

Community directory

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Our Community Matters
Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade



A guide to groups and services available for older and vulnerable people in your area. Covering the Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade community area.

Introduction

Area Boards are a way of working to bring local decision making into the heart of the community. There are 18 Area Boards across Wiltshire and the Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board covers 13 Parish and Town Councils including Cricklade, Lyneham and Bradenstoke, Purton, Royal Wootton Bassett and Tockenham.

In January 2022, the Area Board set up The Community Care Group to support older and vulnerable people and their carers. Representatives from all towns and parishes in the community area were invited to attend the first meeting to discuss priorities. The result of this was that communication, or lack of it, was a common priority with the group of representatives that participated.

A project was then put forward to produce an information booklet covering the five participating communities. This booklet contains a list of social activities in each community (to the best of our knowledge at the time of going to print) and general information on support organisations.

Community groups can apply to the Area Board for funding (grants) to help support their project, for more information contact your local Wiltshire Councillor, please find their details on p3.

Thank you to many volunteers who generously gave their time in researching the information.

We hope you find this information useful.

The Community Care Group

Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board

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Your local council information

Cricklade

The Council Office, Ockwells, 113 High Street, Cricklade SN6 6AE
open Mon -Fri 10.00-12.30 & 13.30-16.00

Tel: 01793 751394 Email: admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk
Cllr Mark Clarke (Chairman)

Lydiard Millicent

Lydiard Millicent Parish Council, Jubilee Club House, Meadow Springs, Lydiard Millicent, Swindon SN5 3NH

Tel: 07999 641919 Email: clerk@lydiardmillicent-pc.gov.uk
Cllr Sally Westwood (Chairman)

Lyneham & Bradenstoke

Tel: 01249 561020

Email: parish.clerk@lynehamandbradenstoke-pc.gov.uk
Cllr Anthony Jones (Chairman)

Purton

The Council Office, Purton Institute/Village Hall to the rear of the Library, open Mon-Thurs 09.00-17.00 & Fri 09.00-16.00.

Tel: 01793 771066

Email: deborah.lawrence@purtonparishcouncil.gov.uk (Parish Clerk)
Cllr Ray Thomas (Chairman)

Royal Wootton Bassett

117 High Street, Royal Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire SN4 7AU
open Mon-Thurs: 08.30-17.00, Fri: 08.30-16.00.

Tel: 01793 850222 Email: enquiries@royalwoottonbassett.gov.uk
Cllr Pat Farrow (Chairman)

Tockenham

Tel: 07534 679662 Email: clerk@tockenhamparishcouncil.gov.uk
Cllr Diana Kirby (chairman)

Your Wiltshire Councillors

- Cllr Allison Bucknell (Lyneham)
Tel: 07976 891377, Email: allison.bucknell@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Cllr Bob Jones MBE (Cricklade)
Tel: 07973 863702, Email: bob.jones@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Cllr David Bowler (RWB South & West)
Tel: 07814 664773, Email: david.bowler@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Cllr Steve Bucknell (RWB East)
Tel: 07919 286911, Email: steve.bucknell@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Cllr Mary Champion (RWB North)
Tel: 0797949660 Email: mary.champion@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Cllr Jacqui Lay (Purton)
Tel: 01793 770704, Email: jacqui.lay@wiltshire.gov.uk

Cricklade

Cricklade computer club are meeting every monday from 10am until 12 noon at Cricklade Leisure Centre, all welcome and no need to book, just turn up with your device, all sessions are free.

Open door - Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am – 4pm. Provides a community drop in with a range of activities to help independent adults aged 18 and over to lead a full and active life in a relaxing and enjoyable social environment. Regular activities include knitting, seated exercises, bingo, art and crafts, games and quizzes. Call Jan or Chris on 07599 987851 or email crickladeopendoor@gmail.com.

Walking groups - get wiltshire walking - fit walk on tuesday 6.30pm from Cricklade Leisure Centre, striders and strollers walk on friday at 9.30am from Saxons Rest, Cricklade contact: Viv Tomkins tel. 01793 752459 Email: vivienne.Tomkins@btinternet.Com

Parkinsons café - held 3rd wednesday monthly in the living room at the Cricklade Club from 10.30am to 12 noon.

Contact Vince or Maggie on 07951 944760 or email parkinsonscafecricklade@gmail.com

Malmesbury & district foodbank - every Friday from 10am - 11.30am at Jenner Hall Cricklade. Call 01666 826982 or email cricklade@malmesburydistrict.foodbank.org.uk

Cricklade Link Scheme - call 07421 018499 – a volunteer good neighbour scheme to help residents of all ages. Help with transport to attend appointments - doctors, hospitals, chiropodists, hairdressing. Collection of prescriptions, library books or shopping, small diy tasks. Any good neighbour task considered. Contact: 07421 018499

Cricklade & district probus - meets fortnightly at 10am on Thursdays at the White Hart Hotel Cricklade. A local club for retired gentlemen who enjoy keeping their minds active and socialising over a drink in the bar after the meetings. – Call Richard Roberts 01793 751063.

Cricklade

Sing four four community choir - meets Thursdays weekly at the United Church Hall from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. The choir embraces a wide range of musical abilities and no audition required, only a love of singing. Email jenloubamford@googlemail.com

Bingo 4 us - a small non-profit group who meet in Jenner Hall Wednesday 1.30pm – there is no joining fee and just £1 per session to cover prizes. Just come along on the day or call vicky on 07801 952027.

Cricklade Library 113 High St, Cricklade

Opening hours:

Monday	2.00pm - 5.00pm
Tuesday	10.00am - 1.00pm
Wednesday	2.00 pm - 5.00pm.
Thursday	2.00 pm - 7.00pm.
Friday	2.00 pm - 5.00pm
Saturday	10.00 am - 1.00pm.

Cricklade WI - 3rd Thursday monthly from 7.45pm in Cricklade Town Hall annexe. Contact Viv Tomkins 01793 752459 or email vivienne.tomkins@btinternet.com

Coffee morning - every Friday from 10am - 11.30am at Cricklade United Church Hall. Turn up for a coffee and chat.

Friendship Guild - meet first Wednesday monthly at United Church Hall 2.30pm. Various activities and speakers – all welcome to attend.

There are many more groups in cricklade – details can be found at www.crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk

Bus service - Cricklade is served by the stagecoach. No 51 bus from Swindon to Cirencester connecting on to Cheltenham and in reverse. Stops include Swindon, Penhill, Latton. South Cerney, Cirencester, North Cerney, Colesbourne, Charlton Kings Cheltenham.

No 53 bus from swindon to Cricklade and reverse. Stops include Purton, Lydiard Millicent, Link Centre, Penhill, Even Swindon, Swindon bus station and Park North New College.

If you need additional transport Cricklade Link may be able to help – call 07421 018499 with as much notice as possible.

Lydiard Millicent

All Saints Church

Reverends Tudor and Tricia
Roberts 01793 772417

Reading group

sarah@sarahhillwheeler.co.uk

Cake break - Lesley

01793 771244/07767891225

Luncheon Club

Joan Redford 01793 770972
Jackie Kennea 01793 771954

Lydiard Millicent Cricket Club

Tim Rabbitt (jch recreation field)

The Cast of Stage Struck

thecastofstagestruck@gmail.
com

Pilates (parish hall)

Jazz Mutch jazz.mutch@outlook.
com

Exercise training (parish hall)

Julie boyle jules@
jbpersonaltraining.com

Yoga group (parish hall)

nicki_clinch@hotmail.com

Art group

Joy Burden rjjaburden@
btopenworld.com

Dog training

K9pawsforfun@sky.com

Lyneham and Bradenstoke

Monday

Golden Club exercise class,
Bradenstoke Village Hall 10.30-
11.30. Contact Shirley Smith 01249
890964

Alzheimer's Club Art Group
(fortnightly) 13.15-16.00,
Bradenstoke Village Hall. Contact
01380 739055

Tuesday

Parish Council meetings (alternate
months) 19.00

Memory Cafe (fortnightly),
Bradenstoke Village Hall 10.30-12
noon. Contact Steve Walls 01793
631448

Wednesday

Indoor Bowls Club, Bradenstoke
Village Hall 14.00-16.00

Thursday

Bridge Club 9.45 - 12.45 Frank Ball
07747 726026 lynehambridge@
outlook.com

WI monthly meetings (2nd
Thursday of the month) 14.00-16.30,
Chris Govus 01249 891791

Friday

KMA (Keep Moving with Alison)
Exercise class 10.00-11.00 Allison
Bucknell 01793 854421/07976 891377

Art Club (weekly) 14.00-16.00 at
Bradenstoke Village Hall

Royal Ancient Order of the
Buffaloes 20.00-22.00 Jim Crow
01249 890750

Lyneham Library

42 Calne Rd, Lyneham,
Chippenham SN15 4PR
Open: Thursday 2-5pm, Saturday
10am-12pm, Monday 2-7pm

Methodist Church Hall

Defence Medical Welfare Services
Craft Group (for females with
Service Connections) Mondays: 2
sessions 13.00-15.00 or 19.00-21.00
Contact Kay Ashlin 01249 892408

Coffee morning 1st and 3rd
Saturdays in the month 10.00-
11.30am

Fellowship Meeting 4th Tuesday
in the month 2pm. Contact Wilma
Goodfellow 01249 892526

Community Centre, MoD Lyneham

"Meet and Greet" Coffee Morning
Thursdays 9.00 - 11.00hrs

Bingo at the Cross Keys Inn 3rd
Tuesday of the month

**Bradenstoke Amateur
Dramatic Society** bads@
golding.london

Purton

St Mary's Church

Church End, Purton
Vicar: Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
Tel: 770077 Emergencies: 773031
Email: vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
www.stmaryspurton.org.uk
Curate: Revd Judith Wells
Tel: 770627
Email: judithwells36@googlemail.com
Wardens: Sandra Horsnall & Jane Smith
Tel: 770157/772422
Administrator: Rosie Harris
Tel: 773035 Email: administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk
Secretary: Tel: 770157
Bellringers, Tower Secretary: Lynn Woodman
Email: lynnwoodman@hotmail.co.uk
Choir:
Angie Watson Tel: 07884 010398
Flower rota: Libbie Sheppard
Tel: 771018
United Junior Church:
Mary Hodges Tel: 770505
St Mary's Fellowship of Women
Claire Housley Tel: 770189

Methodist Church

Play Close
Minister: Revd Shirlyn Toppin
Tel: 853197, 1 Garraways, Woodshaw, Royal Wootton Bassett SN4 8LT
Chief Steward: Brian Davies
Tel: 770961
Church Council Secretary: Sheila Price
Tel: 770696
Methodist Women's Fellowship
Linda Tinson Tel: 771282

Purton Library

Tel: 770870

Purton Lunch Club

For over 65s at Pips Community Cafe, Chris Seals Tel: 07884 212196

Age Concern

Chair: Peter Berry Tel: 778119
Secretary: Georgina Colman
Email: georgina@acolman.com

Minibus co-ordinator:
Hazel Woodbridge Tel: 770862

Purton Silver Threads

Lindsey Hall Tel: 771890

Purton

Pips Community Cafe

Silver Threads Hall, High Street
Duty volunteers
Tel: 07498 526872

[www.facebook.com/
purtoncommunitycafe](http://www.facebook.com/purtoncommunitycafe)

Co-ordinator:
Mary Nettleton Tel: 772298
Email:
marynettelton@hotmail.co.uk

Purton Museum

Email:
roy.marion@btinternet.com
Tel: 770185. Museum open
Saturdays (Apr-Nov) 10am-
12.30pm, free of charge

After 8

Avril Ainscough Tel: 771542

Purton Evening WI

Jane Smith Tel: 772422

Christian Aid

Libbie Sheppard Tel: 771018

Gardeners' Guild

Secretary: Margaret Woodall
Tel: 770906

Purton Village Voices

Choir practice Mondays 6.30-
7.30pm at the Red House
function room during term time.

Knitting Group

Meet 2-4pm on 3rd Wednesday
of the month at Pips Community
Cafe

Purton Historical Society

Meet monthly for talks on a
diverse range of subjects of
historical interest with annual
outings.

Chair: Marion Hobbs
Tel: 770185

Email:
roy.marion@btinternet.com
Secretary: Janet & Tony Neate
Tel: 770117 Email:
tjneate57@gmail.com
[www.purtonmuseumand
historicalsociety.com](http://www.purtonmuseumand
historicalsociety.com)

Meet on 4th Thursday of
the month 7.30pm at Purton
Methodist Church.

Jubilee Gardens

Tel: 771539

Purton Amateur Dramatics Society (PADS)

Kate Bath or Lindsey Hall
Tel: 771442/771890

Purton & District Probus Club

Trevor Domm Tel: 641041

Purton

Purton Artists' Society

Co-ordinator: Christine Gill
Tel: 771563
www.purtonartistsociety.co.uk
www.facebook.com/
PurtonArtistsSociety

Purton Walking Group

Sheila Fowler Tel: 770970

The Red House

Manager: James Poole
Email: info@purtonredhouse.
co.uk

Royal British Legion

Colin Pearson Tel: 770789

Annual Flower, Arts, Craft & Produce Show

Show Secretary: Lorna
Robinson-Wardle Tel: 778013
Email: 3rwardles@gmail.com

Purton Twinning Association

Len Page Tel: 770160

Purton Bowls Club

Alison Fail Tel: 770015/07746
038957

Purton Cricket Club

Graham Wright
Email: membership.purtoncc@
gmail.com

Purton Football Club

Chairman: Terry Crumbie
Tel: 770597/07855 406662

Purton Tennis Club

Secretary: Janet Saunders
Tel: 772146

Royal Wootton Bassett

Age UK Fitness and Friendship Club

Alternate Thursdays 2-4pm at the Memorial Hall. Call 01380 727767 email: enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk

Age UK over 60s Club

Roman Catholic Church Hall
Thursdays 2-4pm Tel Sandra 848957

Bingo

2.45-5pm, Wednesdays at Dairy View Retirement Flats.

Blackthorn Bookclub

10-12pm Fridays, call Christina 07850 818435 email: borrrill@tinyonline.co.uk

Canal Working party

8.30am - 4pm, Wednesdays, Templars Firs

Clarendon Players

Meet on Wednesdays 7pm at the Memorial Hall.

Coffee morning

Broad Town Village Hall 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Pay for refreshments.

Reengage Teas

Various locations, older people's lunches once a month on Sundays. Contact Ali Gardner email: alison.jgardner@gmail.com

Craft Group

Meet Wednesdays 10-12pm at RWB Bowls Club.

Croft Quilters

Meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at St Bart's Church Croft.

Croft Wellness Group

Meet Thursdays 10-1pm at the Church Croft

Fitness for mature people

St Barts Social hall, Fridays 2-3pm

Flower Club

Meet Tuesdays 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

Food Bank at Croft

1-3pm Mondays, call: 01793 853 272

Gardening Club

Meet monthly on Mondays at the Memorial Hall

Royal Wootton Bassett

Health Trainer drop in

10-12pm on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at RWB Library.

Heel to Heal

Leg ulcer clinic and tea/chat - and **SHAPES** - Self help for anxiety, psychological & emotional Stress. 10-12pm Tuesdays at RWB Memorial Hall.

Hook & District WI

Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at Hook Village Hall.

Inner Wheel

Ladies social club and service, meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Blunsdon House Hotel. Call Margaret on 752935

Ladies Walking Group

Meet on alternate Tuesdays, 9.30am. Contact Methodist Church for more information.

Liddington Scottish Country Dancing for exercise

7.45-10pm, Sept - May, Thursdays, Call Linda 790158 or Rosemary 770999

Men's Walking Group

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, meet at 1.15pm. Contact Methodist Church for information.

Methodist Church for friendship

Open door coffee morning 10.30 - 1pm and Lunch 12- 1pm Tuesdays

RWB & Area Townswomen's Guild

For fun and freindship, 7.30-9.30pm, first Thursday of the month at the Roman Catholic Church Hall

RWB District Arts

A friendly mixed-abilty group, meet 1.30-4.30pm, Wednesdays at Hook Village Hall. Call Sue 01793 848233

RWB Happy Cafe

Dandelion Gifts & Coffee Shop, 49 High St, fortnightly Thursdays, 2-3.30pm. For further information contact Wiltshire Mental Health Inclusion Service staff Jackie Tel: 07467 291091 Sophie Tel: 07467 711544

Royal Wootton Bassett

RWB Library

11 Borough Fields, Royal Wootton Bassett

Open:

Monday 10am-7pm
Wednesday 9:30am-7pm
Thursday 9:30am-5pm
Friday 9:30am-5pm
Saturday 9:30am-4pm

RWB Men's Shed

At the Fire Station, tea and chat, 10-4pm, Thursdays. Call 07894 863362 email: info@rwbshed.uk

RWB Museum

Saturdays 10-12pm, tel: 852653

Seated Dance Exercise

Memorial Hall 12-1pm, Tuesdays, £3

Sewing Group

Meet Mondays from 10-12pm at RWB Bowls Club

Shared Reading Group

For anyone who wants to listen or read along with a variety of stories and poetry. RWB Library, Thursday 11-12 noon.

Short Mat Bowls

Mondays Sept-April 12.30-2.30pm at St Barts Church hall

Tea & Talk

Meet on the 3rd Monday of the month 1.30-2.30pm at RWB Library

Tea Dances

Thursdays 1.45-4pm, Jan-May & Sept-Dec at the Memorial Hall. Call Mike 01249 660010

Tennis Club

Adults 7-9pm Fridays at RWB Sports Association, Malmesbury Road.

Tuneless Choir

Upstairs in the Angel 7.30pm Tuesdays, £5

U3A Coffee Morning

Cross Keys, Thursdays 10.30-12pm

Walking Group

9.30am Mondays Town Museum SN4 7AU 45 - 60 mins stroller/GO 90 mins strider. Get Wiltshire Walking (free)

Wiltshire Sight

10.30-12.30pm, RWB Library, 2nd Thursday of the month.

Wilts Wildlife Trust health and wellbeing programme

Various venues, Wednesdays.

Wootton Bassett Light Operatic Society (WBLOS)

Meet Sundays 1.30-6pm, Sept-Jan at the Memorial Hall.

Tockenham

Tockenham is a very small parish of approx. 110 homes lying on either side of the A3102 between Royal Wootton Bassett and Lyneham. It spreads from the North of the A3102 with Tockenham Wick and The Hillocks, all the way South to Greenway - on the road to Bushton. The core of the village lies in the middle of these outlying areas – approx. $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from the main road.

Here you will find the main facilities – a 17th Century church - St Giles, a Village Hall and an outside Play Area with play equipment and open space. All activities are centred in this area in Orchard Lane.

Activities include:

- Church services – usually twice a month
- The bar is open in the Hall from 8pm on a Saturday
- A Coffee Morning is held in the Hall from 10.30 am on the first Tuesday of the month
- Social Events are organised in the Hall every 2 months or so
- Special Services are held in church periodically – e.g. Carol Service etc.
- The village holds an annual, traditional Village Fair
- The Hall is available for public hire

Unfortunately there is no regular bus service to the village itself and we have no car park.

Directory of local support organisations

Health and Wellbeing

Adult Social Care and Prevention and Wellbeing Team, Wiltshire Council	0300 456 0111
Age UK Wiltshire	0808 196 2424 www.ageuk.org.uk
Age UK: hot meal service	01793 279606
Age UK: befriending service	0809 1962424
Bereavement Help Point	0345 0310 555
Blue Badge Scheme (for parking)	01225 713002
Citizens Advice	0800 144 8848
Muscular Dystrophy - UK	0800 783 0518 www.ms-uk.org
Muscular Dystrophy UK Helpline	0800 652 6352
Parkinsons UK and Helpline	0808 800 0303
Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) (confidential support on health-related matters)	01225 362900
Prospect Hospice	01793 816124
Royal Osteoporosis Society	0808 800 0035
Royal National Institute of Blind People	0303 123 9999
Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living	0300 1233442 (Direct Payments)
Wiltshire Council Hearing and Vision Team	01380 826480
Wiltshire Council Health Improvement Hub	0300 003 4566 (Choose Option 1)

Care of Older and Vulnerable People and their Carers

Carers Support Wiltshire	01380 871690
Dementia UK	0800 888 6678

Lorna Doone Day Care Centre (RWB) 01793 848232
Silver Line (Age UK) (free confidential helpline for older people)
0800 470 8090

Malmesbury Talking Newspaper produced by the charity Chippenham and District Talking Newspapers. We are a non-funded charity run by a dedicated group of volunteers who are keen to help visually impaired listeners access to the local news and keep in touch with the community.

We read and record articles from the Gazette and Herald, the Wilts and Gloucester Standard and several parish magazines and send them out weekly free of charge to visually impaired listeners.

We supply our listeners with a “Speaker box” which allows them to play the USB memory stick. The memory sticks are sent in a plastic wallet with reversible label and can be posted in any postbox free.

Mental Health

Admiral Nurses (based at GWH) 01793 607214
Alzheimers Support Wiltshire 01380 739055
Wiltshire Mind 01225 706532

Additional information:

Bobby Van (Home security) 01225 256867
Cinnamon Trust (support with pets) 01736 757900
Community First (Communitiy Development Team) 01380 732824
Disability Living Foundation 0300 999 0004
Dressability (solutions for adaptive clothing) 01793 512878
Independent Living Centre 01380 871007
Oakhouse foods 0333 370 6700

Wiltshire Farm Foods	0800 077 3100
SSAFA (Armed Forces Charity)	0800 260 6767
Wiltshire Dyslexia Association	01249 655489

Transport:

Link 6 & RWB Good Neighbour Scheme	07879 394666
Pheonix Transport Solutions	01249 890794 moblie: 07305 411004 (Wheelchair friendly)

Local organisations currently recruiting volunteers

Link 6 & RWB Good Neighbour Scheme	07879 394666
Cricklade Link Scheme	07421 018499
Purton Library	Tel: 01225 713792 email: jane.hunt@wiltshire.gov.uk

Purton & District Age Concern Minibus	Hazel Woodbridge, Tel: 01793 770862 email: pac2bookings@gmail.com
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Cricklade Bloomers, meet Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9.30am - 12.00pm, Walled Garden, next to Town Centre Car Park

Age UK Wiltshire	age.org.uk/wiltshire
Community First	communityfirst.org.uk/volunteering
Wiltshire Council	wiltshirecouncil.org.uk/activities

