

CASTLE CARY

& ANSFORD

NEWSLETTER

Spring 2018

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.

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CASTLE CARY TOWN COUNCIL

Christmas in Castle Cary was a busy affair this year and we would like to thank everyone who helped make the Market House and Horsepond beautifully decorated centre pieces for the Town. We were grateful to all the people who dropped off free greenery and pitched up to help. We were also thrilled with the way the shops and businesses decorated their shops inside and out. Castle Cary looked beautiful twinkling in December until twelfth night.

We all enjoyed All Saints' Church's innovative Angel Festival. The angels, made by many different individuals, businesses and groups, were present throughout December adding to the atmosphere for a concert and all the carol services. Over 1000 people visited the angels and they certainly added to the community in Cary. We look forward to knowing which angel will be travelling to Bethlehem.

Big Christmas was a big success and we are indebted to everyone who contributed to the entertainment, opened their shops late, set up market stalls, provided food and drink and generally joined in on the fun. Father Christmas and his team of helpers and the Sparkford Playing Field's sleigh made a wonderful entrance. Thank you to the most amazing Big Christmas planning group who worked tirelessly fund raising, provided Rudolf, sweetie bags, Spot the Window; organised Town trees and tombola and raffle prizes; planned the event and DOING on the night. We would also like to thank Centaur Services for their generous sponsorship.

I am standing down this year as Chair after five years and Penny Steiner has agreed to coordinate the event. We would like to thank Deb Holmes for taking

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

On Saturday 17 March in the Market House Shambles 9.30am – 2.30pm there will be a public consultation on our emerging Castle Cary and Ansford Neighbourhood Plan.

A small dedicated team of Councillors and other residents has been working on this for over 3 years.

Now there is a document for all to see and comment on. In it you will find sections on Housing, Design, Employment and Enterprise, Tourism, the Town Centre, Traffic and Transport, Education, Community Assets, and Open Spaces and you have a chance to have your say.

You can borrow a printed copy of the Draft Plan from the Market House Information point (open mornings only) or download it or read it online at <https://www.castlecaryansfordnp.uk>.

We will make changes and improvements to the draft in the light of the comments we receive. It will then go back to the District Council for further consideration, followed by an independent examination. If it passes, there will be a local referendum so that residents can register their support, or not, for it. If over 50% of the responses are in favour, the plan will be formally adopted, meaning it becomes a legal document with the same weight as the Local Plan.

This means developers will have to comply with its policies, and the proportion of the financial contribution they must make to Cary and Ansford will increase from 15% to 25%

Please come along on 17 March and give us your views. You can also email your comments to us on NPconsultation@castle-cary.co.uk or drop off your written comments at the Market House. We will need these by 1 May at the latest.

PRECEPT 2018/19

CCTC have agreed the precept (local council tax) for 2018/19 at £155211, an annual average increase of approximately £34.00 which equates to 23% per property. Changes to the budget from the previous year include increases in Grounds Maintenance contracted work, financial support for the Neighbourhood Plan, development of the Pavilion at the Pither Memorial field and Grant funding to support the CAT bus.

notes and organising us and Penny Smillie for undertaking the mammoth task of coordinating trees and the traders' contributions to the tombola. Their contributions have been invaluable and we welcome David Osborne and Justin Birch as new members to the group.

Barry Moorhouse, who has been our Chair since last May, has stood down because of ill health and I shall be undertaking the role until May when we shall have new appointments. Barry has been the most organised of Councillors, sorting us out with new systems and more economical suppliers of services and generally making our complex budgets a (teeny bit) more understandable. Most of all he has been fun to work with and we are very grateful for his input and thank him for his commitment to our Town. He and Sue are in our thoughts and we all wish him well.

We have seen a few changes on our High Street recently. Heather has moved her Flowers back to her original shop, and we have welcomed Daisy Valentine start up her new shop as well as a new glam underwear shop called Secrets! But sadly we have said good bye to Charlie Hill who has retired from being 'ace pie maker and butcher', and also to Erica whose eclectic antiques brought a 'brocante' flavour to Castle Cary for many years. We are grateful to Charlie for keeping the key to the Round House. We wish them both well

in their future interests. On a sad note we were shocked that Steve Barnes the picture framer, and so much more, sadly passed away suddenly in December. Steve offered a wonderful service with a smile for all of us and he will be sadly missed. Of course we are missing the bank desperately, and we are aware that the Town has run out of cash on many occasions. This has, of course, been detrimental to our economy and we are grateful to our Post Office and shops which have offered cash back and or taken on new electronic payments systems. They have been a lifesaver on many occasions. We are still working on a new location for a cash point.

We were thrilled that Castle Cary received the renewal of our Fairtrade Town Certificate which we were presented with at the annual drinks evening. Gill Bagnall has been part of this initiative for a long time and many of our community groups have benefited from her generosity in giving free Fairtrade tea, coffee and hot chocolate to organisations holding events on the Market House.

Our young people on Youth Council have started their year with highlighting the dog mess on our streets and we all hope that people will be more considerate in the future. We have also experienced a higher level of policing recently and their presence has been more effective. The police invite all the community to a PACT (Police and Community Together) meeting at Ansford Academy on Tuesday 20th February at 7.00pm. Do go there to contribute to policing strategy and find out what we can do as a community to support the Police and also what they can do for us.

2018 will be an exciting year for Castle Cary and Ansford. We will soon see the Pump Park being built, followed by the other initiatives on the Fairfield. See Penny's update later in the newsletter. We will also see the start of our new houses on Station Road. See Pek's update on the Neighbourhood Plan consultations starting week beginning 12th March. Further ahead we plan to have our May Day Regatta on the Horsepond again. If you want to know more about how the Town Council works we still have a vacancy. You can find out more by coming to any of our meetings and especially at the annual Town Meeting on Wednesday 15th May when there will be news of an interesting future project.

Meanwhile our busy town office staffed by volunteers, welcomes visitors to our town, supports local enquiries and sells tickets for an array of events. If you would like to help pop into the Market House in the mornings 9.30–12 noon to find out more.

The whole of the Town Council wishes you a happy, healthy and successful 2018.

Judi Morison



CASTLE CARY TOWN COUNCIL

Clerk: Sue Hake

Deputy Clerk: Claire Craner-Buckley
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Councillors:

Martin Atkins	Justin Birch
Robert Gilbey	Debra Henderson
Barry Moorhouse	Judi Morison (<i>Chair</i>)
Pek Peppin	Terry Philpott
Sally Snook	Penny Steiner
Nick Weeks	Barbara Williams

One vacancy

Full Council meetings are held monthly

Next meeting Monday 19th March 2018

7.00 pm in The Shambles

Public welcome to attend.

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

See website for dates of Finance & Management; Properties & Infrastructure 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
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ANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

As 2017 drew to a close and 2018 kicked off Ansford Parish Council were finalising their budget requirements for the next financial year. The Council are very pleased to announce that yet again they have been able to reduce the annual budget required. In the past there had been a large increase to the budget to help fund the improvements to the Fairfield. Fortunately due to the excellent work by the Fairfield Committee funding has been obtained through donations and grants for the improvements and this has helped to reduce the financial burden on the Parish Council and residents of Ansford and Castle Cary.

Ansford Parish Council are planning to improve the Coombe Bottom bridleway and footpath to ensure that walkers and horse riders can still access the area but to make it more difficult for access being made by offroad motorbikes and vehicles, for which use of the path is prohibited. This will involve the installation of a bridle way gate. A lockable vehicle gate will also be installed which will be used when vegetation needs cutting back in Coombe Bottom.

Ansford Parish Council are also pleased to announce that they will be allocating funds over the next few years to help support the CAT community bus service which the Council would like to see continue as it provides a very useful service for members of the community.



ANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Mr C. Edwards – Chairman

Mr A. Gibbons – Vice Chairman

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

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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



DIMMER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT

The Dimmer Liaison Committee held its quarterly meeting on 7th December. Representatives from local Councils, the Community, the Environment Agency and Viridor were present.

We were told that the enabling groundworks for the new leachate treatment plant have started and the treatment plant construction is due to start in February 2018.

Construction of the Waste Transfer Station at Dimmer is also planned to start in February 2018 with a scheduled completion and operationally ready date of February 2019. This, and the similar Transfer Station at Walpole, will ‘feed’ the Avonmouth Energy Recovery Facility (ERF). (<https://viridor.co.uk/our-developments/avonmouth-erf>) SWP estimate annual £1.3m MTFP (Medium Term Financial Planning) savings from now until 2020 from these changes to waste treatment, along with the benefits to the environment by moving away from landfill.

The composting operation at Dimmer is currently covered by landfill planning but there will be a planning application for composting shortly to separate it from the existing landfill which will cease once the WTS is operational.

Several members of the local community expressed their anxieties about the environmental impact of the fire in August; correspondence is ongoing between local residents, Parish Councils and Viridor.

Castle Cary Town Council wrote to Viridor in October, expressing its concerns about the fire. Mr Ian Morrish of Viridor replied telling us that they are trialling thermal imaging and/or infra-red detection systems at one of their sites and, if this is deemed successful, this will be in operation by next summer. Mr Morrish also promised that a document *Effective Management of Fires* will be available for the Liaison Committee.

There was much discussion on the causes of fires from household waste and on educating the public, via Carymoor Environmental Trust (www.carymoor.org.uk) and Somerset Waste Partnership (www.somersetwaste.gov.uk) on how to dispose of potentially hazardous waste.

When we asked Viridor about the potential for fires in the new Waste Transfer Station we were told that there will be fire detection and water/fire suppressant systems; the permit states that fires must be under control within 4 hours (the reasonable time that residents can be asked to keep windows and doors shut).

A local resident asked that Camp Road be cleaned better. It was agreed that this will be looked at with a view to more frequent road sweeping.

Sally Snook (Castle Cary representative Dimmer Liaison Committee)



A FUTURE FOR CASTLE CARY'S LIBRARY

STOP PRESS – *there is to be a consultation concerning the future of the library – it will be well underway by the time you see this newsletter.*

Call in at the Information Office at the Market House 9.30 to 12 any weekday or Saturday, for more details, or look on the Town website for links.

There will be a formal “drop-in” consultation on Wednesday 14 March, with hourly sessions starting at 2.30, 3.30 and 4.30. Options on offer are likely to centre on a community library partnership model, or a visit from a mobile library.

If you are interested in helping to make sure some form of library service is maintained in Castle Cary, contact Laura Tilling on 01963 351461 or tillinglaura@gmail.com

FAIRFIELD PROJECT

As I write this it may be wet, windy, grey and cold but how wonderful to see so many people using the new pathways across **Fairfield**. Runners, walkers, dog walkers, scooters, cyclists, buggy pushers – all have been seen crossing the field over the last couple of months since the new pathways were installed. This is exactly what we had hoped for and are now well on the way to achieving – a large open green space in Castle Cary and Ansford for all members of the community to use. We have now completed some major elements of the project, drainage, fencing and pathways and now the interesting work starts!

By the time the newsletter is distributed work should have started on the **Pump Park**. Funds have finally been secured and within a couple of months we will have berms, rollers, jumps, loops, hills and a smart tarmac track for bikes and scooters, young and old to use on Fairfield.

This will be quickly followed by the installations of the meadow gym, adventure trail and sensory gardens, so whether you want major exercise or a simple stroll across the field you will be catered for.

Please note that while this major work is being done you enter the areas at your own risk and please keep out of all building areas. Come the spring we will be asking for volunteers to help us again with general clearance work on the field, so look out for posters and Facebook messages.

Finally Saturday 3 March there will be a coffee morning at The Market House to help raise funds towards picnic furniture for the field and to update everyone on the project – do join us from 10.00am.



BOWLS CLUB

With our opening day of the 2018 season in mid April just weeks away it's time for us to rise up like a 'Phoenix from the Flames' and step forward with

LAMP

Learning at the Market Place

Shambles, Market House, Castle Cary

New for 2018

Art – Drawing & Painting with Amanda Bee
Tuesdays 6th Feb – 13th March, 2–4.00 pm, £60
A fun short course working with pencil, pens and watercolour paints suitable for all abilities. You will complete projects on still life and landscape covering line, shape, shading, colour and working with watercolour paints.

Amanda will be continuing her short 6 week courses after Easter. Please sign up before. Please ask at the information desk about how to get to Castle Cary on a Tuesday by public transport.

Look out for a Saturday **Bread making workshop** with Paul Youd in April. Booking in advance will be essential as spaces are limited.

Film Buffs

Thursday 8th March 7.00 – 8.00 pm

Continuing with his analysis of films Jason King will be looking at Planes, Trains and Automobiles. Directed and written by John Hughes and starring Steve Martin and John Candy.

Tickets £5.00 in advance or £6.00 on the door.

Please also see information elsewhere in the newsletter about Walks & Talks, Fiction Factory and our new lunchtime initiative **BUS STOP**.

To book places on all LAMP courses or talks please call 01963 351763 or call into the Market House from 9.30–12 noon Monday – Saturday when a volunteer will help you.

purpose to discard the ‘seconditis’ experienced in league tables last year. We did prove that we were serious, formidable opponents to be respected and feared so it's more of that positivity that we need to generate again.

Perhaps our main strength is the fact that we see ourselves as one big family. We come in all shapes and sizes, a spectrum of ages from teenage to over ninety and all different social backgrounds and occupations. We share the one common enjoyment of the game of bowls and that binds us together. We are individuals with our own opinions and ideas about how the game should be played and how the club should be organised and run but we try to direct our thoughts and actions to determine what is best for the club and for our enjoyment. There is a lovely friendly atmosphere and generally we are a happy family – what's not to like!

Our new season will pan out much as before. We continue to host County Games and will be in our local Men's, Mixed and Ladies' Leagues. We have an

encouraging number of entrants for individual County and National Competitions and hope we can build on the successes of last year – overall a busy programme of bowling for members of all ages and abilities to participate in and enjoy.

We welcome new members – why not visit our website at www.castlecarybowlsclub.moonfruit.com and see what we are all about. Club Opening Day is on Saturday 14th April.

Y.C.



CARY COMEDIANS CARNIVAL CLUB

Cary Comedians Carnival Club were looking forward to entering their full float into the annual carnival. However, the new dressed tractor with four reindeers and Father Christmas going down the chimney of a family house broke down the night before the carnival, and to the club's dismay they were told that a new engine was needed. Thanks to Muppetts Carnival Club who loaned their tractor so the club could take part with only the generator float. Despite setbacks and a financial crisis the club members put on a good show in our carnival and in the county carnival circuit.

The club had to buy a second tractor to compete in the county carnivals. Several good Cary residents made generous donations together with David and Helen Boyer and life members to buy a tractor costing over £10,000. With no Glastonbury Festival (where the club raises most moneys) this year, can I make a plea to all who wish our club to survive? There is good spirit with club members and we are the only surviving carnival club in Castle Cary & Ansford. Please help us if you can. We do need more members and performers. We are now based at Brook House Inn and build at Orchard Farm. Keep carnival participation and spirit alive. It is unique to Somerset and carnivals raise very important charitable collections for local charities and voluntary organisations and we all look forward to the annual carnivals which advance community spirit and annual reunion of families and friends.

Gordon Stockman



CARNIVALS IN SOMERSET PROMOTION PROJECT (CISPP)

As many may know, Sue and Gordon Stockman founded CISPP in 2009 with several other Somerset carnivalites.

We worked with the Carnival Society and Castle Cary Primary School with a project for schools which we have promoted now for over five years, with our special 'Ann Hallett Children's Carnival' – the Society and CISPP were so impressed with the school's project and entry.

BATTENS CHARITABLE TRUST

In the last five years we have provided £300,000 to many local charities and charitable causes. Our primary school, museum, branch of The Scout Association, the Gardening Association, Carnival and most recently the Clock Fund, have all been beneficiaries in recent years.

If you would like to support the trust you can make a legacy in your Will and if £500 or more we may be able to cover the full 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 have now opened our full time office at Francis House, Fore Street, Castle Cary following the success of our Tuesday sessions at The Market House. If you'd like more information on the Trust or if you need to speak to someone about a legal matter please call for an appointment on 01963 834477 or email castlecary@battens.co.uk.

We would like to apologise for the errors made in the Battens items in the last edition.

We are sorry for any confusion caused.



CASTLE CARY & ANSFORD CARNIVAL SOCIETY

Although our carnivals are some months away the carnival committee is already busy!

Earlier this month we had a great evening donating the money from our carnival collections to 18 local charitable causes. Carnival Society Treasurer, Jeannie Thanish said, "People running these organisations are just delighted to receive the donations – so a big thanks to the generous folks of Cary for making such a big difference to our community."

Carnival society events: Our AGM this year will be on Tuesday 1st May, 7.30pm at the Horsepond Inn, Castle Cary. Everyone is welcome to attend. We really need more people to help out with the carnivals so they remain such a highlight in the town's calendar. Please come along and see how you could get involved.

And it's eyes-down for a good night out! On the first Wednesday of each month we run a very friendly bingo evening with great prizes. Doors open at 7.00pm, eyes-down at 7.30pm at the Horsepond Inn, Castle Cary.

For latest news, visit our website: www.ccacs.org.uk or contact the society Secretary, Caroline Sharley on carolinejsharley@gmail.com.



CARY AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY: 'OH! WHAT A LOVELY WAR'

Our latest show, 'Oh! What a Lovely War', which ran from 14 to 17 February, has now been and gone, but we had a great run of performances and hope you all enjoyed it. It was a very different type of show, but important to us that we put it on, particularly as this year marks the centenary of the end of The Great War. Thank you to everyone who watched and supported us.

Now it is time to turn our attention to our February 2019 show. We are currently considering several options and will reveal our final choice in the next edition, along with details of our AGM, due to take place in the summer. In the meantime, if you feel like you may want to get involved, whether it be on stage or behind the scenes, and you'd like any further information, please call us on 07715 510359. You'd be very welcome.



CARYFORD FITNESS AND LEISURE

We are 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 & App!

We have a membership to suit you – from our joint concession, corporate and Wellness Works. Here's some information about our Wellness Works membership and what service you receive. Our exercise referral gym staff will work closely to ensure you get the best on-going support and guidance, exercise prescription from medical practitioner or self-referral, access to fitness suite and exercise classes for those with health issues that physical activity could improve. You can use our facilities Monday – Friday until 5pm and full access on weekends.

Come along and experience what classes we offer, from high intensity such as Group Cycle, Body Conditioning and Hard Hiit, to more holistic activities such as Yoga and Pilates. There's an activity for everyone! And don't worry if you're a beginner, the instructor will adapt to all abilities! All classes are included with your membership along with access to the gym and racquet sports.

If you are interested in becoming a member, call the centre on 01963 350600 to find out more!

****Cut this article out and bring it into the centre before 31/08/18 and you can try one of our fitness classes for FREE!****



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

CARYORD HALL

Exciting news – our re-vamped plans for the Hall are about to be submitted for planning. By the time the next newsletter is out we should know the outcome.

Our Christmas Market was a great success, raising over £2K with match funding. The Hall was crowded, with people choosing interesting and different gifts. This is fast becoming a not-to-be missed event in Cary. December 1st is the date for 2018.

Hopefully you will receive this newsletter in time to book a ticket for the lecture on 24th February; the subject this year is the SS Great Britain. Doors will

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open at 5.45pm, when drinks and canapés will be available, and the lecture will commence at 6.30pm.

The Camelot Players are coming to the Hall on March 10th to perform one of their melodramas; a sit-down meal is included in the price.

We continue to host a number of live musical events with top quality musicians often coming to Caryford as part of their Great Britain tour. This spring we have the Jar Family – March 17th, Wild Willy Barrett – April 28th and, in between, a quiz night with Adelaide Brown – April 14th. 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. Everyone is welcome – it's your local hall and the more support we have the more we raise for the extension project! More details on www.caryfordhall.co.uk.

Rosemary Rymer, 01963 351057



CARYMARSH NATURE RESERVE

The reserve will be quiet when this newsletter is delivered but as spring arrives it will once again be bustling with life. Swans, coots, mallards, moorhens and little grebes will be nesting in the reeds and on the water's edge, reed buntings and reed warblers in the reeds (where else!). Along the water's edge yellow iris, marsh marigold and purple loosestrife will burst into life, along with the meadow flowers in the

surrounding grasslands; the grass having been grazed down during the winter by a couple of Exmoor ponies. The reserve is an important winter refuge for flocks of "farmland" birds such as chaffinches, yellowhammers and reed buntings, which feed on bird forage planted to provide food at this lean time of year; it has been especially valuable during this cold January. The trees in the adjacent woodland will soon be in leaf, as finally this young woodland starts to resemble a wood rather than a field of tree guards. Ash trees, infected with the Chalara fungus, have been removed and replaced with other species. Visitors are, as always, very welcome to visit the reserve, but in order to avoid disturbing the breeding birds we ask that people please stay on the footpaths and keep dogs under very close control. Call Dave or Helen Boyer (01963 350418 / 07903 276315) for more information.



CASTLE CARY CHOIR

Another new year and Castle Cary choir are practising some new pieces for their upcoming concerts which always include a wide variety of music, from sacred to popular, so there's something for everyone. We hope you can join us at our next concert which is part of the 'GMC Music 2018' programme, see www.musicatgmc.org.uk – **Friday 23rd March at 7.30pm at Gillingham Methodist Church**, High Street, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 4AG. Tickets are £8 and can be purchased by calling Gordon on 07817 379006, from The Copy Shop (on Gillingham High Street), directly from the Church or on the door. Proceeds after costs will go towards general church funds.

If you would like us to help you to raise money for your Church or favourite charity please get in touch. 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.

We look forward to seeing you!



CERAMICS GROUP

Our AGM was held at 2pm. on 5 December 2017, 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. Thereafter we have the following meetings in the Spring 2018: 6 February a talk by Nic Saintey on 'Donyatt: An insight into a Provincial Pottery'; on 6 March a talk by Beth Horton 'An Addiction to Pot: A Lowestoft Addiction'; on 10 April when Nick Panes will speak about 'China

Mania: English Ceramics in the Chinese Taste' and on 1 May when Hugh Roberts will talk about 'A Personal Collection of Eighteenth Century Sugar Boxes'.

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.



CHRISTIAN AID

Among other places, Christian Aid is currently working to bring relief in Nepal, where they have had the worst floods for years, supporting Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, helping to bring food to children caught in the famines in South Sudan and Burkina Faso and providing ongoing support for people in Sierra Leone whose livelihoods were destroyed in the mudslides that killed 1,000 people.

Different aid agencies don't compete with each other. There is more than enough to do without organisations wasting resources competing, and in many situations they work together using their particular expertise. Christian Aid, for example, has strong connections with grassroots faith organisations, and not just Christian churches. Save the Children has particularly skills in linking up children and parents who have become separated in a major disaster.

So when it comes to fundraising we don't compete either. Save the Children does superb ongoing fundraising through its shop. At Christian Aid we organise several fundraising or informative events each year.

On Fridays from 23rd February to 23rd March at 12.30pm at All Saints' Church there will be soup lunches in support of Christian Aid. 13th to 19th May is Christian Aid week, our annual big fundraiser. We will begin with a united service at the Methodist Church on Sunday 13th May and close with a Coffee Morning at The Market House on Saturday 19th. Please support these events and if you'd like to help, let me know on 01963 351275 or drosborne2@btinternet.com.

David Osborne



CHURCH DEVELOPMENT STEERING GROUP

Festival of Angels at All Saints' Church, Castle Cary.

On 2 December 2017, the Festival of Angels was launched to mark the official start of the endeavour to raise the large amount of money required to repair and refurbish All Saints' leading to the creation of a more flexible, useable and sustainable space for all.

During October/November, our community was encouraged to participate in the Festival by creating angels of varying shapes, designs and sizes. The Festival undoubtedly captured the town's imagination. Including individual entries, those from local businesses plus all the contributions made by the school children, there were over 120 angels. The variety was extraordinary. Angels were made from all sorts of media, from paper and cardboard to glass and ceramics and even scones; simply a tremendous response. Over 1000 people visited the church during the Festival period.

Thank you very much to all the contributors and also to those who helped organise the event. This was a magnificent example of cross-community cohesion.

Details of further fundraising events will appear in future newsletter editions as well as via the Cary Facebook page and elsewhere.

*David Baldwin, Chairman,
Church Development Steering Group*



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CASTLE CARY & ANSFORD

Switch on Saturday saw us included at All Saints' Festival of Angels, sharing a spot with lots of Angels, giving messages in preparation for Christmas. The Churches are grateful to the Methodist Church for hosting the Carol Service. The retiring collection resulted in £211.36 being sent to help The Rohingya Refugee Appeal, supported by Save the Children. Thank you for your generosity.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January 2018 from 18th to 25th has study prepared in the Caribbean. On Sunday 28th January a joint service held at Caryford launched the Lent Appeal to support Somerset Mind. A presentation from Chief Executive, Alexander Priest, helped by Leanne Hibberd, was given to tell more about the charity, then we will fill Smartie tubes to assist the fund. During Lent, we prepare for Easter, and in Holy Week we work as Churches Together to get ready for Easter Day.



CASTLE CARY MUSEUM

Open April – October

Are you interested in the history & heritage
of our town?

If so, can you spare 2 hours a week (or fortnight)
to become a Museum steward?

Contact Anne Ross
tel. 01963 350416

CINEMA IN CARYFORD

Perhaps we are being over ambitious but there will be
two films each month for the first four months of 2018.

You might be in time to catch My Cousin Rachel on
February 27th, then into March with Victoria and
Abdul on the 13th and The Death of Stalin on the 27th.
In April we have Goodbye Christopher Robin on the
10th and Murder on the Orient Express (the new one)
on the 24th.

Hope to see you at one, some or even all!

Tessa and Jeannie



FAIRTRADE

Castle Cary has successfully
renewed its FAIRTRADE TOWN
STATUS for two years following its
on-going commitment to promoting
Fairtrade principles. The certificate
is displayed in the Market House.



Fairtrade Town status was first awarded to Castle
Cary in June 2004 (the first town in South Somerset),
in recognition of strong support for Fairtrade and the
achievement of 5 qualifying goals including a wide
variety of fairly traded products in local shops and
catering outlets, high levels of support from residents,
businesses, the Town Council, faith groups and
schools. The FAIRTRADE MARK independently
certifies that products meet economic, social and
environmental standards. As such it is the most widely
recognized ethical mark worldwide.

Castle Cary's Fairtrade Group has been happy to
provide delicious coffee for many of the Saturday
coffee mornings at the Market House. Father
Christmas was pleased with the donation of chocolates
and sweets for his gift bags at the Big Christmas and
the "Divine Angel" ran out of supplies because the
chocolate mini-bars were so popular.

Fairtrade tea, coffee and hot chocolate will be
served at the Market House on March 3rd, all
donations going towards the work of Traidcraft
Exchange.



CASTLE CARY GARDENING ASSOCIATION

Apologies for the absence of news from this club for
some months but we are still around and looking
forward to our 70th Annual Show this August!

We meet for 7.30pm in the church rooms beneath
the Methodist church in North Street on the first
Thursday of each month. We have a guest speaker give
a talk of around an hour which is followed by teas or
coffee. Our annual membership, starting from
February, is only £7 which gives members
discretionary discount at Dave Marsh Hardware and
certain products at Julian Shave. Castle Gardens in
Sherborne gives club members seasonal discount
cards and an evening a year with generous discount on
all purchases. If you want to give us a try it's only £1
for an evening and you can bring friends along for the
same teeny fee! Where else can you have so much fun
for £1?

Here is a cut-out-and-keep table of our next talks:

March 1st Paul Cumbleton

A Growing Addiction: bulbs from the winter
rainfall area of South Africa.

April 5th Dr Anne Bebbington

Going Wild in the Garden: a look at the wide
range of wildlife in a small garden on the edge of
town.

April 13th (Friday) Castle Gardens trip with Bruton garden club.

May 3rd Paul Newman

Herps for the Hignorant: reptiles and amphibians

We hope this sounds intriguing and look forward to
seeing you. Meanwhile, happy gardening, spring is
coming – honestly!

Erica Holt, Chair CCGA



MACMILLAN

Castle Cary is one of the highest Fundraising
Committees for Macmillan in Somerset and the
new volunteers, led by Chair Janet Loe, hope to be
able to carry on the good work of the previous
committee.

We started fund raising with a successful carol
singing evening, greeting people at the station as they
came home for Christmas and then continuing on to
the pubs in Castle Cary. Great fun was had by all – see
the pictures on the Macmillan Facebook page – and we
raised an astonishing £257.05. Thank you so much to
everyone who donated.

We have had an informal meeting to gather together
as many volunteers as possible and were delighted by

the turn out. We really need anyone who is happy to give as much or as little time as they can to support events throughout the year. Opportunities like collecting at local events and supermarkets, helping at coffee mornings, the Mammoth Quiz or any other way you would like to support Macmillan will be much appreciated. If you would like to join us email castlecarymacmillan@gmail.com with your contact details and we will be in touch.

Our first event is the Mammoth Quiz on Friday 23 February at Castle Cary Rugby Club. If you would like to put forward a team for this fun evening which includes a meal and a prize for the winners contact Cas Sandy on 01963 359165. The new committee will meet over the next few months to arrange our Spring activities so look out for our publicity and do join us.



LAMP CLASS

The Fiction Factory at the Shambles is a creative writing class which runs on Wednesday evenings. This year we are looking at the broad chronological sweep of English literature, each week looking at different author as a prompt for our own writing.

The Fiction Factory has generated a wide range of poetry and fiction. Last year we focussed on writing inspired by Castle Cary Museum and produced a collection, *Museum Pieces*, which is for sale at the Museum and at Bailey Hill Bookshop. One student, Janet Laurence, published a story which she started in the class in an anthology of crime stories called *Motives for Murder* (Sphere). Philippa Lewis has started a series of fictional pieces inspired by architectural drawings in the Drawing Matter Collection <https://www.drawingmatter.org/contributors/philippa-lewis/>. Other students have gone on to explore an academic route. One former student is now taking a full-time Creative Writing BA, while a current student is applying to study for a part-time Creative Writing MA.

The class size is limited to ten, so that everyone has the opportunity to discuss their work and ideas. If you would like to join the waiting list, please phone 01963 351763 or pop into the Market House, Castle Cary, open in the mornings Monday to Saturday until 12 noon.



METHODIST CHURCH

We very much enjoyed the Christmas season and hosting the United Carol service as well as welcoming twenty children to our holiday club. 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.

Our annual Marmalade and Spring Sale is on Saturday 3rd March. Do come along and support us. We are currently raising funds for improving the accessibility of our building and there will be further events this year. Look out for details.

At Easter we greet the dawn at the top of Lodge Hill – do join us as the sun comes up on Sunday 1st April 2018. We will be at the viewpoint on Lodge Hill at 6am for a short act of worship and some breakfast. Our Easter Sunday communion will be at 9.30am.

Regular events

Homegroups on Monday morning or afternoon or Thursday evening;

Toddler Group meets in the schoolroom - Tues 10am - for all preschoolers and their carers;

Coffee for All in the schoolroom Wednesdays 10am till 12 – pop along for coffee, cake, chat and more!

Check out our website at www.carymethodists.org or find us on Facebook – Castle Cary Methodist Church



EatCary Community Garden and its future

The future of the EatCary Community Garden is uncertain!

It needs additional leadership and fresh input.

The facilities are being under-used, which is a great shame, there is lots of space (including a large poly-tunnel) and lots of equipment available for use.

We invite anybody of any age, whether you represent yourself or an organisation, but have an interest in growing to come to –

**a Public Meeting in the Market House
on Tuesday March 6th at 7.30pm.**

Just come along, or ring 01963 351057 for more information

THE MOAT GARDEN

.....was finally purchased in December by the charity established to ensure the garden continues for the benefit of the town. We acknowledge generous financial support from Garfield Weston Foundation, South Somerset DC, the local residents and organisations that made this possible.

Repairs to the gate are ordered, and we have begun clearing, with the aim of opening to the public and school asap. More repairs are needed due to vandalism, and funds raised, for regular maintenance costs eg petrol, insurance.

Trustees will stand for election at the first AGM and we hope more people will become Friends of the Moat Garden, giving a small contribution to show their

interest and have a voice in its use.

Will you be a Friend? Might you be a mender or mower? – a pruner or planter?

Any interest or query do contact us.

Anne Jelliffe: 01963 359502; Ida West: 01963 350899. westidargmail.com

The Moat Garden Project charity no.1169894



PRIMARY SCHOOL

When I look back at the Autumn term I am always amazed!

We welcomed new children into Starfish class who have settled brilliantly into school life. The children's learning experiences have been inspired by a trip to Carymoor for Reception and a visit to Morrisons to find out about food for the year 1 and 2 classes. The older children in years 3 and 4 visited Sutton Bingham reservoir to learn about the water cycle and years 5 and 6 went to the Natural History Museum in London to extend their learning about volcanoes.

Family learning has taken place this term in school with families working together in our fantastic outdoor environment. They built shelters, made campfires to cook marshmallows, painted with mud and made fantastic reindeers from logs. It was wonderful to see parents, grandparents and children working together. An older group of children and their parents have begun to rejuvenate our meadow area and this will continue into the spring. We hope to work with Carymoor to make this space far more exciting and accessible to the children.

St. Margaret's
HOSPICE CARE

St Margaret's Support Groups Taunton and Yeovil

St Margaret's Support Groups are open to anyone affected by a life-limiting illness – patients, their families and friends.

As well as meeting others in similar situations, our trained volunteers are there to:

- offer a listening ear
- provide free information
- help signposting to other services

The groups are run on a drop-in basis – there is no need to book or to be referred.

Or perhaps you would like to become a volunteer to help run these groups?

OCTAGON THEATRE, YEOVIL BA20 1UX
Wednesdays 10.30am – 12.30 pm

ST MARGARET'S HOSPICE, TAUNTON TA1 5HA
Thursdays 2pm – 4pm

For further information please contact Lesley Burgess
E-mail: lesley.burgess@st-margarets-hospice.org.uk

Taking part in the carnival was a real privilege. It was so exciting for the children to work with Mahogany Carnival club from Notting Hill to create their costumes for their entry. We spread glitter everywhere while making the costumes (thank you to All Saints' Church for being so understanding) but it was well worth it as the children thoroughly enjoyed being part of both the carnival processions.

We look forward to an exciting 2018!



RAINBOWS, BROWNIES & GUIDES

Thank you to Jackie Targett.

For many years there has been Girl Guiding in Castle Cary. Jackie Targett has decided to retire from Rainbows. We thank her for all the years she has dedicated to Guiding. This has been not just with Rainbows, but with Brownies and when the Scouts and Guides went to camp she went as QM. This means that there are no Rainbows, Brownies or Guides in our community at present. If anyone would like to restart Guiding in Castle Cary please contact www.girlguiding.org.uk or call 0800 169 59.

Joy Cross



RAMBLERS

Our end of October walk north of Penselwood took in Stourhead's western estate passing some interesting sculptures(!) at Castle Orchard. We enjoyed good views linking Stour Valley Way towards Stourhead's Iron Bridge. A long ascent up to Alfred's Tower strolling up Pen Hill and passing the discernible site of Kenwalh's Castle on a beautiful warm and sunny Autumn day with the smell of wood smoke in the air.

A sunny but chilly day in early November took us to Amesbury where we criss-crossed the lovely River Avon. We proceeded towards Springbottom Farm climbing uphill and saw Bronze Age burial mounds on both sides of the track. On reaching the ridge the ancient stone circle of Stonehenge can be seen dominating the landscape directly ahead.

The late November walk started in Stratton-on-the-Fosse towards Chilcompton, crossing fields to Coalpit Lane. Continued on to T'other side of the hill – very descriptive! From there to Stoke Bottom and up to Holcombe returning to Stratton via old Holcombe Church (used in the filming of Poldark). A very windy but mild day finishing with mulled wine and mince pies!

Our last walk in 2017 started in Langport across to Drayton and then Midelnay, before following the River Parrett where we saw swans and herons, up to Muchelnay. Through the water meadows of the Somerset Moors, one of the most unchanged and distinctive landscapes of lowland Britain.

We greeted 2018 New Year with a walk from Cadbury Castle – a very muddy and windy day but a great workout following an indulgent Xmas!

We meet at lower Millbrook Gardens car park on alternate Wednesdays and leave promptly at 09.30. For more information contact Anne Pitt on 01963 359621.



CARY RUNNERS

Cary Runners is an informal group of “runners” with the aim of supporting and helping each other with our running. We range in fitness levels from very gentle joggers to serious competitive runners. We meet every Monday at 18h30; until the clocks change at the end of March outside the George Hotel and then from April to October at Orchard Farm, Cockhill. We usually divide into groups; some enjoy a relaxed jog, while others prefer a more taxing run. These runs range from about 3 to 10 km (2 – 6 miles). We also meet less regularly for more strenuous runs. If you’re training for a race, join us – some of us will probably be training for the same race. Whether you are a seasoned runner or a beginner, and regardless of your level of fitness, you’ll find running much easier when you have others to encourage you. If you would like to join us either turn up at 18h30 on a Monday evening or call Dave Boyer (01963 350418 / 07903 276315) or Dan Patrick at the George Hotel (07966 224261 / 01963 350761) for more information. You can also get details of our runs on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/caryrunners/



SOMERSET WILDLIFE TRUST

The South East Area Group of the Somerset Wildlife Trust begins its spring programme of events with a talk on Tuesday 6 March about ‘Stourhead’s Tree Sparrow Project’ by Tamsin Holmes of the National Trust. Tree Sparrows declined in the UK by 95% between 1970 and 2000. However, there is a thriving population around Stourhead, and The National Trust is working with the RSPB and local farmers to encourage the revival of this endangered species.

On Tuesday 3 April, there will be a talk by Owen Rogers about the work of the Woodland Trust, Britain’s leading woodland conservation charity. The Woodland Trust has 500,000 members and manages over 26,000 hectares of woodland.

Our final talk for the season is on Tuesday 1 May, and PC Dave Pepper, a Wildlife Crime Officer with Avon and Somerset Police will talk to us about the different types of crime committed against wildlife, the current laws protecting wildlife, and how we can assist the police by reporting crime.

All talks are held at Caryford Hall, Ansford. Tea and coffee is served from 7.30pm and the talks begin at 8pm. Entrance is £3 for adults, children free.

The Somerset Wildlife Trust’s annual Plant Sale and Coffee morning will be held on Saturday 12 May in the Market Place, Castle Cary from 9am-12.30pm. Please come and support us by buying or donating home grown plants. If you have plants you would like to donate, please contact Caroline Rathbone at carolinerathbone@btinternet.com or on 01749 812127.



TOOLS FOR SELF-RELIANCE

The first of our popular second-hand Tool Sales of 2018 will be held on Saturday March 24th in the Market House, when as well as a wide variety of tools we’ll be selling coffee and homemade cakes. The funds generated from these sales are used to help cover shipping and training costs.

Tools for Self-Reliance is a national 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. The Cary group meets on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8.30 in the Design and Technology building of Ansford Academy (during term time only). We are always happy to welcome new members, so if tools or machines interest you (whether or not you have any workshop or restoration experience) do pay us a visit to see what we do, and maybe consider joining us. We are a friendly, cheerful group!

As well as volunteers we always need donations of hand sewing machines and carpentry, metalworking, blacksmithing and mechanical repair tools. We also welcome miscellaneous items, garden tools etc. - in fact almost any type of tool - for redistribution or sale. So ... if in doubt, please DON’T throw it out, but let us have it and decide how it can best be put to good use. Amon on 01749 813239 can collect.



USE LESS SHARE MORE GROUP

We’d love to “grow” our group a bit. If what we are doing sounds interesting do get in touch and join us in some of our activities.

We had our swapping coffee morning on 3 February with a good number of people exchanging unwanted gifts for ones they wanted. Everything left over went to Save the Children and St Margaret’s Hospice charity shops. We’ve been busy tidying up the path to the Church behind Carybrook House – the daffodils and primroses are fast coming out – and we are helping Cary 2000 maintain the Millennium Woodland. If you have power tool experience and would like to help,

please get in touch (see number below). We're also planning a family day in the summer to continue this work and hoping that many of the people who enjoy a visit to the Woodland will come along and help us (more details later – no power tools needed). On 27 October there will be our increasingly popular apple pressing session at the Market House. We continue to put regular items in the Together Magazine about recycling, and may well begin a local campaign to reduce use of plastic – bottles, packaging etc – do get in touch if you would like to help us with this or anything else which results in a reduction of use of the world's valuable resources. There's lots of scope!

01963 351461 or tillinglaura@gmail.com



WALKS AND TALKS

We walk on **1st and 3rd Thursday of the month starting at 2pm from the Market House**. We go very slowly, managing just over a mile and getting back to the Market House at about 3pm. On the third Thursday we also have a talk – see below – when everyone is welcome to join us – just come along, no need to book – enjoy a cup of tea with the walkers before the talk starts at around 3.15pm in the Shambles. No charge for either Walk or Talk but donations for the tea and biscuits appreciated!

Forthcoming talks are:

15 February: Active body, active mind. Katharine Derrick from Caryford Fitness and Leisure

15 March: Planning for the future. Steph Agbo, Health Coach

19 April: Safe at Home. Fire Service

17 May: Looking after Your Feet. Laura Dickinson

21 June: Love your Heart. Steph Agbo

My small group of walkers has great fun – we manage to find new, interesting things to see, and chat about how Cary used to be, and how it is now. I would love to have weekly walks for this group, and further walks, a little more challenging, for others too, but need more leaders. Anyone interested please get in touch.



WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our first meeting of the year was held on Tuesday 16th January. We now hold our meetings every third Tuesday of the month, so we no longer clash with film nights held at Caryford, perhaps a few more ladies would like to pop in for a visit and have a chat with us. The venue remains the same, Millbrook Gardens Community room, 7.15pm to 9pm. We start with our visiting speaker then have delicious refreshments, homemade cake, followed by any WI business.

Not only is 2018 the Centenary of the Somerset WI

Federation but 2018 also marks the one hundredth anniversary of WI campaigning. To mark the event various celebrations will be taking place throughout the year. Some of our ladies will be attending a celebration lunch, at Somerset Cricket Club with guest speaker Ann Widdecombe. Place in your diary Saturday 23rd June the date for the annual coffee morning held under the arches of the Market House.

Christine Stone, secretary



ZAMBIA LINKS

The Cary Mufulira Community Partnership Trust (the organisation which provides a networking umbrella for the many local schools and organisations with links with Mufulira in Zambia) has its AGM on Tuesday 20th February at 7pm in Caryford Hall – we start with coffee at 6.30pm and then after the formal meeting there are short presentations about a wide variety of linking activities. Do come along if you can.

We are also busy planning for the next "IntroZambia" visit, to take place during the two weeks before Easter. We have a group of 15 people who are all getting very excited about their forthcoming visit. The teachers going are busy preparing learning experiences that their pupils can share with their friends in Zambia, the two Brue Valley Rotarians are planning, with their Mufulira colleagues, to provide significant support for a clinic in Mufulira, and there are many other significant projects and activities afoot. We'll report back in the next Newsletter.

Laura Tilling 01963 351461

USING THE SHAMBLES AS A BUS STOP!

Cary is a great place to shop, and on Tuesday has the added attraction of its market. But how do you get there if you haven't got a car (or a friend with a car)!

Why not COME IN BY BUS? Will it work? We've looked up the bus times, and if you live on the Number 1 (Yeovil–Shepton) or Number 667 (Street–Wincanton) bus route the answer is, yes it does.

The bus times are on the Town website (www.castle-cary.co.uk) to help you. We have made it easier for you by opening the Shambles at the Market House from 12.30pm to 1.45pm on a Tuesday so that if you have finished your shopping there's somewhere warm and comfortable to wait for your bus. And there will be free papers, magazines and local information to browse, – or maybe you'll start that library book you have just got out. Good too if you are waiting for a friend and/or a lift or just want a rest before carrying your shopping home.

The No 1 towards Shepton leaves the Horsepond at 1347 and towards Yeovil at 1340. The No 667 towards Wincanton leaves at 1414 and towards Street at 1404.

Do tell your friends in the villages about this possibility.

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
Bellringing – 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 – 07711 266969
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 (Cygnetts) – 01963 350603
Castle Cary Out of School Club (The Hive) – 07496 348233
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
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