have dire consequences.



ENFORD VILLAGE HALL & RECREATION GROUND

Private Parties: The Village Hall is the perfect venue for Weddings and Special Anniversaries or Birthdays. It is also ideal for Childrens' Parties and Christenings – or any other excuse for a celebration!

Please contact Booking Officer enfordvillagehall@btinternet.com for information or visit the Village Hall entry on the website www.enfordnewsletter.org

Day	Activity	Time	Contact
Mon	Post Natal Yoga Pregnancy Yoga Yoga	10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m. – 8.45 p.m. 6pm - 7pm	Marie Hanley Mob: 07871 302303 email mamawaveyoga@gmail.com Emma Petitt Tel: 01980 670510 emma@petittbros.co.uk
Tues	Enford Film Club	Film information and dates are published in the Newsletter each month.	Theresa Horsey etphorsey@gmail.com or enfordvillagehall@btinternet.com
Tues	Gardening Club	7pm - 9pm 2nd Tuesday in the month. Details in the Newsletter.	Steve Stringer 07899 758222 steve.stringer@outlook.fr Fanny Middleton Tel: 01980 671645 fannysurtees@btinternet.com
Tues	Parish Council	Please check PC item in newsletter each month or PC website for dates.	Parish Clerk Tel: 01980 670034 clerk@enfordparishcouncil.gov.uk www.enfordparishcouncil.gov.uk
Wed	Short Mat Bowls	7pm - 9:30pm September – April	David Spencer Tel: 01980 670526 spencersgb@yahoo.co.uk
Thur	Pilates	9am – 10am	Nicci Caswell Tel: 01980 625245 nicci@thecaswells.uk
Sat	Junior Football Club	Recreation Ground	Vacant

ENFORD GARDENING CLUB



*“The Apple Tree: Myth, science
and the living art of pruning”*
with **Alex Rose**

Tuesday 13th October 2026

Raffle, Bring and buy plant stall

Tea and coffee 7.00 for 7.15 pm

Enford Village Hall

Entrance £5. Everyone Welcome!

Contact steve.stringer@outlook.fr Tel 07899 758222

Enford Film Night

Tuesday 27th October

Enford Village Hall

Pressure



The riveting story of the final 72 hours before the D Day landings. Starring **Damian Lewis** as General Montgomery and **Andrew Scott** as James Stagg, the meteorologist who had to predict the weather for the landings.



Doors open at **6.30** for drinks and nibbles for **7.15** start.

Tickets £8 to include a glass of wine and nibbles!

Please email if you require further information and bookings

enfordvillagehall@btinternet.com

A new monthly service at
All Saints Church Netheravon

OPEN DOOR

A simple, informal service for all,
whether you are familiar with church or not.



Band-led
worship

Outdoor
children's
groups

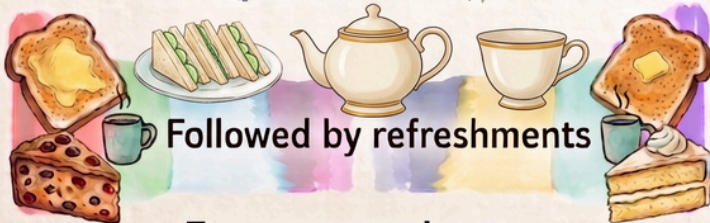
SUNDAY AT 3PM

🍁 Sept 13th 🍁

🍁 Oct 11th 🍁

🌺 Nov 15th 🌺

❄️ Dec 13th ⭐



Followed by refreshments

Everyone welcome

Bigger & Brighter Halloween & Fireworks Night 2026

Get ready for an evening of thrills, fun and dazzling entertainment as Enford's Halloween & Fireworks Night returns on Saturday 31st October!

This year's event promises to be more spooktacular than ever. Eerie Halloween surprises, fancy dress & pumpkin carving competitions, the village will come alive with Halloween magic. As darkness falls, gather around the bonfire before enjoying an incredible fireworks display. Alongside the main attractions, you'll find delicious food and drinks, local stalls, and a raffle with great prizes. Then join the Halloween party at the Swan from 8pm! Whether you're bringing the family, meeting friends, or just looking to enjoy a community celebration, this is an event not to miss.

Get your discounted tickets!

New for 2026: Residents of the parish can enjoy 20% off all tickets (including Early Bird tickets until 17 October!)

Use discount code RESIDENT20 when booking online*.

Book now at: <https://buytickets.at/enfordcommunityfund?ref=newsletter> or find the event on the Enford, Chisenbury & Coombe Facebook page.



Dress up, get involved, and join us for a night packed with fun.



Share the event with your friends & family, and prepare for an evening of Halloween magic and fireworks in Enford!

- 5:00pm – Pick up your Pumpkin Party Bags from The Swan
 - 6:00pm – Gates open, food & drink available
 - 6:30pm – Bonfire lighting
 - 7:00pm – Fancy Dress Parade & Pumpkin Comp. winners
 - 7:20pm – Fireworks Display by Smart Pyrotechnics
 - 7:45pm – Raffle Draw
 - 8:00pm on – Halloween Party with food available at The Swan
- Parking near the Village Hall is limited, so please walk if you can. There's additional parking in the field behind All Saints Church.

We Need You!

The Enford Community Fund presents

Enford's Spooky Halloween Bonfire & Fireworks night

Saturday 31st October – gates open 6pm
Enford Village Hall, SN9 6DD

Fancy dress encouraged
Spooky surprises
Pumpkin competition 🎃

BBQ, Cakes, Bar, Raffle
Craft & charity stalls
Trick or treat trail



**Scan this code to
book your tickets!**

Entry: £8 adult, £5 child (under 16)

Early bird tickets available until 17 October online

Under 4's free. Online booking fees apply.

Funding and supporting community projects and events

Poster designed by students at Netheravon All Saints C of E Primary School



Wildlife Watch

To Autumn...

It has been little short of miraculous to see our gardens and the countryside burst into life once again with the arrival of the rain and cooler temperatures. Seeing the brown landscape turn green is a relief for us, and also the wildlife who have struggled so much over the past few months. The return of puddles and ponds ensures a steady supply of drinking water, and the resurgence of worms will support the hedgehog population who have been challenged by the drought.

However, Autumn is a crucial time for hedgehogs who still need our help. If you're lucky enough to have a hedgehog visitor in your garden, leaving out high protein offerings such as cat food (wet or biscuits) is invaluable as they build up reserves in the autumn before hibernation in November. You could consider providing them with a hedgehog house, but ensure it is an approved design that includes a compartment to prevent entry by predators. Hedgehogs may wake intermittently from hibernation throughout the winter if they do not have sufficient reserves, so if you see one wandering over the coming months put out extra food.

October - Changing of the Guard

You may have already noticed birds like Swallows and House Martins gathering in the skies and on telephone wires ahead of their long journey back to sub-Saharan Africa. Whilst it is always sad to see them go, in October we welcome a host of new visitors seeking food and shelter. What to look out for:

- **Fieldfares** - These birds travel to the UK all the way from Western Russia. They are large, noisy thrushes with grey heads and a white and brown speckled chest. They feed on berries and fallen fruit.
- **Redwings** - These small thrushes fly down to the UK from Scandinavia. They have a distinctive red patch under their wings and often arrive in large flocks at night. Their diet is varied, including insects, worms, berries and fallen fruit.
- **Waxwings** - A striking bird from Scandinavia, with peach/grey coloured plumage, a magnificent crest, bright yellow tail tip and red, wax-like drops on the wing feathers. If the berry crop in Scandinavia is not sufficient they will arrive in large flocks called 'irruptions' and feed on Rowan and Hawthorn berries. A single bird can eat up to 1000 berries a day!

GREAT BUSTARD GROUP

Patron: HM King Charles III



During the spring and summer there were several Great Bustard nests in vulnerable or dangerous locations. This can be from silage mowing, too close to areas used by free range dog walkers, or other disturbance. Most nests are left alone, but we intervene in some situations and, under licence, remove the eggs and continue incubation artificially. We hand rear the resultant chicks and they are then released in new areas of Wiltshire.

This year we have released 14 young birds to help establish the fourth sub population in Wiltshire. The youngsters are likely to leave the area after a month or so and may not return for a year or even two. Some of last year's releases are living in Somerset and Dorset. They return to their release site to breed when old enough (about 2 or 3).

The photo above shows chicks at about 10 to 14 days old and they grow very quickly. The photo below shows the same birds exploring the countryside for the first time a few weeks ago.



A Snapshot of Activities from the Newsletter in 1967

- DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.
- me 1. 2. Over 60s Club 3.0. Youth Club 7.0.
3. "Salisbury Triumph" at the Cathedral, (see p.7)
4. Cricket v. Anglesey Club (Home)
5. Enford School recomences. W.I. Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30.
6. County Library Van 10.50.
7. Youth Club Management Committee P.C.G. meeting (both Village Hall 7.30). Football Club Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30.
9. Youth Club 7.0.
11. Cricket v. Sgts' Mess, S.7.W. (Home)
12. Young Club Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30
13. W.I. meeting, Parish Hall 2.15
14. W.I. outing to Eastleigh.
16. School outing to Bristol. Over 60s Club, 3.0. Youth Club 7.0
18. Cricket v. Bulford (Away)
19. Young Club Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30
20. County Library Van 10.50
21. Football Club Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30
23. Youth Club 7.0. W.I. Produce & Jumble Sale, Parish Hall 7.0.
24. Cricket v. NAAFI (Home)
25. Gardens of Enford Grange open to public, (see page 18).
26. Young Club Bingo, Parish Hall 7.30
29. Young Wives' Festival, Salisbury Cathedral 7.30.
30. Football Club Jumble and Draw
- July 1. CHURCH FETE, Sports Field 2.30
2. Gardens of Chisenbury Priory open to public, (see page 18).
- Aug. 19. W.I. Fete, Enford Grange

Recipe of the Month: Spinach and Feta Baked Eggs

Ingredients.

1 tsp Olive oil	100g Feta in small chunks
2 Eggs	200g frozen Spinach
knob of salted Butter	small bunch fresh Mint
100ml cream	

Method

Heat the oven to 180C fan/gas 6. Heat the oil in a small ovenproof saucepan over a medium heat, add the frozen spinach and cook for 10-12 min, until completely defrosted and warm through. Take the pan off the heat, add the butter, chopped mint and roughly two thirds of the feta, then stir through until the cheese is mostly melted.

Use the back of a spoon to make 2 small hollows in the bed of cheesy spinach, then crack an egg into each hollow. Crumble the last of the feta over the eggs and spinach, pour over the cream and season with a good grinding of pepper. Set in the oven for 10-14 min, until lightly golden on top and the egg whites are opaque. Serve immediately, while still piping hot.



Brews in the Pews

Enford's Community Café

In All Saints Church



First **Thursday** of the month
The next Brew is on
1st October 10 – 11:30
Tea, Coffee & Homemade Cakes
**A place to meet your friends
and make new friends.**



Netheravon Monthly Prize Bingo

In aid of Huntington's disease &
the British Heart Foundation
Netheravon Phoenix
Hall:
Starting at 2pm
4th October



The Enford Community Fund

The Enford Community Fund is a not-for-profit community organisation managed by a small group of local volunteers who organise activities and events across the parish and make donations to benefit the wider community.

Funding is available to support projects and events in the Parish of Enford (which includes Compton, Coombe, East and West Chisenbury, Fifield, New Buildings and Newtown). Applications for awards must be made in writing, by email, to enfordfund@gmail.com or by letter to one of the group members (Carolyn Ansell, Tracy Buttery, Rob Hibberd, Richard Petitt, Chris Rose).

The following guidelines will be followed in allocating funds:

1. Submissions will be considered at the next scheduled meeting and within 3 months of the request being submitted.
2. Funding will be made for individual projects and is not designed to allow awardees to become reliant on the award on an annual/regular basis.
3. Awards are made to causes benefitting the community, not specific individuals.
4. No awards will exceed £1,000 in total.
5. For any award to be made, there must be agreement by 75% of the group.

Enford Parish council Meetings 2026/2027

www.enfordparishcouncil.gov.uk

**All meetings Held at
Enford Village Hall**

Day	Date	Time	Meeting
Tuesday	3rd November	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday	1 st December	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday	5 th January 27	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday	2 nd March 27	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting

LOCAL SUPPORT & INFORMATION

Pewsey Vale Community Craft & Tea Room



Open Wed – Sat
10.00 – 4.00

OLD FORD COURT,
HIGH St. PEWSEY



Profits donated to local charities

Mobile Library Services

Dates and times of all mobile library stops are available online at Libraries-wiltshire Council and printed timetables from the mobile library. We look forward to seeing our customers when we next visit.

Due in Enford on Friday 16th October at 3:25 for 20 minutes

If you haven't used the mobile library, it's free to join and you can use your membership card in any Wiltshire library or online to access free ebooks and magazines.

Netheravon Library

Open Monday & Thursday 1pm - 5pm

Future Dates:

16th October

13th November

11th December

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0808 196 2424

enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk

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PARISH DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS

1. Hill House Annex, 9 Longstreet, SN9 6DD Grid ref SU142515
What3Words - /// parrot/slid/steadier
2. Red Lion, East Chisenbury SN9 6QA
What3Words - /// foal/thus/ghost



If you think you need to use a defibrillator, call 999. The Emergency Service will give you the code to get into the cabinet.

See www.enfordnewsletter.org for more information and a short video on how to use it.



FLY TIPPING

If you spot someone fly-tipping in Wiltshire, report the offender to us through our online reporting system -

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/fly-tipping

As a reward for reporting a fly-tipper you could get a gift voucher of up to £200 following the payment of a Fixed Penalty Notice or a successful prosecution.



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24 hours 7 days a week 365 days a year

If you are worried about your situation, you can call them in confidence and speak to a real person, not a machine - 01793 610610.

www.swadomesticabuse.org



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Call us free on **0808 281 0113** or **08 08 16 89 111**

Email us via the link on the website victimsupport.org.uk/resources/Wiltshire/ where you will find all the ways you can contact us.

ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Abridged Draft Minutes of the meeting of 1st September 2026
The full minutes are available at www.enfordparishcouncil.gov.uk

26/070 Unitary Council Matters

WCIlr Ian Blair-Pilling: **Local Plan Review Community Engagement.**

The Local Plan provides a framework to determine where development should (or not) take place ensuring homes are accompanied by necessary infrastructure, services and environmental protections, it was withdrawn earlier this year. Without it there is a greater risk of development proposals in locations not strategically assessed. The withdrawal took place against a backdrop of substantially increased housing requirements from Central Government with Wiltshire expected to accommodate 81% more housing than under previous targets, making it important that Wiltshire has an adopted Local Plan to guide future development not leaving decisions to be driven by speculative applications or planning appeals. Wiltshire Council has now started work on a new local plan it is expected to take 30 months. Consultations run from the 2nd to the 30th of Sept, seeking views on the challenges and opportunities the plan should address. The nearest is at Devizes Market on Thursday the 10th of Sept from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. There will be 3 in-person workshops to provide an opportunity for Wiltshire Council members and Parish Council reps to find out more and help inform the consultation. WCIlr Blair-Pilling plans to attend 16th of Sept from 6-8pm in Five Rivers H & W-B Centre, Salisbury he has car spaces if anybody wants to go. For further info see: [Wiltshire Local Plan scoping consultation to begin next month - Wiltshire Council](#)

One.Network (<https://one.network>) provides up-to-date information on both current and planned works. You can search by location/date to see what works are planned over the coming months.

Wiltshire Freight Strategy Wiltshire Council is launching a consultation on its Freight Action Plan, which will determine how HGVs are routed across the county. The consultation runs from 26 Aug to 23 Sep. The plan aims to support the movement of goods while reducing the impact of freight traffic on communities, improving road safety and protecting the environment. It proposes updating the advisory freight route network, encouraging HGVs to use the most appropriate roads, support

lower-emission vehicles and increase the use of rail freight. I hope the strategy will provide a platform for reducing the impact of HGVs on our villages. The plan and consultation has been available from 26 Aug at <https://wiltshirefreight.commonplace.is/>

Household Recycling Centre Booking System

A reminder that Wiltshire Council has introduced a booking system at 6 Household Recycling Centres from 14 Sep, (inc Salisbury and Devizes). Residents will have to book a time slot, online or phone. The Council says the trial is intended to improve site operation, reduce queues, & improve safety before deciding if it should be adopted more widely. Many councillors are challenging the rationale for introducing this scheme.

Matters Arising

ii. Wessex Water/ Pipework in Enford. Re-lining work is now complete with the least disruption possible albeit 3 weeks. This should help reduce flooding in the village and prevent sewerage content if it does flood.

iv. ACV application. This has now been registered and a confirmation letter received from WC. It remains in force for 5 years.

v. Exercise Autumn Leaves. This is the British Army Motorsports Association (BAMA) annual event which is due to take place on the weekend of 26th/27th September. It is part of the BAMA training in off road driving skills and navigation (without reliance on electronic aids), it is neither a race nor a rally. They are mainly 4 wheel drive vehicles but there may also be motorbikes; they will be driving through areas of the Parish and are regulated/restricted to 25mph with Marshalls enforcing such restrictions. It is not anticipated that they will cause any disturbance as this is 'off road' training.

vi. Basketball backboard, hoop and net. The Clerk circulated three quotes for the replacement equipment all of which are very high for what they are (one over £3,000!) it is ancillary costs (e.g. £200 for a site visit before installation!) that do not help! Cllr Roberts will get a further quote from a local company before any decision is made. It was agreed the Cllrs would all assist with the installation.

26/080 Correspondence Wessex Internet. The Clerk reported a letter received from Wessex Internet regarding 'Project Gigabit South Wiltshire'.

Tony Harrison has followed up on this initial contact and summarises it as follows: Local broadband. It would seem all terrestrial broadband in the parish emanates from the OpenReach cabinet in Netheravon resulting in patchy coverage. An example being full fibre speeds in East Chisenbury but slow and unstable capability on a copper line in West Chisenbury. OpenReach have stated that they do not have any plans to upgrade the area. **Wessex Internet.** Wessex Internet is a commercial organisation that has been funded by the Government to the tune of £18 million under Project Gigabit to provide: “an open access wholesale network, which means that any Internet Service Provider (ISP) can offer their services over the network if they wish to. All properties connected will be able to take a Wessex Internet service”. In their communication to the Parish Council they have stated that: “... a number of properties in Enford, Littlecott and the surrounding villages will be given access to gigabit-capable full fibre broadband...”. Contact has been made with Paul Cleary of Wessex Internet to find more details of their plans. It may be that an informal survey of broadband speeds in the parish could be of use to further the cause of better coverage. It was agreed that a talk from Wessex Internet might be helpful for all residents and this will be arranged in the coming weeks with as much publicity as possible.

26/081

Any Other Business i

i. The Swan Gantry. Private funding has been offered. However on enquiry, the owners were told they need surveyors, detailed plans drafted and to apply for Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent, which will increase the cost substantially beyond the funds available. WCllr Blair-Pilling has offered to look into this further and will speak to the owners and then to WC Planning.

ii. Cllr Cliffe-Roberts raised concern on finding the Defibrillator cabinet door open several times when carrying out his weekly checks. The defibrillator has been deployed in a number of emergencies in recent months and it is essential that its readiness is not compromised by vandalism. He requested a notice in the Newsletter reminding villagers that the defibrillator is not only expensive and easily damaged but must be kept safe and in working order.

26/082

Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday, 3rd November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

One thing I hear time and again when I meet farmers, landowners and rural residents is the frustration caused by rural crime. Too often, people think of it as low-level offending or opportunistic theft. The reality is very different. Many of the offenders targeting our farms, businesses and rural communities are organised criminals. They travel across force boundaries, target valuable equipment and think nothing of the damage they leave behind.

As Police and Crime Commissioner, tackling rural crime remains one of my priorities. That is why I have invested £10,000 to provide around 280 forensic security marking kits for trailers used by farmers, landowners and rural businesses across the county. It is a practical step that will help deter thieves and improve the chances of stolen property being recovered.

Wiltshire Police is also working closely with the National Rural Crime Unit, neighbouring forces and partners through Operation Ragwort to identify offenders, disrupt criminal networks in order to protect our countryside.

But policing alone is not enough.

Hare coursing is a really good example. Some people see it as little more than trespass or antisocial behaviour. The reality is that those involved are often linked to organised criminal networks. Intelligence and enforcement activity has repeatedly highlighted connections between some rural offenders and other forms of serious criminality, including violence, drug offending, firearms offences and exploitation. That is why I continue to challenge the wider criminal justice system to recognise rural crime for what it is. These are not victimless crimes and they should not be treated as lesser offences. When organised criminals target rural communities, the courts must recognise the wider harm they cause and ensure the punishment fits the crime.

Our rural communities deserve nothing less.



Lecture is on **Tuesday 6th October**
at **2:30pm** in The Bouverie Hall, Pewsey.

Christopher Bradley will talk on: **Libya Uncovered: Leptis Magna, Sabratha Cyrene.**

Ancient rock paintings in the Sahara show the artistic skills of semi-nomadic traders 10,000 years ago. During the Roman Empire Leptis Magna was the greatest city in Africa, when Septimius Severus became emperor. Many private villas have recently been uncovered, showing the 3rd century AD was the golden age of Roman mosaics and art. The arrival of Islam brought new mosaics, Ottoman-influenced mosques and ornate houses inside the old city of Tripoli.

Christopher Bradley is an expert in the history and culture of the Middle East and North Africa. A professional tour guide and lecturer, he has led groups through the Middle East and Asia and produced documentaries for the BBC, National Geographic TV and Channel 4.

Doors open from **2.00pm** and refreshments are available.

Non-members are always welcome - **£7 on the door.**

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Why We Call Each Other "Chef"

A question I've been asked many times at the Red Lion is why I call people "Chef" - even those who don't work in the kitchen. The answer lies in a tradition that stretches back well over a century. In the 1800s, the great French chef Auguste Escoffier transformed professional kitchens, he introduced what is known as the brigade de cuisine—a system that divides the kitchen into clearly defined sections, each with its own responsibilities. There was a Chef de Cuisine, a Sous Chef, and a number of Chefs de Partie, each responsible for their own station. The word chef itself simply means "chief" or "leader" in French.

Gradually a shift happened. The title "Chef" evolved, it became a way of showing professional respect to those around you. In many kitchens, everyone - the newest commis to the Head Chef—is addressed as "Chef". A reminder that each individual has an important part to play in success. That philosophy has made its way throughout hospitality, especially businesses committed to the highest standards of professionalism. Here at the Red Lion, we have the same approach. When I call our kitchen porters, bar staff, waitresses, Guy and Brittany "Chef", it has nothing to do with their job title. It is about acknowledging that every role matters and each is as important as the next.

Our guests don't judge on the quality of one department. They judge on the experience as a whole. A beautifully cooked dinner, undermined by poor service. An immaculate bedroom, forgotten if the welcome is cold. Every member of the team contributes to the guest experience, every member deserves the same professional respect.

To me, being called "Chef" is a reminder; take pride in your craft. Whether making beds, washing pots or leading the kitchen, the expectation is the same. Be proud of what you do, do it with integrity.

This isn't a tradition I introduced to the Red Lion. It existed long before me. Like many traditions it's a small gesture. But behind that word lies a culture of professionalism, respect and teamwork that shaped great hospitality businesses for generations. **Long may it continue.**



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