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Welcome to the November issue of The Village Voice

The words of George Gershwin’s song *Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off* sprang to mind when writing this front page. Just as we’d finished the inside pages, including some positive news of Covid-safe initiatives, the Halloween Night Downing Street press conference struck. It seems we’re back to Square One on the Lockdown front.

At the bottom of this page we précis those ‘diaried’ events now unlikely to take place. But first the good news: well done to those families in the village who managed to decorate their homes and gardens for Halloween.

Wiltshire’s Principal Traffic Engineer has been in touch with Chilmark Parish Council to apologise for the delays in implementing the 20mph speed limit through the village. The new speed limit was agreed back in March, before Lockdown ensued. Julie Watts writes: *My apologies that it has taken so long to get here but the work has now been programmed for 7 December 2020. We will be taking the opportunity to carry out some maintenance at the same time*. The only drawback from Chilmark’s point of view is that Ms Watts’ letter was written before the latest Lockdown announcement. Watch this space, but don’t hold your breath.

As reported last month, Janey Middleton retired in September as churchwarden after nearly 20 years in the role - see p6 for her account of life as a churchwarden.

Please check with respective organisers to confirm whether the following events listed inside this issue can take place.

The first, *Chilmark Kitchen Café*, p4, on Wednesday 4 November, will still take place but those planned for the rest of the month have been postponed. The *Remembrance Sunday* service in St Margaret’s churchyard, on Sunday 8 November, is unlikely to happen. It is not yet clear whether the *Doorstep Food Collection*, p5, will be on. The *Parish Council meeting* on Wednesday 4 November will take place but arrangements for the *Chilmark Parochial Church Council* meeting, Friday 13 November, and the *Reading Room AGM*, Wednesday 18 November, have yet to be decided.

*Tibus* was meeting to agree the way forward as we went to press but it seemed likely that all shopping trips planned for November would be cancelled. Finally, we are pleased to confirm that the *Village Voice AGM*, Tuesday 24 November, p5, will take place, via Zoom.

We wish you a happy November.

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Parish Council News
The Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire, Mrs Sarah Rose Troughton, has written on behalf of the Queen to thank the people of Chilmark for their help and support of the community during the first few months of Lockdown.

In a letter to the Parish Council Chairman, Sir Richard Packer, she writes:

‘As her Majesty The Queen’s representative, I would like to thank you, your friends and colleagues for the wonderful and important contribution you have made to the community at large.

During the past few months of the Covid-19 pandemic, the imaginative ideas, collaboration and generosity shown by many groups and individuals, voluntary and otherwise, across Wiltshire has been inspirational and uplifting.

May I ask you to kindly share this message with those you have worked with and after this extraordinary and challenging period let us hope for brighter times ahead.’

The Lord-Lieutenant is the personal representative of the Sovereign in Wiltshire. She represents Her Majesty The Queen, assisted by her Deputy Lieutenants, on a wide variety of occasions celebrating significant achievements in the public, private and voluntary sectors.

Date of Next Meeting
The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 4 November at 7pm, in the Reading Room.

Latest Planning Applications / Decisions
Ref: 20/07098/FUL
Oxley, Cow Drove, Chilmark SP3 5AJ
Garage Conversion. Demolition of an existing external store, construction of replacement garage
Applicant: Mr Stafford
Decision 16 October: Approve with Conditions

Ref: 20/08293/TCA
Black Dog Inn, Salisbury Rd, Chilmark SP3 5AH
Work to trees in a Conservation Area: 5 unspecified trees – fell
Applicant: Mr Robert Jones
Decision 17 October: No Objection

Ref: 20/05833/FUL
Ridge Farmhouse, Frickers Lane, Ridge SP3 5BS
New replacement window to east elevation.
New door access to north elevation.

Reinstatement of previous outbuilding/stables to west of main house.
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Morris
Target date for Decision: 5 November

Ref: 20/06258/FUL
Bevisfield, Cow Drove, Chilmark SP3 5AJ
Proposed replacement dwelling.
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Wolsey Brinton
Target date for Decision: 5 November

Ref: 20/08368/LBC
Englefield House, Becketts Lane, Chilmark SP3 5BD
Repainting of a listed building.
Applicant: Mr Gardner
Consultation expiry: 12 November

For more details on recent applications or decisions, please visit address below, entering the respective planning application number in Search bar:
pages.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning

AGM
The Reading Room AGM will take place on Wednesday 18 November, 6.30pm. All members of the committee are elected annually and everyone from the village is entitled to attend the meeting and vote for the new committee. However, owing to current Covid-19 guidelines that allow for a maximum of 15 people in the Reading Room, we ask anyone who wishes to participate to contact RR Secretary Mrs Jenny Gavin beforehand: 01722 716306 or bookings @chilmarkreadingroom.co.uk

At the Reading Room Committee meeting on 14 October it was agreed not to hold the Christmas Bazaar this year. The possibility of holding some sort of outdoor event instead, including a sale of holly and mistletoe, will be considered at the RR meeting immediately after the AGM.

The draft Minutes of the last meeting can be read at:
www.chilmarkreadingroom.co.uk

Chilmark Coffee Kitchen
Do you fancy a chat and a chance to get out and meet others in the village as the days get colder and dimmer? Chilmark Coffee Kitchen will be taking place in the Reading Room every Wednesday morning, between 10am and 12 noon, from Wednesday 4 November. Coffee, tea and home-baked goodies will be served FREE but there will be the opportunity to make a donation to a local charity if you wish.

The Kitchen will operate within strict Covid-19 secure guidelines to maximize safety; hand sanitiser will be provided on entry to the Reading Room and masks must be worn until you’re seated at a table. Seats will be socially distanced and there will be table service only. As a result of these measures, numbers will be limited. If you wish to book a place, please contact Lynn Menzies on 01722 717925. This is not essential, however, and if there is space on the day you are welcome to pop in!
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If you would like to come but require transport, please contact me in advance to arrange this. Look forward to seeing you there!
Lynn Menzies

Village Voice AGM
The Annual General Meeting of The Village Voice will be held on Tuesday 24 November at 6pm. Due to current Covid -19 restrictions the meeting will be held online via Zoom. Should anybody wish to attend, or raise any item at the AGM or nominate for a position on the committee, then these should be made known to the Secretary/Treasurer Mike Scott by Saturday 21 November. Please email: treasurer@chilmarkvillagevoice.co.uk

A Zoom link will then be sent so that participation at the meeting can take place. A summary of the results of the AGM will be published in the December issue of The Village Voice. Mike Scott

Chilmark Doorstep Food Collection
This month our doorstep collection is planned for Wednesday 18 November, from 11am (on your doorstep or by your gate whichever is visible from the road). Slightly differently this month, and with Christmas very much at the forefront of our minds, we will be collecting for the Trussell Trust and Salisbury Women’s Refuge.

The Trussell Trust will be providing food boxes for those in need. We would therefore like to ask specifically for Christmas crackers, Christmas pudding, cranberry sauce, boxes of chocolates, tinned food and biscuits. Please ensure all donations have a best before date of at least January 2021.

For the Women’s Refuge, any supermarket tokens from Tesco or Sainsbury’s would be hugely appreciated. At present the Refuge cannot accept any goods because of lack of storage space and the risk of infection. Many families fleeing from abuse come with very few personal possessions. In giving a supermarket token you are enabling parents, for perhaps the first time in years, to choose their child a present or provide them with clothing of their choice.

We will not hold a doorstep collection in December so this really is the last push to help make Christmas a little special for those feeling very vulnerable. Of course anyone who forgets the date in November please call me and I will make arrangements to collect.
Alternatively, the Revd Jo Naish will be organising collecting bags & boxes in the church for the same two charities on the last two Sundays of the month, 22 & 29 November. Thanks again.
Kathryn Mann, 07766 113327 / klonger@hotmail.com

Autumn Fruits
John Keats wrote his Ode to Autumn towards the end of his short life when he was barely past what should have been his spring. ‘Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness’ he began, and then come grapes, apples, gourds, hazel nuts, corn in the granary and cider oozing hours by hours. It is a most beautiful poem, melancholic, romantic and sad. It is quite short - just three stanzas of eleven lines each. And autumn can be a sad time as the days shorten and the nights grow colder. But it is indeed a time of extraordinary fruitfulness. Apple trees bear more apples than we can eat. We have been making our way through Lord Lambourne, large, juicy, glowing red, with a lovely flavour. Into the rack go the rightly named Red Falstaff, where some may last until Easter. Blackberries are frozen for winter apple pies. Elderberries made a strange pickle called Pontack, so good with venison. Plums and damsons made two further pickles. It would be nice to report a bag of ripe, creamy hazel nuts. But the impatient squirrels attack them long before they are ready for humankind, leaving the lanes beneath the nut trees thick with shells and bitter-tasting fragments. It is time to unearth the main crop potatoes from the soil piled against their now withered, grey-brown vines, and bag them for using through the winter. The first cabbages are fit to cut. But the prize goes to quinces, grown heavy bearing down the fragile quince tree branches and reaching a delicate, rich yellow as they ripen. Savour the aroma of a bowl of quinces. Jam, quince cake for cheese, and jelly – a jelly whose lustrous glow seems to hold the slanting autumn sun. Jod Macranky

Watercress
Tim Stoop who has done wonders bringing the Chalkle Valley’s best Watercress to Chilmark this summer is taking a break for the winter. He writes: Well all good things come to an end eventually but I WILL BE BACK in the Spring when we will all be suffering withdrawal symptoms from our watercress fix! Out of interest, we consumed 1806 bags over the period so there must be plenty of iron in us all in Chilmalk! Probably a good thing with the imminent new Lockdown.
Well done and thank you, Tim.

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A Churchwarden’s Life

According to history, the role of churchwarden arose to meet two needs - to look after church property (vessels, robes and buildings) and to be the eyes and ears of the Bishops! Gradually the two roles became one - the earliest reference on record is dated 1127 AD. So it’s been around for some time and when I joined Stephanie Lucas in 2001 it was with my own consent, as it was only in 1964 that the Churchwardens’ Measure ruled that no-one could be made a churchwarden without their consent.

It’s been a time of interest and literally learning on the job. Although there are always plenty of training sessions and people to advise, I’m sure that no two parishes are quite the same, and you do what you can to please and placate! It has been a joy and a privilege to help to look after a beautiful, ancient building such as St Margaret’s but of course there is a down side - the constant upkeep and repair of these old buildings is crippling, and as congregations get smaller this becomes less supportable. We are blessed with people who take this job very seriously but this is undoubtedly a worry that is not going to diminish as time goes on.

But it’s not all gloom and doom! Over my years as churchwarden I have of course met and worked with many different people - a multitude of clergy, visiting priests, lay people, musicians and singers. Our own wonderful choir has gladdened my heart on so many occasions. The Annual Visitation (where new and existing churchwardens are sworn in) takes place in different churches throughout the Diocese - we march with our wands (or staves), never quite knowing what to do with them. Duties of a churchwarden are varied - even to the point of Jane Tailby and I having to dig a hole for the burial of ashes - no undertaker!

Happy memories of the early days of the Family Service, with the ‘Mums and Dads Band’ in the crossing - wonderful! It has always been very special and humbling to be involved with deeply personal occasions - weddings, baptisms, funerals and thanksgivings - you get to know people at a time when they are going through so many emotions, and one can hopefully be there for them.

The ‘high days and holidays’ services - ie Christmas, Easter, Remembrance and Harvest - always bring out the best in the church and St. Margaret’s rises to the occasion with wonderful flowers, music and bells. One event I always found very moving was the Good Friday Devotion and over the years our various incumbents have brought their own very special versions to the service.

Last Autumn we celebrated the re-installation of our beautiful West window. This was after the complete refurbishment of the glass and surrounding stonework. The job done by the Cathedral Glass Workshop was breathtaking. We welcomed Alan Jeans, Archdeacon, to officiate. It was a lovely service, the setting sun doing all the right things to the brilliant glass, and the organist and choir taking the whole evening to a very high level.

Then came Lockdown. That was, and is, proving to be challenging but with true spirit we keep going. It was deeply sad that the church had to be closed but the Nadder Valley Team was very inventive, as were the Zoom services. And Thoughts for the Day were inspirational. Once we could open up again our services, of course, had to be very different. No singing of hymns, limited numbers allowed, but the feeling of love and support has been encouraging and heart-warming.

A rather strange time to finish my time as a churchwarden but I feel that I have seen St Margaret’s in lots of different guises, and feel very fortunate to have been so deeply involved. As I leave, I wish Richard Haupt, my fellow churchwarden for the last few years, all the very best in his solo role. He has a deep knowledge of the workings of the church, and, being at heart a schoolmaster, will keep everyone in order! Janey Middleton
Wiltshire Mobile Library Service is Back
The Wiltshire Mobile Library service has now resumed (from week beginning 19 October). Some minor alterations to the timetables, such as adjustments to the arrival/departure times at some stops, may be necessary to accommodate new procedures. Forthcoming dates for Chilmark are:
Tuesday 3 November, Hops Close, 3.05-3.25pm
Tuesday 1 December, Hops Close, 3.05-3.25pm
Anyone with a Wiltshire Library card can use our mobile libraries. We’re very pleased to be back on the road. We’re operating with the following Public Health measures in place to keep us all safe:
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Our mobile libraries are free to use by anyone with a Wiltshire Library card, and there are no fines on books borrowed (and returned!) on a mobile library. If you see the mobile library parked up why not come on board and see what we’ve got to offer?

On the way to Atlantis
If when waiting at an airport you hear the words ‘Astra Airlines regret to announce that flight AA607 to Atlantis is delayed. We are sorry for the inconvenience this may cause,’ and that is your flight, the heart sinks. If you hear ‘…delayed by 35 minutes,’ or even ‘90 minutes,’ you at least know where you are. If you hear ‘…delayed by 35 minutes by reason of the late arrival of the incoming flight,’ that is a bit better though you wonder why the incoming flight was delayed (no doubt because its incoming flight was delayed). But whatever the news is, you do feel sure that sooner or later, but not too far ahead, you will get to Atlantis and all will be well.

There are comparisons to be made with the coronavirus situation. When Boris Johnson said that the virus would be sufficiently under control by Christmas I did not believe him. I would have more trust in an airport announcement. I did think that, come the spring, things should be at a ‘new normal’, at least largely restriction free, and I could do what I had planned to do in April of this year, a year on. But that is looking increasingly unlikely. The middle of next summer, next autumn? Who can tell? When, if ever, will I get to Atlantis? This extending uncertainty is bad for morale, bad for one’s emotional state; it weighs heavy on the deep workings of the mind; it is depressing, for some clinically depressing.

If you want a little distraction, Google Atlantis and enter another world.
Adryn Mo
Focus Point
In September President Trump had a look to see for himself some of the fires on the West side of America, blaming them on poor forest management. Those on the scene and world scientists are rather more convinced that it is a result of climate change. Either way, a word commonly used, certainly by contemporary reporters, to describe such a scene as the fires presented is apocalyptic.

Until recently this word was mostly used of a particular kind of writing found in the Bible and in various non-biblical Jewish writings. Indeed, like other words with a religious derivation today, it is being used frequently to the point of losing much of its significance. Apocalypse comes from a Greek word meaning a revelation or unveiling. Thus, meaning a making known of something that was hidden. Writers of apocalyptic literature were primarily concerned to reveal things normally hidden, to unveil the future. For that reason the last book in the Bible is called the Book of Revelation or the Apocalypse, that is to say, a book which purports to uncover what is hidden...... think ‘four horsemen' and Armageddon. Such writings were most common between 200BC and 100AD., times when Israel was in great danger; the sort of times which prompt people to forecast the imminent arrival of even worse things.

In the Hebrew Bible it is found most easily in the Book of Daniel, written at the time of Israel being persecuted by Antiochus Epiphanes, when Israel needed reassurance. It pointed readers to the end of time when the evil emperor Antiochus would get his come-uppance. It coincided with the flattening of Jerusalem, the destruction of the Temple, and the mass deportation of the Jews. In the books of the Maccabees (in English Bibles often relegated to the Apocrypha) there are gruesome descriptions of individual suffering.

In the Christian era, in the Gospels the same ideas recur, pointing to ‘the day of the Lord' when divine justice would be meted out. However, the most obvious place to find it is in that last book in the Bible, written at a time when all sorts of terrible things were being done to Christians, where the end of time is foretold, and the Lord will return accompanied by all sorts of signs - earthquakes, plague (think pandemic), fire (think California etc), mass slaughter and so on , usually referred to as the Second Coming - and we shall all be judged. Keep those in your mind and remember that Christians do look forward to the Lord's return, a final judgment, and a great sorting-out, when the faithful will be delivered from all the evils the world thrusts upon them.

It is not difficult to find modern-day fiction writers who milk such topics (Star Wars? ). Anything that involves the end of the world, indeed of the universe and beyond, is hard to imagine but this sort of writing at least tries to evoke some sense of a horror beyond ordinary imagining. In the book of Revelation, especially chapters 8 and 9, each disaster is preceded by the blowing of a trumpet, thankfully not a word derived from the name of the gentleman mentioned in my opening sentence, though his presence may be a prelude to world wars and all sorts of alarming things; who can predict? There are however reference to the Beast.

Whatever happens, frightening or not, and whatever we discover the result of the American Presidential election to be, everything we know is finite. But we do have glimpses of the infinite, and among them is the knowledge that God is good, and that those who believe in God should try to be likewise.

Father Robert

Bishop of Ramsbury

Friday 11 October was a notable day for our local church in Chilmack. The sparkling early autumn sunlight picked out the rose petals on the church path from the confetti tossed over the happy couple after their wedding the day before. And there was our visitor at the porch entrance, the Bishop of Ramsbury, resplendent in scarlet and white, bearing his crook and a broad smile of welcome.

The Right Reverend Dr Andrew Rumsey, Bishop of Ramsbury, was visiting Chilmack for the first time to officiate at a traditional service of Mattins. There have been Bishops of Ramsbury since 909 AD (Aethelstan was the first) whose roles have included responsibility mainly for Wiltshire parishes in the Diocese of Salisbury, so here was Bishop Andrew continuing to fulfil that role 1,111 years later.

To mark the occasion and following new guidelines announced by the government, a small group of singers was permitted to sing. So at last, for the first time since a certain wedding on 1 February, we could have a small choir consisting of the Chilmack half of the Hindon & Chilmack Choir. There were but six of us, socially distancing in the choir stalls, and then at the crossing. We sang the anthem If you love me by Thomas Tallis (1504 – 1585. It’s extraordinary to think that Shakespeare was only 21 when Tallis died). We were all so pleased to sing and to hear singing in church after so many months without it.

The choir hopes to sing at a special Advent service on Sunday 29 November at 4 pm so do put the date in your diaries! Felicity Pattenden

St Margaret’s Chilmack - Harvest Festival 2020
Harvest Festival Communion at St Margaret of Antioch took place on Sunday18 October. The celebrant was the Reverend Canon Michael Goater who is an old friend of Chilmack’s; he has preached here several times before, though this was his first visit for three years. He preached an uplifting sermon on the abundance of God’s love for his creation, reminding the congregation not to forget ‘all the benefits we have received at His hand’. However, Reverend Michael also had a trick up his sleeve (quite literally); his hobby is conjuring and at the end of the sermon, he delighted the congregation with a clever trick, which had us all bamboozled.

Harvest Festival was different this year in that there was no singing. Not being allowed to sing Harvest hymns was
a great disappointment to all of us. Nevertheless our
organist, Hannah Haupt was able to play some of
the traditional hymns on the organ as part of the service
and it was hard to resist discreetly humming the tune of ‘We
plough the fields and scatter’, which played out at the
end of the service. A good sprinkling of rousing Harvest
hymns also featured in a performance of the carillon
chimes by our ringer, Olive Thick, before the service.

The church looked absolutely amazing with astonishing
displays of flowers and seasonal fruit and vegetables. One
worshipper was heard to say that this was the best
Harvest flower arrangement display they could remember.
Our thanks go Stephanie Lucas and her team of flower
arrangers. Also, we would like to say a word of thanks to
our ‘Holy Dusters’, Chrissie Eden and her team of church
cleaners who not only keep the church spick and span, but
more importantly have kept us bio-secure in these strange
times. Richard Haupt, Church Warden

**Church Cleaning Rota**

Many thanks to all of you who are on the cleaning Rota;
your help is much appreciated. During the current Covid-
19 restrictions St Margaret’s will remain closed on Fridays
& Saturdays to allow you access for undisturbed cleaning.
If you have any queries, please contact me on
01722 716571. Chrissie Eden

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Hindon Surgery News – November 2020

The second spike for Covid-19 seems to be happening, especially in the north of the country, but it is spreading to this area with several local proven cases. Even if symptoms are mild, there are significant consequences for all of us:

1. Possible transmission to someone more vulnerable to severe illness
2. 10% of patients get ‘long-Covid’ - a debilitating post-infection fatigue and breathlessness lasting months even after a mild illness and more common in women and younger people
3. The economic consequences for those exposed to the infectious patient before they had symptoms. Especially bad for those whose job involves face-to-face contact and no ability to work from home.

This is why it is important to follow the national guidelines on keeping yourself and everyone else safe. None of us like wearing masks (medical staff have spent hours every working day doing this since March and it is exhausting) but it makes you less of a risk to those around you. We do not write any mask exemption letters and everyone who comes into the surgery must wear a mask or face shield. This is to keep other people safe and maintain the confidence of all our patients that they will not catch Covid-19 by a visit to the surgery. The hospitals also have all the safety measures in place - so if it is recommended that you go there, please do.

To maintain safety in the surgery we consult all patients with a fever or respiratory symptoms by some remote means (telephone, email, text, video) and this is helped immensely by those of you able to tell us your temperature, pulse, blood pressure and increasingly finger oximetry readings. We can manage most conditions safely and effectively with these remote methods. Over this coming winter patients with a temperature or new respiratory symptoms will be seen face to face if needed at a ‘hot clinic’ at Mere Surgery to enable us to continue to see our other patients safely at Hindon Surgery.

Over the summer we started doing much more planned review of long-term conditions but again in ways to reduce infection risk and only asked you to come to the surgery for things you could not do at home or with remote consultations (like blood tests and cervical smears) and we thank everyone for their help with this by sending in weights and blood pressure readings, filling out assessment questionnaires and sending photographs. Many have found this has made accessing our care far easier. If you are concerned please get in touch - an email or a message on the surgery website is often a good way to start especially as the telephone lines can be engaged. If ringing to book a routine appointment (eg vaccination or blood test) it is best to ring after 10am to avoid the early morning rush.

The medicines home delivery service has been a stunning success and we thank all the volunteers who are keeping this going. Not only does it reduce infection risk but it is environmentally good as well. The drive-through and walk-through ‘flu clinics have worked very well - even better than the previous surgery-delivered service.

The return of Covid-19 and the longer evenings and worse weather may affect our spirits. Previously I have suggested the five steps to well-being. The NHS site has good advice about this: www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/improve-mental-wellbeing/. One aspect is giving to others and one of the good things from Covid-19 is the explosion of help everyone has given to others and this will be even more important in the next few months.

Our thanks and best wishes to all our patients. Keep safe and keep going. These will be tough months and everyone is feeling weary but humanity has always got through difficult times and will do so again.

Patrick Craig-McFeely, Sally Hayes
and all the staff at Hindon Surgery

Tisbury Surgery - Flu Clinics

Some of our staff are still being asked ‘when will I be able to see a doctor again?’ It has always been possible to see a doctor but arrangements to do so have changed. Along with all healthcare settings, we have to work differently during the current pandemic. We are trying to slow down the spread of the coronavirus and are taking special measures to protect patients and staff and this includes following the NHS England guidance on face-to-face appointments.

Where possible we want to avoid people having to wait too long in a waiting room together as we know this increases the risk of the virus spreading. If you do need to come in, we need to ensure there are a minimal number of people in the practice so that we can maintain social distancing and keep patients and staff safe.

If you wish to consult a GP, please initially:

• telephone 01747 870204 or
• contact us via on line access or
• email on reception.tisbury@nhs.net

When telephoning, please be prepared to give the receptionist some idea of the problem. She will then make you a ‘telephone appointment’ to speak to a clinician who will phone you at (or about) the time given to discuss your symptoms. Most health concerns can be managed this way and this also reduces both the need for patients to travel and the opportunity for the virus to spread.

Should the GP decide that you need to be seen, he/she will book a face to face appointment for you and ask you to come to the surgery and, if this is the case, please remember that all attendees at the surgery must wear a face covering - unless they are exempt.

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- loss or change to your sense of smell or taste - this means you’ve noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If you are experiencing one or more of these symptoms then DO NOT visit your GP practice. You should visit www.111.nhs.uk or call NHS 111 if you cannot get help online.

You must self-isolate for seven days from when your symptoms started. Anyone you live with, or in your support bubble, who does not have symptoms must self-isolate for 14 days from when the first person started having symptoms. Do check the NHS website www.nhs.uk/coronavirus for up to date information.

You must also ask for a test as soon as you start showing symptoms. You can do this online: visit www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test

Dr Laurence Carter, Dr Adam Smith

Tibus
Tibus community bus service continues its emergence from lockdown with strict adherence to government guidance and its own health and safety protocols to protect passengers and volunteers.

Regular shopping trips for members are now offered to Shaftesbury, Gillingham, Warminster and Salisbury. All details are on the Tibus website at: tibus.co.uk/calendar/

To book your seat, or to become a member please, ring the Tibus Trip Coordinator Dave Milas on 07500 802525, or email coordinator@tibus.co.uk

Cold Comfort?
I endeavoured to buy a new casserole dish online the other day. I found a set of three which looked fine. Then I discovered that they were apparently ‘not suitable for the oven’. Evidently not fit for purpose: think I will just stick to omelettes!

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To book recycling centre visit:
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Tisbury Natural History Society
Our next meeting will be in the Hinton Hall on Thursday 19 November at 7.30 pm. Our speaker will be Peter Thompson, formerly of the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust, on the topic ‘Can wildlife and modern farming co-exist?’ Bookings required. Contact Dick Budden: treasurer.tisnathist@gmail.com

Our Young Nature Watch branch will meet for an ‘Autumn leaves and fungi walk’ on Sunday 15 November between 2-4pm in Grovely Wood.
For more info and bookings (required), please email youngtnhs@gmail.com

For more information at the Society, visit:
www.tisburynaturalhistory.com

Wildflower Meadow Time
With a second Lockdown impending, and gloomy winter months ahead, why not give yourself something to look forward to by planting an area of wildflower meadow in your garden. Wiltshire Wildlife Trust is offering seeds harvested from its internationally renowned meadows at Clattinger Farm, near Cricklade. For £4 you can buy enough - 20g - to cover 5m². Now is a perfect time to sow, instructions as below:

Spread 2-4g over 1m² of earth, sprinkle seeds by hand. The seed can be measured out and mixed with soft dried sand to make it easier to scatter. If planting into existing lawns or grassland swards, cut the grass very low. In small areas rake heavily to expose at least 50% bare soil. In a larger area use a harrow or other suitable implement to remove all thatch and expose bare soil of between 50 and 75%. If planting into a recently cultivated area, ensure the surface is loose and friable and free of weeds. Do not cover once sown, just firm in.

Leave until April/May next year. In the first year control vigorous grass growth by cutting at the highest point on your mower, which mimics grazing. Remove all cuttings to a compost pile. Plants such as Yellow Rattle & Oxeye Daisy may be in profusion in the first few years. Leave until late July or August before cutting and removing arisings. Don’t despair if you don’t see many different wildflowers in your first year or two. Some species take several years to establish, and a newly planted meadow may take over ten years to reach its full potential. Something to look forward to, though!

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Police News
Wiltshire Police is on track to meet its target of recruiting 49 additional police officers by March 2021, thanks to funding from the Government's national campaign to deliver an additional 20,000 police officers in three years.

According to the latest Home Office quarterly statistics on police officer recruitment the five forces across the South West have already recruited an additional 397 police officers in the last 12 months. All forces in the region are on track to hit the regional target of 423 additional police officers funded by the national campaign by March next year, the end of the first full year of the three-year programme.

In Wiltshire, the Force is hiring more police officers than ever before. The first 40 funded by the national campaign started training in June, followed by a further 20 last week. They will be joined by 60 more between now and March 2021, bringing a total of 120 student officers commencing training in a year. While the total establishment figures need to take account of officers leaving and retiring, the Force remains on track to bring in the 49 additional officers allocated to Wiltshire through the additional Government funding by the end of the financial year.

The Government’s national campaign is set to fund a total of 148 new officers in Wiltshire over the next three years - in addition to numbers already planned to replace leavers - bringing the expected number of serving officers to 1,150 by March 2024. In Wiltshire the Force is working hard to encourage more women and people from ethnic minorities to apply to become police officers. In the last police officer recruitment campaign in March, 39% of applicants were female and 8% from BAME backgrounds.

Deputy Chief Constable Paul Mills, who leads the Force recruitment, equality and diversity work said: ‘Since the announcement of government funding for further Police Officers, we have worked extensively to attract the very best recruits to train as police officers and serve their communities. I am pleased that today’s figure shows that we are well on track to meet the government target.’

‘We want our police force to continue to represent the diverse communities we serve and a big drive is to attract those into policing from underrepresented groups. It is really encouraging to see more people coming forward from these groups and through the work of our positive action team, we are seeing each campaign attract more people from diverse backgrounds. We have just closed recruitment for call handlers to work in our 101 and 999 Crime & Communications Centre and seen 15% of applicants from a BAME background and a similar proportion, 12%, when we recruited PCSOs in the summer’.

Thai Spiced Pumpkin & Apple Soup
With pumpkins everywhere at the moment here’s a recipe that's perfect for this time of year - it's deliciously warming with a little kick. And if you if you’ve used up all your pumpkin, it’s just as delicious made with butternut squash.

Serves 4
2 tbsp olive oil, 1 onion chopped, 2 cloves garlic chopped, 1 inch piece of ginger peeled and chopped, 1 pumpkin (about 1kg in weight when whole) peeled and chopped, 1 large cooking apple peeled and chopped, 500ml vegetable stock, 1 tbsp red curry paste, 1 tin coconut milk, juice of 1 lime, handful of coriander, salt and pepper

Method
Warm 2 tbspsp olive oil in a wide bottomed pan - add the onion, garlic and ginger and cook over a gentle heat until the onion is translucent - approx 5 mins - then add the chopped pumpkin and chopped apple chunks along with the vegetable stock and salt and pepper - bring to the boil then add the red curry paste - stir to make sure the curry paste is fully mixed in, and then allow to simmer for 20 mins until everything is cooked and soft - remove from the heat and whizz into a smooth soup - add the coconut milk and the juice of the lime. Top with a few coriander leaves and serve with warm crusty bread. If you like it extra spicy drizzle with chilli oil.

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