



Community News

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JULY 2023



An Inspector Calls

Our last inspection took place way back in 2017 so we had been expecting the call from Ofsted for a while.

The inspector called at the end of May and we were very pleased to maintain our overall GOOD rating and for the personal development of our children to be considered outstanding.

We have maintained a GOOD rating throughout our nearly 12 years of operation – a period during which standards and expectations have been continually raised – so we are absolutely delighted with the result.

A huge well done to our team, to the children who kept our inspector entertained and to our families and friends who support us so wonderfully.

You can read the full report on the Ofsted website
www.reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/16/EY457829



A WILD summer in The TreeHouse

There's lots to be excited about!

We're reflecting our love of the great outdoors with a WILD summer in The TreeHouse holiday club for primary school children.



Weekdays from Wednesday 26 July to Thursday 31 August inclusive, from 7.50am to 4pm.

Glorious days out every day and an opportunity to earn a Bronze Woodland Explorer Award.

See full details of our summer holiday timetable at

www.sunflowers-grafton.org.uk/treehouse/holiday-club/

Call 01672 810478 or email admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk to reserve spots.

Local Summer Walking & Cycling

For local walking and cycling routes and leaflets, as well as places to visit, go to www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk and follow the links!

Patient Participation Group at Bedwyn Surgery

Patient Participation Groups (PPGs) have an important role to play in enabling patients to have a say in the way services are delivered to best meet the needs of the local Community. A PPG is an opportunity for patients and carers to work with the Practice to:

- Improve local services and quality of care
- Improve communication with patients
- Promote health and wellbeing
- Ensure they remain accountable and responsive to patients' needs

As a PPG member you can:

- Suggest ideas for improvements and voice concerns
- Provide feedback to the Practice about the patient experience
- Help with communication between the Practice and local communities
- Offer practical support to the Surgery

Bedwyn Surgery would love to see you at their next meeting – the date and time will be updated on their website -

www.oldschoolsurgery.co.uk.

The PPG Chairperson is Hayley Kane who is happy to be contacted directly if you would like her to raise any points on your behalf – please email hayleykane@hotmail.com.

Rural Crime Survey

A survey to explore how crime is affecting rural communities is now underway. In Wiltshire, the Rural Crime Team covers all heritage and wildlife crime including theft of livestock and machinery, fly tipping, poaching and hare coursing to name a few.

The survey asks about your experience of rural crime and what your priorities are. You can take the survey online here -

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RuralDC>

Crofton 2030 Project

Crofton Beam Engines has received a grant of £27,760 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund for a project to develop and test ideas for increasing the number and range of people engaging with Crofton.

The 'Crofton 2030' project will help Crofton Beam Engines retain its position as a premier heritage attraction, worthy of its Grade 1 listed status, and ensure that they can keep the engines operating to 2030 and beyond.

The grant is made possible by money raised by National Lottery players, and builds on a previous Heritage Fund grant in 2018 which funded repairs to the historic buildings, new visitor facilities such as accessible toilets and improved interpretation around the site.

The project has four main elements:

- to review engagement and 'value added' activities at similar heritage sites;
- to carry out market research on potential opportunities to broaden audiences and increase income;
- to develop a Site Master Plan, making best use of our existing facilities and developing new facilities where needed and possible (given the limitations of the site); and
- to develop a business strategy for Crofton running to 2030, and a more detailed three year forward plan.

Crofton has now appointed two heritage experts to assist them in this work, Riah Pryor and David Tucker. The project is being managed by a project group headed by Chris Bolt, Treasurer of The Kennet and Avon Canal Trust and Vice-Chairman of the Crofton Branch.

The Crofton 2030 project will be completed in the autumn.

For further information, contact:

Chris Bolt - Project Manager (pm@katrust.org.uk)

Planning Applications

Application Ref: PL/2023/04978 **Deadline:** 28 July 2023
Application Type: Householder Planning Permission
Proposal: Replacement garage including office, gym & games room
Site Address: Grafton House, The Green, East Grafton

Application Ref: PL/2023/05021 **Deadline:** 27 July 2023
Application Type: Householder Planning Permission
Proposal: Erection of 3-bay garage
Site Address: Kingston Cottage, 278 West Grafton

Application Ref: PL/2023/05139 **Deadline:** 3 August 2023
Application Type: Full Planning Permission
Proposal: Erection of 2 new dwellings
Site Address: Forest View, East Grafton

More information at:
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-building-control

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- Friday night pizzas (weekly menu on website) baked in our pizza oven or assembled and ready to cook at home.
- Pizza kits and deli boxes to order

Wine Bar Wednesday – 5.30pm-7.30pm
Friday Wood Fired Pizzas – 5.30pm-7.30pm



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Studio 38 - 2 Mill Close, Great Bedwyn

Jeremy Wyatt – Sculpture and Metalwork

Sylvia Wyatt – Mixed Media

Rosalind Hewitt – Glass and Painting

Studio 39 - Truant House, Froxfield

Diana Barraclough – Ceramics, Glass and Wood

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Pinckneys Farm Shop	Wendy Skardon	07989 228864
Yoga	Tim Brew	07747 780898

Services at St Nicholas' Church

There are no services at St Nicholas church during August.
Services resume with Holy Communion on 3rd September at 11am.

Coronation Hall

To book Coronation Hall or to find details on how to hire trestle tables or gazebos, go to: www.graftonparish.com or contact as follows:

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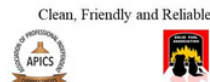
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The website enables you to find a library near you and includes information on mobile library stops, dates and times as well as physical library buildings.

July

10	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Coronation Hall
13	19:00	Pop Up Yoga	Wilton Windmill
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26		Treehouse Holiday Club	Sunflowers
29	10:30	Steaming Day/Weekend	Crofton Beam Engines
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August

06	18:30	Planning Meeting	Coronation Hall
27	10:30	Steaming Day/Weekend	Crofton Beam Engines
28	10:30	Steaming Day/Weekend	Crofton Beam Engines

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
Dance classes	07746 479345 Charlotte Price
Yoga	07747 780898 Tim Brew
Zumba	07710 115324 Joanna Bury

Coronation Hall Regular Dates

Monday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:45
Tuesday (weekly in term-time)	Zumba	09:30
Tuesday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:15
Tuesday	TimmyB Yoga	19:00
Wednesday	TimmyB Yoga	09:30
Wednesday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	15:30
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Grafton Goslings	10:00
Thursday (every week)	Olivia Boydall - Chair Yoga	14:30
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:45
Monday (1st & 3rd in month)	Alzheimer's Cafe	13:15
Tuesday (1st in month from October)	Winter Warmers	12:30



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West Grafton: Annie **07802 923344**

Wilton: Tara **07833 320951**

Wexcombe: George **07786 332950**



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