

PASTORAL LETTER – October 2025

Harvest

This is not only the season where the leaves turn to gold but it's also the season of harvest festivals and suppers. These occasions invite us to pause and give thanks for the things we enjoy, use, and consume throughout the year, often without giving a moment's thought to where they've come from and who has made them.

At primary school teachers sometimes unpack the food chain with the children – farmer, food producer, retailer but the reality is often even more complex with various wholesalers, distributors and factories involved. For my master's degree I wrote a thesis on the pricing of wheat on the international market and followed the food chain down to growers and up to consumers. It took time and effort to identify the various steps and calculate the variation in cost at each stage of the production cycle. Do I think of that as I enjoy a croissant on holiday, or a piece of mid-morning toast? Of course not, I consume food with little thought of where it comes from and who I could thank.

I'm even more detached from many of the other products I consume. Our telly is on the blink, and we will soon need to purchase a new one – I have no idea where the various components that make it come from. I don't know where the raw materials originated from nor whether they are ethically and environmentally sensitively sourced. Where does the energy to power it come from? Am I naïve to assume that companies and the legislature will ensure the highest standards?

If we don't ask we will never know. If we don't make time to pause to give thanks and celebrate our growers and producers, then we can delude ourselves that we and our consumption are entirely detached from the natural world. We ignorantly ignore the consequences of our consumption choices.

Harvest festivals and suppers provide an opportunity to pause, notice and give thanks. Perhaps provoking us to ask questions about our own consumption and whether we can make adjustments, so our consumption is less damaging to our beautiful and fragile planet home.

Could we eat seasonally – would eating strawberries only when they are in season increase or decrease the pleasure?

Could we eat locally – what do our local farmers grow?
Could we buy sensitively – how could we find out which brands have the highest ethical and environmental standards?

Caring for creation is an expression of Christian faith. *God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good* (Genesis 1:31). God delights in his creation therefore we can honour him by delighting in it too. To delight in something implies a recognition, a respect and a care. Autumn and harvest invite us to do these things for the food we eat, the things we consume, the places we inhabit and the world in which we live.

A harvest prayer

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Every blessing
Revd Craig

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John Poulter

Pat, Elizabeth and Richard and their families would like to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy for their loss of John Poulter.

Your thoughtfulness and support is much appreciated and will always be remembered

Introducing the Reverend Jon Barwood

Bishop Rachel, in consultation with Archdeacon Katrina, Rev'ds Craig and Dana and the parish reps, has agreed to appoint Rev'd Jon Barwood as Interim Team Vicar working in the Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry from 1st October for a 12 month period. This appointment is subject to the usual HR procedures, which are underway.

Please do pray for Jon, Michelle and Henry at this exciting time.

It is with great pleasure that I approach my placement. My ministry will focus on Honeybourne, Willersey with Saintbury, Pebworth and Dorsington.

I trained for ministry at the All Saints Centre for Mission and Ministry in the northwest of England, while my family and I were living on the Isle of Man. I served as a self-supporting curate in Arbory and Castletown, in the south of the island, while working as Head of Compliance for a financial services firm. Before that I spent a number of years working as an Independent Financial Adviser.

My wife Michelle and I relocated to Bourton-on-the-Water last year with our son Henry, who is now at the Cotswold School. My family and I are very much enjoying our new life in the North Cotswolds; it's an area Michelle and I know well, as we have family living here and have been frequent visitors over the last thirty years.

I am really excited to join you. I spent my curacy amidst rural communities on the Isle of Man, and I feel called to continue ministering in this context where I value the strong sense of community, values, history and place. I am passionate about parish ministry – both sustaining the community of the faithful and reaching out into the wider communities - and pointing people to a deeper theological and spiritual truth, one of grace, love, joy, hope and peace.

In my devotional life I place great worth on Benedictine teaching and values, such as community, hospitality, stability, obedience, discipline, humility, stewardship, and prayer. I am blessed by being a Companion of the Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield - a Benedictine community with a deep-rooted commitment to prayer, reflection, study, active ministry and community – and greatly value my retreats living alongside the brethren and experiencing their prayerful life and worship.

I see great importance on the centrality of a village church and in reaching out to all those in the parish. I shall enjoy finding out the story of each community, learning about people and hearing what brings meaning to their lives, and encouraging them to ask questions about faith.



REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Once again we have a change in the seasons, and, with the distinctive air of autumn around us, WI members gathered for our September meeting eager to hear from our speaker for the evening, Mandy Bradshaw aka 'The Chatty Gardener'. Mandy is, and has been, a Cotswold-based gardening journalist for newspapers and magazines for the past twenty-five years and someone for whom gardening and writing have been her passions since childhood. She also gives talks, like this one, and has developed a huge professional interest too in photography.

One of the mainstays of her gardening calendar is Chelsea Flower Show. Mandy spoke to us about some of the background details to this famous show. Such a popular event means tickets have to be limited to around 135,000 and whereas many visitors and celebrities dress up for the occasion, Mandy can be found among the press pack in her boots, waterproofs with notebook and camera at the ready. For example, it is only on press day at the show when live music is heard. Getting a press pass is a difficult thing and it helps to have the guidebook too.

Heading to the press room early is important to get a locker and the room is usually packed with journalists from other countries too such is the popularity of the event. Glasses of Pimms are popular but expensive and you are never quite sure what you will come across. Having the celebrity crib sheet is useful to see who is there.

Mandy showed us a series of photos from her collection and mentioned some of the Cotswold designers that she has come across such as Paul Hervey-Brookes and Martyn Wilson who have had excellent success at Chelsea. I am sure many of you will have come across Mandy's writing, articles and photographs without realising it. She writes for a number of publications including Cotswold Life and she explained that she has to write sometimes a long time in advance of a publication landing at the newsagents. So next time you are reading your copy of Cotswold Life have a closer look at who has written the article on gardening, and you will be likely to find it is the 'Chatty Gardener', Mandy. Many thanks Mandy for giving us an insight into life as a journalist and photographer behind the scenes at Chelsea Flower Show.



COMING UP IN OCTOBER 2025

Monday 13th October : Mary Day hosting A Silkcraft Workshop
(with a Christmas theme)
Guests welcome £5 on the door.

Food donations for "Caring Hands" at the meeting or
contact Sandra Spensley, 6 Willow Road, Willersey

If you are arranging an event in the village hall
and need crockery, cutlery and glasses
the WI is able to supply you with what you need for a fee.
Please contact Mal Jelfs to find out more details on 01386 858351

Village Hall Committee Meeting

On Tuesday 14th October there will be a Village Hall
committee meeting in the committee room.
at 7pm followed by the AGM at 8pm.

THE NOVEMBER VILLAGE NEWS

Copy for the November News must be received by Friday 17th
October 2025 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.

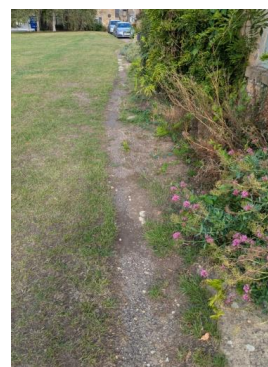
The Church and Village News is published on the Internet at.
www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm



Paths Around Willersey Scheme

October 2025

The Long House path clearance session, went ahead on
Saturday 6th September 2025. Three parishioners, Nick
Akerman, David Whetstone and Clive Lockyer, joined me and
fellow PAWS members, Colin Beards, Mark Ellis, and Mark
Bridgeman in clearing overgrowing turf from the path. Nick
kindly allowed his compost heap to be used for the dumping of
spoil, and also provided coffee refreshments. The group
worked extremely hard in warm conditions.



The Volunteers also cleared weeds, which had grown in various other paths around the Village.



Following several postings on 'Fix My Street' by the PAWS Group, Gloucestershire County Highways have now cleared the drain between the Willersey sign and the County Boundary, on the B4632 footpath, (the one that causes flooding of the footpath). They have also cleared a drain directly opposite. Many thanks to them!

Don't forget anyone can use 'Fix My Street' to report Highway problems.

Just go to <https://fixmystreet.gloucestershire.gov.uk>



If you wish to put your name forward to volunteer for any future projects or if you have any issues you wish to discuss in regard to Paths around the Village please contact the group by email at the address below.

Donald: Chairperson P.A.W.S. Group Contact email:

willerseypaws@gmail.com 7

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.cotswolds-nl.org.uk>

Northleach and Farmington Circular - Tuesday 7th October – Moderate 3hr 5ml

A circular walk from the historic town of Northleach, with its amazing 'Cathedral of the Cotswolds' to the quaint village of Farmington with its fascinating history. Bring a snack/drink.

Start: 10.00am Northleach, GL54 3EZ

OS Map ref: SP 113 146. W3W: breezy.tests.poetry

A Spring and Two Commons - Tuesday 21st October – Moderate 4hr 8ml

Our climb up to Cleeve Hill is rewarded with views across the valley to the Malverns, Cheltenham Racecourse and the Cotswold Hills stretching away to the south. Crossing the hill we search out the source of the River Isbourne before turning for home, crossing Stockwell Common to join a path down a valley back to our starting point. Please bring a snack/drink, and lunch.

Start: 10.00am Apple Tree, Stockwell Lane, Woodmancote. Please park at the far end of the car park.

OS Map ref: SO 974 273. W3W: smothered.workbench.safest

Shurdington to Crickley Circular - Tuesday 21st October – Moderate 3hr 5ml

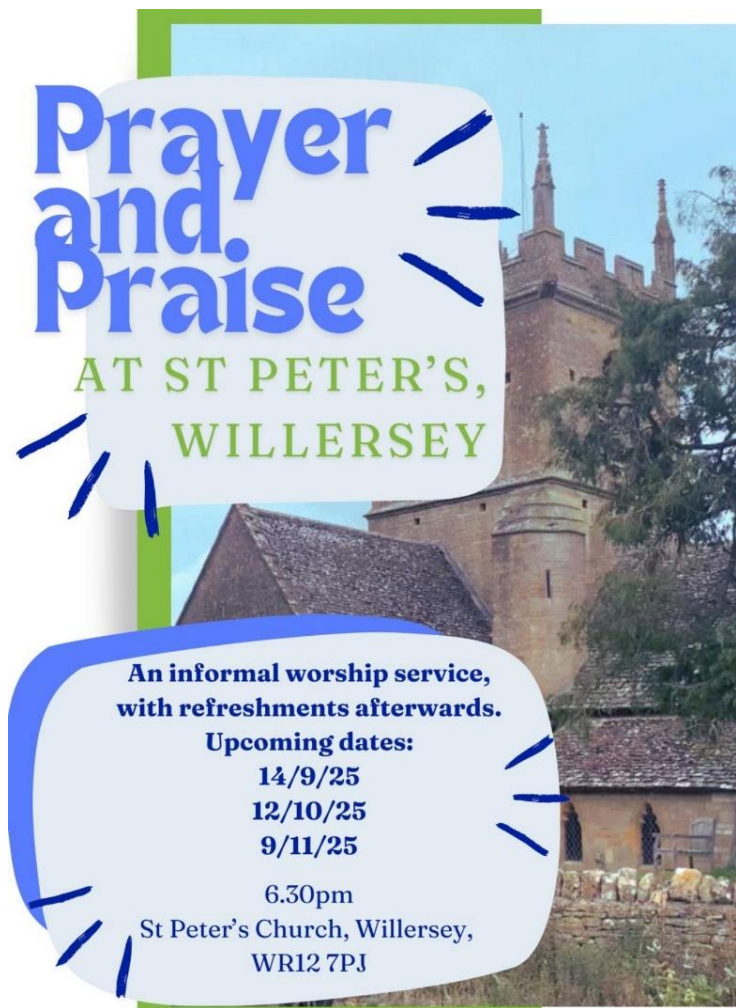
We climb Shurdington Hill, then passing the site of a Roman Villa & vineyard we head to Crickley Hill before heading downhill through Little Shurdington back to the pub where food & dinks can be enjoyed. Bring a snack/drink for mid walk break.

Start: 10.00am Cheese Rollers pub. Park considerably at the far end of the car park in Farm Lane, Shurdington, GL51 4XJ.

OS Map ref: SO 919 183. W3W: spruced.magnitude.earl

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. 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.



Prayer and Praise
AT ST PETER'S,
WILLERSEY

An informal worship service,
with refreshments afterwards.

Upcoming dates:
14/9/25
12/10/25
9/11/25

6.30pm
St Peter's Church, Willersey,
WR12 7PJ

General Trivia Quiz

- 1) Which character features as a clergyman in stories of Robin Hood?
- 2) What star sign would you belong to if born on October 29th?
- 3) What type of beetle was sacred in Ancient Egypt?
- 4) What C describes a sign placed at the beginning of a musical staff indicating the pitch of the notes?
- 5) Which national flags make up the Union Jack?
- 6) What was the name of the first Scottish man to be voted European Footballer of The Year?
- 7) Which Las Vegas hotel did the bachelor party stay at in the 2009 film "The Hangover"?
- 8) What is the highest number visible on a dartboard?
- 9) How many days did the Falklands War last? a)52, b)63, c)74.
- 10) How many yards are there between the wickets in a game of cricket?
- 11) What type of vegetable is known as Celery Root?
- 12) Who is the author of Peter Rabbit?
- 13) How many lines does a Limerick have?
- 14) Who released a hit song in the 1980's called "99 Red Balloons"?
- 15) What is the name of the longest river in France?
- 16) Which famous poet wrote "An Ode to a Nightingale"?
- 17) What is the largest planet in our Solar System?
- 18) Lateral Epicondylitis is a condition commonly known by what name?
- 19) How many players are there in a baseball team?
- 20) What is the softest mineral in the world?

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Willersey Parish Council Meeting September 2025

Thank you to all who came to the Parish Council Meeting. Proposed new developments dominated our agenda, as we had recently received a request from Newlands to discuss a proposed new development behind the Willow Green Development on Collin Lane. This is alongside the possible new development at Folly View on Broadway Rd and the proposed one, Terrify, on the B4632 towards Saintbury. The three developments would mean about 150 new homes in Willersey, and the Parish Council shared their concerns that the village could not sustain this level of development. Many residents who would be immediately affected by the new developments came to the meeting to share their concerns and also to learn from each other, about what can be done to object both before and when the actual planning applications are published. Our District Councillors shared their knowledge and experiences and listened to the attendees' concerns, these included sewage, flooding, highways, traffic, lack of facilities, change to the character of the village and loss of green spaces. Each application will be considered individually during the planning process, but the Parish Council is keen to make known their concerns about the impact of all three developments on the village.

The Parish Council will also continue with its policy and precedent of meeting with developers with villagers also invited.

Other items on the agenda and minutes can be viewed on the PC website and will be posted on Facebook.

The next meeting is Monday October 20th at 7.30pm in the village Hall.

Jane Rintoul

www.willerseyparishcouncil.org.uk



Saint Peter's Church Services October 2025



Special Evensong, Tuesday, 7 October at 4:30pm

Sunday 5 October	10:00 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 12 October	9:00 am Holy Communion (BCP) 6:30 pm Prayer & Praise
Friday 17 October	 <i>The Well-Oiled Lamp</i>
Sunday 19 October	11.00 am All Age Worship
Sunday 26 October	10:00 am Morning Prayer

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

Your Church is open for you every day.

Saint Peter's Welcome Café - every Thursday, 2:00 - 4:30pm

Refreshments for October

October 5 th	Gillian Beale
October 12 th	Rachael Barker
October 19 th t	Christine & Richard Sutcliffe
October 26 th	Adine Keatley & Liz Webb
November 2 nd	Gillian Beale

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Church Cleaning for October

Week ending

October 4th

Rachael Barker

October 4th

AUTUMN CLEAN

October 18th and 25th

Sandy Barnes & Elizabeth Milnes-

James

Brass Cleaning for October Carolynne Adam

The key for the vestry may be collected from The Bell Inn or Gillian Beale at Florizel, Lower Green. Please alert me if cleaning materials are getting low.

Thank you once again for your help..

All Age Worship 21st September

Harvest Festival is a Happy Service giving thanks for a good harvest. (Not always the case as with this year) We get to sing “We plough the fields and scatter” which pictures the procedure exactly. As there was a christening within this service, Carolynne in her talk spoke of rain which is a big part of a farming year. Talking of the difference water can make to our world not something to take for granted and we should conserve it where we can. The Reverend Jodie took the christening part of the service baptising Luca into the church and his godparents making their responses on his behalf. After the service we shared our harvest lunch with bring and share plates of food. What a selection we had and lots of good chat as we sat down to enjoy the harvest food. All in all this was a good service lots of chat afterwards. You should come and join us at All Age Worship sometime. It’s not that daunting.

We would like to thank the cake makers and helpers for the August Bank Holiday “Teas in Church”. The teas raised £400 and also a big thanks to the basket givers for the basket tombola and to those who provided contents for baskets. It was a lot of fun and raised £333 so our thanks to you all.

General Trivia Quiz

Answers

- 1) Friar Tuck 2) Scorpio
- 3) Scarab Dung Beetle 4) Clef
- 5) Crosses of St George, St. Patrick and St. Andrew
- 6) Denis Law
- 7) Caesars Palace 8) Twenty (20)
- 9) c) 74 days 10) Twenty Two (22)
- 11) Celeriac 12) Beatrix Potter
- 13) Five (5) 14) Nena
- 15) Loire 16) John Keats
- 17) Jupiter 18) Tennis Elbow
- 19) Nine (9) 20) Talc

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Willersey Farmers' Market

We enjoyed another sunny Sunday at September's Farmers' Market.

At next month's Market, on Sunday October 19th, we will have some more new stalls and Live Music for you all to enjoy.

Thank you for continuing to support the market.

The Willersey Farmers Market Team

WILLERSEY WI YOUNG AT HEART

CHRISTMAS MEAL

SAT 6TH DEC

12.30 FOR 1.00 PM.

At the Village Hall

Meal is open to anyone in the
Village **55 and over.**

Names required by 17th Dec.

Fill in form below or write information on a slip
of paper, place in Parish Post Box at hall or deliver to
Angela Beale 1, Timms Green.

**WILLERSEY WI YOUNG AT HEART
CHRISTMAS MEAL.**

NAMES AND ANY DIETARY REQUIRMENTS

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Autumn

No spring nor summer beauty hath such grace as I
have seen in one autumnal face." — John Donne



Childswickham Quilters

Coffee Morning

and Display of Quilts

Wednesday November 12^h 2025

10.00am to 12.00pm

At Childswickham Memorial Hall

Atkinson Road, Childswickham, Broadway

Cake Stall Craft Table

Quilting Supplies

Raffle-Tombola

Collection of Donations to Evesham Shoe Box Appeal

And Lynas Quilts

Admission £2.00

Proceeds to Local Charities

Broadway Library

Now open on Fridays

Opening Times:

Monday 9.30 - 4.30pm

Wednesday 9.30 - 4.30pm

Friday open 9.30 - 4.30pm





Recent Village Sightings



After a long hot, dry summer it is encouraging to hear more reports of hedgehogs being spotted – nine sightings this past month to date and counting - no doubt keen to feed up ready for hibernation in a few months' time. Badgers that feed on similar insect, and indeed hedgehogs themselves sometimes, have had a tricky time too this summer which may perhaps partly explain one recently being caught on a trail camera in a local garden.

The pattern of otters turning up in the village at this time of year continues with a recent report of fish and frogs being predated. Another surprising report records a pair of deer taking up residence in a large Willersey garden and producing two fawns that seem very content with their current environment and its fallen fruits. Tawny owls are beginning to be heard more often now as they move on this year's young and discourage any other Tawnies from muscling in on their territory. They usually pair for life and regular contact calls are also part of this bonding process.

Although September is bringing summer to a close, sightings of interesting insects are still being shared with more hummingbird hawk moths seen, painted lady and red admiral butterflies, and interesting moths including a small blood-veined moth and a particularly striking really large moth identified as a convolvulus hawk moth.

Although the summer migrants have departed, the incoming 'Vikings' will soon be with us in the shape of fieldfares and redwings here to Hoover up hedgerow fruits and garden berries and bringing winter with them. British birds will be moving about too. One less common raptor that is occasionally spotted locally is the blackbird sized rapid flying merlin – usually inhabiting high moorland but wintering lower down feeding on small hedgerow birds.

Conversations and sightings from Meg & Don, Roberta, Pete, Mike & Shirley, Sue, Donald, Derek, John & Julia, Sarah, Holly & Tony, Sandy, Robert, Sue & Louise, Sirioli and from farmer and countryman John Poulter – much missed.

If you would like to report local sighting please email

bob.topp@btinternet.com

Thank you.

Willersey
Horticultural
Society



ANNUAL SHOW Monday 25th August 2025

WHS may well have disappeared from our High Streets but here in Willersey our very own WHS (Willersey Horticultural Society) goes from strength to strength !!

With a RECORD number of entries in this year's Show well over 200 visitors throughout the afternoon on a warm and sunny August Bank Holiday Monday were able to feast their eyes on a superb display of Flowers, Fruit, Vegetables, Baking, Preserves, Beverages and Art & Crafts. In addition, there was a lot of interest in the 300+ photographic images of Willersey collected by David Dunbar from many generous sources.

In the words of our Flower Judge.... "The standard of entries was absolutely fantastic ! Made my job very difficult – well done everyone ! "

The competition for the two trophies was very keenly fought out. The second year of the "Peter Bond Chilli Cup" was won by Sam Hallard with an incredibly colourful and stunning Chilli Plant.

There was extra tension whilst adding up the points for the "Eric Beadle Cup", awarded to the overall Show winner. In joint third place was husband and wife Mike & Sue Gilder with both remarkably earning 30 points each. In second place was last year's Champion, Mike Barnes with 54 points and this year, the overall winner – for a RECORD fifth time with 63 points was Jane Ewers.

Well done to all Category winners and to thank you to everybody who entered this year – without you we simply wouldn't have a Show. Grateful thanks to our primary sponsor AUTO-SLEEPERS, our Schedule Advertisers, our dedicated Judges, our Stewards and especially the nine Person Committee who plan the Show and make it all happen. If you have any suggestions or comments that you would like to feedback to the Committee to consider for next year's Show please email Mark on bridgeman757@btinternet.com or call/text on 07976-111906.

Willersey
Horticultural
Society



ANNUAL SHOW Monday 25 August 2025



St Peter's Autumn Clean on Saturday October 11th

Dusters mops polish and brooms are at the ready for an autumn clean at St Peter's.

Work starts at 10:00am but you're welcome to come along at any time during the morning.

A soup lunch is the "thank you" at the end of the morning to enjoy with fellow workers.

Equipment is provided but feel free to bring your own dusters etc.

Look forward to seeing you on the 11th



WILLERSEY W I

Our Annual Christmas Coffee Morning

Saturday November 15th

10.00 – 12.00

Village Hall

**Any donations of Cakes, Fancy goods, Tombola,
Toys, Books much appreciated**

Thank You!

Come and enjoy a 'cuppa' and chat



Willersey Footlights

If you attended the Open Meeting on September 26th you will be up to date with progress towards our 25th and 40th anniversary show in March 2026.

If not and you would like to be involved in this very special occasion, on stage or off, please get in touch. This show is going to be very special. For those who are new to the area, Willersey Footlights are an Amateur (very amateur) dramatics society who put on Variety Shows to raise money for charity.

A great big 'Well Done' to the team for their efforts on the stall at the Bank Holiday show they raised £501.26 which helps to secure the financial support we need to stage the show

Contact Neville on 01386 858351

Nature Box – Extinction

‘Just because we cannot save everything it does not mean we cannot save anything, or that anything is not worth saving.’ - Rebecca Solnit.

A late summer trip to Southern France was particularly memorable for the large number of balletic swallows seen feeding up before crossing the Mediterranean and on to South Africa to complete their amazing migration. But swallow numbers here in Willersey are shrinking fast. Significant loss in recent years of nest sites, suitable habitat and prey insects are key factors in this current downturn.

But first, a big shout-out to those local farmers and residents who continue to allow and actually encourage swallows to nest amongst us after their epic migrations. Sadly it's a similar picture with house martins and swifts, so hats off also to those who are making space for these African visitors.

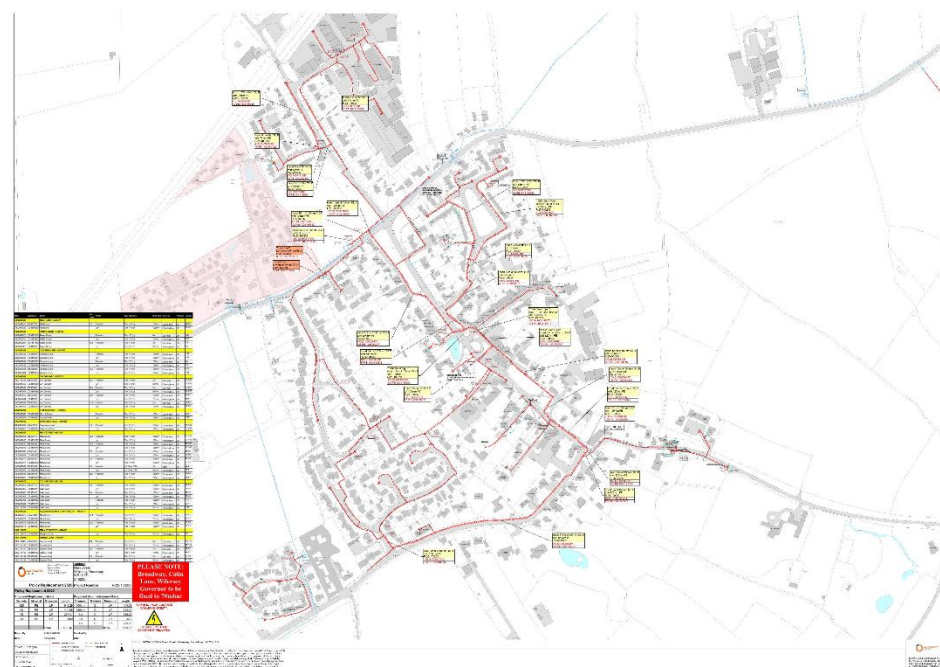
Of course we can't all make a practical contribution to helping swallow, martin and swift numbers, but nature is amazingly resilient if you just give it a little of what she needs to thrive. Everybody can do something that will sustain some aspect of our nature even if just in a small way. If we all keep doing what we all can do we can make a real difference.

If new disproportionate village developments are to go ahead in Willersey despite reasoned protest there should at the very least be appropriate provision for our wildlife. Whether that's suitable green spaces and

accessible water, nest boxes for birds and bats, or access for hedgehogs to travel. We need joined up thinking so that helping the living world to recover can run alongside new developments, and is surely something we can all get behind and campaign for. *As celebrated author Robert Macfarlane has penned 'Despair is a luxury; hope is a discipline'* Bob Topp

Gas Pipe Replacement

Wales & West Utilities will be replacing the old iron gas pipes around the village. Although the below map is very small the boxes indicate the significant extent and location of the work to be undertaken. The work will take a few months.



A festive poster for a Christmas wine and cheese tasting event. The background is a deep blue with white snowflakes. In the center, two champagne flutes filled with bubbly are tied with a gold ribbon. At the bottom left, there are three blue Christmas baubles on a white, snow-like surface. The text is in a mix of elegant script and bold sans-serif fonts.

Christmas
WINE & CHEESE TASTING

Indulge in the spirit of Christmas with an exquisite wine & cheese tasting experience presented by Waitrose Wine Specialist John Williams. Join us for an evening filled with the finest wines, delectable cheese and heartwarming cheer.

 Saturday, 29 November 2025 at 7:30pm
Honeybourne Village Hall,
WR11 7RH

TICKETS £25.00 PER PERSON. TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE
WWW.HONEYBOURNEVILLAGEHALL.ORG



Halloween

“Tis now the very witching time
of night, when churchyards yawn and hell itself
breathes out contagion to this world.”

William Shakespeare, “Hamlet”

PUBLIC NOTICES October 2025

MONDAY KERBSIDE BIN COLLECTIONS.

The dates for the bins are 13th & 27th October 2025. 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 on 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 Fridays at The Bell Inn 12:45 to 14:45.

There is a Post Office inside and a cash machine outside Broadway Co-Op.

BROADWAY SURGERY is in Station Road WR12 7DE

Telephone numbers are 01386 853651 and 01386 858136.

NEAREST LIBRARY Leamington Road, Broadway

Open Mon. Wed. & Fri. 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.

TRAVEL 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