

Grafton Parish Council response teams

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Each hamlet has its own WhatsApp Group which you can use to ask for, or offer, help. Call your co-ordinator for help in using this if you are unsure.

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**An update from Wexcombe Response Team**

Everyone has really rallied round during the coronavirus pandemic in Wexcombe – as they have across the parish and the wider area. We have a WhatsApp group which has been extremely busy with offers of shopping, advice, prescription pick ups and so on. We have also become more self-sufficient, growing our own vegetable plants which we are sharing across the village. If needed, George has also offered a corner of a field so that we can have a communal veggie garden for anyone who doesn't have space.

We are so lucky to live in such a wonderful place, where we have a strong community and despite being in lockdown, have gardens and the freedom to take our daily walk or cycle ride from the door. There are calves and lambs in the fields and the birdsong has been spectacular – the natural world is making the most of the lack of human activity. Needless to say the local dog population in the village (which at the last count outnumbered the humans!) is really enjoying the lockdown.

Supporting Wiltshire Air Ambulance

We will soon be taking delivery of a Textile Bank at Coronation Hall in support of Wiltshire Air Ambulance. For all of us who are taking this time to have clear outs of our homes (and wardrobes), this would be a great opportunity to support one of our great local charities.

This recycling scheme is for clothing and textiles only and our request is that any donations you make are clean (washed) and bagged up before placing in the bank. This will be emptied on a regular basis with our donations being used to raise money for Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Please think of our neighbours and do not leave items outside of the Textile Bank. Email hall@graftonparish.com if you see the need for the bank to be emptied. Thank you.

**Parish Council AGM/APM 11 May 7.15pm**

These annual meetings will be held remotely to conform with the legal requirements for Parish Councils.

The Zoom platform will be used for the meeting and the Chairman will control the meeting as normal.

The Agendas and draft minutes will be posted on notice boards in the hamlets and on www.graftonparish.com as normal.

How do I join the meeting?

If you wish to be invited to join the meeting then please email clerk@graftonparish.com and you will be given access information so that you can listen in to the meeting.

If you wish to speak about a topic then please include your question in your email to the Clerk.

You can also contact the Parish Councillor who is leading the response team in your part of the parish to ask for a topic to be raised at the meeting. This can be especially important if you do not have internet access.

Regular reports at AGMs

Traditionally reports are presented at the AGM by all organisations in the parish. Please send your report, as usual, to the Clerk who will ensure that it is included in the June Community News.

Planning applications

Page 3 contains the list of planning applications which have been received recently by the Parish Council. You can send your comments to the Wiltshire Planning department using the link supplied. Note that the closing dates are different for each application.

The Swan Shop and Takeaway

I would like to thank everybody in the parish for the huge amount of support that we have received from the community.

Our Shop

Full of life's essentials: bread, milk, butter, fresh fruit and vegetables, some grocery items, wine, beer, and flour!

If you are not be able to visit the shop because of isolation, we are delivering. Now that the retail hysteria has died down, I feel comfortable that I can put the shop price list on the website. If you order by email, or phone, we will deliver within 48 hours – a bit better than the supermarkets! You can collect; place an order and we will bring your shopping out to the car. We can take contactless payments, payments over the phone or give you bank details to make a transfer.

Call **01672 870274** or email shop@theswanwilton.co.uk for grocery and vegetable orders. Or visit The Shop, only two in the shop at a time!

Vegboxes

We are also delivering weekly vegboxes. If you order by Wednesday evening we will deliver on Friday. There are three sizes each containing a selection of seasonal vegetables and fruit.

Email vegbox@theswanwilton.co.uk. Full details on the website.

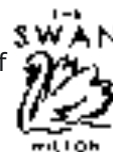
Takeaway

We continue to operate as a takeaway. Monday and Thursday are "Pizza Nights", Monday and Wednesday through to Saturday we offer Fish & Chips, Burgers, and Pies, with vegetarian and gluten free options. The menu is on our website. Please do not email takeaway orders. To enhance social distancing we book time slots for collections. Your order will be brought to your car.

On Fridays we will be offering Rotisserie chickens to take away. On Sundays we have been offering a complete takeaway family roast in two sizes, small for 2-3 people, or large for 4-6 people.

If you have any special requests for food or drink items - unusual vegetables or your favourite gin or beer! - just ask we will try and source it.

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Wednesday	11am – 12 noon	Gentle Yoga
Friday	9.30 am – 10.45am	Yoga

All bookings now available via mobile app
Call or email for information on how to book
tim.brew@hotmail.co.uk
07747 780898

Community Contacts

Church flowers/cleaning	Patricia Knowles 01672 810072
Community News	news@graftonparish.com
Coronation Hall	07479 281809 hall@graftonparish.com
Junior Cricket	pdewinton@savills.com
Parish Council	clerk@graftonparish.com
PCC Secretary	01672 870266
St Nicholas' services	www.graftonparish.com
Winter Warmers	01264 731242 liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk
Youth Activities	Text Annie 07802923344

Local Clubs

Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig
Crofton Beam Engines	crofton@katrust.org.uk
Grafton Goslings Baby & Toddler Group	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk

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Children across the parish have been busy at home painting rainbow stones. You can't help but smile when you see them.

Painting stones is not just for children - see below from Dr Paddon! Paint some stones and place them somewhere your neighbours will see them and smile.



Our volunteers

Your Community News team is very appreciative of all the efforts made by those who contribute to and deliver each monthly issue.

Many community publications have ceased to exist during these lockdown times and so we are very fortunate to be able to continue keeping you all informed about local news.

Please continue to email news@graftonparish.com with your comments.



Do you need help with your pet?



Whether you are out working, feeling under the weather or have other pressing issues, I am on hand to help you out. I am fully insured, first aid trained and D.B.S. checked and ready to assist with dog walking or a home visit for your pet or to house sit.

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07909 996639

Our doctor writes about rediscovering your creativity

It's wonderful to see you all rediscovering your creativity. We have really enjoyed the funny videos circulated on social media to keep spirits and morale up.

We've also been sent photos by family and friends of some of the projects they are now having the time to do. Baking cakes, arts and crafts, musical endeavours, circus skills and acrobatics. It is great to see so many of you exercising but please do be careful! Now is not the time for a trip to A&E.

All the team at the Old School Surgery love the rainbows and see them everywhere in windows – carry on painting! Hearing the community clapping for key workers has been very emotional and uplifting. Thank you so much for your support; it means a lot to us.

Thank you for your lovely donations to the surgery – we are enjoying your cakes, fruit and other food goodies. If we are not careful we may be rather large come the end of lockdown!

An enormous thank you for the fantastic scrubs that have been made by members of the community – far more exciting (and flattering!) than the usual NHS blue. We'd like to welcome a new member to our team. Medications are now being delivered by Ben to support our more vulnerable patients.

We encourage you to use this time to rediscover your hobbies and passions that normal busy lives do not allow. Enjoy it! Read that book, watch that boxset, go for that bike ride with your family. We look forward to when this unprecedented time has passed to be able to enjoy these things with our families again too.

Please keep social distancing – this is the most important and effective action you can do. Stay home. Protect the NHS. Save lives!

Dr Angela Paddon, Dr Kathryn Ryland and the rest of The Old School Surgery Team.

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Parish Council planning applications

These applications are on file at present; applications are also posted on our facebook pages so please keep a look out for others. Plans are available to view at <http://planning.wiltshire.gov.uk/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/ApplicationSearch.aspx>

Application Ref: 20/02061/FUL **Comments to be received by:** 10 May 2020

Proposal:- Proposed rear single storey extension, internal alterations and adjustments to windows.

At: Old Railway Station, A338 West Grafton, West Grafton, SN8 3BY

Application Ref: 20/02054/FUL **Comments to be received by:** 7 May 2020

Proposal:- Proposed demolition of existing site flat roof area and garden wall, and replacement with new playroom/study. Proposed new front door position with porch.

At: 8 Hungerford Road, East Grafton, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 3DG

Application Ref: 20/02696/FUL **Comments to be received by:** 7 May 2020

Proposal:- Proposed Single Storey and two Storey Extension and Associated Internal Alterations

At: Moat Cottage, 289 West Grafton, Marlborough, SN8 3BY

Application Ref: 20/02218/FUL **Comments to be received by:** 7 May 2020

Proposal:- Erection of 15 dwellings with access onto A338, formation of bus stop layby on A338, parking and associated landscaping with change of use of agricultural land to residential garden land

At: Land opposite Hungerford Road, A338, East Grafton, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 3DF

Application Ref: 20/02786/FUL **Comments to be received by:** 14 May 2020

Proposal:- Conversion of existing agricultural building and former chapel into a C3 residential dwelling, together with associated residential curtilage, parking and landscaping, demolition and removal of two existing open sided barns within the site

At: Upper Farm, Marlborough, Wexcombe, SN8 3SQ

Planning applications for work on trees remains important at this time and so please remember that most of our parish is within an Area of Outstanding National Beauty (AONB) and therefore it is necessary to obtain permission for work on trees and hedges. Trees with preservation orders (TPOs) on them are also important so do not risk a fine if you work on these without permission.

A reader writes about Bonfires during the COVID-19 outbreak



There seem to have been a spate of smoky bonfires being lit in East Grafton over the Easter period. This is a health hazard to people with respiratory issues at the best of times, but doubly so in the current pandemic.

Wiltshire Council's recommendation: Please avoid having any bonfires whilst the Coronavirus controls are in place. A lot of people at home are vulnerable and any one of your neighbours might have respiratory issues or even be fighting the Coronavirus itself. During this difficult time please think of others before lighting any fires.

You can stockpile green waste, create a compost area or simply let the job wait until the household recycling centres re-open to the public.

Never burn garden waste that is still green or recently cut, and never burn any other household waste.



A reader's request is answered!

We have been asked to include the lists of contacts which has been left off recently due to lack of space. Here it is again (pages 2 & 4) so please can you keep this copy as we are not able to guarantee when we will have space to print it again? Thank you.



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All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified. *St N* refers to St Nicholas' Church.

MAY All events cancelled until further notice

East Grafton Coronation Hall - Closure

Due to the unprecedented situation with regards to Coronavirus, East Grafton Coronation Hall will be closed until Government advice dictates otherwise.

We shall review on a monthly basis and inform you as soon as we are able to re-open (be it via Community News, Facebook or Twitter). We will, of course, ensure there is a full deep-clean of the Hall before we re-open.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with Natalie at Hall@graftonparish.com

See www.graftonparish.com, call **07479 281809** or email hall@graftonparish.com for Coronation Hall booking information and details of gazebo hire.

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall - Cancelled



Grafton Youth activities

An adventurous programme will be ready for when life returns to normal. Look out for email updates in the meantime or contact Annie - email

youthactivities@graftonparish.com or text **07802 923344**.

Youth Activities is an initiative started by Grafton Parish Council and is aimed at young people at secondary school or in further education



Wilton Junior Cricket Club

Further information in the June issue. Contact Piers de Winton for information pdewinton@savills.com

Local commercial listing

Baby sitting	Sophie	07557 915052
B&B Grafton	Victoria Frost	07557 791604
Builder	Sam Sanchez	07887 991249
Celebration Cakes	www.nattiesbakesandbites.co.uk	
Computer issues	Stuart	07881 912477
Disco and Karaoke	Pete Vallis	01672 811326
Disco and Party	Steve	01672 811109
Dog Grooming	Victoria	07786 868192
Dog training/walking	Carrie Holborow	07546 941709
Double glazing	David Willcocks	01672 811979
Gardening	Sue Upham	01672 810526
Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890
Homeopathy	Emma H-Byass	07540 773531
Logs/tree surgeon	Jeremy Hawkins	07980 536156
Painting & Decorating	Neil Anderson	01264 731362
Personal trainer	Hen Mackinnon	07977 511959
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Storage/lock up	David Lemon	01672 870266
Sunflowers at Grafton	Julie McLernon	01672 810478
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274

For help and information

Link Scheme	0771 7006787	
Police emergency	999 or 112 - information 101	
Member of Parliament	Danny Kruger	01380 729358
County Councillor	Stuart Wheeler	01672 810285

Grafton Parish thanks our NHS

And we all thank those involved in making the NHS signs on The Green, East Grafton and opposite the pond in Wilton. They serve as a constant reminder of the amazing work by key workers taking place 24 hours a day across the country.

Deadline for the next issue Friday 22 May

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