** THE MOSAIC**

**HINTON ST MARY**

**August 2025**

**Hinton St Mary Millennium Garden Volunteers**



We are thrilled by an addition to the Millennium Garden from one of the younger villagers, Arthur Willis who has made us a fantastic Bug Hotel which we have put in a sunny spot between two of the newer flower beds to help attract insects, and shelter wildlife in general. Despite the hot dry weather and lack of rain, the garden volunteers have been busy throughout the summer months, and the wildlife friendly flower beds are showing the results of all the hard work. Lately we have been pleased to see more butterflies and insects about the beds. In addition to its being an interesting and well thought out design, we are delighted to have Arthur’s contribution to encourage and protect more insect and small animal life. Why is it important to help bugs in the garden?

* Bees: Expert pollinators
* Lacewings: Natural pest controllers
* Ladybirds: Aphid hunters
* Butterflies: Beautiful pollinators
* Woodlice & Beetles: The clean-up crew!

We set our sights this year on the main garden area as well as the new beds with work on the existing plants and shrubs. We have been helped with this by the removal, by the estate, of a large ash tree which was in a dangerous condition. This, with our work to bring the existing shrubs back to a manageable size means that more light is able to reach the original garden area which we continue to work on.

There have been a few incidents lately of very large stones, logs and even iron sheets being moved around the garden and then left. The pieces of corrugated iron by the compost heaps are, in fact used by reptiles and, slow worms in particular can warm themselves on sunny days in safety. If not moved carefully anything sheltering can be damaged and wildlife then takes time to return. While we are very happy for anyone to use and enjoy the garden, please replace items and do not disturb wildlife areas.

We still meet on Tuesday afternoons whenever the weather permits although someone will often be found doing that bit extra or catching up on other days. Many thanks to Sue, John, Karen and Jo for their continued work, ideas and support for the garden.

Contact: Gwyn James. (gmjames28@icloud.com)

**Update for Hinton St Mary Residents from Parish Council**

**WESSEX WATER ROAD CLOSURES**

Due to unforeseen circumstances the programme of work has been delayed, and completion will take longer than originally anticipated.

Wessex water has applied for an extended road closure of Stearts lane into September. It is anticipated that work will be completed by 18th September.

We appreciate there is some disruption, but we should remember that Wessex water are working to clear up the wastewater for the residents of Hinton St Mary which is very positive.

**DORSET COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN**

Dorset Council is working hard preparing a sustainable plan to meet the needs of Dorset to at least 2042 including the provision of homes, commercial development and supporting infrastructure. The Council have been tasked by the Government to increase the numbers of homes and supporting infrastructure.

The Council will be consulting with Dorset residents through August to September. Sturminster Town Council have requested a session be arranged in the Exchange.

Current planned Consultation drop-in sessions in North Dorset:

Blandford (Royal British Legion) Thu 4th Sept, Dorchester (Corn Exchange) Thu 11th Sept, Gillingham (Town Hall) Thu 25th Sept, Sherborne (Digby Hall) Tue 7th Oct.

Consultation material will be available online:

dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/dorset-is-changing.

Comments can be made at drop-in sessions or online.

We actively encourage all residents to comment either at drop-in sessions or online.

**20mph APPLICATION**

We are awaiting an update on our application submitted in the Spring and as soon as we have any news we will let residents know.

Celia Wright

Chairman HSM PC

Wow ...  
What can I say....  
Thank you all so very much for the gifts, flowers, champagne, cards and good wishes when I left the pub at the end of June. I asked for No Fuss and just wanted to quietly leave; you all seemed to have  other ideas!

Hinton St Mary really is a special place, of which I hold very fond memories.

Looking forward to visiting and having some fabulous food & the best service for miles around.

**Sarah Bath**

A logo for a company

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Starts 29th July Mrs J’s Summer Holiday Creative Workshops

For Children over 8. Not just for members. Anybody Welcome.

Full day & Half Day Sessions Available.

Tuesday 29th July Nick Skelton’s Big Star in the stunning Tithe Barn. Extra Date Added.

Doors Open 6.30. Screening starts at 7.00pm.

For more information contact the Hinton Workspace Team 01258 472623 [reception@hintonworkspace.co.uk](mailto:reception@hintonworkspace.co.uk)

A stone church with a gate

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## **The Church is open daily for sanctuary and prayer**

# St Peter’s Church

# Hinton St Mary

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| Date & Time | Service |
| Sunday 3 Aug 9:30am | Morning Prayer (BCP) |
| Sunday 10 Aug 9:30am | Morning Prayer (BCP) |
| Sunday 17 Aug 9:30am | Morning Prayer (CW) |
| Sunday 24 Aug 10:30am | Holy Communion (CW) |
| Upcoming Events | |
| **Harvest Festival** on 21 September. See below. | |

A poster with text and flowers

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| **Vicar:** The Reverend Mary Gubbins 01258 721 704 | 07440 680 387  The Vicarage, Sturminster Newton  [revd.mary.gubbins@gmail.com](mailto:revd.mary.gubbins@gmail.com) | |
| **Churchwardens** | |
| **Robin Gibbs** 01258 **471 493** robin@aviaconsult.uk  **Kevin Peto-Bostick** 01258 **475 469** [kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com) | |
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**Village Hall Vibes**

The village summer scarecrow competition is going ahead as planned and is open to all village households. Rules and entry form attached to this issue of the Mosaic, please return your entry form and payment so we can get the registration numbers issued for your creations. We can’t wait to judge them, with the winner being announced in the October Mosaic. Unfortunately, due to timescales and other commitments, we are unable to hold the village hall fundraising event as planned on Sunday 7th September. The committee hope to arrange something in 2026, maybe in the spring so please keep ideas coming to us.

The Village Hall Committee is still one committee member short; this is a Village Representative. What we really need is a Village Rep who can also help with event organising for one, possibly two fundraising events per year, nothing major just low-key fun days. We are keen to recruit one or two people to join the committee for this purpose. Please consider if you have the time and enthusiasm to get involved and to join our Village Hall Committee.

If interested please speak to a trustee/committee member, Mark, Jane or Karen or call Lucy on 07715 332611 to discuss.

The VH Trustees

Congratulations for a well organised and enjoyable ‘ Lydlinch Tea in the Garden afternoon ‘ on Sunday 6th July, they successfully raised money for their Village Church bell restoration appeal. I am so glad I made the effort to go.

Jill

 **THE MONTHLY VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING**

**TUESDAY 5th August**

**10.30 – 12.00**

The cost is £1.50– for as much coffee or tea as you can drink and as many biscuits as you can eat.

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| **BLANDFORD HOSPITAL SHOP WAREHOUSE.**  **Saturday 2nd August**  10   - 12 midday  Old Poisedale Building,  Hinton St. Mary |

A cartoon of a scarecrow with two birds on it

AI-generated content may be incorrect. **Scarecrow Competition**

**RULES**

1. **Scarecrows are to be homemade and must contain straw somewhere – as hair or showing at cuffs, but no need to be fully stuffed with straw.**
2. **Minimum size 3ft, maximum size 7ft tall.**
3. **Theme – none this year**
4. **One entry per household.**
5. **£5 entry fee**
6. **Scarecrows must be on display by Monday 1st September for judging.**
7. **All entry forms with payment must be returned by Saturday 16th August**
8. **All entries will be provided with a registration number for display with your scarecrow.**
9. **Please display your scarecrow securely and without causing risk of injury to the public.**

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**Entry Form**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Location of scarecrow: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Entry fee paid: CASH £5\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or BANK TRANSFER £5\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**For return to:** 1 Nicholsons Cottages **or** 8 Nicholsons Cottages

* Or email a scanned copy/screen shot to – **lucy.johnson2009.lj@gmail.com**

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Please let us have any articles, notices, celebrations, information, items for sale, trusted traders etc you would like to have included in next month’s Mosaic.Deadline 24th of the Month. Thank you, Nigel & Jo. jo.martin99@btinternet.com

**VILLAGE HALL** to enquire about or book please contact Jane Filbey on 07513 632550 or janefilbey1964@gmail.com

*Keep abreast of all things ‘HSM’ on the village facebook page: Hinton St Mary Village Group and the Hinton St Mary Website:*

[*http://www.hintonstmary.com*](http://www.hintonstmary.com) *where all previous copies of The Mosaic are also available.*

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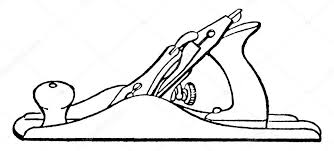
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**Hinton St Mary**

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