

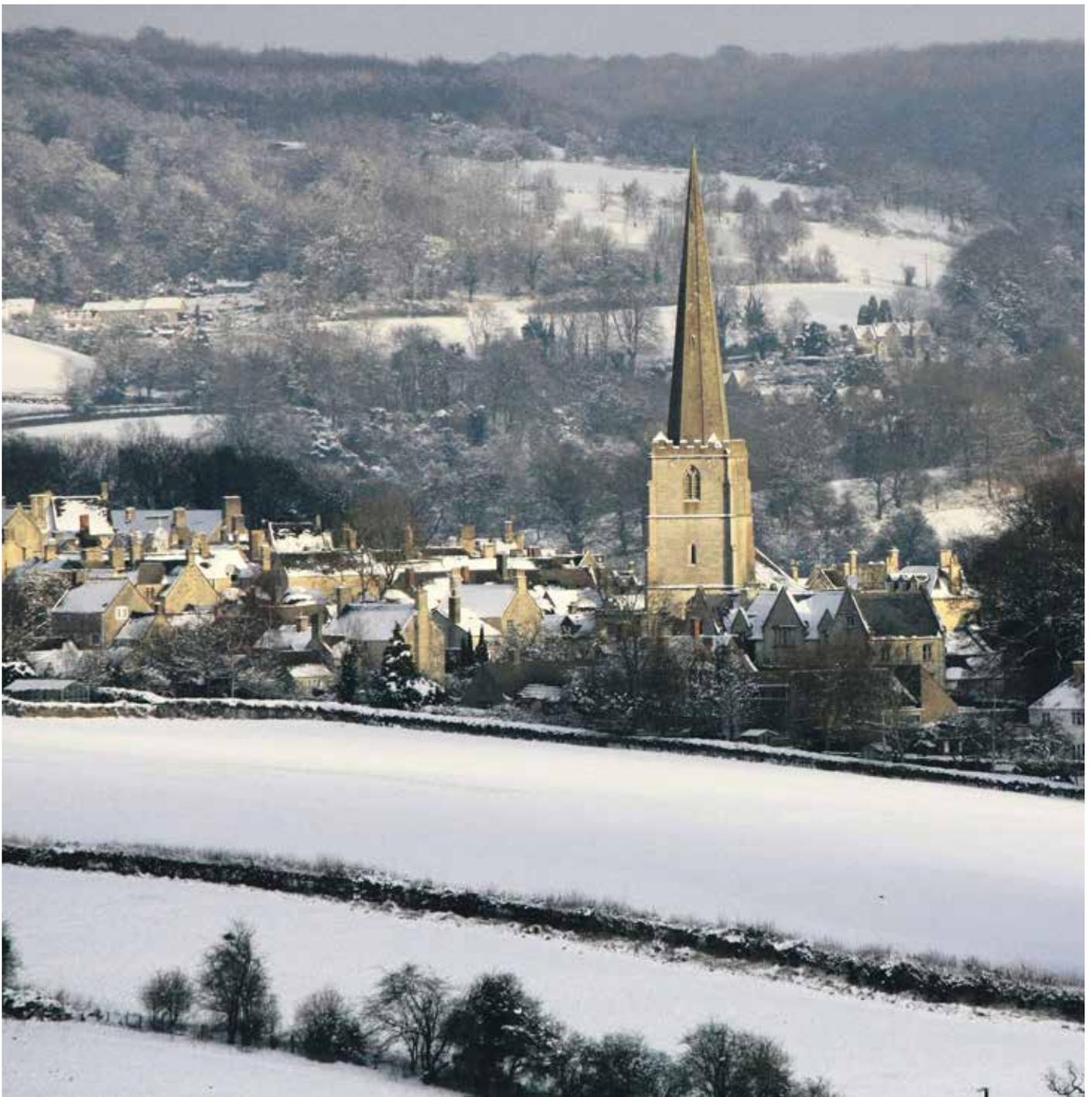
# The Painswick Beacon

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*Christmas Greetings to all our readers*



*and all best wishes for 2018*



## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the Council meeting on November 15th by Mike Kerton

Reports upon meetings of the Parish Council cannot help but be selective, if only because of space constraints. We try to highlight points of widest public interest, based upon what we see and hear.

The full minutes of Council and committee meetings are available for scrutiny at the Council's office and on-line at the Parish Council's web site.

### PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman Cllr Rob Lewis opened the Meeting and welcomed the two applicants from Turnpike House in Slad. They were present to answer any questions from either Councillors or members of the public in relation to their application.

#### Declaration of interest

Cllr Edward Crownshaw declared an interest in the application for Turnpike House in Slad.

#### Apologies for absence

The Committee accepted apologies for absence from Cllrs Martin Slinger, James Cross, Steve Morris and Roey Parker

#### Matters Arising not on this Agenda

Over 70 residents attended the "drop in session" at the Town Hall to review and comment on the new Local Plan for the Stroud District. Two sites for housing development had been identified in Painswick. Written comments on the proposed plan need to be submitted to the District Council by the 5th December. After a discussion the Council agreed to form a working party who would be responsible for drafting a response which would be circulated to Cllrs for agreement. A report from those Cllrs who had attended the review session held after the close of the public session will be circulated to all Cllrs.

Cllr Rob Lewis then queried comments in the November issue of the Beacon over the involvement of District Councillors in referring planning issues to the District Council's Development Control Committee. (Editor's Note: We hope to print a full explanation of the procedures in a future issue.)

Councillors again expressed their concerns over the continuing problems caused by the newly introduced District Council's planning portal. Despite the strongly worded letter of complaint that was sent by the Council after the last meeting, Parish Councillors and members of

the public were still experiencing the same difficulties in accessing planning applications. Cllr Rob Lewis had spoken to the Department and had been assured that correcting the problems was now the "number one priority".

#### Matters requiring a decision

There were nine matters requiring a decision:

- S.17/2416/HHOLD TURNPIKE HOUSE Slad. Ground and first floor extensions to house. Before the discussions began Cllr Crownshaw left the meeting. Chairman Cllr Rob Lewis advised the meeting that due to the ongoing problems with the District Council's Planning Web site not all the necessary planning papers had been received As a consequence he could not recommend that the Council comment on this application. He apologised to the applicants, who had taken the time and trouble to attend the meeting, saying that he felt embarrassed by the situation. The Council agreed not to comment on the application. Cllr Crownshaw then returned to the Meeting.
- S.17/2158/HHOLD FLAT, LONGFIELD HOSPICE CARE. Bisley Street. Replacement of old, wooden casement windows in front elevation of 1st floor flat above charity shop with energy efficient double glazed pvc windows. Agreed to object as Listed Building and windows should be replaced on a "like for like" basis.
- S.17/2352/LBC UPPER STEANBRIDGE MILL, STROUD. To demolish a late addition wall to provide larger kitchen space, with the addition of a lightweight partition. Remodel of kitchen and installation of new boiler and vent pipe. Unanimous support.
- S.17/2262/FUL SEVENACRES, THE CAMP. Erection of 6 glamping lodges, reception block and formation of new access. As once again the planning papers were not available on line the Council were unable to comment on the application.
- S.17/2468/HHOLD BEECHWOOD COTTAGE, Jacks Green, Sheepscombe.

Single storey extension to dwelling. Unanimous support .

- S.17/2473/HHOLD HIGHGROVE HOUSE, Lower Washwell Lane. Erection of a chimney stack. Unanimous support.
- S.17/2488/FUL JUNIPERS, Edge Road. New single dwelling. Unanimous support subject to the condition that the proposed rendering matches the other property.
- S.17/2472/HHOLD HILLCREST, Gloucester Street. Extensions and alterations to the house. Unanimous support.
- S.17/2514/106R CHESSED, Slad Road, Slad. Deed of variation to allow holiday cottage to be used as ancillary accommodation for a relative. Unanimous support.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting Chairman Cllr Rob Lewis spoke directly to District Councillor Nigel Cooper asking him to ensure that the ongoing problems with the Planning Depts portal were quickly resolved. The Council had been embarrassed that evening when two applicants had attended the Meeting to answer questions on their application only to be told that their application was not available on line and would not be discussed. Cllr Cooper said that he was already discussing this matter and that he had been assured by the Head of Planning that resolving the issue was now the "number one priority for the department"

### PARISH COUNCIL

As Chairman Cllr Martin Slinger was absent the meeting was Chaired by Vice Chairman Ann Daniels.

#### Apologies for absence

The Council accepted apologies for absence from Cllrs Martin Slinger, James Cross, Roey Parker, Steve Morris and Ed Crownshaw

#### County Councillor's report

County Cllr Keith Rippington advised the

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Meeting that work was continuing on the A4173 cutting back the vegetation around the Pitchcombe junction. It was planned to resurface the A46 from Stroud to Pincot Lane. General road maintenance will continue throughout the County.

There had been a recent Meeting on air pollution in both Gloucester and Cheltenham. The majority of towns in the County have Air Quality Managers but Stroud currently does not have an Air Quality Manager. He will discuss this matter with District Councillor Nigel Cooper.

**District Councillor's Report**

District Cllr Nigel Cooper encouraged members of the public, who had attended the "drop in" session held at the Town Hall, to visit the Council's web site and add their comments about the new local plan. Discussions were still ongoing about the future of the Subscription Rooms in Stroud.

**Award Scheme Gold Accreditation**

Cllrs offered both their thanks and congratulations to the Clerk Roy Balgobin, Deputy Clerk Irena Litton and the Community for their hard work in ensuring that the Council achieved "Gold Accreditation". Of the 10,000 Town and Parish Councils in England only 32 Councils had been awarded "Gold". The visiting officials had been particularly impressed by the Council's active involvement and support for Community activities such as the Tourist Information Office and the Toddler Group. The National Association of Local Councils will be forwarding a Certificate and a celebration will be planned in the New Year to thank all the volunteers and groups in the Village.

**Stamages Lane Car Park**

The Council had received a letter from Joanne Jordan, Director of Customer Service, at Stroud District Council,

following the representation made at the last Parish Council Meeting to the District Council to defer the proposed increase in car parking charges. The letter stated that charges had not been increased for over 6 years and that a rise in the tariffs was overdue. As a consequence the request for a further evaluation of the charges was rejected. The Council noted their disappointment in the District Council's decision.

**Request to fix a ceramic photograph to a headstone, in the Painswick Cemetery**

Prior to discussing the request a specimen of the proposed ceramic was shown to Councillors. The Council finally agreed that the existing regulations regarding height and size of tombstones must be maintained. However providing the ceramic photograph formed part of the tombstone, of the correct height and size and prior permission had been obtained, then such a request would be agreed.

**Responsible Financial Officer Report**

- a) The Council agreed payments in accordance with the report circulated by the Clerk.
- b) The Council agreed to accept a quote of £2870 for work to be undertaken in the Cemetery Lodge - a new bathroom.

**Ward Reports**

Cllr Abigail Smith thanked the volunteers, including three new members, who were involved in the recent "Speed Watch Week". Despite the frustrating problems with the kit provided they "stuck to their guns"!

**Parish Council Meeting in December**

The Council agreed not to hold a Parish Council Meeting in December but both Planning and Traffic Committee Meetings would be held.

The Council then discussed a Confidential Agenda Item with both the Public and the Press having to leave the Meeting.

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# Music Appreciation Group

## Tenors and waltzes



On 26th October Mike Kerton took his audience by storm. He presented a most informative and fascinating illustrated talk on the theme – Favourite Tenors.

In part one he concentrated on the lives and careers of Giuseppe di Stefano, Franco Corelli, James McCracken and Placido Domingo. The art of each of these great tenors was illustrated with superb recordings of music by Massenet, Handel, Schubert, Bizet, Puccini and not least Verdi. In part two Mike provided a biographical sketch of Mario Lanza and in doing so was able to express his own admiration for the power and majesty of Lanza's voice. As an accompaniment Mike played several recordings from the Student Prince and also an excerpt from Aida.

In sum, our speaker had delivered in his customary lively way a most enjoyable evening of music for the membership.

On 9th November Peter Jenkins spoke about Johan Strauss II,

a composer who became most popular throughout Europe and America in the 19th century, and who remains so today. His music was influenced by simple country dances which he transformed into music suitable for the grand dance halls of Vienna, concert houses and even opera houses. His genius was in his inspired sweeping melodies with superb harmony, taught to him by his father, who was the choirmaster of St Stephen's cathedral in Vienna.

Excerpts were played from Strauss's first composition, when he was only 6, his sole sacred work composed at the age of 19 plus a selection from his 61 polkas and 137 waltzes. This included the Blue Danube in its original form, scored for a male voice choir and Peter's favourite – Tales from the Vienna Woods. Peter explained that at the age of 50 Strauss stopped writing so many waltzes and turned to operettas. Unfortunately he lacked good librettists but he composed the superb operetta Die Fledermaus and the comic opera, a Gypsy Baron once he had found a good librettist. The evening concluded with excerpts from these favourite compositions.

*Howard Allen*

# Yew Trees WI

## To the roof of the world - India



Peter Berry's infectious passion for steam locomotives and enthusiasm for photography and travel held the attention of members for his talk on October 24th. Flying into Delhi and then along the

Himalayan Everest Range he then picked up his route to Darjeeling. The British-made, two foot gauge railway wound its way up slowly taking in 29 hairpin bends on one 3000 foot section of the ascent. In Darjeeling Peter went off the beaten track and we were able to see aspects of local life which he had selected. Houses were built on incredibly steep slopes and a glorious Tibetan Buddhist temple was embedded with open sewers, snake charmers, offal carriers and immaculately dressed school children. Poverty interspersed with riches. Every year the monsoon washes out the railway track and earthquakes shake the foundations of the city but this is accepted stoically and everything is rebuilt.



Henry Hall presents Joan Hardwidge with the Trophy

Mamma mia, what an evening was had on 16th November when Yew Tree members met Probus men for the annual skittles match! Singing to the tune of "I have a dream", we intimidated the men by telling them confidently what unbeatable skills we had. This light-hearted beginning led to five rounds of good humoured contest and banter. The result was inconsequential but we were nevertheless very pleased to regain the magnificent trophy.

We are now looking forward to the Christmas Gathering and a festive meal at 7.00pm on Tuesday December 12th in the Church Rooms. It is hoped that as many members as possible will be there to enjoy the entertainment by Margaret Daniels "The Bard of Barnwood".

*Janet Jenkins*

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## Probus Women

On 13th November two ladies from 'Time to Time' arrived in the guise of Victorian characters - My Lady Maud Gray and dressmaker, Eliza Kneebone. They entertained with carols of the time sung in beautiful harmony and with tales relating to the history of Christmas celebrations greatly influenced and encouraged by Prince Albert and well popularised in Christmas stories of the time by Charles Dickens, as in A Christmas Carol, where families sat before blazing fires with Christmas trees in the best parlour adorned with blazing candles!! Gifts. A goose for dinner with trimmings. Mulled wine. Family games. Happiness, kindness, relaxation.

Well, if you were in My Lady Maud's circle this is how it was. However, if not, it certainly wasn't. Before home celebrations became in vogue, Christmas had been taken in a religious context only celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. When things changed, work was even harder for servants in big houses - cooking, cleaning, decorating and wrapping employer's presents and had hardly any time to prepare their own celebrations - even if they had energy left. The poor shared their Christmas Tree on the Village Green and crafted whatever they could to give as gifts. Food was the most important factor to them after which they enjoyed tales of ghosts and mysteries.

Lady Maud's goose would be purchased Christmas morning. The poor procured theirs by having joined a Goose Club, paying one penny a week. Geese, as many as three hundred, waddled from Norfolk to London to satisfy seasonal appetites. They were made special leather boots or had their feet dipped in tar so that they could endure the very long journey. All this - to end up on someone's plate! Most of us today enjoy a similar format. Religious services, a hot toddy or two, good food, presents, play games - push the boat out a bit. Some may say a tad too far! Wonder would Prince Albert would have said? So, summing up Victorian Christmastime celebrations:- If you were My Lady Maud and rich .... very nice. If you were Eliza, the dressmaker and poor .... very hard. And if you were a goose .... rubbish!

Next meeting Monday, 11th December. Poetic Licence - poems written and recited by delia Mason. Painswick Church Rooms, 10.00am for 10.30am. All visitors most welcome (£3)

*delia Mason*

## Probus Club



Bill King addressed the Painswick Probus Club on 1st November 2017, describing how the poppy was adopted as the symbol of remembrance of those that fell in WW1 and subsequent conflicts. The churning of the land many times over by artillery shells had eliminated all the flora around the front lines but dormant poppy seeds had been waiting for years to germinate whenever the land was disturbed. The shelling produced an abundance of poppy flowers near the front lines and the burial sites. The idea of a memorial poppy was adopted by all the allied nations and in 1921 the first British Poppy Day Appeal was launched and has continued to this day.

David Archard, a life-long resident of Painswick, shared his collection of slides and stories about Painswick on 15th November 2017.

The Probus Club challenged the Yew Trees WI at skittles in the annual bid to regain the trophy. After a slow start the Probus team managed to hold its ground during the last leg. Nevertheless, the Yew Trees WI won by a good margin. The Yew Trees team provided an amazing variety of delicious finger-eats to restore our spirits. Special mention must be made of our most senior member, Maurice Freeman, who stumbled and fell against a chair, crushing his hearing-aid, but resolutely rolled his last ball from a kneeling position to match the highest turn-score of the event!

*Henry Hall*

## Bird life in the Far North

At their November meeting, the Bird Club and the Gloucestershire Naturalist Society joined hands for an illustrated talk by Dr John Sparks, a former head of the BBC Natural History Unit. His theme was the wildlife of Svalbard, the major island being Spitzbergen. Bounded by the Barents Sea, these northerly lands with 24 hour summer daylight and rich sea food supplies are a magnet for migrant birds - ducks, geese, swans and sea-birds, including vast colonies of nesting terns. Wildlife is strictly limited during the intense winter cold, but polar bears and Arctic foxes are notable exceptions.



There is an opportunity to see winter bird migrants at WWT Slimbridge on Monday December 4th at 10.30am, meeting at the Reception. Normal entry fee to non-WWT members. Everybody welcome. Lifts available.

*Bill Boydell*

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## Lily Langtry and Mike Powis The whole story

Our year end is fast approaching and we shall be finishing on a high note with our Christmas Lunch at Horton's on the 8th December. At our AGM President Pat Daly thanked the Committee for all their hard work.

After the AGM, Caro from the Everyman Theatre gave a fascinating talk on the history of the theatre. The theatre opened on its current site in 1891 when Lily Langtry led the cast in "Lady Clancarty". One of the best-known "stars" of the Everyman's Repertory Company was Roger Moore whom we all know as "007". Much to the delight of the audience various members of the Club were persuaded to step forward and act in part of a scene from Lady Clancarty. The sword fight was "memorable"!!

In November our well known and respected Pharmacist, Mike Powis, talked to the Club about the role of the modern pharmacist. Back in the 1851 census the owner of the property was listed as a Chemist. The Powis dynasty began in 1982 when The Painswick Pharmacy Ltd was formed. Now they not only dispense medicines but offer many additional services such as a Stop Smoking Service and Flu vaccinations.

Next year's programme is almost complete. One outing that can be revealed is a trip to see Concorde at the Aerospace Museum at Filton. An opportunity to walk through the plane and see where the rich and famous sat as they were whisked off to New York in less than 3.5 hours.

A note for your diaries, our 2018 programme starts on the 12th January when the ever popular Peter Berry will be talking about one of his famous steam train journeys. A very happy Christmas to all our members. We look forward to greeting you on the 12th January!

*Mike Kerton*



## Richmond Christmas Shopping Event

Richmond Village is holding a Christmas shopping event on Saturday 2nd December from 3pm to 5pm. There will be stalls, refreshments and a raffle.

*Jay Dexter*



Part of the scene at the War Memorial on November 11th

## Winter Clearing in Full Swing

When the clocks go back it always seems to me that autumn is done and winter well under way. We have had some beautiful sunny days and a few frosts to cool things down. Now that the grass has almost stopped growing the cows on the ramparts are having to work hard to find enough grass to eat and what there is doesn't contain many sugars. At this time of the year nutrients are stored in the roots to start regrowth next year and so are not available for herbivores. The cows will soon have to be moved down to Holcombe Farm where they can be slowly introduced to better quality grass. As that runs out we will supplement their feed with bought in hay.



This will be the first year the group has had to look after cattle through the winter and we are expecting a steep learning curve! New volunteers would be much appreciated to help look after them. Please phone me on 07971 633 242 if you can help. Having the cows to graze the Beacon is essential to the overall conservation plan. It is hoped that next year we may be able to graze some new areas of the Beacon in early spring with assistance from the Back from the Brink project. This is a national conservation project funded by the National Lottery and the Government.

The other vitally important activity is the scrub clearance. We are now in full winter mode; felling some large trees, clearing saplings and brambles and having some great bonfires! Stumps are treated to prevent regrowth and bramble regrowth will be treated in the spring to kill the roots. Work party attendance has been good, but we can always use more helpers so why not come and help with this very worthwhile project?

Finally seeds, which were collected from the Beacon during the summer, have been sown on a number of sites recently cleared. It will be interesting to see what germinates next spring.

*Paul Baxter*



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## Christmas wreath-making An evening of sociable creativity

For the past three years Emma and Holly of the Bespoke Flower Company have organised an evening event which has become a truly memorable occasion in Painswick. Taking place in the Painswick Centre, their Christmas wreath-making evening has always been fun, creative and very sociable and this year will be no exception.

From 7.00-10.00pm on Tuesday, 12th December in the Painswick Centre, Emma and Holly will be on hand to help you create your own beautiful door wreath. All materials are supplied and there will be plenty of mulled wine and mince pies making for a most enjoyable evening. Emma and Holly's expertise is indisputable – they have for the second year running won Best Florist South West title at The English Wedding Awards. Working from their base at the Old Chapel in the cemetery they are always happy to help with local community events and projects.

Their wreath-making evening has undoubtedly become an annual community event, to be enjoyed by anyone who wishes to come along, learn a new skill and go home with the satisfaction of having made a beautiful Christmas wreath. And the whole evening is a joyous social occasion as can be seen in this photograph of last year's happy group. The cost of £35 covers everything, including materials, and places can be booked at [info@thebespokeflowercompany.co.uk](mailto:info@thebespokeflowercompany.co.uk), or by telephone 649810.

Emma and Holly's own wreaths will be available from the Falcon's Nest gift shop (behind The Falcon) from early December.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Jottings

When you have livestock, whether it be cattle, sheep, pigs or poultry, you will need to provide water for them throughout the year. Temperature can vary the amount they drink from day to day. Cattle can drink 5 litres a day as a calf up to 120 litres as a cow in full milk. A cow not long after she has calved could be producing 30 to 40 litres a day. (A litre of milk you get out of your bottle can be 90% water).

Sheep will need from 5 to 10 litres of water a day. Goats are about the same. Donkeys can drink up to 30 litres a day. Pigs can drink from 5 up to 20 litres a day especially if it's a sow with piglets. Dogs will drink upwards of 60 millilitres a day according to their size. With poultry, a laying hen will drink upwards of 500 millilitres a day. If the hen does not get water in a twenty four period it will take another twenty four hours to recover and probably not lay an egg that day. If the hen goes two days without water, she may go into a moult and lay few eggs. It takes a hen about three weeks to make an egg from start to finish (with the last twenty four hours to put the shell on).

Horses may need from 5 to 50 litres a day according to size and may need more. If a horse does not get any water it could be dead in just over a week. But it also depends on what moisture it can get from its food: the more moisture the food contains, the less amount of water the horse needs.

Winter is coming that could mean frosts and frozen pipes, a nightmare with people with livestock trying to defrost pipes to drinking troughs: in the end giving up and getting water from other places. Getting water from elsewhere for your stock can take time and you could spend all day hauling water.

*Martin Slinger*



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# Painswick Ball raises £3,900 Headway Gloucestershire to benefit

The Painswick Midsummer Ball took place earlier this year at Broadham Sports Club, the home of Painswick RFC, Painswick Cricket Club and Painswick Tennis Club. The ball attended by 350 people is organised by a team of volunteers in the village, who this year created a theme of 'Arabian Nights' complete with middle eastern musicians greeting guests as they arrived and a belly dancer.

One of the highlights of the evening is our charity auction," said organiser David Nottingham. "This year's charity was Headway Gloucestershire, who are an amazing local charity. Local businesses were only too pleased to support the auction with prizes, and sponsorship overall to allow us to raise money for charity. A huge thanks in particular goes to Goddards Garage, Richmond Village, The Falcon and The Oak, Painswick for their support as well as Wesleyan for their kind donation."



Steve White and David Nottingham, organisers of the Painswick Ball presenting the cheque to Fiona Barnes of Headway Gloucestershire

Headway Gloucestershire provide specialist services and support aimed to improve the lives of survivors of acquired brain injury in Gloucestershire; their partners, families, friends and carers. "We are delighted to receive such an amazing sum, thank you," said Alison Hendley, Manager of Headway Gloucestershire. "With clinical and medical

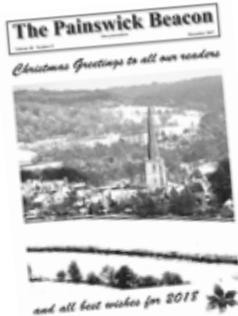
advances more and more people are surviving moderate or severe brain injury. The life saving measures that have been developed are incredible. Unfortunately, financial pressures have reduced the levels of long term rehabilitation and recovery support available, so that services such as Headway Gloucestershire are more important than ever. The money raised in the auction will have a direct impact on how survivors live their lives after injury. Enabling people with brain injuries to increase their autonomy, independence and wellbeing by equipping them with strategies and tools so that they can manage the challenges of their injury."

## Letters

The inclusion of letters, maximum 200 words, in these columns does not imply that the Beacon committee endorses the views expressed, or otherwise. Please supply the Beacon with your full name and address although such details will not appear in the Beacon unless you so request.

*Patricia Burrows from Castle Close writes:*

I am feeling very worried about the beautiful trees lining the roadside from Painswick to Stroud as now the leaves have fallen we can see that many of them are heavily burdened right up to the top with ivy. I fear that many of them will die in the fairly near future if the ivy is not killed. What can be done?



The next Painswick Ball will take place in 2019.

*Emma Bradshaw*

## Cover photograph

We are grateful to Trevor Radway for his photograph of a snowy Painswick taken from a point near The Edgemoor Inn at Edge.

## Christmas Greetings

The Chairman and Members of Painswick Parish Council wish all residents and businesses a very happy Christmas and a successful 2018.

*Martin Slinger*

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## Boxing Day Walk

The annual Parish Council Boxing Day Walk will take place on Tuesday 26th December starting at 10am. Walkers are asked to meet in Stamages Lane car park alongside the Conveniences block. The circular walk is of about two hours duration and this year will be led by Margaret Radway. Stout footwear is advised and dogs are welcome with the proviso that they are on a lead at all times, and under strict control.

## Playgroup's Interactive table

Following a hugely successful Easter Egg Hunt this year, Painswick Playgroup have been able to purchase a fantastic 'interactive table' which is now up and running for all the children to enjoy. It is a great addition to the ICT facilities at playgroup as the interactive table is specifically tailored to the needs of pre-school age children and can help to develop a wide range of skills. It is already proving very popular! On behalf of the playgroup staff and committee, we would like to say a huge 'thank you' to everyone that supported the Easter Egg Hunt including sponsors, volunteers, those who donated prizes and of course everyone who came and took part.

*Lizzie Bennett*



William Bennett, Isla Smith and Fergus Lloyd-Jones

## ACP Gallery News

Gallery open 10-4pm Wednesday – Saturday at the Painswick Centre. What's on.

**December.** Pop up shop running throughout the month showcasing local artists Katey Jane Smith and Emily Laura Designs – perfect for Christmas shopping! Along with our 40+ resident artists selling one-off handcrafted local gifts.

**January.** Exhibition: 'Prints inspired by Seville'. Local textile designer Emily Knight showcases her interior designs and products inspired by a trip to Seville, Spain. A lovely reminder of summertime during the winter months.

Friday 19th Jan. 10am – 1pm. Jill Nicklin returns after the success of her previous visit with another culture morning, this time focussed on areas within South America. Come to see Jill's personal collection of magnificent clothes and learn about the traditions and cultures of the region. Truly not to be missed.

*Georgina Griffiths, Gallery Manager*



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# Christmas shopping - look in Painswick first

Painswick's shops are definitely unique and certainly offer goods and products not to be found elsewhere. It is therefore worth looking locally first when trying to find that special something for Christmas – and indeed for all other occasions.



**The Falcon's Nest**, tucked behind The Falcon, is a delight. There is a range of artistic goods including Kerry's own very beautiful work in the form of prints and cards. You will also find jewellery, Christmas decorations and cards, wrapping paper, chocolates and biscuits, socks, mugs, calendars, diaries, bird feeders, candles, colourful dog leads, stocking fillers and much more, all very different and interesting. Fresh flowers are also available and from early December wreaths made by Painswick's own Bespoke Flower Company will also be on sale. Open every day except Monday and Tuesday.

**Painswick Pharmacy** has added to its usual stock of quality toiletries some lovely extras for Christmas. There are some specials, Bronnley goods in particular and delightful children's toiletry gift packs. Lovely microwave warmies, art and felt kits for children, Fair Trade chocolates and dates, toilet bags, gift wrap and the new Painswick Chronicle are all available. Our pharmacy is packed with lovely products of real quality.

**Best One** is well stocked for the Christmas season with provisions, magazines, Christmas cards and children's confectionery. It has a huge selection of sweets, chocolates and biscuits and in particular there is a special offer on some packs of chocolates for the festive season. There is also a special offer on some quality wines. Best One will be closed on Christmas Day.

**Kate Rich's** tiny shop at the top of Tibbiwell is a joy. Packed with lovely items of glass, china, jewellery, pictures, ornaments, linen and architectural stonework, both vintage and contemporary, it is full of lovely gift ideas. In particular, there are lamps in a range of styles and some glorious mirrors. This is a gem of a shop right in our midst.

**Approche** on the corner of St Mary's Street offers a lovely range of special knitwear and other items of clothing, in particular, and new in, a very special selection of beautiful handmade children's dresses. Books, furniture, local and general greetings cards, prints,

leather handbags are some of the other items on sale. Approche also now offers a clothing alteration service.

**Olivas** is of course an excellent cafe but for the festive season it is offering for sale a wonderful selection of edible gifts. Pannetone cake, truffles, gingerbread houses, hot chocolate sets, honey, and other treats, all elegantly packaged, are enticingly displayed around the cafe, along with festive candles. Of special interest are some really unusual, beautifully crafted, themed clocks made from vinyl records. Do go and take a look.

**Longfield**, Painswick's charity shop in Bisley Street, is well worth a visit. It is packed with goodies for all ages including games, crockery, decorations, books, toys, DVDs, bric-a-brac, small electrical items and charity cards. There is also an excellent selection of party and evening wear for men and women and all items here offer very good value for money.

**The Art Studios in the Painswick Centre** feature the work of several Painswick artists. It is, of course, their workshop, but much of their output is for sale. There are also on sale Christmas cards and general cards, again the work of the resident studio artists.

**A C P in the Painswick Centre** has a very attractive display of items, all for sale, and including cards, candles, pottery, jewellery, slippers, snoods, wrist warmers, clothing, craft kits, prints and decorations. All the items, and there is a wide range, are hand-crafted, beautifully made, imaginative, individual and interesting.



**Painswick Fabrics** in New Street offers a stunning range of beautiful silks, cottons, velvets and linens. There is also an impressive selection of related items such as tassels and throws.

**Pete's Fish** will be on sale in the Town Hall car park every Friday morning 8.30-11.00 up to and including 22nd December. In addition to his usual top quality produce he will be offering specials to order, such as whole sides of salmon and hot smoked salmon at special prices, dressed crab, dressed lobster and king prawns. Order forms will be available each Friday and if you want something especially, he will do his best to get it for you!

**Town Hall Post Master** It is important that the postal service present in the Town Hall on Wednesday and Friday mornings is well used by all in Painswick. During the Christmas season this is essential. It definitely is a question of 'use it or lose it', so do make sure you avail yourself of this service especially at this time.

Our Painswick shops always offer something different and interesting and you can be sure to find that special something. Do look in Painswick first – our businesses really do need your support.

*Carol Maxwell*



Over the past year, Wick-Flix has hosted 10 screenings, filling an average of 100 seats each time. We have brought you a variety of films and we have tried to respond to your feedback and continuously improve our offering. However, going into our second year, we have had to take stock of our finances and have taken the decision to increase our ticket price from £6.00 to £7.00. We do hope that you will still find our Wick-Flix screenings offer tremendous value as we continue to bring you much more than just a film.

**Friday 1st December** **Baby Driver (15)**  
Coerced into working for a crime boss, a young getaway driver finds himself taking part in a doomed heist. Described as the “coolest film of the year” this is an exceptionally well crafted British made movie with a great soundtrack that should keep you on the edge of your seat.

**Friday 12th January** **Wick-Flix Gala Auction**  
sponsored by Murrays Estate Agents  
This will be a special screening to celebrate Wick-Flix’s first year in operation. Our Gold Sponsor, Murrays, will be auctioning several exciting packages donated by all our sponsors. Wick-Flix is very much about our community and all profits from the auction will be shared between the Painswick Recreation Ground Trust and Allsorts, a local charity, helping families with disabled children. More information on the movie to be screened to follow shortly.

Doors open at 7.00pm. Screening starts at 7.45pm. Entry £7.00 (one price for all) including one free drink. Payment on the door. Best to come early to avoid disappointment as we have a finite seating capacity.

As always up-to-date information on what’s coming up can be found on the Wick-Flix page at [www.painswickcentre.com](http://www.painswickcentre.com). Come along and support your community cinema!

*David Chapman*

## Twelfth Night Jazz Concert Sunday 7th January at 12:30pm

At lunchtime on 7th January 2018 Kings Mill House will be hosting a special Twelfth Night Jazz Concert – a warming, post-Christmas celebration of beautiful music. Guests will be treated to an intimate, interactive performance by acclaimed jazz singer Kate Mullins and pianist Will Bartlett, alongside a series of guest performers delivering their (and your) favourite jazz works. As only fitting, we will be providing nibbles to keep you in good spirits as you listen.

There are a limited number of tickets which are priced at £15.00, with proceeds going to a local charity. For further details and to reserve your seats, please RSVP to Event Manager Anthea Bell at [avfbell@gmail.com](mailto:avfbell@gmail.com). Please note the concert will be in an upstairs room at Kings Mill and there are a lot of steps in the house.



### The Performers!

This Twelfth Night concert is the second materialisation of Kate and Will’s major new musical project “Between Us”; a series of live performances and inclusive workshops using song as a tool for expressive communication. The project seeks to actively involve audiences in the creation and enjoyment of music – connecting them to the performers and to one another.

“Between Us” is by no means the pair’s first venture. Kate rose to public acclaim as a founding member of the Puppini Sisters – an internationally-reputed vocal harmony trio. She has established a strong solo career even amidst Puppini’s record deal, global tours and four albums – continuing to compose, teach and perform with a range of international jazz and swing artists.



Following his extensive musical training at St Peter’s College Oxford, Guildhall and then Trinity College,

Will has acted as pianist, educator and composer for some of the musical greats – not only leading lights such as Claire Martin and Jim Mullen, but the National Youth Jazz Orchestra and the Royal Albert Hall’s Albert Band. They will be joined on the 7th by artists including long-time folk and country duo Rosanna and Martin.

*Anthea Bell*

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## DASH (Delivering Aid to Stroud Homeless).

DASH is a group of Painswick and Cranham residents, under the auspices of Churches Together Around Painswick who work through Marah, a charity in Stroud caring for the homeless and vulnerable. From the Scout hut in Stroud, Marah provides a hot meal 3 days a week in a friendly non-judgemental environment as well as advice and assistance with benefits, housing needs etc and clothing, toiletries and basic food stuffs.

For several years now, DASH has been running a small change collection (1ps, 2ps and 5ps) in aid of Marah. So far this year we have raised £400+ in this way and it would be great if we could increase this in the run up to Christmas. Alison Robinson (812 286) and Frances Watson (812 071) welcome any contributions and are happy to come and collect if your bag of change gets too heavy!

As winter draws in, Marah is in urgent need of warm clothing for both men and women – trousers, hoodies, jumpers, woolly hats, scarves and gloves – as well as men's and women's shoes (but no heels please) and men's belts. Sleeping bags and towels are very welcome and toiletries are always needed – deodorants, shower gels, shaving cream, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, as well as hairbrushes and combs but not soap.

Plastic carrier bags and empty 8oz margarine containers enable Marah's clients to take away any food left over from the day's hot meal as well as for carrying the clothing.

There are collecting boxes at the back of Painswick and Cranham churches and also at Murrays Estate Agency. Any contribution you are able to make will be much appreciated and put to good use.

*Alison Robinson*

## Rambling ruins, houses of horror and so much more

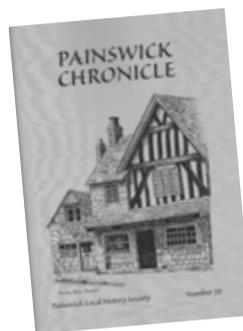
Taking pot-shots with a rifle at the weathercock on the church spire, and at long last being able to turn on the tap to obtain fresh water rather than fetching it in a bucket are just two of the details to be found in articles in the brand new edition of Painswick Chronicle, the annual journal of Painswick Local History Society. The fascinating Meeze family, the history of the supply of fresh water to the town, the story of the developments at Kings Mill, Painswick's various cultural (and for a long time abstinent) institutes and two Canadian members of the Gyde family in WW1 are just some of the topics featured in this edition.

And perhaps most intriguingly, did you know that Painswick apparently had in its midst a 'House of Horrors' many of whose owners had met with exceedingly gruesome deaths?

Painswick has a rich history for a small town and the Chronicles aim to add to our knowledge of all aspects from the light-hearted to more weighty subject matter. This latest edition, number 20, can be obtained, as can previous editions, from Painswick Pharmacy or from Carol Maxwell tel. 813387. A list of the subjects covered in each edition is available in the Pharmacy and is also given on the Society's website [www.painswicklocalhistorysociety.org.uk](http://www.painswicklocalhistorysociety.org.uk)

Other local history books available from the Society are: Gyde Orphanage Remembered, Time Chart of a Cotswold Village and Painswick and the Great War. Painswick today is very much a product of its past and all these publications provide information and analysis of historical significance locally. And last but not least, the legend of Painswick residents' longevity together with the origins of Painswick puppy dog pie is related with relish in the little booklet Barks and Bites from Bow-wow Land – an excellent little stocking filler.

*Carol Maxwell*



## Christmas draw for Subscribers and Advertisers



Each year the Beacon holds a draw for all subscribers and advertisers. The winners this year are:

First prize: A bottle of whiskey to Mr. & Mrs. Slinger of The Green in Edge.

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## Khirsty's new business

The colours and patterns around us have, according to much research, a powerful effect on our senses and emotional wellbeing, not least in the home. From time to time the task of painting and decorating our homes arises for us all and for many some help and advice can be much appreciated. Starting in January, Khirsty Cater will offer not only an interior painting and decorating service but also a colour consulting service.

The main part of Khirsty's business will be painting and decorating but she is also aware that often people appreciate knowledgeable advice about colour choices and that using swatches and buying tester paint pots is not always helpful. Khirsty's new service involves her assessing the space in question and making recommendations based on the room itself and its contents. 'Interior decorating has always been my passion and helping people to create beautiful spaces is so rewarding,' she says. Khirsty's obvious passion for decorating has very sound foundations. Previously she worked with The White Company and also as the stylist for a royal warranted bed and furniture manufacturer. Working with their products was both an enjoyable and educational experience. She also undertook an interior colour consultation course offering the only accredited qualification in the UK. 'I learnt so much,' she explains.

After gaining a first in business studies and marketing at Oxford Brookes University Khirsty set up a decorating business and took an interior design course. She developed a broad range of experience in both domestic and commercial work including product and style management for hotel bedrooms with Whitbread in London and then with Hypnos in Bucks. Moving to Painswick ten years ago with son, Joe now aged 14, Khirsty worked in charity marketing with both Ruskin Mill and Star College. However, 'I always kept my hand in the decorating business,' she explains, 'engaging in some renovating and decorating projects at the same time.'

Khirsty's approach is intelligent, skilled and enthusiastic. Her new business, which is mainly interior painting and decorating but also interior colour consultation, starts in January. She has a website [www.khirstycater.co.uk](http://www.khirstycater.co.uk) and can be contacted by phone on 07841099305 or email [khirsty.cater@gmail.com](mailto:khirsty.cater@gmail.com)



Carol Maxwell

## Still very much open!

As many of you know The Patchwork Mouse is for sale, but we are very much open for business.

To allay fears or rumours that seem to be doing the rounds in the village, we are not closing or running down the business. We are not leaving The Patchwork Mouse until the end of March next year. We are very proud and committed of the community cafe the 'Mouse' has become.



The current owners are hopeful and positive that a buyer or tenant can be found to provide customers past, present and future a great place to meet and enjoy a coffee, cake and light snack. If you are interested in owning or running this delightful cafe, then please direct all enquiries to the appointed selling/letting agent Murrays of Painswick.

We look forward to seeing you soon at the 'Mouse'; we also would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a blessed new year.

David & Kaye Clifford

## Painswickian and Young Painswickian of the Year

Each year about this time we invite Nominations for Painswickian of The Year and Young Painswickian of the Year. Readers are asked to put forward the names of parishioners who have brought credit to the village in the past year, or who have given exceptional service to the community in the longer term. The nominations are then considered by the Beacon committee. Your nominee for Painswickian of the Year should be over 21. You may wish to nominate a couple. Nominees for Young Painswickian of the Year should be 21 years of age or younger.

Nomination details should not exceed 100 words. They should be marked 'POY' and placed in the Beacon Box by the telephone kiosk in New Street or sent by email to: [beacon@painswick.net](mailto:beacon@painswick.net) with 'POY' in the subject line. The deadline for the receipt of nominations is Saturday December 16th.

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# The Personal Column

## Condolences

To the family and friends of JAMES MORRISON who died on October 24th aged 91 years. Jim lived with his wife Jane in Washwell House, Painswick for nearly 40 years. The funeral took place at St Mary's Church on November 20th.

To the family and friends of GEORGE HOLLOWAY who died in Stroud on October 28th. George who was 18, lived in Painswick with his mother and younger brother and was an apprentice in administration at the Court House Manor Hotel.

To the family and friends of ROBERT (BOB) ARNOTT who lived in The Highlands for 20 years and died peacefully at Resthaven on October 10th. His wife Sheila and family wish to thank everyone who helped and supported him in his long battle with dementia.

To the friends and family of hugely respected local sports shop owner PETER BATEMAN who died peacefully after a short illness on Nov 7th. The funeral was to be held in St Mary's Church on November the 29th.

## Congratulations

To TIFFANY AND BROCK KENNEDY of Star Cottage, Hollyhock Lane, on the birth of their son Crispin who is a brother for Thoren.

*You could help Vicky Aspinall, if you would relay information about those you know and for whom a mention in the Personal Column would be appreciated.*

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# The unveiling of the F

On the evening of Wednesday 22nd November, The Falcon Inn hosted a grand event, 'The Unveiling of the F'. Some readers may know Finbarr English, a friendly face to the Cotswolds, serving our pets' every need for some months now. For those who don't know Finbarr, he is a veterinary surgeon with a fabulous bedside manner for animals large and small. His F comes with a magnifying glass for those interested to examine the piece in greater detail.

*Rowenna Hills*



*Richard Aspinall adds:*

Frequently to be found filling his flask of ale in the Falcon Inn and fascinated by their collection of Fs, Finbarr Condon-English, who is soon to return to his native Ireland, has finalised his stay here by donating his own F creation. Finbarr, a fantastic fiddle-player, has made his F from photographs of bones beginning with...an F. He has used some femurs, fibulas and fallanges and the result of his work can be seen if you follow his footsteps to the public bar in The Falcon.

Oh yes, and the bones came from a fox.

## PSALMS Quiz Monday 4th December



Pointless, The Chase, The Weakest Link. All of these TV shows have one thing in common, they test your bottle in a good old Fashioned quiz. Why not test your knowledge by coming along to the Club Pulse Night on Monday the 4th of December. Nibbles and refreshments will be provided and all teams will be sorted out on the night, so start inviting your friends and get revising.

All ages may enter. Entry price is £1. It's at the Painswick Youth & Community Centre from 7.15pm until 8.45pm.

*Nathan Youlton*

# Churches Together Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held on November 9th. This was the Vicar's last CTAP meeting prior to his retirement and Chairman Terry Parker expressed his good wishes on behalf of the CTAP members to Rev Mike and his wife Margaret. Terry said that the Vicar had been a regular attender at CTAP meetings and his contribution to Christian Unity in the Painswick Benefice had been considerable. He gave as examples the Vicar's invitation to Canon Tom Gunning to preach at the Clypping Service, the first occasion a Roman Catholic Priest had given the address in living memory and his welcome to the Roman Catholic community to hold a Requiem Mass in St Mary's Church which it was believed had not occurred before. The meeting was pleased to hear that Edward Elgar had joined the committee as the representative of the Society of Friends.



After the formal business had been completed, Jackie Natt gave a most interesting and inspiring talk about the work of Marah, the Stroud based charity which supports the homeless and disadvantaged.

*Sue Stick, Secretary*

# Rev Mike Holloway steps down

## Vicar of six parishes

After four years' service as vicar of St Mary's Church, Rev. Mike Holloway will retire early in January. Mike came to Painswick from Gotherington and before that had been a science teacher for many years.

Ministering in country parishes nowadays is often highly complex and Painswick is no exception. Here during the past few years six parishes have been formed into a single Benefice, each still independent, and Mike has performed the role of vicar for all six. Locally the situation is further complicated by the fact that Painswick is by far the biggest parish. For the vicar a multiple Benefice of this nature involves much more administrative and managerial work than used to be the case and together with pastoral work, for which there is less time, it becomes something of a balancing act. With this in mind, Mike is keen to point out that he greatly appreciates the support he has received from Andrew Leach, retired clergy and the readers.

Mike has been very active and committed to several aspects of church and community life. He does acknowledge that many elements are coming together, something he feels passionately about. For example, he has been extremely supportive of Churches Together, an ongoing project to draw different denominations together in Painswick, and also he has worked with all the schools in the Benefice to increase awareness of events. Working with young people and children has been important to him and he has strongly supported Psalms, Messy Church and children and youth organisations. Indeed, he was the caller at the last two ceilidhs held to raise money for Psalms.



At this year's Remembrance Ceremony on 11th November



Rev. Mike in relaxed mood

Keen to encourage a working together ethos, Mike set up a Benefice-wide Mission Group bringing all the churches together. He cares passionately about reaching out to the whole community generally and feels that one great success in this respect has been the revival of Painswick Feast and the Clypping, the former having been a long-standing tradition in Painswick historically. It has brought together local businesses, voluntary organisations and the community generally.

During the service at the war memorial on 11th November each year Mike has introduced the reading out of the names of the fallen as a mark of respect to Painswick's past community. He has also introduced Beacon Light which took over from Grapevine and includes articles and news within the benefice. And perhaps of particular note is, as Margaret Radway, churchwarden, points out, Mike is very good at giving sermons and talks which are easily understood and very relevant to life today.

### "I've probably stirred things up a bit"

In a slightly self-deprecating way he says of his efforts to encourage compassion and community-mindedness, 'I've probably stirred things up a bit,' but in fact many in the parish express their sincere appreciation of what he has done since he arrived. 'A breath of fresh air' says one parishioner and that probably sums Mike up. He and his wife, Margaret will retire to Winchcombe and his last service in Painswick will be on Sunday, 31st December.

Carol Maxwell

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# Christmas Services and Events

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Mon	Dec 11th	11.30am	Resthaven Nursing Home	Carol Service
Thurs	Dec 14th	2.30pm	Church Rooms Painswick	Carols & Cakes
Sun	Dec 17th	8.30am	Our Lady & St Therese RC Friday Street Painswick	Mass
		5.00pm	St John the Baptist Pitchcombe	Carol Service
		6.00pm	St John the Baptist Edge	Carols with Gospel Choir
		6.30pm	St John the Apostle Sheepscombe	Carols by Candlelight
Sat	Dec 23rd	4.00pm	St Mary's Painswick	Lessons & Carols
Sun	Dec 24th	8.30am	Our Lady & St Therese RC Friday Street Painswick	Mass
		9.30am	St Mary's Painswick	Painswick Praise
		9.30am	St John the Baptist Pitchcombe (With Edge & Harescombe)	Holy Communion (Trad'l Language)
		10.30am	Meeting House Painswick (Quaker)	Christmas meeting
		11.00am	St John the Apostle Sheepscombe	Parish Communion
		4.00pm	St John the Baptist Edge	Crib Service
		4.00pm	St Mary's Painswick	Crib Service
		4.00pm	St John the Apostle Sheepscombe	Christingle Service
		7.00pm	St Peters Grange Prinknash RC	Christmas Mass
		11.30pm	St Mary's Painswick	Midnight Mass
Mon	Dec 25th	9.00am	Our Lady & St Therese RC Friday Street Painswick	Mass of the Nativity
		9.30am	St Mary's Painswick	Family Communion
		9.30am	St John the Apostle Sheepscombe	Parish Communion
		10.00am	St John the Baptist Edge	Christmas Praise
		10.00am	St John the Baptist Pitchcombe	Christmas Praise

Services are Church of England or interdenominational unless stated otherwise. For details of all services at St Peter's Grange see [www.prinknashabbey.org](http://www.prinknashabbey.org) or the notice board in the foyer of the RC Church in Friday Street, Painswick. Wishing Christmas Blessings to Everyone.

## Messy Church 'light' Thursday 7th December

3.30 to 4.30 pm in the St. Mary's Church Rooms, Painswick. A slightly shorter Christmas session this time, with the story of Joseph, a craft activity and a chance to chat over a drink, biscuit and cake. Messy Church is a family event so all children should be accompanied by an adult. Any queries please contact Fiona Gill: Mobile: 07771 513 382 or Email: [fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net](mailto:fiona.gill@psalms.uk.net)



## News from St Mary's

Advent which begins on 3rd December heralds a new church year. During Advent we begin our preparations for Christmas. Also our lectionary provides for a change in the gospel reading for our main service of the day during the year. The synoptic gospels follow each other in turn on a 3 year cycle for that reading. Last year the main gospel lessons were from St Matthew – year A. This year they will be from St Mark – year B. Readings from St John's gospel as the main gospel are interspersed throughout the year on special occasions.



Messy Church will meet this month on 7th December - see article alongside. New as well as regular family attenders are very welcome.

There will be a special opportunity to sing carols and enjoy tea together in the church rooms on Thursday 14th December at 2.30pm. This event is especially for those who find it difficult to get out in the evening but all are welcome. Anyone requiring transport for this occasion please contact the benefice office – tel. 814795

St Mary's Annual Carol Service usually takes place on the Sunday before Christmas. This year please note there is a change. It will be on Saturday 23rd December at 4pm. All are welcome.

Christmas will be rather different this year with Christmas Eve falling on a Saturday and Christmas Day on a Monday. The Christmas services are listed on this page. I will just highlight that Midnight Mass at St Mary's will start at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve and the main Christmas Day communion will be at 9.30am.

The last service of 2017 will be a benefice farewell service for our Vicar, Revd Mike Holloway and his wife Margaret. The service is at St Mary's on Sunday 31st December at 10am. We thank Mike and Margaret for all they have done in the church and the community since they have been here and we wish them God's blessing in the future for a long and happy retirement.

*David Newell*



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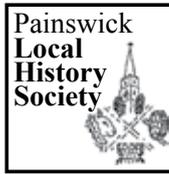

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## Our glorious canals

Canals have been a major feature of the English landscape since the 1760s. Essentially the first real transportation system for agriculture and industry, they are where they are because they had to relate to the topography of the landscape, hence mainly to be found in the Midlands and southern England. This relationship to the landscape and the resulting effects were explained with great clarity and superb visual illustrations at the November meeting of the society by Tony Conder. Tony opened and developed the National Waterways Museum in Gloucester.



The canals instantly enabled the industrial revolution to accelerate, carrying essential materials such as coal and lime, and fragile products such as pottery, in bulk over great distances. They were also used for drainage in areas such as East Anglia. Overall they in turn reshaped the landscape especially facilitating the growth of newly industrialised towns.

Tony explained how they were designed for the horse to move large cargoes but also how the necessary embankments and tunnels were great feats of engineering. Throughout the 19th century the technology evolved and eminent engineers designed some stunning structural features and beautiful aqueducts. The canal system is a product of both geology and the needs of trade. They had an enormous effect on the landscape. By the later 20th century many had fallen into a sorry state. However, recently some, such as the one in Stroud, have been brought back to life as great visitor attractions.

At the next meeting, Tuesday, 16th January, Phil Moss will give a presentation on Llanthony Secunda. Croft School, 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

*Carol Maxwell*

## Renowned sculptor Rory Young to speak

The Cotteswold Naturalists' meetings for 2017 conclude with some local history: on Wednesday 6th December at 2.30 pm, Howard Beard will take us back to 'Edwardian Stroud and district'. He will illustrate his talk with just a small selection of photographs and postcards from his 15,000-strong collection, which includes this evocative image of the arrival of the first motor bus in Painswick in 1905.

There is a fantastic programme of talks planned for 2018 by our new Lecture Secretary, David Thackray. We will be privileged to welcome Cirencester-based Rory Young, a nationally renowned sculptor and artist, to speak on Wednesday 3rd January at 2.30pm. He has recently completed the design, carving, painting and installation of seven new stone statues of martyrs for St Albans Cathedral. His inspiration for the figures is drawn from the pre-Reformation tradition of church art. The Club is planning a visit to St Albans next autumn which will include a chance to see this wonderful polychrome work in situ. An earlier example of Rory's work is the 2004 stone cross in the Memorial Garden of St Mary's churchyard which reflects an arts and crafts style.

Visitors are welcome to our meetings; entrance £4, which includes tea and biscuits. Enquiries 813228.

*Jane Rowe*



## Four-legged festive fun St. Mary's Church Saturday December 9th at 7pm.

Celebrate the festive season with your four-legged friend as the Cotswold Dogs & Cats Home return with their enchanting candlelit Christmas Concert at St Mary's Church. The charity's Patron Lisa Maxwell will be hosting the evening and will be joined by her friends from stage and screen to deliver a magical concert in aid of the local animal charity.

Lisa highlights "Christmas is a time of celebration and spending time with loved ones. Unfortunately, this is not always the case for animals, and there is often a rise in abandonment figures at this time of year. The concert is a great opportunity to help raise awareness and funds for the animals in the charity's care this Christmas and to celebrate those that have already found a loving home this year".

Well behaved four-legged friends welcome!

Tickets - £7.50 Adult, £4.50 Child, £20 Family.  
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# Painswick Golf Club

The Seniors section held its AGM on 2nd November. Mike Horton and George Paton were elected captain and vice-captain respectively of the Seniors for the coming year. Congratulations to both. It was also agreed that the membership fee to join the section should be dropped this year in order to encourage all those aged 55 or over to participate in the Seniors' competitions.



The Ladies and Seniors sections held two joint competitions since my report last month. A bowmaker was won by George Paton, Nigel Cooper, Roger Anthony and Jane Rowe. And a Texas scramble took place on 14th November which was won by Phil Jennings, Roger Anthony, John Hitchcock and Peter Sibley. The Seniors November stableford was won by George Paton with an excellent score of 40 points given the somewhat soft conditions. Congratulations to all the winners.

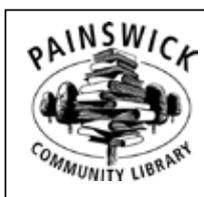
Painswick Golf Club welcomes golfers or visitors just needing refreshment or a meal. The club also welcomes visitors wishing to make use of the clubhouse as a venue for wedding receptions, wakes, anniversary parties, etc. For all matters, please check availability at the club house (01452 812180).

Peter Rowe

Mike Horton - Senior's Captain

## Library News New Books & Free Christmas Raffle

Every time you use your library card at Painswick Community Library up until Friday December 15th you will be entitled to a free raffle ticket with the possibility of winning our seasonal hamper for adults or seasonal stocking for children. The Draw will take place at a Coffee Morning in the Library on Saturday December 16th at 11.30 am.



New books for December include:

**Adult Non-Fiction:** Richard Coles - 'Bringing in the Sheaves', Simon Loveday - 'Bible for Grown-ups', Stuart Prebble - 'Grumpy Old Christmas'.

**Adult Fiction:** Lee Child - 'The Midnight Line', Agatha Christie - 'Murder on the Orient Express', E.M. Forster - 'Howards End', John Grisham - 'The Rooster Bar Crime', Yaa Gysai - 'Homegoing', Alan Hollinghurst - 'The Sparsholt Affair', Karen Swan - 'The Christmas Secret', Amor Towles - 'A Gentleman in Moscow'.

**Junior Fiction:** Alex Bell - 'The Polar Bear Explorers' Club', Shirley Hughes - 'Lucy & Tom at Christmas', Jeff Kinney - 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid', Liz Pichon - 'Tom Gates Epic Adventure', David Walliams - 'Bad Dad'.

**Spoken Word CD:** Michael Connolly - 'The Late Show', Ken Follett - 'A Column of Fire'.

Good reading and listening.

Pat Pinnegar

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## Painswick Gardening Club Festive Fun

What a brilliant month November is proving to be. I'm still gardening in shirtsleeves but more importantly, the Club has hosted 2 wonderful speakers within days of each other. At our normal monthly meeting Paul Hervey-Brookes delighted his audience with a fabulous talk about how everyone can achieve beautiful borders: his vast knowledge liberally peppered with wit made for a great evening.



"An Audience with James Alexander-Sinclair" was an absolutely superb afternoon. Despite several mysterious poster disappearances, the Club revelled in a fantastically successful event that attracted many other local gardening clubs, some wishing to share future events with us. James was a delight to listen to: the room was buzzing from the moment he spoke...!

The Club's had many enquiries already about the "Drop In" wreath making morning so by the time you read this, I confidently predict it will have been a great success! Creativity, laughter, coffee and mince pies - what a great way to kick off December. Don't forget that the Quiz takes place on Wednesday 6th December (Church Rooms 7.30pm). As mentioned last month, tables to a maximum of 6 people please; visitors warmly welcomed (£4pp). Wine, nibbles, laughter and... a bit of a quiz!

The Club would like to invite Members to "Bring a Friend for Free" to the 10th January meeting. Fiona Warin's talk "Lost the Plot" promises to be an amusing account of allotments, 'Digging for Victory' and the impact of television gardens. On behalf of the Club I'd like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a garden-ingly good 2018!

*Caroline Bodington (Committee Member)*

## New Year's Eve Party

A reminder that the Gloucestershire charity Lifting The Blues will be playing at the Painswick Golf Club on New Year's Eve. Live music from Hipkiss featuring the fabulous Patsy Gamble on sax and vocals, Muddy Maninnen, formerly of Wishbone Ash on guitar and other great musicians playing the music you cannot refuse to dance to. Great food from Hortons and fizz at midnight. Tickets are £43, with all profit to Lifting The Blues, available from



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## The Croft School



We had a fantastic turnout for our fireworks and bonfire at the beginning of November – Thank you to anyone who came and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we all did. Friends of The Croft raised a huge £2000 as a result of this event which will be spent on new technology for the staff and children to use and towards the re-development of our Nature area.

Our Year Six pupils had a wonderful time recently cooking and then serving lunch to the residents at Ashwell; they really enjoyed talking with all the residents and finding out a little more about their lives and experiences of Painswick over the years. The Reception children and staff organised a fantastic cake sale and Pudsey Bear colouring competition and have so far raised a fantastic £329 in aid of Children in Need!

Pupils and Staff are all still very busy at The Croft, currently preparing our Nativity play and learning songs and Carols for our Carol Service at St. Mary's on Thursday 14th December.

The Staff, Children and Governors at The Croft would like to wish everyone in Painswick a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*Rebecca Gore*

## Painswick Singers Christmas Concert

Richmond Painswick is pleased to host a Charity Christmas Concert at Richmond Village, Stroud Road, Painswick at 3.30pm on Saturday 16th December. The Painswick Singers will be joined by a cappella group Copious Notes in performing some Christmas favourites including audience participation under the leadership of Jessi Pywell.

Entry will be free by ticket only due to the limited capacity - call Sonia Harte on 01452 810203 to book your ticket.

Seasonal refreshments will be provided and there will be a retiring collection in aid of Gloucestershire Nightstop who help the young homeless aged between 16-25 to provide short term stays with local families.

*Sonia Harte*

# Vulnerable People's Resettlement Project

**Background.** In 2015 the Government pledged to resettle 20,000 Syrian refugees. So far more than 1,800 have arrived across the country. The Government is also committed to accepting up to 3,000 vulnerable children and family members from the Middle East and North Africa. The Home Secretary and the Archbishop of Canterbury have launched a further scheme to encourage community groups to sponsor a refugee family.

**Gloucestershire news.** We now have 116 Syrian refugees living in the County and by Christmas this should grow to 140. Most have come through the Government resettlement scheme. Gloucestershire Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers (GARAS) has 4 Resettlement officers who work with the County Council and local groups to find accommodation, and ensure the project is sustainable. Although housing is provided, the Home Office is keen to ensure that access to benefits, health services etc., is no greater than for anyone else in the UK. Pressure on housing locally is huge. In Stroud it has proved very difficult to find private landlords who are willing to rent properties at housing benefit rate.

**Local developments.** There are now four refugee families living in Stroud. The families go to English classes at Stroud College and attend Community English Practice classes which have been set up using local people who are qualified TEFL teachers. Each family has a group of befrienders who have attended Refugee

Information and Awareness sessions. Many refugees living locally came to this country as Asylum seekers and do not have the more favourable living and funding conditions available to those coming as part of the Syrian Resettlement Project. Many are very poor, isolated and lonely. Painswick resident Delyth Allen volunteers at GARAS on a Monday, supporting teenagers who are waiting for a place at school or college and there are two other classes for older people later in the day. As well as basic grammar, many lessons are based around the practical issues of living in Britain, or how to find out about activities available in the community. Delyth writes "Recently I have been teaching two illiterate women for Guinea how to read, one with a toddler in tow, and I have also written a CV for a Guinean lady to help her apply for sewing and cleaning work. The clients are polite, keen to learn and grateful for the help in spite of sometimes being in very insecure situations"

**Refugee camps.** There is a lack of facilities available in the refugee camps in the Middle East. An organisation called Samara's Aid has been set up to send basic requirements to refugees from Syria, concentrating on the needs of the most vulnerable groups. It is hoped that through Churches Together we can support this charity. Lists of the most needed items are available.

If you are interested in helping, please call me on 812071.

*Frances Watson*

## PROPERTY REPORT from Murrays

Murrays have had a really busy Autumn with one of our busiest weeks on record in our Painswick Office – exchanging and completing on 9 properties within only a couple of days! This has continued in the run up to December with many properties trying to exchange and complete so that they can be in their new homes before Christmas. The main problem is that we are not seeing the new properties coming to the market to replace the ones we have sold. There is no right or wrong time to sell your property so please contact us for your free valuation as we have buyers for your properties!

There has been a lot of talk about market conditions recently with a notable drop in London property prices, Brexit, the Government issues and the rise in interest rates. Whether this is going to greatly affect us in the long run is difficult to tell, but uncertainty is never good for the housing market. On the more positive side annual house price growth nationwide saw a small rise in October from 2.3% to 2.5% and the market here in the Cotswolds remains buoyant.

Murrays are delighted to have won the Calcutta Cup for National

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We are very excited to be holding a charity auction at the Wickflix Cinema evening on 12th January 2018 (film to be announced). Doors will open at 7pm at The Painswick Centre and it promises to be a fantastic night, to chase away those January blues. There will be some very exciting prizes that are being donated by the sponsors of Wickflix. All monies we raise on the night are to support "Allsorts", for families who have children with disabilities or additional needs and "The Painswick Recreation Ground Trust/Play Painswick". Both are great local charities. I also completed my 5km outdoor swim in record time and raised £1,400 for Macmillan Cancer Support so thank you very much to all who supported and donated to this worthy cause.

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Sat	2	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Working Party; 07971 633242 for location details Gardening Club Festive Drop-in & Wreath-making Christmas shopping event: Stalls, Refreshment & Raffle	Tel. Painswick Beacon Church Rooms Richmond Village	9.00am to 12noon 10.00am to 1.00pm 3.00 to 5.00pm
Sun	3	Mass Parish Communion Meeting for Worship	Catholic Church St Mary's Church Quaker Meeting House	8.30am 9.30am 10.30am
Mon	4	Knit & Natter Group Bird Club: Field trip to Slimbridge W.W.T. Short Mat Bowls - Mondays (contact 812464) Community Lunch: Hosts - Christian Aid (off Churchill Way)  Yoga (Mondays) contact Kim 812623  Painswick Community Choir - Mondays. Enq. Sophie 01453 298138 Have Your Say' Church Group: every Monday - contact Rev. Roger Leigh 01452 536325.	Library meet at reception area Town Hall Ashwell Centre  Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre Church Rooms	10.00am 10.30am 10.30am and 2.00pm 12noon to 1.15pm  6.30 to 8.00pm & 8.15 to 9.45pm 7.00 to 8.30pm 7.30 to 9.30pm
Tue	5	Painswick Art Club: Every Tuesday Gentle Pilates for all - Tuesdays: contact Vicky at abcPilates@btinternet.com or 07934977171 Zumba Gold dance fitness class for Seniors: £6.50 pp Tuesdays. Tel: 07766 101790 Bingo: Tuesdays	Church Rooms Painswick Centre  Painswick Centre Ashwell House	9.30am 9.30 to 10.30am  10.00am 6.30 to 9.00pm
Wed	6	Botanical Illustration classes - Wednesdays - mornings or afternoons. Pre-book:07810 725772 or via website: www.botanic-illustration.co.uk Yoga (Wednesdays) contact Kim 812623 Art Class (Oils) - Wednesdays: contact Jane - 812176 Table Tennis - Wednesdays Cotteswold Naturalists' Lecture: Edwardian Stroud in Photographs - Howard Beard. Enq. 01453 873262 Probus: Christmas Dinner with the Ladies Gardening Club: Christmas Quiz	Painswick Golf Club GL6 6TL  Sheepscombe Vill. Hall Painswick Centre Painswick Centre The Hill, Stroud Church Rooms Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms	9.30am to- 12noon & 1.00 to- 3.30pm  9.30 to 11.00am Afternoons 7.00 to 9.00pm 2.30pm 7.00 for 7.30pm 7.30pm 9.30 to 11.00am 9.30am 9.30 to 12.00noon Mornings Afternoons
Thu	7	Yoga - All Abilities (Thursdays) Cotswold Room 812623 T'ai Chi: Thursdays - Contact 812344 Dog Training Club (Thursdays) Art Class (Oils) - Thursdays: contact Jane - 812176 Art Class (Watercolours) - Thursdays: contact Jane - 812176  Jolly Stompers Line Dancing: Beginners - Thursdays- tel. Julie - 01453 752480 Experienced beginners - Thursdays New Pilates Class - Thursdays contact Nicola 07870 953159 or nmarshes@hotmail.com Music Appreciation Group: Christmas Tea Party - Buffet, Tea & Musical Entertainment Messy Church	Town Hall Town Hall Painswick Centre Town Hall Church Rooms Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall	12.00 to 1.00pm 12.30 to 1.30pm 2.30pm 2.30pm
Fri	8	Country Market: Coffee available - Fridays Baby & Toddler Group - Every Friday (term-time only) Friday Club: Christmas Lunch	Church Rooms Town Hall Youth Pavilion (Rec.) Golf Club	3.30 to 5.15pm 9.30 to 11.30am 10.00am to 11.30am
Sun	10	Holy Communion (Traditional Language) Mass Sharing in One Bread (Holy Communion) Meeting for Worship	St. Mary's Church Catholic Church St. Mary's Church Quaker Meeting House	8.00am 8.30am 9.30am 10.30am



Mon	11	Probus Women: Poetic Licence - Delia Mason & Committee, followed by optional Christmas Lunch at The Bistro	Church Rooms	10.00 for 10.30am
		Community Lunch: Hosts - Monday Walkers (off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Tue	12	Cotteswold Naturalists' Talk & Tea: History of Horns - Paul Tomlinson. Enq. 01453 884486		2.30pm
		Yew Trees W.I.: Christmas Gathering	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Wed	13	Holy Communion	St. Mary's Church	12.00noon
		Parish Council Meeting	Town Hall	7.30pm
Thu	14	Sing Carols and enjoy Tea & Cake	Church Rooms	2.30 to 4.30pm
Sat	16	Painswick Beacon Conservation Group Working Party; Tel. 07971 633242 for location details	Painswick Beacon	9.00am to 12noon
		Arts & Crafts Market	Town Hall	10.00am to 2.00pm
		Painswick Singers Christmas Concert	Richmond	3.30pm
Sun	19	Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Parish Communion	St. Mary's Church	9.30am
		Meeting for Worship	Quaker Meeting House	10.30am
Tue	19	Last Table Tennis Session		
Wed	20	Evening Prayer	St. Mary's Church	5.00pm
Sat	23	<b>Copy Date for January Beacon</b>		
		Service of Lessons & Carols	St Mary's Church	4.00pm
Sun	24	Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Painswick Praise	St. Mary's Church	9.30am
		Meeting for Worship	Quaker Meeting House	10.30am
		Midnight Mass	St Mary's Church	11.30pm
Mon	25	Family Communion	St Mary's Church	9.30am
		Mass of the Nativity	Catholic Church	9.00am
Sun	31	Mass	Catholic Church	8.30am
		Benefice Service & Farewell to Revd Mike	St Mary's Church	10.00am

## JANUARY

Wed	3	Probus: Living on the Edge - Communities along the upper Severn - Rose Hewlett	Painswick Centre	10.00am
		Cotteswold Naturalists' Lecture: New Sculptures in St. Albans Cathedral - Rory Young. Enq. 01453 873262	Painswick Centre	2.30pm
Thu	4	Music Appreciation Group - Jules Massenet	Town Hall	2.30pm
Sat	6	<b>January Issue of The Painswick Beacon Published</b>		
Mon	8	Probus Women: Stroud and its other industries - "More Than Just Cloth" - Dr. Ray Wilson	Church Rooms	10.00 for 10.30am
		Community Lunch: Hosts - Painswick Centre Trustees (off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Wed	10	Gardening Club: Lost the Plot - Fiona Warin	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Fri	12	Wick Flix Screening - £6, at door to include one drink	Painswick Centre	7.00 for 7.45pm
Mon	15	Community Lunch: Hosts - Yew Trees W.I. (off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Tue	16	Cotteswold Naturalists' Talk & Tea: Falconry - John Dowling. Enq. 01453 834486		2.30pm
		Local History Society: Llanthony Secunda - History and Current Works - Phil Moss	Croft School	7.30pm
Wed	17	Probus: The Korean War - Battle of the Imjin River (Gloucester Regiment) - David Thorp	Painswick Centre	10.00am
Thu	18	Music Appreciation Group: The Mass	Town Hall	2.30pm
Mon	22	Community Lunch: Hosts - Churches Together around Painswick (off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Tue	23	Yew Trees W.I.: Stress Management & the Importance of Sleep - Janet Dowling	Church Rooms	7.30pm
Mon	20	Community Lunch: Hosts - Painswick Golf Club (off Churchill Way)	Ashwell Centre	12noon to 1.15pm
Wed	31	Probus: Mountain Rescue in the UK - Vince Williams	Painswick Centre	10.00am

Entries for the Village Diary should be sent direct to **Eddie Buttrey** at: [eddie@thebuttreys.com](mailto:eddie@thebuttreys.com)

# PLANNING MATTERS

Information received from the Parish Council

## NEW APPLICATIONS

S.17/2329/MINAM PAINSWICK FIRE AND RESCUE STATION, Pullens Road  
Minor amendment to permission of the application S.16/2617/FUL. Retention of dormer window on the NW elevation of plot two. The creation of a rooflight on the SE elevation of plot two.

S.17/2356/HHOLD GLENROY COTTAGE, Slad Road, Slad  
Alterations and extension, rooflight and air source heat pump.

S.17/2379/HHOLD DETCOMBE HOUSE, Bulls Cross, Sheepscombe  
Alteration and extensions.

S.17/2358/HHOLD DILLAY FARM  
Erection of an oak framed garden room.

S.17/2368/HHOLD & S.17/2369/LBC KINGS MILL HOUSE, Kings Mill Lane  
Construct a new free standing building on the site of an existing woodstore.

S.17/2416/HHOLD TURNPIKE HOUSE, Slad  
Ground and first floor extensions to house.

S.17/2158/HHOLD FLAT, LONGFIELD SHOP, Bisley Street  
Replacement of old, wooden casement windows in front elevation of 1st floor flat above charity shop with energy efficient double glazed pvc windows.

S.17/2352/LBC UPPER STEANBRIDGE MILL, Slad  
To demolish a late addition wall to provide larger kitchen space, with the addition of a lightweight partition. Remodel of kitchen and installation of new boiler and vent pipe.

S.17/2262/FUL SEVENACRES, The Camp  
Erection of 6 glamping lodges, reception block and formation of new access.

S.17/2468/HHOLD BEECHWOOD COTTAGE, Jacks Green, Sheepscombe  
Single storey extension to dwelling.

S.17/2473/HHOLD HIGHGROVE HOUSE, Lower Washwell Lane  
Erection of a chimney stack.

S.17/2488/FUL JUNIPERS, Edge Road  
New single dwelling.

S.17/2482/HHOLD HILLCREST, Gloucester Street  
Extensions and alterations to the house.

S.17/2514/106R CHESSED, Slad Road, Slad.  
Deed of variation to allow the holiday cottage to be used as ancillary accommodation for a relative.

S.17/2525/LBC & S.17/2524/HHOLD TOCKNELLS COURT, Chelt. Road  
New kitchen/dining room extension, internal alterations to house and alteration works to barns.

S.17/2516/LBC CASTLE HALE, Stamages Lane  
Creation of new door opening into proposed dressing room.

S.17/2611/COU THE FRITH, Slad Road, Slad.  
Creation of a glamping site for two domes with associated facilities.

S.17/2565/LBC ROYAL OAK, St Marys Street  
Proposed alterations to outbuildings to create pool room.

## CONSENT

S.17/1944/HHOLD HILLCREST, Gloucester Street.  
Creation of annex from existing garden building.

S.17/1998/TCA STONECRAFT, Sheepscombe.  
Felling of 5 trees in back garden, 1 Silver Birch, 4 Hawson Cypress.

S.17/2069/TCA COURT HOUSE, Hale Lane.  
G1 4 Limes – To pollard back to last cutting point. T1 Beech – Reduce 3 secondaries on upper left by 2.5-3M to rebalance overall shape. T2 Willow – Reduce crown by 2m in height. T3 Walnut – Overhanging border – reduce spread over shrubs by 3m to height of 5m. T4 Walnut – Overhanging border – reduce spread over shrubs by 3m to height of 5m.

S.17/2071/TCA – CASTLE HALE, Stamages Lane  
T1 – Dying Beech – Fell. T2 – Lime – Reduce spread by 2-2.5m over driveway.

S.17/1669/COU PAINSWICK WOODCRAFT  
Change of use from shop to office space (financial adviser).

S.17/2246/TCA DOWNTON HOUSE, Gloucester Street.  
Fell of Laburnum.

S.17/2122/VAR HAZELHANGER, Far End, Sheepscombe.  
Variation of condition 7 from permission S.17/0385/FUL

S.17/2081/HHOLD ABBEY FARM, Slad Lane  
Erection of timber framed double garage.

S.17/2066/HHOLD LINDRIDGE, Stamages Lane.  
Single storey side extension to form garden room.

S.17/2095/HHOLD CLOVERS, Kingsmead.  
First floor extension over existing terrace and extension of the ground floor level Terrace with provision of outside dining area underneath.

S.17/2078/VAR ABBEYWOOD COTTAGE, Slad Lane.  
Install balustrade to make flat roof of existing rear extension safe to use as a terrace (Retrospective). (see S.16/1604/HHOLD).

S.17/2019/HHOLD & S.17/2028/LBC HALFPENNY COTTAGE, Tibbiwell Lane.  
Demolish sunroom. Reroof the barn and extend to incorporate kitchen and conservatory.

S.17/2165/FUL ROCOCO GARDENS, Gloucester Road.  
To build a new play structure in a woodland area.

S.17/2182/LBC CHAPEL COTTAGE, The Green, Edge.  
Alteration and improvement of interior of cottage.

S.17/2140/HHOLD and S.17/2144/LBC THE MANSE, Gloucester Street.  
Proposed insertion of side elevation window at first floor level.

S.17/2199/HHOLD HILCOTT, Cheltenham Road  
Two new two storey extensions.

S.17/2201/FUL THE COTTAGE, Bunnage Fields Farm, The Camp.  
New entrance and driveway from Camp Lane.

S.17/2205/TPO LULLINGWORTH, Stroud Road.  
Various works to trees.

S.17/2329/MINAM PAINSWICK FIRE AND RESCUE STATION, Pullens Road  
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S.17/2303/TCA SEN SOOK, Far End, Sheepscombe  
Flowering Cherry – Reduce the height by approximately 2m. Reduce the spread all round by approximately 2.5m. Remove the deadwood, tidy and shape.

S.17/2292/TCA FIELD CROFT, Sheepscombe  
Pollard back 4 Field Maples to the last cutting point and/or epicormic growth buds in the range of 4-5 metres.

## REFUSED

S.17/2073/TEL LAND OFF, Pincot Lane.  
Base station installation of a 15M mast, complete with 3 antennas, one dish antenna, associated radio equipment cabinets and development thereto.

S.17/2119/HHOLD NURSES HOUSE, Friday Street  
Removal of chimney stack and new trellis to provide screening to courtyard.

## WITHDRAWN

S.17/0202/HHOLD & S.17/0203/LBC THE LODGE ANNEXE, HOLCOMBE FOLLY.  
Holcombe Folly Cottage reconfiguration and extension.



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## Goodwill Evening

November 24th brought a great many visitors to Painswick where they, and a considerable number of parishioners, enjoyed an evening's shopping and entertainment. Many thanks to Jennie Barber and everyone involved in organising this very popular annual event.

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