

PASTORAL LETTER – MARCH 2024

Alive and Beautiful

Berlin has the greatest density of goshawk territories in the world, urban or rural. This I learnt reading, "The Instant" by Amy Liptrot an autobiographical account of a year in Berlin. She speaks of loneliness, a love affair, a broken heart, she observes wildlife, visits traffic islands, reports the phases of the moon. It is a raw and unfiltered account of life and describes digital dependence and addiction that is common in those who have grown up with modern communication.

Towards the close of the book she writes, "I am battered and scarred and alive and beautiful." This is not a Christian book and yet in its pages I found a compelling description of what it was to be human; to seek love, meaning and a home. We are all battered and scarred and alive and beautiful – and loved.

A love revealed in the suffering of the passion of Jesus. For Christians this love, the overwhelming, never-ending reckless love of God is revealed through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Most of this month the church will be observing Lent. The final week is Holy Week and the passion of Christ. Easter is on the 31st, the final day of the month.

The passion initially referred to the sufferings of Christ on Good Friday and most particularly on the cross. It has a Latin root and means to endure or undergo – through the

Christ's passion Christ demonstrated his great love for the world. By the 14th century it evolved to mean an intense emotion of desire.

This is our modern use of the word an intense emotional state or desire. It is interesting to compare the noun, "passion" with the adjective of the same root, "passive". Passion implies that in some way the person is unable to act in another way, they cannot change the outcome, they are passive vessels.

Christ was passive through the events of Good Friday; he allowed the brokenness, ugliness, violence and hatred of the world to overwhelm him.

At times we live in a permanent Holy Saturday – seeing the horrors, injustices, and pain of the world but waiting for, hoping for, Easter when the broken is mended, the disfigured is repaired and the bad is made good. We are all battered and scarred and alive and beautiful and loved – loved by Jesus with a love stronger than death.

We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!

Every blessing , Revd Craig

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WI REPORT FOR FEBRUARY

Our February meeting began with Mal welcoming Jennie Bond to WI. In memory of her husband, Pete, Jennie challenged us to grow chillies as well as he did, handing out seeds and instructions for us to try our luck. We doubt we will ever get to the level of success at the Horticultural Show Pete had but we will have a go!

The members were then asked to vote on a choice of charities that we will be supporting this year. The majority chose Air Ambulance, Campden Home Nursing and St Richard's Hospice and they will be given £500 each.

We were then treated to a delightful talk by Linda Dunbar about her life as an expat in Kenya from 1979 to 1981 with her husband, David, who was working for a multinational transport company. A map of Mombasa tested our geographical knowledge with Linda recounting some funny anecdotes about her life there. For example when travelling a distance of some 485 kilometres from Nairobi to Mombasa there were no traffic lights or roundabouts. Mombasa is quite a tourist area on the coast so there were a few 'oohs' and 'aahs' when Linda showed us pictures of the gorgeous beaches with stunning views. The British built the railway there in the 19th century but even in the late 1970's there was still no tv so they listened to the BBC World Service and read The Sunday Times newspaper which only arrived the following Tuesday.

Living in an equatorial region came with its particular challenges. With the risk of malaria people needed to take antimalarial tablets and with high humidity and high temperatures it meant keeping various foodstuffs was a definite challenge. Boiling water was imperative and supermarket shopping meant quite a limited range of provisions. Who doesn't remember 'Omo' as one of the main washing powders in those days? One of Linda's main tips was don't go trying to cook a **3**

turkey at Christmas! Far too hot. And if you needed to have a hospital procedure it would have been useful to know your blood group. In those days you needed to find someone who could donate blood should you need it. But all in all Linda and her husband loved their time there, the rich cultural life and expat events and the extensive safari trips they made. They returned for a holiday with their grown up family some years later. We all enjoyed the pictures of the wild animals, with elephants being Linda's particular favourites. With thanks to Linda for a very interesting travelogue. Now who's off to book a trip to Mombasa?



COMING UP IN MARCH 2024

Members are asked to give their names a.s.a.p. to Mal Jelfs if they would like a ticket to Mickleton WI's 1940's night on Friday April 26th 2024

Our next WI Meeting is Monday 11th March
Willersey Village Hall
7.15pm

Speaker: Tanya Campbell
Topic : "Guide Dogs for the Blind"

Guests welcome £4 on the door
Contact Mal Jelfs on 858351 with any queries



Willersey's Big Garden Bird Watch 2024



Firstly, a big thank you to the 50 households right across the village who gave up an hour of a recent weekend to take part in this year's Big Garden Bird Watch, creating an opportunity to compare our village bird sightings with results from 2023 and 2022. Even reporting sometimes disappointingly low numbers - "If I'd only counted yesterday..." - is still important in giving a broad picture, and perhaps the birds you might normally have seen will have popped up in another person's garden survey! Noting what's absent is of course important too.

Willersey's Birds In Numbers

- A total of 962 birds were seen, similar to 2023.
- The greatest number reported once again were Goldfinch with 114 (recorded in 16% of gardens).
- Followed by wood pigeons with 104 (in 41% of gardens).
- Blue tits totalling exactly 100 (recorded in 37% of gardens).
- Blackbirds came in 4th with 90 observed (recorded in 50% of Willersey gardens).
- Other notable sightings of birds on the list included 45

Long-tailed tits and 51 robins appearing in 76% of surveys.

Birds not listed in the survey but landing in our gardens included 9 redpoll, a species not appearing in previous surveys; 15 blackcaps in 10 different gardens across the village; 6 migrant redwing; 9 pied wagtails; 5 great spotted woodpeckers and one green woodpecker; and 8 wrens - the UK's most common breeding bird but often not spotted as it scuttles mouse like through our gardens. Although not landing in their gardens three interesting reports of red kites totalling 8 in number, along with a little egret also being regularly spotted close to the village. Two species where we are seeing a significant increase locally.

In total 31 different species were recorded this year. But this of course is only a 'field study' snap shot, but nevertheless 'citizen science' is a fun way of taking an interest in one aspect of our garden wildlife.

Despite some of these seemingly high numbers, as many of us know, our birds, along with much of our wildlife, continues to be in serious trouble. So anything we can do, however small, to celebrate and nurture what we currently enjoy must surely be a good thing for all of us to be doing.

If you would like to report local sightings to Nature Box please email Bob Topp at bob.topp@btinternet.com

Working without a break every second, how long would it take you to count to a 1,000,000? Surprisingly just over 11½ days. And to count to a 1,000,000,000? Nearly 32 years.



Guided Walks with the Cotswold Voluntary Wardens

Details of the walks available are described on the website (below). **Please check walk details carefully on the website, including whether booking is necessary. Additional walks may be published on the website.**

<https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>

Beckford to Aston Carrant, Kemerton and Back – Tuesday 5th March – Easy 3hr 6.5ml . A circular walk from Beckford, home of Beckford Silk, to Aston on Carrant. Then to Kemerton and back.

It's an easy walk from Beckford to Aston on Carrant (the east town on Carrant Brook). Then north to Kemerton (the farm-enclosure of Cynemaer). We then finish by heading east back to Beckford (the ford of Becca across the Carrant Brook). An interesting walk in an interesting area. Please bring drink/snack. **Start: 10.00am**

Outside Beckford Church GL20 7AD. OS Map ref: SO 976 358.

A Watery Walk in the North Cotswolds– Tuesday 21st March – Moderate 3.5hr 7ml

This is a watery walk only in name, as we follow the River Windrush towards its source, cross a Ford, encounter a sheepwash and cross a little bridge. The route wends along less well-known paths through the countryside passing through only very small villages.

The paths are hilly with one short, steep slope just after Pinnock up through beech woods. Bring drinks/snack. **Start: 10.00am**

Temple Guiting Village Hall. OS Map ref: SP 090 279.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. EASY - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); MODERATE - includes some hills and rough ground.

STRENUOUS – may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed. Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.

It Happened in March! These historical events all happened in March.

- 1) Alexander Graham Bell was granted a patent for the “telephone” in March of which year? a) 1836, b) 1856, c) 1876.
- 2) American pharmacist and chemist Wilbur Scoville died in March 1942, but what is he best remembered for?
- 3) In March 1910 Frenchwoman Raymonde de Laroche, became the first female to obtain a licence to do what?
- 4) Which Scottish economist and philosopher published “The Wealth of Nations” in March 1776, a book considered a fundamental work in economics?
- 5) James Earl Ray pleaded guilty in March 1969 to assassinating whom?
- 6) Which Frenchman married Josephine de Beauharnais in March 1796?
- 7) In March 1842, what was first documented as being discovered at Rancho San Francisco?
- 8) The “Barbie Doll” made its first appearance at a toy fair in March during which decade? a) 40’s, b) 50’s, c) 60’s.
- 9) In March 44BC who was stabbed to death Julius Caesar?
- 10) Which King dissolved the English Parliament in March 1629?
- 11) In March 1983 Bob Hawke was appointed Prime Minister of which country?
- 12) Concorde, the Anglo-French supersonic airliner made its maiden flight in March of which year?
- 13) In March 2011 an earthquake in Japan triggered a tsunami, killing thousands of people and causing the second worst nuclear accident where?
- 14) Born in March 1916 in Huddersfield, which politician became Prime Minister of two Labour governments?
- 15) Who was the British author of “The Day of the Triffids” who died in March 1969?
- 16) In March 1930, who began his “Salt March”, a 200 mile march to the sea in protest at the British monopoly over salt in India?
- 17) In March 1989, who submitted his proposals for an information management system that eventually developed into the World Wide Web?

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- 18) William Herschel in March 1781, discovered which planet, the seventh from the sun?
- 19) In March 1988 the Seikan Tunnel, which is the longest tunnel in the world with an undersea element, opened in which country?
- 20) In March 1856, The Crimean War between Russia and Europe was brought to an end by the signing of which document?

Please see page 16 for the answers

Mike R

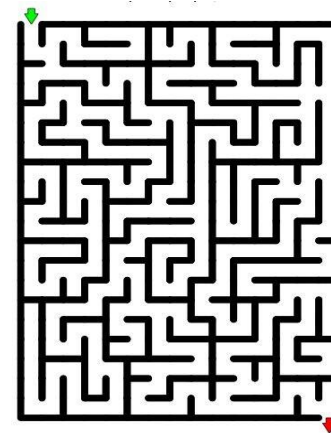
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Solutions on page 20.

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On Maundy Thursday we recall the final command that Jesus gave to his disciples "love one another as I have loved you." His disciples were to love through service, and not domination of one another. After the Last Supper Jesus rose and washed his disciples' feet.

Ken S.

- Maundy Thursday
- Final Command
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- Last Supper
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Cotswold Vale Embroidery Group

Our morning in February involved the topic of Dorset Buttons. Gillian gave everyone a potted history of Dorset Buttons with samples of the stages in creating a finished button. Rose provided everyone with a kit and instructions for completing a Dorset Button.

For our next meeting please bring along sewing kit with a variety of small pieces of fabric, buttons, beads and threads. There will be plenty to share around so don't worry if you haven't much of your own.

Any information regarding the group and our projects please contact Gillian on 01386 852958

Next month's meeting is:
Thursday March 7th
9.30 – 12.30 pm
Topic: Inches and Twiches
Venue: Honeybourne Village Hall

THE APRIL VILLAGE NEWS

Copy for the April News must be received by Sunday 17th March 2024 unless otherwise notified. Please send in any items of interest, thanks or notice of forthcoming events.

Newsletter completion will start early the next day.

Email them to willerseynews@gmail.com or phone Alan 858601 or Bill 858628, Thank you.

The Church and Village News is published on the Internet at.

www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm



**Saint Peter's
Church Services March 2024**



3 rd March Lent 3	10:00 am Morning Prayer
10 th March Lent 4/Mothering Sunday	9:00 am Holy Communion BP
17 th March Passion Sunday	11.00 am All Age Service
24 th March Palm Sunday	10.00 am Benefice Service of Holy Communion at St Peter's Pebworth
28 th March Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm Benefice Service for Maundy Thursday at St Peter's Willersey (with Foot Washing)
29 th March Good Friday	11.00 am Good Friday Service
31 st March Easter Sunday	10.00 am Easter Morning Holy Communion

ML Modern Language, BP Book of common Prayer

Mid-week Holy Communion (BCP): at Saint Peter's, every Wednesday at 11:00 am.

Your Church is open for you every day.

Rotas for March

Spring Clean

Your help is needed for the annual spring clean at St Peter's. Mops, dusters, polish and hoovers provided.

Starting at 10:00 am hot drinks will be available throughout the morning and a soup lunch will be for everyone at the end of the big clean. Come and join in on **Saturday 16th of March at 10:00 am**

Church Cleaning

Week ending

March 2nd and 9th Paula & Ian Duffin

Week ending

March 16th and 23rd Spring Clean **see above**

Brass cleaning

For the month of March Carolynne Adam

Refreshments for March

March 3rd Rachael Barker

March 10th Karen & Mike Barnard

March 17th All Age Worship team

March 24th Pat & Robert Heming

March 31st (Easter) Gillian Beale & Jennie Bond

The key to the vestry and cleaning materials can be collected from The Bell Inn or Gillian Beale at Florizel Lower Green

Telephone 01386 852958.

Thank you again for keeping the Church looking well cared for and welcoming to visitors.



Spring into Action: Join our Community Activities!
Cotswold Friends has a whole host of Activities aimed at older and vulnerable people for you to get involved with this Spring.

As the weather begins to improve this month (hopefully!) you might feel like getting out and about a bit more. At Cotswold Friends we have an abundance of Community Activities running throughout each month from Lunch Clubs to Singing, Walking Football to our four Men in Sheds projects across the North Cotswolds. We hope there is something for everyone and we'd love you to join us, either as an attendee or as a volunteer.

It's with particular excitement that we have our beautiful Community Garden at Stow-on-the-Wold Surgery re-opening at the end of March. The garden is a space to be enjoyed by everyone, you don't have to be a gardener! The garden has been constructed to allow disabled access both to the site and the planting beds so everyone is welcome and can get involved. It also includes a Memorial Rose Garden We are also starting a new Walk and Talk group in Moreton-in-Marsh this Spring. This will be an opportunity to have a gentle stroll, whilst enjoying the company of others. Our 2024 Calendar lists all our activities on offer on our website: www.cotswoldfriends.org or call our friendly activities team on 01608 692811.

We hope to see you soon! Contact Katy Gunn 01608 697006
katy@cotswoldfriends.org



Nature Box - Sparrow Club

House sparrows once had a price on their head, but more of that later on. The number of house sparrows, the bird that favours communal living, seem to be fairly healthy across the village. They particularly benefit from the more dense garden hedges that are present. Urban areas across the country, where this habitat has been lost, have seen numbers plummet.

Historically, their ability to live alongside us has been a key factor in their success, although they have not always been looked upon kindly by farmers. Once vast flocks of house sparrows sometimes seen in their many thousands would often threaten a farmer's crops and seriously threatening their livelihood.

To help combat this problem 'Sparrow Clubs' were created across the country, including in Chipping Campden. Young children were encouraged to capture as many as they could and would then be financially rewarded. This was quite often overseen by the local vicar. However, entrepreneurial youngsters were known to collect the sparrows from the bin behind the rectory to then be re-presented to the vicar for another payout. The wise clergyman learnt to pull out the tail feathers before throwing them away. Nowadays industrial farming methods leaves little for sparrows and other farmland birds such as the once locally common corn bunting and

yellow hammer.

But Willersey still has a good range of close cropped garden hedges including Main Street's top green, Sawpit Green and along Badsey Lane and Collin Lane. Thanks mainly to the retention of these hedges the village seemingly continues to buck the national picture of declining numbers. Interestingly over the last two years a particular high flying pair have chosen to use one of the nest boxes on The Bell intended for the later returning swifts. No doubt a challenging first flight for the newly fledged house sparrows.

Recent local observations from Walter, Ainsley, Siriol, Rachael, Mike, Derek & Helen, Ella, Maggie and Pete include a barn owl, more little egret sightings, less commonly spotted siskins, a sizeable starling murmuration, a pair of seemingly 'loved up' up collared doves, a hooting tawny owl and a nest prospecting kestrel. bob.topp@btinternet.com

It Happened in March! Answers

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| 1) 1876 | 11) Australia |
| 2) The Scoville Scale for measuring the heat of chillies. | 12) 1969 |
| 3) Fly a plane. | 13) Fukushima |
| 4) Adam Smith | 14) Harold Wilson |
| 5) Martin Luther King | 15) John Wyndham |
| 6) Napoleon Bonaparte | 16) Mahatma Gandhi |
| 7) Gold | 17) Tim Berners-Lee |
| 8) 50's (1959) | 18) Uranus |
| 9) Marcus Brutus | 19) Japan |
| 10) Charles I | 20) The Treaty of Paris |

(The Quiz is on page 8.)

WILLERSEY FARMERS MARKET

I am delighted to announce that Willersey will be hosting a Farmers' Market!

The market will be coming on the 3rd SUNDAY of every month and will begin in April.

There will be plenty of Stalls which will include bread, meat, cheese, pies, Fruit and Veg, cakes, chocolate and honey- to name some of them! Only food and drink will be on sale.

Teas and coffees will be being sold in the Village Hall by our local organisations. Any profits will go back into the local organisations.

We hope that this will become a real village occasion and we can support local producers - they will not come back unless we show our support!

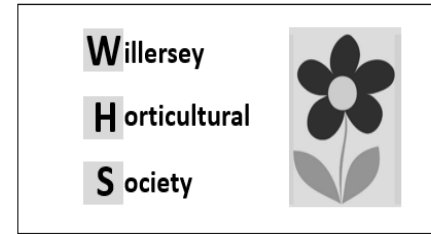
Anybody that is interested in having a stall- please do email me. The Market will be open 9.30 to 1pm - look forward to seeing the village there!

Jane Rintoul 07867537745
Rintouljane88@gmail.com

Hedgehog Community Bus Service to Stratford

For many years the Hedgehog Community Bus has included Willersey on its schedule for the Tuesday service to Stratford. However, it rarely if ever picks up any passengers in Willersey, and the extension of the route from Mickleton to Willersey is costing resources for virtually no return. Tel 01386 841849 Willersey is served by a number of other bus operators, and it may be that there is no need for the Hedgehog's Tuesday service, therefore cancellation of the service is under consideration. Essentially it is a question of "use it or lose it!"

<https://hedgehogbus.org/timetables/stratford-tuesday/> 17



Fed up with the long dark nights and the incessant rain ? Don't despair as Spring is now just around the corner 😊 .

We will be holding the “**SPRING FLING**” in the Village Hall on **Saturday 13th April 2024 from 10:00 to 12:00.**

We will also have various **STALLS** selling Art & Craft items and an update on the WHS Projects around the Villagein addition there will be **TEA, COFFEE**, Soft Drinks and a great choice of **CAKES** and **BISCUITS**. Copies of the 2024 “Show Schedule” listing all the Classes and Categories will be available.....watch out for some **new and exciting opportunities** to show off your talents at the Summer Show on Monday 26th August 2024.

Any funds raised from the “**SPRING FLING**” will go towards supporting various Projects around the Village such as the wilding area within the recreation field and the bulb planting at numerous locations around the village.

We are very grateful to **AUTO-SLEEPERS** for generously agreeing to sponsor this year's Summer Show.

If you would like to help with the organizing and setting up of this year's event please contact Mark Bridgeman – it's not too onerous and it's a great way of contributing to village life.

Mark Bridgeman – Chairperson – Willersey Horticultural Society
Email : Bridgeman757@btinternet.com / Mobile 07976-111906



So far in 2024 we've had some really interesting presenters and we are happy to report several new members and visitors. On the 6th March we have a gentleman called Max Keen, who does a historic skit on Admiral Nelson and dresses up in typical Nelson garb - this promises to be a humorous and very interesting afternoon. Then on March 20th, local farmer Chris Tallis from Hinton-on-the-Green will be sharing with us his farming year and how he incorporates environmental sensitivity into his arable farming enterprise.

Remember, everyone over 55 is welcome to come along and find out what we are all about. We meet every other Wednesday afternoon at the Willersey Village Hall. The meeting starts promptly at 2.30pm so we suggest you might plan to arrive by 2.20pm. After the presentation and meeting, we have a variety of teas/coffee, sandwiches, cakes and - a good chance to meet others in the community and just socialise. Anyone from the villages local to Willersey and Broadway is welcome to come along and join us. See you there.
T.R.

Our theme for our service was love. When we met for our **All Age** worship service on Sunday 18th February at St Peter's Church, this reflected that the week had included both Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent, and Valentine's Day. The children decorated and filled heart shaped boxes to be handed out to the congregation towards the end of the service. We sang hymns and

choruses on the theme of love. The talk described how the apostle John's life was changed after he met Jesus, how he became known as the apostle that Jesus loved, preaching love until the end of his life and how Jesus loved and spent time with all children.

Pat Heming gave the reading from St John's gospel while Esme and Ivy read a poem describing a child's relationship with Jesus. The prayers were read by members of the congregation. Next month we are celebrating mothers, so please consider joining us at 11.00am for the short informal service on Sunday March 17th at St Peter's, where we shall be celebrating our mothers. There will be flowers for the ladies, and a chance to have a good sing and refreshments at the end. You will be sure of a warm welcome.
Carolynne Adam

Solutions to puzzles on page 10.

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Scientists hope to receive rocks back from Mars in 2031. They will be examined for any signs of life. Possible conclusions. No life – we on Earth are more likely to be alone in the Universe. Some life forms like earth - life once arisen, can spread across the universe. Life not like earth's – spontaneous life can form throughout the universe.

**Easter 'Teas in Church'
in Saint Peter's**



Sample delicious refreshments
& delight in the Easter floral displays



2pm to 4:30pm
Easter Saturday

*With Special Easter Craft Stall
and
The Knitting Group's figures in
the epic Palm Sunday display &
Last Supper diorama*

Willersey Parish Council

Please note that the email address for communication with the
Parish Council has changed to:

clerk@willerseyparishcouncil.org.uk

WILLERSEY METHODIST CHURCH MARCH

I hope you are all able to take no notice of the news. Try to ignore it and pray for better times! However, it's March and it will be windy! We're aware that our friends in the Ukraine (and around the world) really do need help in this cold wet weather. If you have any warm blankets or clothes then please consider bringing them to us. We're always at our Church on Friday mornings and you'll be well received. We might even give you a cup of coffee! The items will go straight to Bourton on the Water – where they'll be sorted and sent.

Did you take part in the bird watch? We were really pleased with the numbers of birds visible and the variety. Perhaps we just struck a lucky time – 9.30 – but it was lovely. Especially when we had a small flock visit us. We do have a resident couple of robins – not sure where they reside but we see them in the garden. We know they're supposed to be anti-everything but they've behaved themselves very well so far!

You'll be pleased to know that our friends in New Zealand are suffering from the heat! Our other friends abroad are in USA and they're suffering from the opposite. Isn't it wonderful that we can communicate so easily with the rest of the world. I was thinking the other day about communication and wondering – should we communicate more to be more friendly, or less, and avoid rows nation to nation?

Have you bought your seeds yet? We visited Batsford on last week's rainy Tuesday, and selected some of the seeds we need – we have six little trays of seeds just peeking up. Wonderful – now we have to keep them growing!

Our coffee mornings are still very much enjoyed and if you feel you'd like to join us you'd be very welcome. From 10.30 onwards on Fridays. Usually we start going home at midday – so that gives you a lot of time to chat and consider what you're doing. We have one of the group who is moving soon and we have all offered any help we can give. That's what's so good about living in a village isn't it? We do try to care for everyone.

Penny (Ingles) 01386 853306

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL TREASURER WANTED

Our village hall committee is made up of representatives of all village organisations, so this is a wonderful opportunity to meet people and get involved in village life. Our Treasurer Tracey is returning to full time employment, so we are looking for someone to take her place. Tracey will give full training to a new treasurer and remain on hand to ensure a smooth handover over. If you would like to become part of a very friendly Village Hall Committee and take on this important role please email nevillejelfs@gmail.com.

Neville Jelfs Chairman 07980-870309

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PUBLIC NOTICES March 2024

MONDAY KERBSIDE BIN COLLECTIONS.

The dates for the bins are **4th & 18th March 2024**. Please put all bins and bags out by 7.00am. The Waste Hotline is 01285 623123. https://publica.force.com/sfsites/c/resource/CDC_Calendars/Mon_2.pdf
Please note that the situation on these can change at any time if say the weather is bad. Just leave your bins out for a late collection. (Food waste every week.)

PARISH COUNCIL The office is on the corner of the Village Hall. Open every Monday from 10.00am to noon. Outside these hours, please contact the clerk on 01386 853635 or email clerk@willerseyparishcouncil.org.uk
WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL To hire the hall please telephone **Annie & Bill Payne 01386 858368**, or email willerseyhall@btinternet.com or see <https://www.willerseyhall.co.uk/>
METHODIST COMMUNITY ROOM HIRE Tel: Penny Ingles 01386 853306.

The **MOBILE POST OFFICE** Visits Willersey on **Friday at The Bell Inn 12:45 to 14:45**. There is a **Post Office and cash machine in Broadway Co-Op.**

BROADWAY SURGERY is in Station Road WR12 7DE
Telephones 01386 853651 and 01386 858136.

NEAREST LIBRARY The nearest library is in Broadway.
Open Mon & Wed, 9:30am – 4:30pm. Saturday 9:30 – 1pm 01905 822722

COTSWOLD FRIENDS Anybody who wishes to have transport for hospital and medical appointments ring the Cotswold Friends Help Centre: transport section 01608 651115. This telephone is manned from 09:30-15:30 Monday to Friday. .

SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBERS

National Rail Enquiries 08457 48 49 50 or 03457 48 49 50
National Bus Traveline 0871 2002233
Hedgehog 01386 841849
N. N. Cresswell to Evesham 01386 48655 for route R4
Diamond Bus to Stratford-upon-Avon 01527 813120 for route 1
Pulhams Coaches to Cheltenham 01451 820369 for route 606

Bus timetables for Gloucestershire are at www.easytraveling.org.uk/gcc/ and on the Willersey website at www.willersey.org/transport.htm#bus

Contact numbers for Breakdown of Services & Police

Electric Power Faults - 0800 328 1111 or 105. Gas Emergency – 0800 111 999
Floodline – 0845 988 1188. Severn Trent. Sewage – 08007 83444
Thames Water – 0800 980 8800 British Telecom - 0330 1234 150
Police – Telephone 101 (999) www.gloucestershire.police.uk