

CASTLE CARY & ANSFORD NEWSLETTER

Winter 2017

The newsletter for Castle Cary and Ansford which invites reports on local events and activities.

We welcome articles from Castle Cary and Ansford groups and organisations. Please keep below 250 words.

If you include notice of local future events do give full and accurate dates and times.

Deadline for copy for next newsletter: Tuesday 16th Jan 2018

Email to deputy.town.clerk@castle-cary.co.uk
or send to "Newsletter", The Market House,
Market Place, Castle Cary BA7 7AH

We prefer copy by email, but don't worry if this is not possible for you.

CASTLE CARY TOWN COUNCIL

All members of the Public are entitled, and welcome, to attend any of our committee meetings and our **Full Town Council Meetings** which are held monthly, usually on the 3rd Monday each month. You can come along and just listen or use the opportunity to have your say about any issues that you feel should be brought to the attention of the Council. Agendas of all Committee and Full Council meetings are published on the notice board outside the Market House as well as on the Town Website.

We still have one Councillor vacancy and if you are interested in joining the Council please contact Sue Hake, Town Clerk, at the Market House for details.

As mentioned in our last edition our usual distributor of newsletters has retired and the distribution is now undertaken by a group of volunteers organised by **Caryford Hall**. Apart from a few minor issues the first delivery by the new group went well but if you are being missed out on the distribution please inform the Town Clerk.

Work continues on **Fairfield** and work will start on laying the footpaths in October. As reported in the summer issue of the newsletter, we had a disappointment in being turned down for a grant towards the pathways and pump track but have been informed that we have been successful in obtaining a substantial grant from Sport for England. In addition we have had confirmation of other generous grants and donations from local businesses and organisations. This means that we should now have enough money to complete the whole project within the next 12 months.

The **Horsepond** continued to be plagued by overgrowth of algae in the warm and sunny weather during the summer. We have taken professional advice from Dr Lisa Thomas, Senior Lecturer in Biology and Environmental Science at Bath Spa University. She has sampled the water in the Horsepond and reported that it is of excellent quality with no detectable levels of pollutants or fertilizer run-off upstream of the pond.

We have carried out two trials of a powdered chalk treatment to "suffocate" the algae which were partially effective and will be continued. Although this looks a little alarming it is quite harmless to humans, water animals and most water plant life apart from the algae.

We have said goodbye to **Lara Davis** who was covering for **Anna Branson** (Market House Bookings & Promotions) during her maternity leave and welcomed Anna back to the Market House.

Our **Finances** continue to be well controlled and we are now starting to set our budgets for the next fiscal year. We will make every endeavour to keep our precept as low as possible within the constraints of the increasing services and costs we have to fund.

With the imminent closure of Barclays Bank (due at the end of October) the Town Council is trying to reduce the number of cash and cheque receipts as there will be only limited facilities in the Town to withdraw and pay-in cash. We are therefore implementing a debit / credit card reader that will allow payments to the Town Council to be paid by chip and pin cards as well as contactless for smaller payments. This should be up and running in November and we would be grateful if as many people as possible use this method of payment in the future.

The Town Council had agreed to run a **Sunday Vintage Market** for 4 trial sessions in the Autumn but this has now been postponed until Spring next year.

By the time you read this the Carnival and Children's Carnival will have come and gone and we hope that they were both as successful as usual. It is the 40th Anniversary of the Cary Carnival and they have made a special effort to mark this with additional fund raising and other events.

Do not forget the **Big Christmas** event in the Town Centre on Thursday 7th December. The Town centre is closed to traffic and there will be a whole variety of stalls, including food, and entertainment as well as late

night opening for many shops. We are very busy getting all the paperwork together, applying for funding, organising entertainment and the stalls and it would be great to have more help. Contact Judi Morison on 01963 350160 for more details.

Parents, do you know where your children are when they go out at night?

The evenings are dark and getting colder now and we find we have groups of young people collecting around the town and on the playing field. Unfortunately there has been an increase in petty vandalism and we want to encourage all our young people to take responsibility for their behaviour and not get involved in undesirable activities. It's not all of them, of course, but the odd ones who get carried away influence the many sometimes.

Vandalism is tiresome. It's expensive to repair, disheartening for those who find it, and pointless. Let's not let this get out of hand in our community.



CASTLE CARY TOWN COUNCIL

Clerk: Sue Hake

Deputy Clerk: Claire Craner-Buckley

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Councillors:

Barry Moorhouse (*Chair*)

Judi Morison (*Vice Chair*)

Martin Atkins Justin Birch

Robert Gilbey Debra Henderson

Pek Peppin Terry Philpott

Sally Snook Penny Steiner

Nick Weeks Barbara Williams

One vacancy

Full Council meetings:

7.00 pm in The Shambles

December 11th

Public welcome to attend.

Planning Committee meetings are normally 1st Monday each month (apart from Bank Holidays).

See website for meeting dates for Finance & Management and Marketing, Communications & HR Committee Meetings.

South Somerset District Councillors:

Mr Henry Hobhouse Tel: 01963 350115

Mr Nick Weeks Tel: 01963 350572

County Councillor:

Mr Mike Lewis Tel: 01963 440231

ANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

... is pleased to announce that the refurbishment of the Ansford War Memorial has recently been completed. This work was done in conjunction with the War Memorials Trust who will be providing a grant towards the cost of the work. The work has been carried out strictly in accordance with the specification provided by the War Memorials Trust. Whilst at present the repairs stand out as being very 'clean' they will gradually weather with time and blend in with the rest of the memorial. Especially after the application of some 'magic' solution recommended to the Council.

Ansford Parish Council is pleased to see the work improving Fairfield reach the next phase with the construction of footpaths and the pump park. This work is being completed in conjunction with Castle Cary Town Council.

The Council is currently putting together plans to improve the gates associated with the footpath and bridle way at Coombe Bottom. This is following damage to the gates due to vandalism. The new gates will improve access for horse riders and have been specified following consultation with Mendip Bridleways and Byways Association.

The Council is also in discussion to improve the footpath down to Castle Cary station. The current work improvements considered include better fencing and cutting back of vegetation. Unfortunately it is not possible to install lighting to this footpath at this time. The Council recommends use of the footpath along the road if users are concerned about using the existing footpath after dark.



ANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Mr C. Edwards – Chairman

Mr A. Gibbons – Vice Chairman

Mr N. Begg, Mr G Clothier, Mrs D Pinnions

Clerk: Gordon McCarthy – 01749 812225

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Please contact the clerk to find out the dates of the next parish council meetings. You are more than welcome to attend all open meetings of the council – and to participate – there is a public open session on the agenda at all monthly meetings. Agendas can be seen (a minimum of three clear days in advance of meetings) on the village noticeboards around the parish at Woodforde Green, Lower Ansford and Ancastle and will also be on the Council website.

Website:

www.parish-council.com/ansford

PLANNING

Although planning permission has been granted for something like 650 new dwellings many people have commented that there is not much building taking place. This is true; however we are expecting the Well Farm site (currently being called Weaver's Fields by the developer – this name is likely to change) and also the site further down Station road (on the same side as Well Farm) may well start in the New Year. We know this because the stage after outline planning permission is called Reserved Matters and this is when the developer submits detailed plans showing what the houses and flats will look like, what they will be built out of, how many bedrooms each will have and so on. Both Cary and Ansford councils have had lengthy discussions with the developers of these two sites to encourage them to design houses that are both nice to look at and good to live in and that will reflect our local building style and materials. And we have also emphasised the importance of including footpaths to make it easy for the new residents to walk to the Town Centre, Ansford Academy and so on.

We have done our best and hope that these two developments will be a credit to our lovely town.

A draft of the revised Local Plan (not to be confused with the Neighbourhood Plan) can be seen on the District Council website (<https://modgov.southsomerset.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=136&Mid=2006&Ver=4>). Here the sharp-eyed among you will spot that they are considering the removal of Foxes Run from the areas of land suitable for future development. We will do our best to encourage this suggestion.

Please remember that Town Council Planning agendas and minutes are on the Town website and that anyone is welcome to attend planning meetings and speak – if they so wish.



FAIRFIELD PROJECT

At last we have lots of progress to report. Like waiting for a bus and they suddenly all come at once, that is what has happened with the funding that we have applied for over the last couple of years for this project. Grants from a national grant making body, **Tesco** bag scheme, and a local anonymous donor have all been agreed in the last month. Plus, we have received fabulous donations from local companies, **Delaware Veterinary Services** and **Emily Estates**. Thanks to both these companies from the local community.

Regarding the grant from Tesco, you are all encouraged to shop at the Shepton Store in November and December, collect the blue tokens that you will be given and put them in the allocated box for the Pump Park Project. Two other charities will be up against us

Switch On Saturday

This year we will be switching on all the lights in the High Street and on the Market House from the Undercroft on **SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER**. Join us for some seasonal bites, music and surprises at 4.00 pm.

It will be a busy day in Castle Cary starting with a **CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING**, the stupendous **CRAFT FAIR** at Caryford Hall, **SHOPPING** in our wonderful independent shops and **STORYTELLING** in Bailey Hill Bookshop from 3.30 pm.

and the one with the most tokens will receive £4000, the second £2000 and the third £1000. Let's aim high for the £4000!! We will be advised in January how much we are to receive.

Now the real work can begin. By the time you read this newsletter new hard pathways will have been laid across the field. This will give access to the field to people with children in pushchairs, people in wheelchairs and even motorised disabled buggies – something that was requested when we asked the community what we should do with the field. Plenty of green space will remain for dog walkers.

We hope that the green gym will be installed by Christmas and we will also start work on building the sensory garden. A team of people from **Eat Cary** and **Carymoor** are busy planning the planting for these beds and hopefully growing plants in their polytunnel that can be planted in the spring. We will also be looking at developing wildflower beds in areas on the field and encouraging wildlife areas around the stream and gully. Volunteers to help with all this work are welcome. Contact the project team via the town clerk in the Market House.

In January work will begin on the long-awaited pump park (a combination of a BMX track and a skate park). The contractor is not available to start work before then but the work should be completed within about 1 month.

Whilst the major work is being done in the field we suggest that people keep out of the field and if they do need to enter, they do so at their own risk. A huge thank you to all the project team, Castle Cary Town Council, Ansford Parish Council and all the local people who have offered help so far. It won't be long to wait until all work is complete and we can have a grand opening of this wonderful new community asset next Spring.



BIG CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

**on Saturday November 18th
from 9.30am to 12 noon**

*~ Fair Trade coffee ~ Wonderful Cakes ~
~ Bric a Brac ~ Christmas Crafts for Kids ~ Raffle ~*

**And the launch of our famous
Spot the Window Competition –
Forms from McColls 20p**

Castle Cary Town Council Town Councillor Vacancy

Are you interested in your local community and how it is developed in the future?

Do you have concerns about what happens in your community and the surrounding area?

Are you interested in making sure that the best possible services are available and maintained for residents?

You can probably answer "yes" to at least one of these questions but have you ever considered becoming a Town Councillor?

All that is required is genuine desire to help the community and a commitment to attend Town Council meetings. Good quality training is available. To find out more about becoming a Town Councillor either talk to an existing Town Councillor and/or Town Clerk, visit the National Association of Local Councils' website: www.nalc.gov.uk.

The Town Council is made up of a total of 13 Town Councillors. It serves an estimated population of 2000 people. Full Council Meetings are held every month on the third Monday evening at 7.00pm at the Market House with other Committee meetings held at 6.30pm. The Town Council is responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the Market House and The Shambles, the Donald Pither Memorial Ground and Pavilion, the children's play area, the town's Cemetery and Chapel along with other smaller assets including the Millbrook Car Park toilet facilities and the Roundhouse. It also has to make sure that spending is kept within the agreed precept limit.

It is very important that the Town Council has its full complement of Town Councillors so that any decisions are made in a democratic way. The Town Council represents the opinions of residents in discussions with the district and county councils, especially decisions that concern the future development of the town.

If you are interested, please contact:

Mrs Susan Hake, Town Clerk
c/o The Market House, Castle Cary
tel: 01963 359631
or email: town.clerk@castle-cary.co.uk

DIMMER LIAISON COMMITTEE

Several local residents, Mike Lewis our County Councillor, District Councillors Nick Weeks and Henry Hobhouse, Sally Snook of Castle Cary Town Council, and representatives of Parish Councils attended our regular 'Liaison Meeting' with Viridor on 14th September.

Our main concern was the fire at Dimmer Landfill site on 28th August. We sent several questions to James Rosewell, the Viridor Manager, in advance of the meeting, expressing our concerns and asking for details of the fire, how it started and what changes have been made to procedures on site to prevent fires in the future. This is a brief summary of the points discussed. A more detailed account can be found on the Castle Cary Town website (www.castle-cary.co.uk) under the Minutes for the Full Council meeting of 18th September.

The fire started in the current operational 'cell'; the tyres used as a drainage blanket in the bottom of the cell caught fire creating black smoke. Rubbish had been tipped in this cell during the morning of the Bank Holiday Monday. We were told that there is constant

Castle Cary's Big Christmas

Sing ... dance ...shop 'til you drop ... eat ...

on **THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER**

Join us from 5.30 to 8.30pm

for late night shopping, market stalls, eating and entertainment on our High Street and – of course –

Father Christmas!

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ROADS
AND THE TOWN CENTRE WILL BE CLOSED
FROM 4.00 UNTIL 10.00 PM**

monitoring for non compliant loads, gas bottles, batteries, hot waste etc. that could cause a fire and a there was a 'fire watch' for an hour after the last load was tipped. However, the fire was not detected until smoke was seen by a member of the public who alerted the Fire services at 16.30.

The Fire & Rescue Service Commander on site made the decision to deploy a high volume water pump to safely fight the fire. This pump was brought from Wellington and hose was connected to the River Alham/Brue at Alford. Whilst the pump was being set up water was brought in from hydrants. The fire was brought under control and extinguished by 3pm on 29th August.

Concern was expressed by members of the Liaison Committee about the fumes that were blown across surrounding houses and fields in the prevailing wind. It is a well known fact that such smoke can contain toxins and we questioned the Environment Agency representative about monitoring of these fumes. He stated that the advice was to keep doors and windows shut and that such monitoring would have to be commissioned by Public Health England; it would have taken 24 hours to set up, during which time the fumes would have largely dissipated.

Viridor do not know what caused the fire, but it is more likely that fires will happen now that the constituents of rubbish going into landfill have changed, due to the separation of food waste and other wet agents now going for composting; this means that landfill rubbish is drier and has a higher proportion of flammable materials.

James Rosewell told the meeting that 'fire watches' will be increased, that the leachate (water that has percolated through the rubbish in the cell and leached out some of the constituents) has already been increased to keep the tyre blanket wet and that fire walls of earth will be increased. He further stated that the Waste Transfer Station, due to be built in the next couple of years, will be the way to manage the waste that's presently going to landfill.

We were also told that it is vital that the public are aware of the fire risk of putting flammable items into their household waste; items such as hot barbecue coals, all batteries but especially lithium-ion, and

e-cigarettes. There is a link to further information on the Castle Cary Town website.

There have been six fires since March 2017 including that on 28th August. Five caused no damage; the Fire & Rescue Service was called on three occasions, but the fire was already out by the time they arrived at one of these.

Castle Cary Town Council discussed the above points at length in their meeting on 18th September and has sent a letter to Senior Management in Viridor and Pennon asking for several assurances especially about the improvement in detecting fires in landfill, extending 'Fire Watches' and increasing security patrols. The Town Council also asked that consideration be given to the purchase of a high volume pump to be kept at the Dimmer site.

Further items discussed at the meeting:

Leachate is currently not being discharged to the River Cary but is being tankered out and taken to Avonmouth for disposal (approx 5 loads per day). Funding for the new leachate treatment plant has been approved and the 18 month build will start in early 2018. Waste input to the site since March has been 74,609 tons in 10,498 loads (approx 21,000 vehicle movements). Average 80-100 loads per day. A dedicated wood shredder has been commissioned; this should reduce the noise nuisance from wood shredding.

The next meeting of the Dimmer Liaison Committee will be on 7th December.

*Sally Snook (Castle Cary representative
Dimmer Liaison Committee)*

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CARY & ANSFORD YOUTH COUNCIL

The young people have got off to a good start and the Chair Casey attended the last Town Council meeting to report on their meetings. They requested permission to tackle the dog mess in the town. They will be using an environmentally friendly coloured chalk spray to draw attention to the mess and hopefully discourage people from allowing their dogs to do it on the pavement. They plan to spray on a Sunday and use a different colour weekly to highlight the frequency.

They also requested lighting for paths off the Donald Pither memorial field and asked to undertake a project to paint the bins on the playing field to encourage more use of them. The project will be called 'Pimp my Bin'! These initiatives have been passed to the relevant Town Council committee for discussion.

They are creative, energetic young people who aren't phased by tackling difficult issues in our town. Well done Casey, Nathan, Hayley and Jem.

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The Information Point at the Market House

At long last we have our official brown I-sign hanging high up at the front of the Market House. It rightly calls us simply an "Information Point" as our brief is to help the local community as well as tourists – we carry leaflets about a multitude of local services and events, bus and train timetables, theatre programmes etc. If we cannot answer a query, we signpost to the relevant agency, increasingly using our computer when enquirers are not themselves computer literate. We sell tickets for local events (but please bring the correct money), enrol for adult classes, and deal with coffee mornings. We help the Town Council by providing a first port of call for infrastructure complaints – and explain how these problems can be reported directly. We hold details of road closures, and can access planning applications for you to look at.

We are all volunteers who enjoy helping people, and explaining the history of our historic building. Our younger visitors love meeting Oscar, our resident prisoner, and we encourage visits to the Museum upstairs. We are proud of our town, and have for many years taken responsibility for producing the Castle Cary and Ansford tourist leaflet.

During the winter (November to March) call in between 9.30am and 12 noon weekdays and Saturdays to be sure to find us, or ring 01963 351763 during these hours, or email tourism@castle-cary.co.uk

ANSFORD ACADEMY

On the 13 June 2017 our principal, Mrs Pilgrim, met with representatives from the Castle Cary and Ansford Carnival Society and the initial idea for Ansford Academy having their own carnival entry was proposed. Mrs King (Vice Principal) and Mrs Marshfield (Head of Creative Arts) then met with the committee representatives on 20 July, our penultimate day of the summer term, to drill down details about the logistics and how to go about designing and creating a carnival entry in time for the carnival on 14 October 2017.

September quickly arrived allowing us just six school weeks to recruit members of the Academy to our carnival club and plan and make everything from scratch! The carnival project was launched to students in assemblies, tutor time and lectures during the first week of term and our inaugural meeting was held on Tuesday 12 September leaving just 4.5 weeks until carnival day! Students quickly decided that they wanted the theme to be 'Alice in Wonderland' which was suggested by many of the year 7 students and they split themselves into 'props' and 'costume' teams. Sketches came together for outfits and the cart itself with some really ambitious ideas!

During the four weeks that followed there were a series of workshops run by the internationally recognised carnival group *Mahogany* (<https://www.mahoganycarnival.com/>). They helped students to 'think big' with their costumes and props supporting them in making an incredible number of flowers,

COMMUNITY LEARNING

LAMP – Learning at the Market Place

WALKS & TALKS

See inside newsletter for details.

2 November – Walk, 16 November – Walk & Talk

7 December – Walk, 21 December – Walk

BREAD-MAKING DAY workshop will be on Saturday November 25th with Paul Youd, bread-maker extraordinaire. 10am – 4pm. Cost £40.

FILM BUFFS in the Market House

Cost £5 per ticket.

The next film discussion will be **Citizen Kane** on Thursday 16 November at 7pm.

Followed by Ingmar Bergman's **Wild Strawberries** on Thursday 14 December, 7pm.

CREATIVE WRITING with Emma Craigie, Wednesdays 6 – 8pm. Starts January 10th, half term February 14th, ends March 21st. Cost 100.

SOMERSET SKILLS & LEARNING

You may be aware that SS&L suffered a real blow when their funding was cut dramatically by central government in September. They have had some funding reinstated and are currently undergoing an assessment of what they can offer locally.

LAMP is prepared to underpin the planned events of Art and Bread-making for Christmas and discussions are under way with the tutors.

Watch this space for Art dates with Amanda Bee returning to the Shambles.

leaves, hats, headpieces, card outfits and a giant Cheshire cat from foam. Miss Gadd (DT Food) and Miss Blackmore (DT Product design) both helped students further their design work and helped to make the giant teacup and toadstool that house our white mice and caterpillar on the evening itself. Mrs Heaton (Drama) and Mrs Pilgrim (Principal) were also involved in our costume making, helping with some last minute stitching on the evening before the carnival where students hadn't quite managed to finish their designs in the limited time available.

The day of the carnival arrived and last minute painting and construction was underway from 1pm. The *Mahogany* group arrived with the larger pieces (including our giant Alice) which they had been gluing together and keeping safe for us until carnival day. We also had a 1-hour Steel Pan workshop for 8 students with the group *Pantasy Steel* (<http://www.steeldrumband.co.uk>) to help us get into the carnival mood. Once everyone had had face paint and make up applied and got into costume, the cart got hooked up in the Academy carpark at 6.30pm and we were ready to move off in the procession from 7pm.

Students and staff alike had excellent fun processing round the town and hearing the excited shouts from the crowd. It was excellent to have so much community support and for the hard work and effort of the students and staff to be recognised with such an exciting array of awards too. Many thanks to all the students, staff and parents who contributed and helped the carnival effort in any way – it couldn't have happened without you all!

I think it's safe to say that Ansford Academy has caught the carnival bug so watch this space for carnival 2018!



BOWLS

Here we are in winter mode with the usual pattern of events that ensures the green is well fed, snug and warm for the bleak months ahead – it may sound like a precious baby and it certainly is to us! The comments from visiting clubs during the 2017 season were very complimentary, so thank you, bonny baby.

In the Summer edition of this newsletter I promised to give you a final report on our position in the leagues we compete in. The news is very good indeed but just missed out on being spectacular. We suffered a severe bout of seconditis – in our Men's Mid-Somerset League, the Mixed Mid-Somerset League and the Ladies' Wild League. So near yet so far – but we are improving with more still to come. 2017 has to rank as one of our very best years, including progressing through many rounds in individual competitions – so congratulations everyone!

Meanwhile, in our quiet non-bowling time we continue to have new programmes of events which enable us to meet up on a regular basis at the Club. Long term readers of this newsletter could probably reel them off – monthly Sunday lunches, whist drives, presentation of trophies early November and AGM at the end of November, New Year's Eve 'do', Race Night in March and hey presto! we've come round to mid-April and the bowling season starts again. What's not to like?

Finally, all that remains is for me to send all you lovely people of Ansford, Castle Cary and the surrounding area our very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year from all of us at the Bowls Club – enjoy!

Y.C.



CAMELOT U3A

Camelot U3A will meet at 2.30pm on Friday 24th November at Caryford Hall when the speaker will be Jonathan Weeks, Medieval Musician, presenting "A Blast from the Past". Jonathan is a collector and lecturer on medieval musical instruments with a

particular penchant for the pipe and tabor. All members and guests are welcome.

Following on from the bicentenary of Jane Austen's death and her appearance on the new £10 notes, on Friday 26th January we shall welcome Jane Crozier to tell us more about one of our most celebrated authors. Jane is an experienced lecturer and runs literature courses for the WEA.



CARNIVAL SOCIETY

"Mardi gras came to Cary" was how one local resident described our recent 40th anniversary carnival procession. The committee has been delighted by this and all the extremely positive feedback we have had about the procession this year.

The Society had been determined to celebrate in style, so earlier in the year bid for and was awarded an Arts Council England Lottery grant. "If Bridgwater can do it – so can we!" said Entries and Judging Secretary, Paul Burch. The grant meant the Committee could financially support the wonderful local schools' entries, and fund the 6000 new LED lights on the Cary Comedians come-back cart. The money also brought in some special carnival skills like costume expertise from a Notting Hill carnival club, and paid for high quality procession entries that otherwise we couldn't afford. These included the "swans" that were the talk of the town after carnival, and also the fabulous samba band.

Another first for the Committee was to sell children's carnival toys – keeping money out of unlicensed pedlar's pockets. "It's been a huge amount of work to organise, but brings in an important source of additional revenue." said Dave Lawrence who spearheaded the initiative locally.

The grant was a fantastic bonus, building on the foundation of the incredibly strong and generous support from local businesses and townspeople who want to see the tradition of carnival continuing. A huge thank-you to everyone who has contributed – in whatever way – to our carnival this year.

For more about our carnivals, see www.cacs.org.uk



CARY COMEDIANS CARNIVAL CLUB

Cary Comedians have had a difficult year. Led by Steve Higgins (Chair), Jon Osmond (Vice Chair) and Steve's partner Vicky (Hon Sec), the team have worked tremendously hard with new recruits and old members returning to build this year's float. Sadly the dressed tractor/lorry unit blew up the night before



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7AH. Tel: 01963 351763**

Email: markethouse.bookings@castle-cary.co.uk

Cary carnival on its way to Centaur Services car park. Muppetts CC had to loan us their tractor to take part in the carnival. Five years ago the police requested clubs to use lorry units to pull floats. We have complied with this and now learned, three weeks ago, that the police have U-turned and want clubs to use tractors. We shall have to sell our lorry (possibly at a loss) and buy a tractor. Two anonymous residents have made wonderful 3-figure donations but we need more donations or sponsors to buy a decent tractor. Please help us! Carnival in Cary would not be the same without 'Cary Comedians' and carnival provides a wonderful family-friendly event, raising moneys for local charities.

The club does need more performers and road crew as well as more 'DIY' constructors. We have a good team, wonderful spirit and many, many laughs. Yes, we are a Comic Club wishing to lift spirits in what is known in Somerset as 'The Greatest Free Shows on Earth'. However, it is quite costly to keep a carnival club going.

Gordon Stockman MBE



CARYFORD FITNESS & LEISURE

We are now on Facebook/1610Caryford & Twitter @1610Caryford. This is the best way to keep up to date with the Centre on news events etc.

Don't forget to check out our website and App!

If your doctor or health professional feels that physical activity can help with a health condition they can refer you. You can also refer yourself to 1610's Wellness Works scheme if you have any existing medical or health conditions, or even if you just need some extra support, guidance or motivation. Wellness Works membership gives you full access to Centre

facilities from opening to 5pm, and weekends. Our Wellness Works membership costs £23 per month with no kickstart fee. Please contact us if you would like to find out more.

We offer a total of 21 classes a week! From high intensity classes such as Group Cycle, Conditioning, Kettlecise, Hard HIIT, Pump, to more holistic activities such as Yoga and Pilates. There's an activity for everyone! The majority of them are evening classes.

****Cut out this article and bring it into the Centre before 31/12/17 and you can try one of our fitness classes for FREE!****



HEALTH MATTERS

In April this year I was elected as public governor to Yeovil District Hospital.

If you have issues regarding anything to do with the hospital, either good or bad, please get in touch with me and I will endeavour to feed your comments back to the appropriate department.

I am also on the Patient Participation Group for Wincanton surgery. What I have said above applies to this surgery.

Janette Cronie

I can be contacted at janette.cronie@btopenworld.com
01963 350708

CARYFORD HALL

Our Christmas Market for 2017 will be on Saturday December 2nd; the hall will be as full as last year, with a huge variety of stalls, a creative selection of cards, candles, carvings and everything in between, as well as drinks and refreshments, and soup at lunchtime. If you haven't been before it is well worth a visit, and entry is free!

There is a lecture planned for the evening of 24th February, the subject this year will be the SS Great Britain, doors will open at 5.45pm, when drinks and canapes will be available, and the lecture will commence at 6.30pm. As a follow up to this, we aim to organise a trip to see over the SS Great Britain, probably in March.

We continue to hold a number of live musical events in the Hall, top quality musicians often come to Caryford Hall as part of their tour of Great Britain. The hall is very good acoustically, and enables the musicians to be heard at their best. If you like live music do come along to one of our gigs.

These are some of the events organised by the hall committee to raise funds towards our planned extension, but there are also all the other weekly and

monthly events that groups hire the hall for. Do look at our website www.caryfordhall.co.uk to check out what is on offer, or to see if you might be able to book it for a party or function. Everyone is welcome – it's your local hall!

Rosemary Rymer, 01963 351057



CERAMICS GROUP

Our Autumn session opened on 3 October, when Gaye Blake-Roberts, curator of the Wedgwood Museum, returned to speak about 'The Genius of Wedgwood'. On 7 November Tony Curnock will talk about 'Creamware and the Melbourne Enigma'. The talk will deal with the body, shapes and manufacturers of the wares. Our AGM will be held at 2pm on 5 December, followed by three short talks by Paul Blatchford on 'Collecting Delftware Saucers', Sarah Fitzgerald on 'Wincanton Delftware' and Elaine Chetham on 'Chetham & Robinson Gifts for Good Children'. We have no meeting in January but will resume in February 2018.

Our meetings are normally held on the first Tuesday in the month (except after Monday bank holidays) at 2.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall in Upper North Street, Castle Cary.

Our annual subscription for members is £30 covering ten meetings. Guests pay £5 per meeting, including tea and biscuits. Visitors are most welcome, but we hope they will become subscribing members of our friendly group. You do not need to know about ceramics – just have an interest.

For more information telephone our Secretary, Duncan Chalmers, on 01460 54117.



CASTLE CARY CHOIR

With Christmas just around the corner Castle Cary choir are in full swing practising for their Christmas concerts. These will include some season favourites, some new arrangements and, of course, the opportunity for the audience to join in singing some carols with us.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our concerts:

Friday 1st December at 7.30pm at All Saints' Church, Nunney, near Frome for an evening of Christmas songs with some special guest soloists. Tickets £8 to include interval refreshments – contact Allan Koop on 01373 836218. Fundraising for All Saints' Church roof fund.

Friday 8th December at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church, North Street, Castle Cary for an evening of Christmas songs, including some light-hearted readings relevant to the joys of Christmas. Programmes £8 on the door – refreshments included. Fundraising for the Methodist Church and the choir.

We are now taking bookings for 2018, so if you need to do some fundraising for your church or favourite charity, maybe we could sing for you? To find out more about fundraising, future events and to join the choir, please call John Roberts on 07970 039007 or check out our website at www.castlecarychoir.org.



CHURCHES TOGETHER

We hope to take part and co-ordinate lots of meetings leading up to Christmas. Switch on, Saturday 2nd December, will link to the Festival of Angels in All Saints' Church. Churches Together plan to join the Big Christmas, 7th December, offering mince pies to everyone visiting.

On 16th December a Crib service will take place at the Market House at 10am, as part of the coffee morning for Churches Together. The Scouts will also be making bacon butties for their funds.

The 2017 Carol Service will be at the Methodist Church on 17th December at 5pm. Everyone is most welcome.

In the New Year we shall prepare for Lent with a service and lunch to launch our Lent Appeal at Caryford Hall on Sunday 28th January 2018.



CINEMA IN CARYFORD

We still have three films scheduled for our autumn/winter period. "Their Finest" in October, "Another Mother's Son" in November and the ballet, "The Nutcracker" on the afternoon of December 10th. This will be the first showing of a pre-recorded live performance, this one by The Royal Ballet from Covent Garden.

As ever, keep a look out for the yellow posters, details of the first films for 2018 should be available in November.

Tessa and Jeannie



CRICKET CLUB

The cricket season is well and truly over, the pitch has had the winter work done and been put to bed until next season.

This last season we had mixed results: the 1st XI struggled but the 2nd XI finished fourth in their division. However, we did manage to field a side every week, thanks to the 2nd XI vice captain who went out of his way to make sure we had enough players each week. Luckily the weather was kind to us and we only had to cancel one match.

We run a monthly draw throughout the year, profits of which go to help finance the club. If anyone wishes to join please contact me on 01963 350841 or the promoter Mr Peter Martin, tel 01963 440065.

We are also looking for a new groundman for next season, if anyone is interested please contact me.

M. Webber, Hon. Sec.



EAT CARY

Like everyone else we have almost too much produce at the moment. And some has to be eaten at once – the inevitable potato that got speared on the fork as it was dug; the runner beans picked young to be tasty and to encourage more to grow; and of course the courgettes. In the polytunnel we are experimenting with sweet potatoes and groundnuts along with more usual vegetables to supply us (we hope) all winter. Our next job is our seed order for next year.

We have started a recipe folder and would love to try other people's ideas too. Beetroot burgers are a surprising favourite. Muffins with grated courgette (call it zucchini and the kids will happily munch away) are beautifully moist. In recipes using chopped apple, substitute green tomato for a sharp, slightly tangy flavour. Boil your damaged spuds, mash and freeze – and use the potato water for your bread making. Young runner beans need no fussing – just steam them for 10 mins max and add freshly ground pepper and a knob of butter. The ideas are endless – blackcurrant coulis, lettuce soup. Google will find you a recipe for almost anything.

Saturday 2–4pm one of us is always there. Do half an hour's work and take home a bag of veges. Bring the children too – we have mini gardening equipment and they will love digging up potatoes, watering etc.

Just come along – or for more information ring 01963 351461



CARY HISTORY SOCIETY

New!!

If you are interested in the history of our area, why not join the newly formed Cary History Society! Membership is free. Simply email caryhistsoc@gmail.com and ask to join the 100 or so people already on the mailing list. You will be notified about talks, quizzes, exhibitions and outings relating to local history.

We charge a small fee for events to support local historic good causes.

Our programme started with a lecture by Prof. Will Vaughan outlining the history of Cary (in aid of Cary Museum).

More events are already in the pipe-line and ideas for future events will be most welcome.

Your email will not be given to any other organisation and we will be selective in what we send you.



MACMILLAN

We had a really successful Biggest Coffee Morning in the Market House at the end of September and raised over £650 and barely a cake left. Thank you everyone who came and supported this nationwide event. It was very busy.

As the year comes to a close there is only one major event left, which is 'Tea at the Ritz with Bridge' at North Cadbury Court. This is the second time we have been lucky enough to hold the event in this beautiful house and it certainly didn't take long to fill the tables. We do, however, have a couple left if anyone would like to come. The date is 14th November at 2.30 pm and the cost is £20 a head. Duplicate, Chicago or rubber bridge available. Please get in touch with Margaret Bebbington on 01963 351886 or margaretbebbington@hotmail.com. We will also be at the Big Christmas selling biscuits and holding a lucky dip for the children.

At the beginning of 2018 the Committee is going to be taken over by Janet Loe as Chair and Cas Sandy as the Treasurer. If you would like to become involved with Macmillan Fundraising or want help in organising an event they would be delighted to hear from you. For more information please get in touch with Cas Sandy on 01963 359165 or email castlecarymacmillan@gmail.com. Events are always advertised in local shops and on the town website.



METHODIST CHURCH

It was great to have around 30 children for our summer holiday club at the end of the school holidays. We continue to worship every Sunday at 10:30am and 6:30pm. We have junior church during morning worship and about once a month we have all-age worship.

Advent and Christmas is an important time for us and there's lots of going on:

Sunday 10th December – **Christingle Service**, 4.30pm. All welcome. Donations for Action for Children.

Sunday 17th December – 10.30am **Nativity Service**. In the early evening we will host the annual **United Carol Service**.

Saturday 23rd December – **Children's Holiday Club morning**. Drop your children or grandchildren off for a morning of Christmas bible stories, songs and craft. 9–12pm. £1 donation per child. All primary age children welcome. Contact susie.simmons@yahoo.co.uk – 01963 351554

Sunday 24th December – 10.30am **Worship**, 11.30pm **Midnight Holy Communion**

Monday 25th December – 10am **All Age Christmas Day Worship**

Sunday 7th January – 10.30am **Covenant Service** – everyone welcome to join in our annual service of renewal

Regular events

Homegroups on Monday morning or afternoon or Thursday evening;

Toddlers meets in the schoolroom – Tues 10am – for all preschoolers and their carers;

Coffee for All in the schoolroom Wednesdays 9.30 till 12 – pop along for coffee, cake, chat and more!

Check out our website at <http://www.carymethodists.org> or find us on Facebook – Castle Cary Methodist Church

TOGETHER MAGAZINE

Do you know that a Parish Magazine called 'TOGETHER' is published every month?

This covers news from the Anglican, Methodist and Catholic churches with service times, news from the churches and a message from one of the clergy. You will also find all sorts of useful information, particularly with regard to events such as Coffee Mornings, Concerts, Films and other happenings in Cary and the surrounding area. We also advertise local businesses and welcome more advertisers. Sometimes we have articles on a variety of topics and we welcome contributions and suggestions for the magazine.

If you would like to have '**Together**' delivered to your home every month it costs £6.00 per year. You may have a free sample to try, to see if you want it regularly.

To arrange delivery please contact
carytogether@gmail.com
or 'phone 01963 359069.

MOAT GARDEN

Previous hopes to have the garden open for the summer were dashed and as we go to print the Trustees *still* do not own the garden so are unable to do the repairs needed to allow open access; BUT monies are with the solicitor and we keep optimistic that the day will come very soon.

Preparation for access and entrance safety has been made, quotes and options got ready. Some people have offered already to 'tidy garden to shape again', so add your name and join our gang. We will need help with fence, compost, table repairs as well as weeding, pruning.

Access and readiness of the school plot will be a priority so the primary children can begin their lessons there again. Eat Cary have vegetables growing on for them, champing at the bit to be planted, but the beds and surroundings will need a clear up before the children can visit.

It is a community green space so your ideas, and those wishing to share time in the garden will be welcomed.

As previously stated the trustees will offer a member's option so those wishing to show support for the garden and help with maintenance have a way to do so and the first opportunity will be at our Big Christmas cider stall – come and visit us there to get an update.

For further information: 01963 350899/359502. westidar@gmail.com

Ida West and Anne Jeliffe

The Moat Garden Project group - Charitable Incorporated Organisation No. 1169894.

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RAMBLERS

Our height of summer walk started from Litton heading out to Farrington Gurney and looping back to the Litton reservoirs. A mild warm day with gentle breeze taking tea in Litton.

The early August walk started from King's School, Bruton hoping to return to their pavilion for our annual picnic before heavy rain arrived. Hopes dashed before drying out to settle into a sumptuous summer picnic buffet.

Mid August we started from Cary following Monarch's Way towards Boulter's Bridge. Visited Carymoor Environmental Centre enjoying a guided tour around this interesting site. Returned to town past Cockhill along the River Brue.

In late September we walked from Wells Golf Club along part of the East Mendip Way, dropping down into Wells for lunch, before swinging back to the golf club. Saw huge puff ball mushrooms the size of dinner plates!

Mid September took us to Child Okeford, Dorset, climbing upward to Hambledon and Hod Hills, revealing Iron Age hill forts and remains of a Roman Era military fort built within it. Wide ranging views before returning via Iwerne Courtney.

In late September our walk began from Ditcheat, crossing several fields of tall standing maize. Faces slapped by large wet leaves and hit by hard corn cobs as we fought our way through! Surviving this onslaught returned to Ditcheat and welcomed much needed tea and cake.

Recently we guided the local Scout, Cubs and Beavers groups on a sponsored local walk to help raise funds towards the cost of renovating their dilapidated Scout hut.

Mid October our walk started at St Mary's Church in Dinton. Visited two mills in the Nadder Valley and Compton Down above the Fovant badges.

We meet at lower Millbrook car park on alternate Wednesdays and leave promptly at 9.30am. For more information contact Anne Pitt on 01963 359621.

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BRUE VALLEY ROTARY CLUB

... will be hosting a free Wassail at the Catash Inn, North Cadbury on 20th January starting at 6.30 pm. At a nearby orchard there will be a wassail ceremony with a wassail queen, singing, bacon rolls and free mulled cider and apple juice. The Wyvern Jubilee Morris Dancers will also be providing entertainment during the evening. The wassail is suitable for the whole family.

The pub will provide a two course meal for a very reasonable price (pre-booking essential). There will also be a raffle.

All profits will go to charity.

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ST MARGARET'S HOSPICE

Pay for Christmas Day

Christmas is a time for friends and family to enjoy festive fun. However, some Somerset families with a loved one currently facing a life-limiting illness may not be able to share the warm, happy feeling most of us associate with Christmas. Whether patients are receiving care and support at home or in our In-patient Units, with your help our staff and volunteers will work hard to ensure everyone is able to make memories to treasure for many Christmases to come.

Please help St Margaret's Hospice make the big day really count this Christmas by taking part in our Pay for Christmas Day. There are a number of ways in

which you can help:

- Wear your Christmas Jumper to work or school and donate £1
- Host a Christmas cake sale
- Purchase a St Margaret’s Hospice care gift card from our website – www.st-margarets-hospice.org.uk

Thank you for your support.



SCOUTS

We are again quickly approaching our busiest fund raising period of the year and as always we really appreciate your support at these events. Our annual Bingo night will be on Wednesday 22nd November at the Horsepond Inn with eyes down at half past seven. Please note the change of venue due to the work being carried out at our Hall. We then have a Coffee Morning on Saturday 11th November at the Market House where we will be also selling bacon butties. On the 7th December we will be supporting Castle Cary’s Big Christmas and we will also be selling our bacon butties at the Churches Together coffee morning on Saturday 16th December.

Our busy fund raising period will conclude with the Scout Christmas Post, look out for posters closer to December. We plan to have two collecting boxes located at Buy and Save and McColls or you can drop them off at our Bingo or Coffee Morning. Cards will cost 20p each with the delivery of all post taking place over the week end of December 16th and 17th. Thank you for your anticipated support.

1st Castle Cary Scout Group



SOMERSET SIGHT

... is the local charity for blind and partially sighted people. They run a Volunteer Visiting Service, which was established in the 1990s, providing one to one support for people with sight loss, in their own homes or care homes throughout the county. They are currently looking for new volunteers in Castle Cary and surrounding areas.

Volunteer Visitors visit a person on a regular basis, usually weekly or fortnightly, and help with a variety of things such as –

- * Company and friendship
- * Reading and correspondence
- * Making and accessing appointments
- * Going out for a drive and a cup of tea
- * Assisting with shopping

All our volunteers receive comprehensive training and

we pay all reasonable expenses including mileage. Please contact Avril on 01823 366143 or admin@somersetsight.org.uk for more information.

Somerset Sight’s Mobile Advisory Service is visiting Castle Cary on Thursday 9th November and Tuesday 13th February at Milbrook Car Park from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. This is a specially adapted vehicle stocked with a range of equipment and gadgets to help make life easier for blind and partially sighted people. Information is also on board about the charity’s services including a talking book service, volunteer support and social and activity events for all ages.



TOOLS FOR SELF RELIANCE

Put your head around the door of the Design & Technology building of Ansford Academy, on any Tuesday evening during term time, and you’ll see a cheerful group of men and women cleaning up old sewing machines and sharpening planes, or else eagerly sifting through the latest donations of old tools, deciding which are suitable for sending to Africa and which could be passed to another charity or sold to raise funds. We are the Cary branch of Tools for Self Reliance, a charity which supports self-help projects in African countries, enabling people to earn a livelihood by equipping them with the tools and training they need.

These include hand sewing machines and carpentry, metalworking, blacksmithing and mechanical repair tools. We also welcome miscellaneous items, garden tools etc. for redistribution or sale. So – if in doubt, DON’T throw it out but let us have it and decide how it can best be put to good use. Amon on 01749 713239 can collect.

We are always happy to welcome new members, so whether or not you have any restoration expertise do consider joining us.

Finally, a big thank you to everyone who donated sewing machines recently, and who came and supported our four tool sales in 2017, which together raised around £1,500 towards essential shipping and training costs. Our first sale of 2018 will be on March 26th in the Market House, when as well as a wide variety of tools we’ll be selling coffee and homemade cakes. Unmissable!



WILDLIFE TRUST

The South East Area Group of the Somerset Wildlife Trust continues its programme of illustrated wildlife talks at Caryford Hall with a talk about the Wildlife of

Transylvania on 5th December. Bob Gibbons, the well-known naturalist and photographer, will take us back to a pre-industrial age in this unspoilt region of Eastern Europe. We will also be holding our usual pre-Christmas raffle to raise funds for the Somerset Wildlife Trust.

There is no talk in January because of New Year, but we start 2018 with a talk on Hummingbirds by Dr Rob Williams who specialises in the wildlife of South America. He gave us a fascinating talk about Otters earlier this year, and I am sure hummingbirds will prove equally absorbing. Closer to home, Tamsin Holmes of the National Trust will talk about Stourhead's project to encourage the recovery of the endangered Tree Sparrow on 6th March.

All talks take place on the first Tuesday of the month at Caryford Hall and start at 8pm. Tea and coffee is served from 7.30pm. Entrance is £3 for adults, but children are free. Non-members welcome.

The Somerset Wildlife Trust's annual plant sale and coffee morning in the Market Place, Castle Cary is booked for Saturday 12th May. If you are planning to sow early seeds and have a few spare seedlings, we would be very grateful for donations of plants. Last May's sale raised over £500 for the work of the Somerset Wildlife Trust.

*Caroline Rathbone, Secretary and Events
Organiser, South East Area Group,
Somerset Wildlife Trust*



WALKS & TALKS

Our very short (just over a mile), gentle walks now take place twice a month, on the first and third Thursdays, starting at 2pm from the Market House. The dates for the period covered by this Newsletter are:

Thurs 2nd Nov: Walk only

Thurs 16th Nov: Walk and Talk: Making the best of your eyesight

Thurs 7th Dec: Walk only

Thurs 21st Dec: Walk only

We find somewhere different of interest to make our focus for each walk – we walk at this time of year on surfaced paths, sometimes with a gentle slope and occasionally a few steps to negotiate, but we are not hikers and we don't go very fast! It is gentle exercise to help the body and mind.

After Christmas our programme starts again

Thurs 4th Jan: Walk only

Thurs 18th Jan: Walk and Talk: Keeping warm and happy.

Thurs 1st Feb: Walk only

Thurs 15th Feb: Walk and Talk: Active body, Active mind

The Talks are in the Shambles at the Market House, and are open to everyone, not just the walkers. There will be a cup of tea at the start (around 3pm), and the talk will last about an hour. There is no charge. Do join us.

To find out more about the Health Walk scheme, or to check that the walk is going ahead if the weather is a bit dubious, ring Laura on 01963 351461.



WEA (Castle Cary Branch)

The Workers Education Association [WEA] is a charity, providing high-quality educational opportunities to communities since 1903, and is now the largest provider of adult education outside the state sector. A large part of its work relies on volunteers to help organize and run courses, although the tutors are, with few exceptions, professionals. **Castle Cary Branch** has been in existence for over 25 years, and has provided, typically, two evening courses and two day schools each year, with subjects ranging from art history through geology to railway engineering.

We are looking for new volunteers to assist in providing these courses, and possibly to increase them. If you are interested in Adult Education, and would like to become proactive in helping to provide it, or just to support it, we would love to hear from you. The level of commitment is not high, unless of course, you wish to be more involved in the organisation. For further details you can contact **Mike Henning on 01749 860352**, or at mike@henning1.plus.com. You can find more about the WEA on its website www.wea.org.uk/south-west.

Battens Charitable Trust

In the last first years we have provided £300,000 to many local charities and charitable causes including Castle Cary's primary school, museum and branch of the Scout Association. This year we have proudly sponsored Castle Cary Gardening Association's Annual Show for the second time and the Castle Cary & Ansford Carnival for the third year running.

If you would like to support the trust you can make a legacy in your Will and if £500 or more Battens Solicitors will cover the cost of the Will. Alternatively, you can make a donation in your lifetime – see www.battens.co.uk/bct

You can also make an application for a grant to help a cause that you are involved in by writing to Battens Charitable Trust at our Yeovil Office, Mansion House BA20 1EP or emailing bct@battens.co.uk for an application form.

Battens Solicitors are always at the Market House in Castle Cary on a Thursday morning if you'd like more information on the Trust or if you need to speak to someone about a legal matter. No appointment is required but you can book an appointment by calling 01963 834477 or emailing castlecary@battens.co.uk

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

- ACF, Castle Cary Platoon – 01963 240382
Action for Children – 01963 351554
Alcoholics Anonymous – 0800 917 7650
All Saints' & St Andrew's Churches – 01963 351615
Alzheimer's Society – 01935 473597
Ansford & Cary Traidcraft Sales – 01963 351751
Ansford Parish Council – 01749 812225
Ansford Academy – 01963 350895
ATC 2277 (Cary & District) Squadron – 07717 683404
Bellingring – 01963 350002
Bible Study Group – 01749 860571
Britannia Carnival Club – 07855 497263
British Heart Foundation – 01963 350022
Camelot Rounders – 07969 233760
Care4Cary – 07803 855208
Cary Allotments – 01963 350917
Cary Amateur Theatrical Society (CATS) – 07715 510359
Cary Business Network – 01963 350600
Cary Comedians Carnival Club – 01963 440472
Cary Conservative Association – 01963 350977
Cary Guides – 01963 350936
Cary Reels – 01963 350276
Cary Runners – 01963 350418
Caryford Community Hall – 01963 351324
Caryford Fitness & Leisure – 01963 350600
Caryford Short Mat Bowls – 01963 359069
CaryLive – 01963 350160
Carymarsh Nature Reserve – 01963 350418
Carymoor Environmental Centre – 01963 350143
Castle Cary & Ansford Carnival Society – 01963 440472
Castle Cary & Ansford Women's Institute –
07402 765932
Castle Cary Bowls Club – 01963 351908
Castle Cary Bridge Club – 01935 850122
Castle Cary Ceramics Group – 01460 54117
Castle Cary Children's Centre – 01935 475938
Castle Cary Choir – 01749 830293
Castle Cary Cricket Club – 01963 350841
Castle Cary Football Club – 01963 350587
Castle Cary Gardening Association – 01963 350618
Castle Cary Majorettes (Cygnets) – 01963 350603
Castle Cary Primary School – 01963 350520
Castle Cary Railway Club – 01749 860571
Castle Cary Rainbows – 01963 350004
Castle Cary Ramblers – 01963 359621
Castle Cary Rugby Club – 01963 351178
Castle Cary Town Council – 01963 359631
Castle Cary Town Museum – 01963 350680
Castle Cary Twinning Association – 01963 359248
Christian Aid – 01963 351275
Churches Together – 01963 351275
Cinema in Caryford – 01963 350132
Decorative and Fine Arts Society – 01963 350132
EatCary – 01963 351461
Friends of Cary 2000 – 07803 855208
Friends of Cemetery Chapel – 01963 351220
Guide Dogs for the Blind – 01963 350182
Judo Club – 01749 890308
Liberal Democrats – 01963 350570
Living History Group – 01963 350168
Macmillan Cancer Support – 01963 351886
Market House Dance Studio – 07805 571590
Martial Arts – 07738 599670
Messy Church – 01963 351615
Methodist Church – 01963 351598
Methodist Church lettings – 01963 351635
Mid-Somerset Flower Club – 01963 351811
Millbrook Surgery Friends Group – 01963 350210
Moat Garden Project – 01963 359418
Monday Club – 01963 350931
Mothers' Union – 01963 350621
National Blood Transfusion – 01963 350279
Parson Woodforde Society – www.parsonwoodforde.org.uk
Poppins – 01963 350002
Quiz Evenings – 01963 350510
Red Cross – 01963 350830
RoadPeace – 01963 359044
Rogue mma – 07738 599670
Rotary Club (Brue Valley) – 07767 488719
Royal British Legion – 01963 351154
Save the Children Shop – 01963 351681
St Margaret's Hospice – 0845 070 8910
Scouts/Cubs/Beavers – 07773 515511
Scout Active Support – 01963 351025
Somerset Beekeepers Association – 07855 899257
Somerset Wildlife Trust (SE Area) – 01749 812127
South Somerset Community Accessible Transport –
01963 34594
Table Tennis Club – 01963 351571
Taekwon-Do Club – 07759 405601
Tiddlywinks – 01963 350341
Together Magazine – 01963 350627
Tools for Self Reliance – 01749 813239
Tourist Information Group – 01963 351763
Toybox Pre-school – 01963 359600
U3A Camelot Area – 01963 350132
Use Less Share More Group – 01963 351461
Women's Friendly Hour – 01963 350510
Workers' Education Association (WEA) – 01749 860352
Youth Matters – 01963 350160
Zambia Links (CMCPT) – 01963 351461