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For Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock

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We hope the bumper July edition kept you going throughout August and the good news is...this September edition is packed! Only possible because our inbox was full of very exciting articles and ideas from YOU, our wonderful community. Please keep them coming in!

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## Next Deadline:

14 September for  
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### Ruth Grace Foundation Fundraising Walk Sat 28 September

Each year Jessica Hartley raises money in honour of her friend Ruth, who tragically died on Valentine's Day 2022. Jessica is arranging a 34 mile Avon Valley Path Walk and invites you to support her by donating and/or joining her on the day.

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*Anna and Orpheus - Co-Editors*

# Community News

**A huge congratulations to**

**Jen and Garry Rawlins of Odstock who welcomed their gorgeous baby**



***Elliott George Rawlins***



**into the world on 26th June**

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**A huge congratulations to**

***Axelle Hassenforder  
And  
Niall O'Rourke***



**who celebrated their wedding on 24th August**

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# Community News



## **CREATIVITEA**

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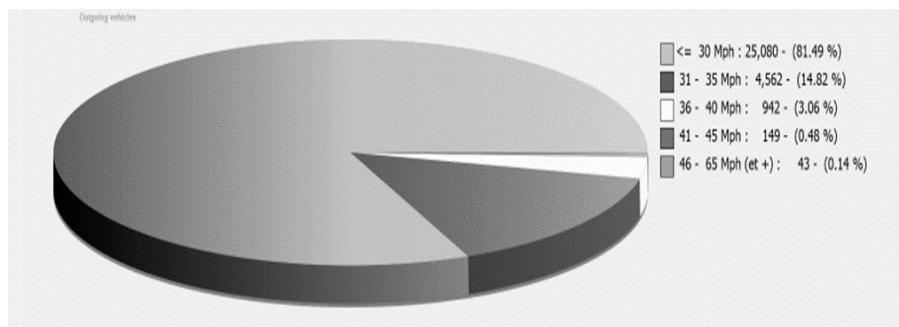


The Community Speed Watch (CSW) team has been active for several years and continues to hold sessions to monitor the speed of drivers passing through the village. Any vehicles traveling in excess of 35mph are reported to Wiltshire Police who take appropriate enforcement action.

We aim to hold morning and afternoon sessions for 40mins on consecutive days for one week each month. When we first started it was not unusual to record and report up to 10 speeding vehicles per day and I'm pleased to report that in recent months we have rarely recorded more than 5 speeding vehicles per day so hopefully we are having some impact.

We are very grateful to members of the community who offer their support for the work that we do and thankfully we do not receive too much abuse from drivers irritated by our presence.

We are a small group and would welcome offers of support from anyone who would like to be involved. Most members of the group only commit a few hours each month and enjoy the opportunity to meet and chat while being involved in community activity. A past speeding conviction is no barrier to recruitment, most of us will admit to at least one offense, although of course not in the villages!



## The Speed Indicator device

This was purchased by the Parish Council has now been deployed at various sites in the villages over the past couple of years. It records the speed of all vehicles passing in both directions and although it does not record vehicle details, it does give an indication of the scale of the problem of speeding through our community.

This pie chart shows that the majority of drivers do keep to the speed limit and these numbers are in keeping with the results recorded by the CSW team. However a small proportion of drivers still drive dangerously fast through the villages. The results are shared with Wiltshire Police and compared to other communities using this technology and it may surprise readers to learn that our results are some of the best recorded in the South Wilts area.

If you would like to be involved in our work please contact me.  
Sherwood Elcock. Odstock CSW team leader.  
On 01722334398 or by e-mail at [sherwoodelcock@icloud.com](mailto:sherwoodelcock@icloud.com)

# Focus on Food

They must be impromptu, or they don't work. Shocking but fun, wrong in a funny way, but oh so right. We're talking 'food fight', not for the faint hearted.

It was November 1976, my 22nd birthday, I was living in a big old house off Brixton Hill with a bunch of recently graduated art students. One of those properties the council were about to gut and do up, but didn't have the money, so they bribed students to come in at reduced rents to keep the squatters out.

Jimmy and I had embarked on our first venture post-graduation, The Aztec Building Company, 'watch it come down' was our catch phrase. We were working, renovating a five-story house in Pimlico which belonged to a friend of a friend. Come six or clock, birthday or not, it was time for a beer. We headed off to a favorite haunt, The Star in Belgrave Square, where they served the finest pint of Fuller's ESB.

Our communal household were always advocates of the surprise party, birthday or otherwise and we'd had a few over the years, so I assumed that our outing to The Star was a warmup for the ensuing festivities. ESB is the strength of Carlsberg Special Brew, albeit in more refined packaging, so by the time we're onto our third, I'm starting to wonder whether there is a party looming at the end of our session.

I'm thinking, if we have another one, there's definitely nothing to go back to except an early night in a cosy bed. We had two, so we're five pints in when we arrive back at Fairmount Road and are ushered into the 'dining room'. The theme is Children's Tea Party and the guests are dressed in a weird mash up of St Trinians meets The Vauxhall Tavern, so four years at art school not gone to waste.

The table setting was pure artistry, towers of cream cakes, sandwiches, jellies, with savoury offerings of spaghetti Bolognese and baguettes of garlic bread. Everyone was smiling, jovial, excited to be there, to be celebrating with me. Flowers adorned the table setting, wine and conversation flowed. Suddenly it all fell into place, I was being set up and about to be clouted with clafoutis, battered with bread and bruised with a Bolognese sauce. Quick witted as I am, and without sin, I cast the first stone, well cream cake, straight into the face of Georgina who sat next to me, at which point the room and its contents erupted into something resembling Vesuvius going off in Pompeii.

The following morning, well afternoon really, we emerged and stumbled back down into the dining room to survey the scene. The devastation, the absolute carnage. Around the walls, were visibly recognisable silhouettes of the people who had sat there the night before. A titter was forming inside of me until Georgina, face like thunder, started to sob. She and a few friends had spent upwards of 10 hours preparing the food and the decorations and it was never meant to end that way. Naturally I was devastated, but the joy lives with me to this day.

Ella, our youngest daughter, when asked what she wanted for her eighth birthday party, weirdly didn't say 'Chicken and Broccoli' but 'A food fight', to which we naturally acquiesced. She had a dozen or so friends round, collaborated with a few, but not the majority who anticipated nothing about the upcoming proceedings. The pictures from the event are priceless. Half the girls are squealing with delight at the sheer fun they are having, with the other half absolutely traumatised with guilt at the carnage that had been rent on a civilised household.

*Martin Simcock—Bread and Flowers*



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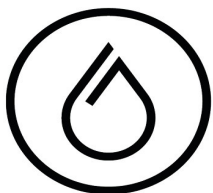


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#### **We caught up with Sarah from Studio Britford to find out more**

#### **What do you enjoy most about running the studio?**

The joy of witnessing a community build over the years. Friendships have been made and it means that someone will always meet or recognise a person they know or vaguely know. We have people from many different professions attending the various sessions so afterwards, there is a lot of useful knowledge exchanged on a myriad of topics from gardening to health tips, triathlons to writing and much more.

#### **What is it about yoga that you love, in your own practice?**

Yoga is a way of life for me and over the years I have grown in knowledge and awareness about what this entails. The physical practice, although important, is only one aspect of the 8 limbs of yoga. I continue to study and I am currently undertaking a Yoga Philosophy one year course in London which includes learning Sanskrit and this is beyond challenging!

#### **You also offer Gong Baths, what are these and what are the benefits?**

In brief, a gong bath affords the opportunity to lie down and be immersed in the vibrations of the gongs and other instruments during the one hour session. It is very restorative and the vibrations of the various gongs encourage the brain towards deep relaxation - specifically delta and theta waves which are the slowest brain waves in humans and usually accessed during daydreaming or deep sleep. They are known to aid calmness, creativity and natural healing. Many people say they get the best night of sleep after a gong bath.

## Dr Alys Hunter



### **How long have you lived in the community?**

We've lived in Nunton nearly 5 years! When we decided to leave Portsmouth, we looked for a home where we could live with my parents on site, and also somewhere that was in the middle of the Wessex Deanery (doctors can be sent to lots of different hospitals during post-graduate training). We looked at so many houses, but the Goldilocks house was the one we are living in today. We fell in love with the area; and being within walking distance of the park and the pub was perfect!

### **What's your job title?**

Either "Wing Commander" or "Dr". In terms of what I do "Consultant in Acute and General Medicine with a Special Interest in Dermatology and Telemed Air", which doesn't really roll off the tongue!

### **Can you explain your job in more detail?**

I'm really lucky to have a portfolio career! In Salisbury, I do NHS work at Salisbury District Hospital, and I look after unselected adult patients (anyone over 18, some over 16) with any condition that isn't surgical, trauma or obstetric. In the morning, I review patients who have come in overnight on the ward round, make decisions about tests and investigations they need, and decide what needs to happen before they are well enough to go home. Usually we'll have a team meeting; we might discuss governance, learning opportunities, projects that the team are working on. From August, when our new doctors come to the hospital, I will be an Educational Supervisor for some of them, which is a massive privilege. In Southampton, I work as part of the Dermatology team. I see both children and adult patients, and do a mixture of clinics and skin surgery. I also do a Military clinic once or twice a month, and give advice to military medical colleagues at home and overseas. Telemedicine is a really important part of the military medicine service; part of my role is to moderate advice requests and help deployed doctors make referrals to the right teams with the right information.

### **Why/how did you choose this career path?**

I knew I wanted to be a doctor from age 9, and from then on, I devoted everything to getting to medical school. I graduated in 2009, and I still find medicine fascinating. I joined the RAF in 2002, not long before going to university. I loved Star Trek as a child, and since I couldn't be a doctor on the USS Enterprise, I joined the RAF instead. I've had some amazing adventures, and I love the fact that there are always new opportunities in the military.

### **What's the most unusual case you've had?**

Medicine is full of bizarre moments! I can't talk about specific cases, but highlights have included prescribing ready salted crisps (and filling the drug cupboard with packets!), managing acute chest pain at 30,000 feet, getting pulled off a ward round to fly to New York, and turning 40 on my last ever night shift at 00.01hrs on Christmas morning.

### **What is something you do in your job that we wouldn't expect?**

I tell quite a lot of jokes – nothing like starting a ward round with a joke!

Want to know more about Alys? Check out the E-News and Notes for the full interview at [NewsandNotes.co.uk](http://NewsandNotes.co.uk)



# Ebble Water Quality Monitoring

Across the country in the past couple of years there has been a growing realization that many of our rivers have become seriously polluted and a hazard to health. A small group of local residents concerned about the water quality in our local river have begun a program of regular monitoring for evidence of pollution of the Ebble.

The River Ebble has an excellent reputation as a pristine chalk stream and we would like it to remain that way. The river is monitored by the Environment Agency but experience elsewhere has shown that this has not stopped the degradation of river water quality.

We are part of a much larger voluntary group working throughout the River Avon catchment area who are pooling results to analyze the extent of the problem and if possible identify where the pollution is arising from so that hopefully preventative action can be taken before irreversible damage is done.



We have carried out our first few testing sessions at Jubilee Gardens and the results so far are encouraging. There is evidence of raised levels of nitrate, phosphate and ammonia so the Ebble can no longer be described as a pristine chalk stream but the levels we have recorded do not cause undue concern. We will continue with a weekly testing session and report periodically to News & Notes.

We are not currently testing for E.coli, but obviously this is a concern when children play in the river water and particularly at the annual raft race. We plan to include this in our work in future.

We are only a small group and none of us has any professional training in Environmental Science although we are supervised by qualified environmentalists. We would welcome new recruits who would like to be involved and share in the work and particularly any younger members of the community interested perhaps in a career in environmental science.



If you are interested or would just like more information on what we are doing please contact: Sherwood Elcock. 01722 334398

# WI Report

**July 2024**

July has been an interesting but busy month for our WI. Financially we have done well with good profits from our June sales for our annual charity, the Wessex Blood Runners, and from our Ebblefest fete stall. Our party last month has opened the door to possible links with our visiting WIs and we hope to go further with this.

Members were reminded that our outing is on July 15th leaving at 9.30 from the Hall and arriving back by 6.00. This is a full day trip to Winchester with two guided tours included, plus free time.

We heard a report from two members who had attended the National AGM in the Albert Hall in June and who gave us an animated account of their day. Three members had also been to a New Speakers' Day and shared their views on the possible suitability of certain speakers for our WI. Future County events including the Wiltshire ACM on Oct 8th in Devizes and a talk in Wilton on Sep 5th entitled 'The Wit and Wisdom of Winston Churchill' were discussed. These needed to be booked whilst we were on our August break so names were taken. Calendars and Diary orders were also taken.

Congratulations to Wendy Klein who has designed two Christmas cards for our WI which will be available to order at our September meeting. On September 30th the members meeting will be a craft session painting and planting terracotta pots. Members were also reminded that we are moving the usual Christmas lunch to Thursday January 30th but the venue has yet to be decided.

Our speaker was the inspiring Robin Imeson who explained his vision and the aims and objectives of the charity 'Rise 61', which works with young people and families in Bemerton Heath. All their work starts with meeting young people and finding out what they are interested in. They set up after school clubs known as 'Hubs' which are led by qualified professionals, where the young people take on practical tasks and learn new skills - the Bike Hub, the Active Hub and the Creative Hub. Bikes are fixed and some sold to the community at affordable prices. There was a plea for more bikes to work on!

They have developed a community garden from waste land, hold regular community events and take the young people on trips to expand their horizons. The charity has grown and developed, liaises with other organizations, and has plans for the future but always the aim is to help the youth and families of Bemerton Heath.

Robin was thanked warmly for his heartfelt presentation of 'Rise 61'.

Our next meeting is on September 9th when our speakers will be talking about nursing in a Kenyan Children's Orphanage.

# News from the Pews

Dear all,

Well the summer holidays are almost over and we have enjoyed quite a lot of lovely weather. Services in both churches have continued as normal and we have also had the company of visiting clergy to cover holidays.

The biggest and best news is that our own The Reverend Maggie Metcalfe will be joining the team of clergy in the Chalke Valley as an Associate Priest. Many congratulations Maggie. As soon as we know of the date of her licensing, we will let you know.

Harvest Festival will be held this year at St Mary's Odstock at 4pm on 15th September. All are welcome and we will follow the service with a bring and share supper. All tins and produce brought as offertory gifts will be taken to Salisbury Food Bank and The Pantry during the following week. So come along, bring a plate of finger food and a tin of something and raise the roof at Harvest Thanksgiving.

CreativiTea continues every 3rd Thursday of the month. As the refurbishment of the Barker room has been delayed due to unforeseen extra costs which the insurers are yet to approve, we are incredibly grateful to the residents of the Orchard for allowing us to hold CreativiTea in the community room from 2pm on September 19th. Come and have a cup of tea and cake and chat or be creative at the same time.

That's all for now. Stay safe and be kind to each other.

Stephanie Elcock and Mary Boydcamps.  
Churchwardens

## **CREATIVITEA**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September

2-4pm

Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton

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# Church Services

For Britford, Charlton All Saints,  
Odstock and Nunton with Bodenham



## September 2024

Please check the weekly e-Bulletin or e-N&N for all Benefice Services

<b>1 September 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service	Britford Odstock	Alison Waterhouse Adrian Taylor
<b>8 September 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am 11.00am	Family Communion Morning Prayer	Nunton Charlton All Saints	Alison Waterhouse Ruth H-S
<b>15 September 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	4.00pm	Harvest Festival	Odstock	Ruth H-S
<b>22 September 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am 11.00am	Harvest Festival Family Service	Charlton All Saints Nunton	Ruth H-S Adrian Taylor
<b>29 September 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Odstock	Ruth H-S
<b>6 October 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am 11.00am	Harvest Festival Family Service	Britford Odstock	Jenny Taylor Adrian Taylor

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# Services in Chalke Valley Benefice – September 2024



BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Traditional Language), CW = Common Worship (Contemporary Language)

<b>1 September 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Kate Woolven
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Britford	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Biddy Trahair
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Service	Odstock	Adrian Taylor
<b>8 September 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Nunton	Alison Waterhouse
	10.30am	Worship Together	Broad Chalke Hub	Lay Led
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	All Age Service	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
<b>15 September 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Harvest Festival (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Tony Monds
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Homington	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Berwick St John	Jenny Taylor
	4.00pm	Harvest Festival (CW)	Odstock	Ruth H-S
<b>22 September 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Harvest Festival (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Kate Woolven
	11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Tony Monds
<b>29 September 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	10.00am	Benefice Communion (CW)	Odstock	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Harvest Festival Comm (CW)	Berwick St John	Alison Waterhouse
<b>6 October 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Harvest Festival	Broad Chalke	Alison Waterhouse
	9.30am	Harvest Festival	Britford	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Ebbesbourne Wake	Alison Waterhouse
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Family Service	Odstock	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Morning Service	Bishopstone	Sally Leaver

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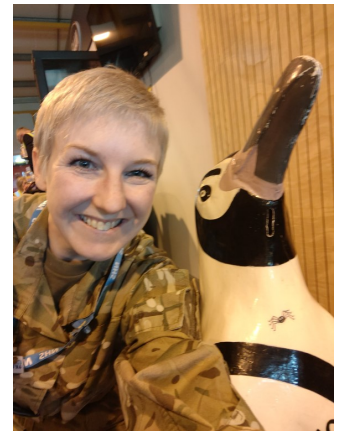
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## **Dr Alys Hunter**

### **How long have you lived in the community?**

We've lived in Nunton nearly 5 years! When we decided to leave Portsmouth, we looked for a home where we could live with my parents on site, and also somewhere that was in the middle of the Wessex Deanery (doctors can be sent to lots of different hospitals during post-graduate training). We looked at so many houses, but the Goldilocks house was the one we are living in today. We fell in love with the area; and being within walking distance of the park and the pub was perfect!

### **What's your job title?**

Either "Wing Commander" or "Dr". In terms of what I do "Consultant in Acute and General Medicine with a Special Interest in Dermatology and Teled Air", which doesn't really roll off the tongue!

### **Can you sum up your job in 3 words?**

Fix sick people!

### **Can you explain your job in more detail?**

I'm really lucky to have a portfolio career! In Salisbury, I do NHS work at Salisbury District Hospital, and I look after unselected adult patients (anyone over 18, some over 16) with any condition that isn't surgical, trauma or obstetric. In the morning, I review patients who have come in overnight on the ward round, make decisions about tests and investigations they need, and decide what needs to happen before they are well enough to go home. Usually we'll have a team meeting; we might discuss governance, learning opportunities, projects that the team are working on. In August, when our new doctors come to the hospital, I will be an Educational Supervisor for some of them, which is a massive privilege. In Southampton, I work as part of the Dermatology team. I see both children and adult patients, and do a mixture of clinics and skin surgery. I also do a Military clinic once or twice a month, and give advice to military medical colleagues at home and overseas. Telemedicine is a really important part of the military medicine service; part of my role is to moderate advice requests and help deployed doctors make referrals to the right teams with the right information.

### **Why/how did you choose this career path?**

I knew I wanted to be a doctor from age 9, and from then on, I devoted everything to getting to medical school. I graduated in 2009, and I still find medicine fascinating. I joined the RAF in 2002, not long before going to university. I loved Star Trek as a child, and since I couldn't be a doctor on the USS Enterprise, I joined the RAF instead. I've had some amazing adventures, and I love the fact that there are always new opportunities in the military.

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## Dr Alys Hunter



### **What's the most unusual case/moment you've had?**

Medicine is full of bizarre moments! I can't talk about specific cases, but highlights have included prescribing ready salted crisps (and filling the drug cupboard with packets!), managing acute chest pain at 30,000 feet, getting pulled off a ward round to fly to New York, and turning 40 on my last ever night shift at 00.01hrs on Christmas morning.

### **What qualities do you need to do your job?**

Common sense, an understanding of what people's lives are like and an ability to manage expectations. I can prescribe all the expensive treatments in the world, but they won't work if the patient can't use them. Intellectual curiosity and a willingness to teach and learn are really important.

### **What is something you do in your job that we wouldn't expect?**

I tell quite a lot of jokes – nothing like starting a ward round with a joke!

### **What's the duller part?**

Electronic prescribing...

### **What's the most exciting part?**

Managing people who are really unwell, working through their problems and making them better. Sepsis is a great example – when the blood pressure normalises, the heart rate slows down and the fever breaks, you feel like Dr House.

### **If you weren't in your line of work what else would you do?**

I really enjoy writing – I think some sort of journalism.

### **What do you do outside of work?**

I run, go to the gym, chase my children around, help out with the village panto, admire the beautiful Nunton scenery and try to find time to paint and sew.

### **In the event of a zombie apocalypse, would your house be a good one to come to?**

This very much depends on the subtype of zombie. I think we'd be fine against slow zombies – we could shut the gates and pick them off from the bathroom windows. But my preferred option is to annex Waitrose...





### Yoga Classes

Tuesday: 6.30pm-8pm Vinyasa

Wednesday 12.30pm-1.30pm Gentle Yoga

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Friday: 9am -10am Power Yoga

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# Police Crime Commissioner Report

## First draft of new Police and Crime Plan in development following public consultation



PCC Philip Wilkinson’s Police and Crime Plan – a blueprint for the strategic policing and crime priorities for the next three years – is now being drafted following an extensive public consultation, including public engagements and youth representation.

Launched in July for a period of 4 weeks, the Use Your Voice survey enabled residents of Wiltshire and Swindon to have their say on different aspects of policing, including which areas of policing are most important to them, their perception of crime rates over the past three years and how they think Wiltshire Police could improve the service it provides.

This feedback is now being analysed as the first draft of the new police and Crime Plan is being produced, ahead of being made available for residents’ feedback. Mr. Wilkinson said: “With development starting on my Police and Crime Plan 2024-2028, we are working to incorporate national priorities, inspectorate requirements and advice from the Chief Constable – as well as the invaluable from Wiltshire and Swindon’s residents.

“I will ensure the new plan is streamlined and provides strategic direction and framework, greater clarity on success and performance, and how I want to strengthen

our response areas that have emerged nationally and locally such as rural crime and retail crime.

“Just last week, the HMICFRS Police Effectiveness, Efficiency and Legitimacy (PEEL) report highlighted the improvements made since 2022. However, there is still much work to be done in some key areas across the Force – and I will ensure my updated Police and Crime Plan will enable Wiltshire Police to further deliver those improvements needed.”

The first draft of the new Police and Crime Plan will be published at the end of September, with all public feedback to be submitted via a form on our website.

The PCC will also be taking the draft to numerous events and stakeholder groups including the Community Safety Partnerships and Wiltshire Criminal Justice Board before the final draft is presented to the Police and Crime Panel in November.

If you've got any local news, please send it to  
[editor@newsandnotes.co.uk](mailto:editor@newsandnotes.co.uk).

# Stars Appeal



## **The Rockbourne Fair 2024: Boutique shopping with a cause returns this Autumn**

The Rockbourne Fair returns this Autumn, offering a unique artisan shopping experience, supporting the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital's Charity.

It takes place over three days from Wednesday, October 16th to Friday, October 18th at Salisbury Racecourse, with late-night shopping on Thursday 17th.

The fair will feature over 100 handpicked, luxury stalls. Visitors will be treated to a rich variety of products - from fashion, cosmetics, jewellery, gourmet food, luxury homeware to toys - carefully curated items not typically found on the high street.

Rockbourne Fair has become an annual shopping fixture in Salisbury, welcoming over 3,000 people across the three-day event. It is also an event where every purchase makes a difference.

After raising a phenomenal £51,000 last year, the committee continues its mission to raise vital funds for the Stars Appeal. Money raised will go towards the £1million the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital's Charity, aims to raise this year to fund new equipment, enhancements to buildings, and ongoing projects supporting patients across Salisbury Hospital including the Stars Appeal Wi-Fi, hospital chaplaincy, support for patients with cancer and the Stars Appeal Play Assistant on Sarum Children's Ward.

The charity is also fundraising for six high-definition video scopes, costing £115,000, to help diagnose head and neck cancer more quickly, and £50,000 to provide 36 'by your side' sleeper chairs so that vulnerable patients and those at the end of their lives can have a loved one stay by their side in comfort.

For Bev Moulding, Committee Chair, the Fair is a celebration of community: "Rockbourne Fair is not only a unique, luxury shopping event that welcomes thousands of people over the three days, it has enabled us to raise over £250,000 for the Stars Appeal over the last five years. We hope you will join us in October to support your local Hospital and to 'Shop the Rock'!"

Helena Sinclair, of the Stars Appeal, said "We are so grateful to Bev and the Rockbourne Fair Committee for continuing to support the Stars Appeal and for their huge efforts in making the event such a success. The Fair gives shoppers the opportunity to kick-start their Christmas shopping, whilst also making a real difference as the money raised will





help provide the very best care for local people being treated at Salisbury Hospital, from premature babies to our oldest patients.”

Visit the Rockbourne Fair website [www.rockbournefair.org.uk](http://www.rockbournefair.org.uk) for more information.

**Details:**

**Dates & Times:**

Wednesday, 16th October: 10am - 5.30pm

Thursday, 17th October: 10am - 7.30pm

Friday, 18th October: 9.30am - 3pm

Venue: Salisbury Racecourse, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP2 8PN.

Ample free parking available.

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# Community News - extra

*From Peter Docherty,*

*Hi all,*

*Come September there will be lots of grapes at Manor Cottage, Odstock. Both red and green, they are sweet, relatively small but full of pips. If anyone wants to try making wine or crushing them for juice they would be very welcome to come and pick them. If anyone is interested and I have their contact number I'll contact them when they're ripe [the grapes of course].*

*Also I have some large offcuts of rust coloured carpet – not enough to cover a room but quite big. Free to anyone who can think of a use for them.*

*Regards,*

*Peter Docherty*

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