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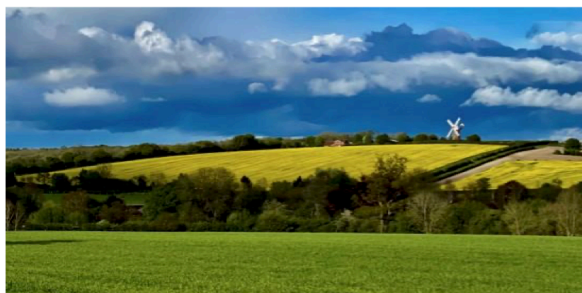
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DECEMBER 2025

Grafton Neighbourhood Plan Consultation



Draft Grafton Parish Neighbourhood Plan (2025 – 2040)



REGULATION 16 CONSULTATION PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Begins: 24th November 2025 Ends: 19th January 2026

(Please ensure that any comments on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan are received by Wiltshire Council no later than 5pm on Monday 19th January 2026).

Further information including the submitted draft neighbourhood plan and **how to comment** can be found online via <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-neighbourhood-consultations>

Alternatively, if you have no access to the internet, and you wish to view the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, a copy can be sent to you on request by calling neighbourhood planning on 01225 713591 or you can visit the following deposit points to view the Draft Neighbourhood Plan:

- The Swan, Grafton Road, Wilton, SN8 3SS
- Coronation Hall, The Green, East Grafton, SN8 3DB

Please be aware that all representations will be publicly available and may also appear on the Wiltshire Council website.

Following this consultation, the comments received will be passed to an independent neighbourhood planning examiner, to be appointed by the council, who will consider the representations and recommend whether the draft Neighbourhood Plan should be put to a community referendum.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Neighbourhood Planning on Tel: 01225 713591 or by email to neighbourhoodplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk

Wiltshire Council

Winter Warmers Community Lunch

Join your neighbours and friends and enjoy some great food at
Coronation Hall

Tuesday 13 January at 12.30pm
January's Menu

Baked sausages with double onion marmalade, mashed potato & peas
Lemon Meringue Pie

The following lunch will be held on Tuesday 3 February at 12:30
Everyone is very welcome

If you need more information please give me a call -
Liz on 07831 545772

Please let me know if you have any dietary requirements
Winter Warmers is held on the first Tuesday of the month over Autumn
and Winter



It's not long now until Father Christmas will be travelling around our Parish on his brightly decorated sleigh with festive music and lights! Don't miss out on this traditional Christmas Eve celebration!

18:10	- Marten	19:15	- Severalls & Lynden Close, East Grafton
18:20	- Wexcombe	19:20	- Duck Pond, Wilton
18:45	- A338, East Grafton	19:25	- Hollow Lane, Wilton
19:00	- West Grafton		

Father Christmas will be back on Christmas Day at The Swan at 12.45pm! **Parents:** It is possible to arrange for your child to receive a present from Father Christmas when he visits The Swan. Talk to Bill or one of the team at The Swan for more information - 01672 870274.

St Nicholas' Church at Christmas

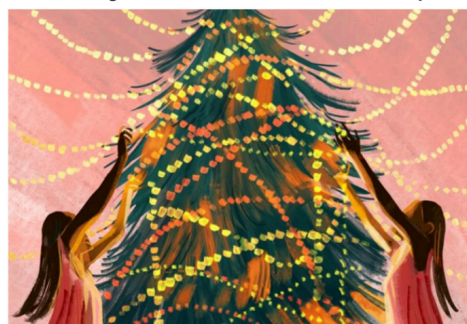


There are lots of opportunities to join us over Christmas!
Our Carol Service is on Sunday 21st December at 4.30pm.
We would like lots of children to come and help create the nativity.

The Christmas Day Service is at 11am
We also have a Team Service on Sunday 28th December at 11am. Sherry and mince pies will be served!

Wilton Christmas Tree 'Switch On'

Sunday 14th December at 5pm



Food & drinks will be available at
The Swan from 5pm

Planning Applications

No Planning Applications this month

Household Waste, Recycling & Garden Waste Collections Over Christmas & New Year

There will be changes to the collection days for all household collection services over the Christmas period. The online waste collection calendar can be accessed at

<https://ilforms.wiltshire.gov.uk/WasteCollectionDays/index>

Marten:

No Garden Waste collection on 24 December

Recycling Wednesday 7 January

Household Waste & Garden Waste Friday 9 January

Wexcombe:

No Garden Waste collection on 24 December

Recycling Wednesday 31 December & Tuesday 13 January

Household Waste & Garden Waste Friday 9 January

East Grafton:

Recycling 23 December and 8 January - East Grafton Green 10 January

Household Waste & Garden Waste - Saturday 3 January & Thursday 15 January

January

West Grafton:

Recycling Wednesday 31 December & Tuesday 13 January

Household Waste - Saturday 3 January & Thursday 15 January

Wilton:

No Garden Waste collection on 25 December

Recycling - Thursday 8 January

Household Waste - Friday 9 January

Garden Waste - Saturday 10 January

St Nicholas' Church News

After an extremely dry spring and summer, the Church must have begun the autumn months as dry as it has been for decades. This prolonged period of dryness may have caused some minor disturbances to some of the south-facing roof tiles, so that when it started to rain, a nasty leak was detected. The leak is above the organ which has just had its keyboard and pedalboard renewed.

The Church insurers are now undertaking investigations and preventative measures. The disturbance involved will be reduced to the minimum and should not interrupt any services – especially during this festive period. Scaffolding will be placed outside whilst the root cause is established.

It will be necessary to cover the organ by using protective sheeting and therefore the sound system will be used in the meantime.

The PCC is working on a solution.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2025

Many thanks to Susie Brew, Mike Fleckney, Mike Hyslop and Tor Frost for raising £613.78 by selling poppies door-to-door in the Parish.

St Nicholas' Church PCC also kindly donated the Remembrance Service collection of £292.50.

The residents of Grafton Parish have been as giving and generous as ever. As Area Volunteer for my 'patch' (TEA04) and on behalf of the Royal British Legion - a huge thank you to you all. - June Pearson

I'd love to hear from anyone who would cover East Grafton next year. Please let me know by emailing june.walnuttree@btinternet.com

What's new at Unit 7, The Cattle Shed

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Dates for your diary

Mobile Library

Information on the monthly Mobile Library Service can be found at apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/Library/Mobiles
The next mobile library is on Wednesday 10 December at the Coronation Hall in East Grafton from 11.40 to 12 noon.

Coronation Hall - Gazebo Hire

New covers have been purchased for the gazebo's and they are now able to be hired again! Please contact the Hall for further details:
hall@graftonparish.com - 01672 216115 / 07479 281809

December

10	11:40	Mobile Library	Coronation Hall
14	17:00	Wilton Christmas Lights	Wilton / The Swan
21	16:30	Carol Service	St Nicholas' Church
24	See Page 1	Father Christmas Village Tour	All Villages
25	11:00	Christmas Day Service	St Nicholas' Church
28	11:00	Team Service	St Nicholas' Church

January

07	11:40	Mobile Library	Coronation Hall
12	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Coronation Hall
13	12:30	Winter Warmers Lunch	Coronation Hall
19		Grafton Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation ends	

Local Clubs

Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig
Crofton Beam Engines	crofton@katrust.org.uk
Baby & Toddler Group	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk
Dance classes	07746 479345 Charlotte Price
Yoga	07747 780898 Tim Brew
Zumba	07710 115324 Joanna Bury

Coronation Hall Regular Dates

Tuesday (weekly in term-time)	Zumba	09:30
Tuesday	Timmy B Yoga	19:00
Wednesday	Timmy B Yoga	09:30
Wednesday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	15:30
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Grafton Goslings	10:00
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	17:00
Thursday	Timmy B Yoga	19:30
Monday (1st & 3rd week in month)	Alzheimer's Cafe	13:15



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Wilton: Tara 07833 320951

Wexcombe: George 07786 332950



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