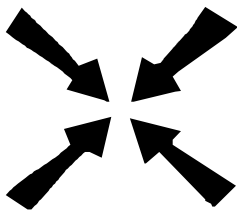


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From the Editor

This is my final edition as Editor of Meeting Point. I am very pleased to welcome Chris Bolton (see left of this page for his details) as my successor and you can read more about the changeover further on in the magazine. I hope Chris enjoys being Editor as much as I have.

Thank you very much to Assistant Editor Angela Williams, the MP committee and all the contributors who have helped me fill these pages during the past three years. I couldn't have done it without all of you!

A very happy and peaceful Christmas 2014 to all readers, contributors and advertisers from everyone at Meeting Point.

The cover: Christmas robin by Ernie Baker

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Ann Parker *answers questions from the Editor about herself*

What was your earliest ambition?

I wanted to be an actress, then I wanted to be a nurse. I realised I'd never cope if anyone was sick so gave that up in favour of becoming a missionary, and then thought about my fear of creepy crawlies and finally really felt called to be a teacher, which I became.

What sort of school did you go to?

I went to Swanage Grammar School. It was one of the few Grammar Schools in the country that had a boarding school attached, set up to take children who couldn't study at home e.g. children whose parents were in the Services, or children of single parents, all sorts of reasons. My parents had a guest house so I had nowhere to study, essential requirement for grammar school. There were about 50 boarders and we went to school every day like the rest of the pupils.

Did you go to university or training college?

I went to Teacher Training College in Sunderland and when teaching became an all degree profession I studied with the Open University, eventually getting an Honours History degree. For the Ministry I gained a Diploma in Theology with the West of England Theology Ecumenical College.

Who was or is your mentor? My first mentor was Rev. Kenneth Preston, and my second my Tutor, Dr. Mervyn Davies.

How physically fit are you? I like to think I am pretty fit. I walk every morning, swim two or 3 times a week. I used to do running but it began to damage my back so I had to stop.

Ambition or talent: which matters more to success?

Hard question to answer, I think you'd have to define success.

Do you think about your carbon footprint?

Sometimes yes, but there are other issues. If we only purchased fruit and veg grown in this country to prevent it being flown in we could damage the economy of the foreign countries from which we purchase, and increase the poverty there. For instance I buy green beans from Kenya.

What would you like to own that you don't currently possess?

I can't think of anything!

What's your biggest extravagance? Theatre-going and eating out.

Where are you happiest?

With my husband and grandchildren in our villa in Cyprus.

What ambitions do you still have?

To continue to serve God by loving his people.

What drives you on? Serving God and meeting new people.

What is your greatest achievement? Staying married for 46 years.

What has been your greatest disappointment?

That my 2 children never got to know my father. He died when they were very young.

If your 20-year-old self could see you now, what would she think?

My 20 year old self would probably be amazed, possibly appalled. I was a bit of a wild liver in those days. My friends from those days were amazed when I became a priest. One or two of them still can't get their heads around it!

If you lost everything tomorrow, what would you do?

Cry. Pray very hard after I had spoken very angrily to God, then get on with my life.

If you had to rate your satisfaction with your life so far, what would you score? 10/10

The Rev. Ann Parker is the Focal Minister for the Chapelry of St John, Aust.

Christmas Services at St John's Aust

Sunday	Dec 21 st 17:30 - Family Carol Service	Rev Ann Parker
Wednesday	Dec 24th 23:30 - Midnight Communion	Rev Ann Parker
Sunday	Dec 28th 18:30 - Lessons and Carols by Candlelight	

M48 Wind farm

This planning application is going to S.Glos. Planning Committee for a decision on Thursday 11th December, at 11.00 am in the Armstrong Hall.

The Great War Remembered

Richard Newley

All the hard work, planning and preparation involved in presenting this remembrance of the First World War culminated in a powerful performance in St Mary's Church on Friday 17th and on Saturday 18th October. The audience was first roused by Henry V's speech (delivered by Dan Phillips) and was then, by turns, moved, saddened, uplifted and amused throughout the evening. This memorable event was the result of months of planning and production by Linda Evans and a small committee chaired by Roly Bain and a great effort by the contributors, researching and perfecting their pieces. Each segment was presented against a backdrop of audio-visuals expertly marshalled by Brian Brown and was stage managed by Keith Richards and atmospherically lit by Richard Churchill.

Offerings included a memoir of Vera Brittain, beautifully read by Barbie Davies, and excerpts from Journey's End played with wonderful conviction by Phil Domaille, Dan Phillips and Chris Holland. War in the trenches was complemented by descriptions of war in the air and at sea (Graham Clark, Peter Grindal and Jennifer Bone). Stories from around the world included the expedition of the Oldown Troop to the Middle East told by George Dix and the huge explosion of a supply ship in Halifax, Canada, related by Phil Savage followed by the beautiful poem "In Flanders Fields the Poppies blow", by Canadian John McCrae, which was read by Judy Jones.

Often it was those items with a personal connection to the speaker or local connection that were the most arresting: June Robbins, Chris Malpus, Jane Haworth, Pat Thirkettle, Gail Lowe, Oliver Harries, June Hahn and Christopher Pollard with stories of loss or of fortunate survival. Sian Slade described midwifery and bereavement on the home front and the Warrior Horses story presented by Julie Grindal about the plight of horses and pack mules on the front line in France was unexpectedly moving.

The huge loss of human life was marked by the Royal British Legion and the playing of the Last Post. Some of the tragedy and futility of war was reflected in the songs and poetry provided by Cynthia Black, Rita Hitchcock, Bill Morgan, Sandy Shaw, David Stone, Sue Farr, Ann Lloyd and Lesley Clarke. Under the musical direction of David Shaw, spirits were raised (as in the war?) by songs from the male chorus and soloists and the audience was invited to join in 'Keeping the Home Fires Burning!' The singing here was led by WWI Nurses, Sandy Shaw, Pauline Wright and Debbie Harries and David Bone in the uniform of a military Chaplain.

Continued overleaf

Linda Evans and her cast and production team are to be congratulated on an event which was presented with great skill and understanding. This was a very special tribute for the Centenary of a solemn historical event and all involved should be proud of their achievement.

A total of £1322.35 was raised for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.

Advent windows

Advent windows will again be lit up each day during December. See below for the addresses and dates where they can be seen. We hope you enjoy them!

1. Green Lane Garage Olveston
2. Apple Tree Cottage Upper Tockington Road
3. 3 Manor Close Tockington
4. Lavender Cottage Vicarage Lane Olveston
5. Hillside House Haw Lane Olveston
6. Alma House Tockington Green
7. The White Hart Olveston
8. Tockington Court Lodge Upper Tockington Road
9. 12 Orchard Rise Olveston
10. 3 Green Court Olveston
11. Waypoint New Road Olveston
12. The Old Police Station, at corner of Haw Lane and New Road, Olveston
13. Oakfield Haw Lane Olveston
14. The Crusty Loaf The Street Olveston
15. Holly Cottage New Road Olveston
16. Ashlea Haw Lane Olveston
17. 2 Manor Park Tockington
18. The Wesley Rooms Tockington
19. 39 Laxton Close Olveston
20. Little Barn Church Hill Olveston
21. 2 Cromwell Court Olveston
22. Travalan New Road Olveston
23. 28a Orchard Rise Olveston
24. St Mary's Church Olveston

Late night Christmas shopping

Thornbury Chamber of Commerce is organising a Christmas Shopping evening on Thursday 4th December. Shops will re-open at 6pm-9pm to offer a "Christmas feel" shopping evening.

News from St Mary's Olveston

Sally Army Concert

By popular demand the Easton Salvation Army Band are returning to St Mary's for another Christmas Concert on Dec 6th at 7.30pm. Tickets at £5 are in aid of the Salvation Army. There will be a bar too, but profits from that go to the church. It promises to be another uplifting and inspiring evening. Tickets from June Robbins 617491 or Roly 616593

Toy Service

On Dec 7th at 10am we're having a Toy Service in aid of the Children's Society, and Gill Ford from the Society will be our preacher. Tockington Manor choir is coming to sing, and the Breakfast Club is coming too. We are all asked to bring a Christmas present for an underprivileged child or teenager, but don't wrap it - they'll do that.

Bridge to Guatampuri

St Mary's are leading a fundraising project to build a multi-purpose education and training centre in the slums of Delhi, with a target of £15,000. The launch on Nov 1st was both successful and convincing, with over 50 people present, and £1800 was given, including gift aid. Olveston Primary School are keen to be involved in it, and if you would like to help or to donate, cheques should be made payable to Olveston PCC, proper gift aid envelopes are available in church, and we hope to raise the money sooner rather than later. Envelopes can go through Roly's door at the Vicarage.

Feast of Fools

St Mary's annual Feast of Fools is on Dec 28th at 10am, featuring, as ever, Roly the Clown. A child is made bishop at the service - if your child would like to be the bishop, then let Roly know on 616593. First come, first served!

The Goulash Quiz

Our next quiz is on Jan 10th at 7.30pm in church. As its title suggests, goulash and rice is on the menu. Tickets are £5, teams are a maximum of six people, and you need to book a table in advance from Roly - we need to know for catering purposes, but there is also a limit on numbers. He's on 616593 or roly@rolybain.co.uk. If you'd like to be on the Quiz mailing list, email him and tell him!

Aust Parish Council Matters

Tim Pyper (austparishcouncil@googlemail.com)

Wide Load Lay-by on the A 403 Aust

The Parish Council knows how much concern there is in Aust about the danger caused by lorries parking in the lay-by, despite it being a no parking zone. The Council has been working for months (in support of our District Councillor, Matthew Riddle) to get it closed. South Gloucestershire Council has allocated funds to do the work and we believe that the Highways Agency has now withdrawn its objection to the closure. We hope that the work will start soon – but the date has not yet been fixed.

Another Power Station on Severnside?

Scottish Power is proposing to build yet another gas fired power station down the Avonmouth road. They will be invited to make a presentation to the Parish Council at a meeting early in 2015, possibly the January meeting. As always, Parish Council meetings are open to the public and anyone who is interested will be welcome to attend.

Parking in Aust Village

A lot of commuters park in Aust village near the church. This can cause problems when there is a special service, such as a funeral. With Olveston Parish Council, we have been allocated some money to buy traffic cones and signs so that sections of the road can be kept clear for such events.

Next Meeting

The Parish Council doesn't meet in December, and the next meeting will be on 13th January 2015.

The Parish Council wishes all our residents a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Alveston Singers

Invite you to their Christmas concerts:

Tuesday 9 December 7.30pm at Alveston Methodist Church

Tuesday 16 December 7.30pm at United Reformed Church, Thornbury
Christmas Festival by David Bradbury plus traditional carols for choir and audience.

FREE ADMISSION with retiring collection in aid of Parkinson's UK & Hope for Tomorrow (Mobile Chemotherapy Units).

Olveston Parish Council Matters

Richard Rogers (olveston pc@gmail.com)

2014 has seen a big improvement in the ability of residents to access the World Wide Web. Firstly the parish has seen the installation of fibre optic cabling to improve connection speeds to residential homes and businesses. Secondly the Parish Council has invested in broadband at the Queen Alexandra Pavilion to improve its own capability, but has also made it available to users of the clubs and societies who use the Old Down facilities.

To help those who do not have access to computers, or else need help with accessing the web, or wish to discuss other computing issues, the Parish Council in conjunction with the Methodist Church opened the Internet Café which regularly meets at Olveston Methodist Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Computers and wireless facilities are provided to access the web and suitable support is on hand to help, even for people with no prior experience. From here it would be possible to visit three useful websites.

www.olvestonandaust.com is regularly kept up to date by Jenny Newley, and provides useful information, events and links concerning the parishes of Olveston and Aust. It is timely to thank Jenny and the rest of team who maintain this valuable resource.

www.4tvl.org.uk is an ideal site for all ages. Four Towns Community Transport provides transport to those members of the community who, for whatever reason, cannot use existing transport services. It provides essential travel (supported by South Gloucestershire Council) for Diamond Travel Card holders as well as social trips for leisure. If you do not have a Diamond Travel Card you may still be able to become a member of 4T&VL and pay to use its services. It also has minibuses for hire (with or without a driver) for use by local community groups.

www.sthglosoverfiftiesforum.co.uk - South Glos Over Fifties forum is a vibrant, ongoing organisation whose aim in life is to improve the lot of older people in the South Gloucestershire Area. It holds regular meetings within the county, with speakers on a wide range of subjects pertinent to the needs of older people. Any person provided that he or she is of the age of 50 or above, and resides in South Gloucestershire is welcome to join.

The Parish Council would again like to thank the editors for their hard work in producing Meeting Point each month. The Council would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2015.

Your Editors

Les Harper

'Meeting Point' Chairman

This December's Meeting Point is Phyllida's last issue and on behalf of the committee I would like to express our thanks for her sterling work as editor over the past three years. Producing a monthly community magazine is no easy task, but Phyllida has done a grand job of continuing to provide an informative, topical and entertaining publication.

We are fortunate that we have a new editor (or two) to take on the job. Chris Bolton has been learning how it's done under Phyllida's guidance and will be taking the reins from January's edition onwards. Chris has commitments which take him away on occasions and during these times Marelin Orr-Ewing will take on the editorial role. Whichever of them is in the editor's seat they can be contacted on meetingpointeditor@gmail.com so there will be no gaps in the service.

Please keep providing us with the wide range of articles that makes Meeting Point such an enjoyable magazine, delivered to your door by a team of volunteers, and read around the world on www.olvestonandaust.com

Thornbury Christmas Food and Gift Fair

**Saturday 6th December – Castle Street
10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.**

Christmas comes but once a year but doesn't it come quickly! Once again, Castle Street, Thornbury is hosting our annual Christmas Food and Gift Fair with 80 combined stalls offering the best in local food and drink alongside interesting and quirky crafts and gifts. Along with the wide range of food items from dips and olives to start your Christmas feast to Christmas cakes and liqueurs for that end of the day "feet up moment", there will be handmade jewellery, bags, slate gifts, paintings, plus many other individual gifts to make your Christmas shopping so much easier.

There will be hot food and drink, music provided by local musicians, so pop the time and date in your diary, smartphone, tablet or on the calendar on your kitchen wall - whichever - just make sure you come and join us in celebrating the start of the festive season with the best of local!

Women's Work in Bristol in the Early Twentieth Century

Wednesday, 3 December 2014, 7.30pm, Olveston Methodist Church



While strenuous efforts were being made in the early 1900s to achieve justice for women in the political arena, what were the characteristics of ordinary women's working lives?

Prof. June Hannam, who has long studied women's history and the history of ordinary working women, will share what she has learned about women's work in the Bristol area in the early years of the twentieth century.

All welcome. **£2 for a single meeting**, payable at the door, or you can buy **annual membership for just £5**, also at the door, which entitles you to this and four more talks.

Olveston Parish Historical Society www.olvoston.com/historical-society

The Story of Thornbury's Historic Coaching Inn

Fri 12 Dec, 2.30pm, Thornbury Methodist Hall



Meg Wise will be sharing her researches into the long and fascinating history of The Swan in Thornbury in an illustrated talk, "Called and Known by the name of The Swan...".

Thornbury's only true coaching inn, it was also the place where local JPs held the minor court cases known as Petty Sessions.

Several Friendly Societies held their meetings here - some temperate, some very convivial. Come and hear about The Swan's many uses and occupants and the important role it has played in the town's history.

Tickets £5 (including refreshments) must be booked in advance from Thornbury & District Museum (enquiries@thornburymuseum.org.uk, phone 857774 or visit the museum in Chapel St: Tue - Fri 1 - 4pm, Sat 10am-4pm).

Flights of Fancy: Robins

Trevor Cook



Robin ©Ernie Baker

As Christmas approaches we will be surrounded by robins. They will be seen everywhere, adorning Christmas cards and decorations. I couldn't resist putting Ernie's robin (© E. Baker) in, and although I can only offer a black and white version, you don't need much imagination to picture our national bird. And anyway you will see them in our gardens as, during the winter months, they are more visible, taking charge of the bird table and holding their territory by voice and by battle. Gentle they are not.

They are the only birds that sing the whole year round and their trilling song can be heard everywhere as they defend their patch. And when they are not singing they can be heard in the undergrowth 'ticking' with annoyance at any intruder, including us humans. The only time they become shy is when they moult in the summer.

In the wild they have the habit of following animals such as deer and wild boar through the forests, waiting to pounce as insects are disturbed or, in the case of the boar, rooted up. It is only a small step to realise that that is why they come so close to us when we are digging the garden or turning over earth.



Robin ©Keven Law

Their nesting habits are famous for the variety of



Robin with young ©Juan Emilio

different objects that they will use as bases for their nests such as old kettles, sheds and so on; and a clutch of four to six blue eggs are laid. When fledged the young are quite different from the adults and often cause confusion in the garden with their brown plumage and pale spots. It is said that the reason for this is that if they had red breasts the adults would begin to fight them too.

See <http://www.garden-birds.co.uk/birds/robin.htm> for more.

December

Angela Daymond

We come to the shortest day of the year and the winter solstice. The short days have robbed the deciduous trees of their leaves. But all is not lost. The traditional Christmas plants play their part in keeping the winter alive.

The evergreen holly so synonymous with Christmas decorations: its cheery scarlet berries and distinctive prickly leaves are an important source of food and cover for birds and small mammals. Migrant redwings and fieldfares flock to strip the berries, and deer will eat their leaves in winter; sheep enjoy them too.

Along with holly we mustn't forget the ivy. Not a tree but a vine, it is so important as cover for a multitude of insects and birds. Ivy is also an important source of very late flowers for nectar and berries to tide many over the winter. Although technically a parasite, contrary to belief that ivy strangles other plants, the problem is usually the competition for water and light. Ivy is almost unique in having two types of leaves on one plant. Young lower leaves will have the recognisable three lobes, but in parts where the vine has grown tall enough to reach light, the leaves will become smooth wedge shaped.

That other greenery of Christmas is of course the mistletoe. Another parasite plant, it thrives in apple orchards and is happy in lime trees too. Its juicy white berries are a favourite of blackbirds and thrushes. One thrush in particular likes them so much, its name is mistle thrush.

Both holly and mistletoe are poisonous to us. Yet for wildlife these three plants, holly ivy and mistletoe can ensure winter survival. So when you gather your greenery to deck the halls, remember to leave a few berries behind for our woodland friends.

St Peter's Hospice Severnside Support Group Christmas Bazaar

The Annual Bazaar for St Peter's Hospice will take place in the Thornbury Methodist Church Hall on December 6th between 10.00am and 12noon. Variety of Stalls including Cards, Gifts, Crafts, Homemade preserves, Cakes and Puddings, Books, plus many more. Raffle and Teas. Entry by Donation. Thank you for supporting St Peter's – your local Hospice.

Carols Around the Christmas Tree

St Mary Centre Thornbury 13th December 10.00 – 12 noon

Christmas is coming, so we make no apology for revisiting Carols Around the Christmas Tree for the seventh year in succession, as it has become a firm favourite in the Christmas calendar, and what better way for local people to get into the festive mood than to come and have a jolly good sing!

On Saturday 13 December, from 10.00 am until 12 noon, we extend a warm welcome to everyone to come along and join in with youngsters from local primary schools, teenagers, the U3A Recorder Group, Community Choirs and hopefully students of the Northavon School of Drama, who (under their performance name of the Northavon Youth Theatre Company) will be performing the area première of a brand new musical: SUNSHINE ON LEITH, featuring the music of The Proclaimers next Easter, so should be in fine voice! As usual, this event takes place by the large Christmas tree, in the middle of St Mary Centre, Thornbury, with Kate Phillipson-Masters on the keyboard, so do come and join us!

Mumping Merriment The Chantry 13th December

What better way to start the Christmas Season than getting in the festive mood at Thornbury's traditional Mumping Night at The Chantry? Start your evening by joining the carol singers and musicians at St Mary Centre at 6pm, then process through the town, stopping now and again to sing carols, until you arrive at The Chantry where a warm welcome of mulled wine and a mince pie (all included in the ticket price) await you.

Entertainment will cater for all tastes with firm favourites such as 'Magic with Barry Smith', the 'Get Singing Thornbury' choir and the traditional sound of Handbells. Highlights also include 'The McLellan School of Irish Dance', story telling and poetry with Elizabeth Vooght and Penny Taylor, Dan Budd's 'Ukulele Jam', John & Karen Smith with monologues and songs, Jane Marks & Pauline Montgomery from Thornbury Museum with slides and contemporary songs and the 'Local Story during the Great War', 'A Class Act' jazz trio, Jan & Dave Fulman describing their 'Severn Saga', a 'Christmas Sing-Along' etc.

The Chantry Bar will be open throughout the evening and hot dogs will be served in the interval to keep your energy flowing. Mumping Night is being run this year in aid of the Armstrong Hall Backstage Improvement Appeal. Tickets limited to 150 are available from Thornbury Garden Shop, High Street at £8 and £4 for children. The Chantry is unsuitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs.

Movies at St Mary's: Dec Trevor Anderson



FOUR movies this month at St Mary's Olveston, all chosen to help brighten the dark days of December.

If you haven't yet been, come and join the hundreds who have! We show films for the 'grown-ups' on the first and third Monday evenings of each month and for 'children of all ages' every Monday morning during school holidays. There's a friendly welcome for everyone and there is no need to book.

MONDAY MOVIES (*Recent releases and popular classics*)

Mon 1st Dec at 7.30pm: Combining some wonderful song and dance routines with a cast of memorable characters and starring Judy Garland, this is one of the best Hollywood musicals ever. (*Cert U*)

MONDAY MOVIES EXTRA (*Quality 'non-mainstream' films*)

Mon 15th Dec at 7.30pm: History is rewritten and sacred cows are merrily slaughtered as the Python team unleash their take on well known events from 2000 years ago! (*Cert U*)

CHILDREN'S MOVIE CLUB (*Every Monday morning in the hols*)

Mon 22nd Dec at 10.00am: The Muppet characters tell their version of the classic tale of an old and bitter miser's redemption on Christmas Eve. (*Cert U*)

Mon 29th Dec at 10.00am: This watery tale was the rebirth of Disney in the modern era and due to superb songs, enduring humour and a touching plot it remains an animation classic. (*Cert U*)

Refreshments available at all the shows. Admission is free although a **donation** at the end towards expenses is always appreciated.

For copyright reasons we can't name the films here, but if you **join the Movie Club** we'll send you titles and full details by email. It costs nothing to join – just email me at trevoranderson@btinternet.com.

At Thornbury Picture House -

The South American comedy/drama '**Instructions Not Included**' (13). For full details of this film and future screenings, view www.thornburypicturehouse.org Cossham Hall at 7.30pm, Friday 5th Dec. £5 on the door for non-members. New members joining before 31st December pay only £15 for the next 6 films.

Thornbury Library Christmas activities

****NEW****

FREE Wi-Fi now installed in Thornbury Library. We hope you enjoy this new addition to our services.

What's on your Christmas wish list?

If you are hoping for an iPad or similar tablet for Christmas, you might like to know about our range of eBooks, eAudio books and eMagazines available for FREE download to library members, 24/7. You can find full details of these services by visiting www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries and selecting "Library e-resources". To access online services you will need your library borrower number and PIN. Please ask at the library if you don't know your PIN, we will be happy to help.

If you are not already a library member, joining the library is easy and free. We look forward to welcoming you!

Festive Activities

- Pre-School Festive StoryTime and Festive RhymeTime

Bring your little ones to enjoy a special festive StoryTime on Monday 15 December from 2.15pm- 2.45pm. For added festive cheer join us for Christmas RhymeTime on Friday 19 December 11am – 11.30am. Suitable for babies and pre-schoolers.

- Festive coffee

Tuesday 16 December Join us for a festive coffee and mince pie in the library between 10-midday. Everyone welcome.

- Children's FREE "Festive Fun" craft drop-in

Saturday 20 December 11-12 noon Drop in any time between 11 – 12 noon and make Christmas cards and decorations. Suitable for 4 – 11year olds, with parent or carer.

Please note for safety reasons no child under 8 years should be left unattended in the library.

Our online services remain open 24/7 www.librarieswest.org.uk

Tockington Manor School supports The Belize Children's Trust

The children of Tockington Manor School were delighted to welcome Mrs Kim Simplis- Barrow, the First Lady of Belize, and Her Excellency Ms Perla Pedomo, the Belizean High Commissioner, to the school on 1st October. Both were in the country to promote Mrs Simplis- Barrow's charity, The Belize Children's Trust. Tockington naturally holds such charities very close to its heart and the children were keen to learn more about the work that is being done and about Belize itself.

Headmaster, Stephen Symonds, said: "It is sometimes hard for children living in England to fully appreciate the needs of other children around the world. As a small country Belize is doing all it can but expertise in medicine, neurosurgery and education is vital for the children within Belize to get the support and care they need and this is why Tockington Manor is keen to help promote this very worthwhile cause." Mrs Simplis-Barrow and Ms Pedomo thanked the children for the warm welcome they received and added that they look forward to returning to the school at a later date.



Stephen and Amanda Symonds with Kim Simplis-Barrow

Police Report for September and October 2014

There were 17 reported crimes for the villages of Aust, Hill, Rockhampton, Oldbury, Littleton, Olveston, Elberton, Tockington and Old Down. The beat has a whole has suffered a spike in burglaries both residential, outbuildings and commercial.

Of those crimes:-

Three residential burglaries in Oldbury and Olveston, unknown offender(s) gained access by forcing a garage door and once inside stole power tools and a generator. Offender(s) gained access to two properties currently undergoing renovation work and once inside stole power tools.

Three outbuilding burglaries in Oldbury and Old Down, unknown offender(s) gained access to two of the buildings where power tools were stolen and an attempt on a tack room but no entry gained.

Four burglaries to commercial premises in Olveston, Oldbury and Rockhampton. Unknown offender(s) gained access to Olveston Parish Hall; once inside, rooms searched but nothing taken. St. Arild's Church: access gained to the office, once inside items stolen. Thornbury Sailing Club: access gained to the club house, once inside damage caused but nothing stolen. Attempted break-in at Rockhampton Cricket Club: no access gained.

Criminal damage to a motor vehicle in Oldbury.

Helping Trading Standards spread the message

South Gloucestershire Council Trading Standards have gained another ally in the fight against rogue traders and scammers, which continue to be a problem in South Gloucestershire and across the region –Scamwise door stickers.

The outward facing side of the door sticker states 'No Doorstep Traders' whilst the inward facing side gives some safety messages to follow.

The door stickers were purchased using money awarded to Trading Standards by the courts after a successful prosecution, so in essence the criminals have paid for an effective tool to protect the public from criminals.

If you do not live in the Thornbury or Alveston area, you can request a Scamwise door sticker and an advice booklet from Trading Standards by telephoning 03454 04 05 06.

Severnside Ramblers



Join Severnside Ramblers for some fresh air and exercise; you will also enjoy some great views and hopefully see some wild life. Join Severnside Ramblers on a ramble.

Non-members are always very welcome. For more information about walks in December 2014, log on to www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk, or pick up a programme at your local library. A contact name and telephone number is given for each walk. We meet for Saturday and Sunday walks at Aztec West, Blue Zone Parking area, near the Management Centre, at the times shown for each walk, and share lifts to the start of the walk. Friday Walks, the meeting point is ALDI Car Park Bradley Stoke.

Please bring packed lunch and plenty of fluids. If you want to go directly to the start of the walk, please contact the walk leader.

Sunday 7 December 2014

Severnside Ramblers. Severn Beach & Aust. 10 miles. Flat walk from Severn Beach to Aust via Northwick & returning via Severn Way. Meet 9.00 Aztec West. Contact Ann 01179 798628 or go to www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

Sunday 14 December

Severnside Ramblers. Tortworth. Leisurely 4—5 mile walk around the village of Tortworth. Meet 10.00 at Aztec West. Contact Gill 01454 631500 or visit our web site www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

Sunday 21 December

Severnside Ramblers. Woodchester Park. 8 miles. Hilly walk in secluded wooded National Trust Valley with many lakes & spooky deserted mansion. Meet 9.00 Aztec West. Contact Andy 01454 411305 or go to www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

Sun 28 Dec

Severnside Ramblers. St Briavels & Wye Valley. 12 miles. Offa's Dyke, paths, minor roads, farm tracks with a few moderate climbs. Meet 8.30 Aztec West. Contact Janet & Mike 01179 650661 or visit the website www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

Sun 4 Jan

Severnside Ramblers. Dyrham & West Littleton. 8 miles. Join us on the first walk of the year, a gentle undulating landscape along tracks & fields. Meet 9.30 Aztec West Contact Kathy 07890 113179 or visit our website www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

From the registers of St Mary's Olveston

15 th October 2014	Funeral of Isabella Sadie Rose Phillips, stillborn
19 th October 2014	Baptism of Amy Elizabeth Lanfear, daughter of Mark and Kate Lanfear
25 th October 2014	Wedding of William Penny and Jennifer King
26 th October 2104	Baptism of Anna Violet Shaw, daughter of Simon and Elizabeth Shaw
2 nd November 2014	Baptism of Molly Victoria Hicks, daughter of Edward and Lucy Hicks

Friends of St Mary's

The prize winners in the November draw, held on 6th November 2014 at the Friends' Committee Meeting were:-

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>
£150	332	Mr & Mrs R Garlick, Olveston
£75	314	Mr and Mrs R Birtle, Olveston
£25	325	Mrs M James, Olveston
£25	275	Mrs L Evans, Alveston
£25	600	Mrs J Davis, Olveston
£20	584	Mrs F Tait, Elberton
£20	241	Mr J Shepherd, Old Down
£20	557	Mrs S Chick, Olveston
£10	291	Mrs I Phillips, Olveston
£10	488	Mrs N Turner, Olveston
£10	369	Mrs E Screen, Rudgeway
£10	459	Mrs F M Riley, Bitton
£10	498	Revd D H Bone, Tockington

Old Down Cricket Club

150 Club Winners November:

£50 Alex Grosvenor £15 John Moody £5 Roger Rowen

Latest £25 Bonus Ball Winners:

11th October Reg Purchase
25th October Malcolm Grosvenor
1st November Richard Panes
8th November Simon Gould

Up the Down!!

Tony Gardner 07889 727729

Advance Notice

The Pied Piper

Thornbury Musical Theatre Group are pleased to announce that their 2015 pantomime is 'The Pied Piper'.

This original pantomime is written and directed by our very own Gary Kennedy, who wrote 'Little Red Riding Hood' recently nominated for an Evening Post Rose Bowl award.

The town of Hamelin is overrun with rats! The once happy townspeople are at their wits' end, and look to their Mayor for help. He hires the services of the enigmatic Pied Piper, a man with a mysterious past. Can the Pied Piper rid the town of the rats and at what cost?

This is a traditional all-singing, all-dancing family pantomime. There's an outrageous Dame, silly slapstick and a baddie to boo. With songs ranging from Bruno Mars to Disney, to Morecombe and Wise, there's something for everyone!

Performances at the Armstrong Hall Thornbury BS352BJ
7.30pm Wed 18th - Sat 21st Feb 2015, 2.30pm Fri 20th/Sat 21st Feb 2015

Adults £10/£12 Concessions £8/£10 Family Ticket £30/£36

To avoid disappointment book your tickets now, either on line (no booking fee) or by phone. Online box office www.tmtg.org.uk
Mobile box office 07516270140

Yours Faithfully

Rev Dave Pole

I have a very precious memory of walking to church with my Mum, early one Christmas morning when I was around ten or eleven years old. It was a cold and crisp morning and there was no sound at all apart from the sound of our footsteps. I have no idea what prompted me to suggest that we went there, she wasn't by any measure a churchgoing woman, except I can remember, even getting on for sixty years later, the sense of expectancy, of looking for something important. I've often used the image of the church at Christmas being a kind of spiritual left luggage office, but right now I'd like to think about the other aspect of that childhood experience, the sense of the journey.

Every aspect of the Christmas story is suffused with the sense of journeying. Mary and Joseph making the difficult journey in an occupied country, the shepherds leaving their sheep and finding their way down from the hills, the wise men or kings, travelling from other cultures altogether and all converging at the one place where the lost thing could be found.

In our cynical age we're too often dismissive of the journey; too afraid that at the end of the rainbow there will just be another crock of fool's gold if not worse. Maybe we should blame Freud, or the terrible history of the past hundred years, or even our day-to-day experience of British politics, but we've come to expect that exploration of our inner worlds leads to disappointment and tears. Who knows what the polluted well of our unconscious might throw up if we explore there.

So the Christmas journey is a real challenge to us. There's a line in an ancient hymn that describes "lost innocence regained and mourning turned to joy". The Christmas journey dares us to travel through the occupied country of our diminished lives; it dares us to turn away from our everyday cares and responsibilities; it dares us to leave our pagan gods behind in search of what? Well, how about in search of our lost innocence? What if the lost innocence is right there in front of us calling us to embrace the thing we thought we'd lost forever? What if, after all the journeying we were to discover that at the heart of everything is not fear and darkness and shame, but a fragile and vulnerable little life?

Would that be worth walking to church for?

Church News

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, OLVESTON

Dec 7	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Philip Rowe
	10am	Toy Service with Breakfast Club	Rev R Bain & Gill Ford (Children's Society)
	6pm	Evensong with Choir	Rev. Philip Rowe
Dec 14	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev Roly Bain
	10am	Morning Worship with Choir	Rev David Bone
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Methodist Carol Service	
Dec 21	8am	Holy Communion	Rev David Bone
	10am	Holy Communion with Choir	Rev A Lloyd & Rev R Bain
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Carol Service with Choir	Rev R Bain & Mr D Foot
Dec 24	4pm	Christingle	Rev H Webb & Rev R Bain
	11.15	Midnight Communion with Choir	Rev Roly Bain
Dec 25	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Philip Rowe
	10am	Family Service	Mrs Janet McBride
Dec 28	8am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Rev. David Bone
	10am	Feast of Fools	Rev Roly Bain
	6pm	Evensong (BCP)with Choir	Rev P Rowe & Rev R Bain

Information on services correct at time of going to press.

Rev Philip Rowe, 01454 613223; email: office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk

Rev Roly Bain for Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals 01454 616593.

Verger: **Mrs. June Robbins**, 01454 617491

www.stmarysolveston.org.uk/index.html

PRAYER GROUP: Mondays, 2.45pm in the Chancel

WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION: At 9.00am led by the Rev. Roly Bain except 4th Wed when it is at Olveston Methodist Church

CHAPELRY OF ST JOHN, AUST

Dec 14	5.30	Holy Communion.	Rev Ann Parker
Dec 21	5.30	Family Carol Service	Rev Ann Parker
Dec 24	11.30	Midnight Holy Communion	Rev Ann Parker
Dec 28	6.30	Lessons & Carols by candlelight	Rev Ann Parker

Focal Minister: **Rev Ann Parker**, 01454 632329

Church Wardens: Terry McLeavy 633680 Janet Ford 633300

ST MARY DE MALMESBURY, LITTLETON-ON-SEVERN

Dec 7	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Pole
Dec 14	3pm	Carol & Christingle Service followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies at the White Hart	Rev David Pole

Contact: Rev. David Pole 01454 414810; www.sthelensalveston.org

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, ELBERTON

Dec 14	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Pole
Dec 25	9am	Holy Communion	Archdeacon
Dec 28		No Service	

Contact: Rev. David Pole 01454 414810; www.sthelensalveston.org

OLVESTON AND TOCKINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

Dec 7	10am	Tock. Ch.	Morning Worship - Mrs Valerie Williams Advent Worship with items from St Andrews Choir -Mr Glyn Varney
	6pm	Tock. Ch.	
Dec 14	10am	Olv. Ch	Morning Worship-Mr Glyn Varney-Breakfast Club will join later United Carol Service-Rev. Pete Brazier
	6pm	Olv. Ch	
Dec 21	10am	Tock. Ch.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Pete Brazier Village Carol Service
	6pm	St Mary's	
Dec 25	10.15	Tock.Ch.	Christmas Celebration Service-Mr G Varney
Dec 28	10am	Olv. Ch.	Morning Worship led by Rev Sandy Williams

NORTHWICK LUNCHEON GROUP: This meets at 12.30pm on Wednesday 10th December for a Christmas Lunch. To book your lunch please ring 416528

TOCKINGTON LUNCHEON GROUP No meeting in Dec. Next lunch 15th Jan

COFFEE MORNINGS: Sats 10.30 - 12 noon in the Olveston Methodist Hall.

PRAYER MEETINGS Tuesdays 9.00-10.00 in Olv. Methodist Church.

HOUSE GROUPS Tuesday 9th Dec at 10.30am at 7 The Green Olveston. Led by Mr Glyn Varney or Mrs Rosalie Doyle. Another led by Rev Sandy Williams on Dec 3rd 10.30 at 40 Greenhill Rd Alveston .

THE OLVESTON INTERNET CAFÉ Olveston Methodist Hall

Monday 2-4pm Wednesday 10-12 Friday 7-9pm

Ring 07833 354672 or 07957 433091 for further information.

CONTACT: Rev Pete Brazier Tel 01454 418176.

e-mail pete@thebigfishcafe.co.uk

THE VINE, AWKLEY

The Vine, Pilning Street, Awkley

We meet in a relaxed, informal manner for worship, prayer & conversational Bible studies incorporating Communion, on Sundays at 10.30am and Mondays and Wednesdays at 7.30pm. We also visit other Churches and events so please check our Notice Board or contact .

Mike and Barbara Matthews, tel. 07512 917229 or email:
thevine_awkley@hotmail.com

THE OASIS CHURCH, OLD DOWN

Dec 7	6.30pm	Lyall Drewett
Dec 14	6.30pm	Paul Ashford
Dec 21	6.30pm	Rev. Colin Lewis
Dec 25	10.00am	Paul Ashford
Dec 28	6.30pm	Ceri Morgan -Davies

Each Thurs at 7.30pm Prayer & PraiseTime (except Dec 25th)

For further information please contact **Ceri Morgan-Davies** 413043

Paul Ashford, 07774 110 814 or email: Paul@CalebGroup.net

AUST EVANGELICAL CHURCH Family Worship 11.00am

'The Door' for young people on the last Sunday at 7pm

www.THEDOORYOUTH.CO.UK or tel 07837234949

For more details, please phone 632564.

LITTLETON EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Evening Worship every Sunday at 6pm for details tel. 413247

RC CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING, Thornbury -

Sat Vigil Mass 18.00 Sun 8.30am Mass 11.00 Family Mass

Tel 01454 412223 www.ctk-thornbury.org.uk

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS), Thornbury

Meeting for Worship Sundays 10.30-11.30: The Hanover Room, The Chantry, Castle St. Wheelchair accessible. Children welcome with prior notice.

Local contact: Ben & Candia Barman 01454 412603

National: www.quaker.org.uk Bristol area: www.bristolquakers.org.uk

Diary Dates for December 2014

The information given below is believed to be correct as we go to press.

1 st Mon	Mobile Library Orchard Rise (also 15 th & 29 th) Mobile Library Daldry Gardens (15 th & 29) Mobile Library Old P.O. - L-O-S (& 15 th & 29 th) Severn. Vale. Flower Cl. Practice Monday Movie Alv. Gardens Assn talk 'Gladiolus'	11.10-11.25 11.30-11.50 12.00-12.15 1.30 7.30pm 7.30pm	AH StM JH
2 nd Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00	WR DGCL
3 rd Wed	R.B.L. Women Christmas Lunch O.P.H.S.: Women's Work Bristol Early 20 th C	7.30pm	OMC
4 th Thu	Thornbury Farmers' Market Coffee Shop Olveston Toddlers Th. & District Flower Club. Open Demo. Open Mic. At White Hart	9.00-1.30 9.00-12.00 1.45-3.15 7.30pm 8.30pm	OST MH AH
5 th Fri	Carers' Support Group (Christmas Lunch) Th. Picture House	1.00-3.00 7.30pm	Chy CH
6 th Sat	Coffee Morning Thornbury Food Fair S.P.H. Annual Christmas Bazaar Olv. School Christmas Fair A Victorian Christmas-Aust Music Salvation Army Christmas Concert	10.30-12.00 10.00-2pm 10.00-12.00 2-4pm 8pm 7.30pm	MH TMH OS AC StM
7 th Sun	Bingo every Sun at Sports & Social Club	7pm	
9 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning Memory Café W.I. American Supper & Social Evening Olveston Parish Council	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00 10.15-11.45 7.30pm 7.30pm	WR DGCL TMH MH AP
10 th Wed	Beat Surgery Severn. Vale. Flower Cl. Lunch & Demo.	10.30-11.30 12.00	OS+ AH
11 th Thu	Coffee Shop Olveston Toddlers Ukelele Jam	9.00-12.00 1.45-3.15 7.30pm	OS+ MH DGCL
13 th Sat	Coffee Morning Coffee Morning Carols around the Tree St Marys Centre	10.30-12.00 10.30-12.00 10.00-12.00	AVH MH

	Mumping Merriment	From 6pm	Chy
14 th Sun			
15 th Mon	Monday Movie Extra	7.30pm	StM
16 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers	9.30-11.30	WR
	Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00	DGCL
17 th Wed	Brain Tumour Support Group.	10.30	
	Jazz at the White Hart Olveston	8.30pm	
18 th Thu	Thornbury Farmers' Market	9.00-1.30	
	Coffee Shop	9.00-12.00	OS+
	Olveston Toddlers	1.45-3.15	MH
	Th. & District Flower Club Practice Session	7.30pm	TMH
19 th Fri	School Term ends		
20 th Sat	Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00	MH
21 st Sun	Old Down N.W. Christmas Garage Party	4-6pm	
22 nd Mon			
23 rd Tue	Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00	DGCL
	Memory Café	10.15-11.45	TMH
24 th Wed	Christmas Eve		
25 th Thu	Christmas Day		
26 th Fri	Boxing Day		
Looking ahead to January			
10 th Sat	Quiz	7.30pm	StM

KEY: **AC** Aust Church; **AH** – Armstrong Hall; **AMC** – Alveston Methodist Church; **AMH**- Alveston Methodist Hall; **AP** – Alexandra Pavilion; **AVH** – Aust Village Hall; ; **CH** – Cossham Hall; **Chy** – Chantry ;**CS** Castle Sch. **DGCL** – Daldry Gardens Community Lounge; **EVH** – Elberton Village Hall; JH Alv. Jubilee Hall **LVH** Littleton Village Hall **MH** – Olveston Meth. Hall;**OMC** Olv Meth Ch **OS** – Olveston School; **OS+** – Olveston Stores; **OV** – Olveston Vicarage; **PH** – Olveston Parish Hall; **StM** St Mary's Church, Olv.; **StMA** Almondsbury Church **SMH** St Mary,s Ch. Hall Thornbury;**TCh** Tockington Chapel **TBCh** - Thornbury Baptist Church; **TMH** – Thorn. Methodist Hall; ; **WR** – Wesley Rooms.

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2014/2015 CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS



Support Your Local Traders!

December

January

	Mon 22nd	Tue 23rd	Wed 24th	Thu 25th	Fri 26th	Sat 27th	Sun 28th	Mon 29th	Tue 30th	Wed 31st	Thu 1st	Fri 2nd	Sat 3rd
Local Shops													
Olveston Stores	Open	Open	Open	Closed	Closed	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Post Office	Open	Open	9 to 12 noon	Closed	Closed	9 to 12 noon	Closed	Open	Open	9 to 4pm	Closed	Open	9 to 12 noon
Powell's Butcher	Closed	8 to 5.30pm	8 to 1pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	8 to 1pm	8 to 5.30pm	8 to 1pm	Closed	8 to 5.30pm	8 to 1pm
The Crusty Loaf	7 to 4.30pm	7 to 1.30pm	6 to 12 noon	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	7 to 12 noon	7 to 12 noon	Closed	Closed	7 to 12 noon
Olveston Stores	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	8.30 to 9pm	8.30 to 9pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm	5.30 to 10pm
Hair and Well Being													
Shirley Ann	Open	Open	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open	Open	Open	Closed	Open	Open
Clean Cut	9 to 5pm	9 to 5pm	9 to 1pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	9 to 1pm	9 to 1pm	Closed	9 to 5pm	Closed
Classy Couture	9 to 6pm	9 to 8pm	8 to 4pm	Closed	Closed	8 to 4pm	Closed	9 - 6 pm	9 to 8pm	8 to 4 pm	9 to 8pm	9 - 6 pm	Open
Garages													
Green Lane Garage	Open	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Eberlon Garage	Open	Open	am only	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Olveston Bike Barn	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	Closed	Closed	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm	Closed	10 - 5pm	10 - 5pm
Others													
Lirela Embroidery	Open	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Leisure													
Thornbury Leisure Centre	7.45 to 10pm	7.45 to 10pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	8 to 4 pm	8 to 4 pm	8 to 4 pm	8 to 4 pm	8 to 4 pm	Closed	7.15 to 10pm	10 - 5.00pm
Thornbury Library	8.45 to 5.30pm	8.45 to 5.30pm	8.45 to 1.00pm	Closed	Closed	9.30 to 5.00pm	Closed	8.45 to 5.30pm	8.45 to 5.30pm	8.45 to 5.00pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
Thornbury Sport Centre	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	Closed	Closed	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm	Closed	8.30 to 4.30pm	8.30 to 4.30pm
Pharmacies													
Olveston Pharmacy	9 to 6pm	9 to 6pm	9 to 6pm	Closed	Closed	9 to 1pm	Closed	9 to 6pm	9 to 6pm	9 to 6pm	Closed	9 to 6pm	9 to 1pm
Lloyds Pharmacy	8.30 to 6.30pm	8.30 to 6.30pm	8.30 to 6.30pm	Closed	Closed	8.30 to 6.30pm	Closed	9 to 5.30pm	9 to 5.30pm	9 to 5.30pm	Closed	9 to 5.30pm	9 to 5.30pm
Boots Thornbury	8.30 to 5.30pm	8.30 to 5.30pm	8.30 to 5.30pm	Closed	Closed	8.30 to 5.30pm	Closed	8.30 to 5.30pm	8.30 to 5.30pm	8.30 to 5.30pm	Closed	8.30 to 5.30pm	8.30 to 5.30pm

Doctors

Almondsbury Surgery Drs Lookyen/Faulkner/McEwan/Tulloch	Tel: 01454 613161
Thornbury Health Centre Dr Foubister and Patthers	Tel: 01454 412599
Thornbury Health centre Drs Male/Thompson/Higgins	Tel: 01454 412167
Pining Surgery Drs Paterson/Omerod/ Wint	Tel: 01454 632993
St. Mary's St. Surgery Drs McCulloch/Hamison/Kerr	Tel: 01454 413691 Emergency: 01454 281312
NHS Choices	Tel: 111

Dentists

Bank Cottage Dental Cole-Morgan/Furlong/Hitchens	Tel: 01454 412053
High Street Dental Chadwick/Gaffon/Yasin	Tel: 01454 412051
Phoenix Dental Kapoon/Panczyk	Tel: 01454 613600

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