

# COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*Burghill, Tillington,  
Portway, Elton's Marsh,  
St Mary's Park  
- Hereford*

JUNE 2026

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# JUNE SERVICES

## *Burghill Benefice*



<b>4<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>7<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>TRINITY 1</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	All Age Worship
10.00am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	All Age Worship
11.00am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	All Age Worship
<b>11<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY <i>St Barnabas</i></b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>14<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>TRINITY 2</b>	
10.00am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Joint Benefice Eucharist
<b>18<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>21<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>TRINITY 3</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Parish Eucharist
9.30am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Parish Eucharist
11.00am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Parish Eucharist
<b>25<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
9.30am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Celtic Worship
<b>28<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>ST PETER &amp; ST PAUL</b>	
8.30am	St Peter, Pipe-cum-Lyde	BCP Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew, Moreton-on-Lugg	Parish Eucharist
9.30am	St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas	Morning Prayer
11.00am	St Mary the Virgin, Burghill	Parish Eucharist

## Friendship

Recently, I have noticed the death rate among people I have worked with and known for years seems to be speeding up. This week, I have the privilege of conducting the service of a former colleague with whom I once worked at Hereford Crematorium. The funeral immediately before that is for another former colleague we both used to work alongside. Two friends, back-to-back services.

Both were relatively young, and their deaths have come as a shock to our small group of former colleagues. As I get older, I seem to see more and more of my friends in circumstances far less joyful than before.

I think one of the defining moments of true friendship is that not seeing each other – sometimes even for years – changes nothing. You simply pick up where you left off, joking and laughing as though you had seen each other only yesterday.

I have always been fascinated by friendship. It is probably why I wrote a book about it, born out of my own experience of deep and abiding friendships stretching back to childhood. As children, I spent more time with friends playing on the green or out in the streets than I did with my own family. There was always a gang of us together, forever looking for ways to entertain ourselves.

A bedroom, when I was young, was simply a place to sleep, and a house somewhere to eat. Children from my neighbourhood grew up outside, alongside their friends. I am not saying we were always good - far from it - but we were always faithful, at least to one another, and many of us remain so to this day.

The great Cicero famously wrote: “For friendship is nothing other than an accord in all things, human and divine, conjoined with mutual goodwill and affection.” In other words, friendship is about being together in a state of reciprocal benevolence. We shared the most important thing we possessed - our lives.

True friends are hard to find, and keeping hold of them even harder. Perhaps that is why the great ongoing pandemic of our age is loneliness, for so much of what once was, has now passed away. Yet on we go, just like those who have passed beyond the veil of this world.

Making friends is difficult, and a little risky too - but we must, if we are to stay on top of this thing we call life.

So I urge you: make friends, choose life, not loneliness.

Phill

## **ADVERT COSTS**

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# PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES



The Annual Meeting of Burghill Parish Council took place at Simpson Hall on 12 May. Councillor Alister Walshe was unanimously re-elected as Chair for 2026/27, with Simon Hairsnape re-elected as Vice-Chair. The Council also welcomed Peter Southern, who was co-opted onto the Parish Council & the new Clerk Amy Jones was welcomed.

During public participation, updates were received on drainage matters, grass cutting, environmental concerns, and the recent road traffic incident in the village. Residents also raised concerns regarding flooding at Whitpool Common.

The Council approved all annual governance and financial documents, including the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for 2024/25. Councillors thanked Janette Pudsey for her continued work managing the Council's finances. The Council's total bank balance currently stands at just under £38,000 following receipt of the annual precept.

Several local planning applications were considered.

Reports were also received on parish footpaths, drainage projects, tree management on Tillington Common, and Community Speed Watch. The Community Speed Watch initiative now has seven volunteers, with police vetting completed and training expected shortly.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 14 July 2026.

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Weekly Events

(All require booking unless stated otherwise)

We've done our best to provide accurate details, but dates and times may change. Be sure to check with organizers before making plans

### Every Monday

- Pilates 9.30am  
(Simpson Hall)
- Tai Chi 1.15pm
- Bell Ringing 7pm  
(St Marys)
- Bridge Club 7pm (Every other wk) (Simpson Hall)

### Every Tuesday

- Golden Meadow Play Group  
10am (Simpson Hall)
- Short Mat Bowling 2pm  
(Simpson Hall)
- Brownies 5.30pm  
(Burghill Girlguiding HQ)

### Every Wednesday

- Yoga 9.30am  
(Simpson Hall)

### Every Thursday

- Pilates 10.30am  
(Simpson Hall)
- Ageless & Active 12pm  
(Simpson Hall)
- Handbell Ringers 6.30pm   
(Simpson Hall)
- Rainbows 5.15pm  
(Burghill Girlguiding HQ)
- Guides 7pm  
(Burghill Girlguiding HQ)
- Bridge Club 2pm (Every other wk) (Simpson Hall)

### Every Sunday

- Kendo 5pm  
(Simpson Hall)

### One-Off Events at Simpson Hall

- Tue 2nd June - 7.30pm Gardening Club
- Fri 6th June - 7pm Music Bingo
- Wed 10th & 24th June - 2pm Knit One Natter Two
- Frid 12th June - 10am Community Cafe
- Sat 13th June - 2pm Heartstart Seminar
- Thur 18th June - 2pm Retirement Club
- Fri 19th June - 6.30pm Movie Night (see advert pg 13)
- Fri 26th June - 12.30 Summer Lunches

A decorative border of black musical notes on a yellow background surrounds the entire text.A logo featuring two stylized yellow and orange flames, one on the left and one on the right. Between the flames are several black musical notes of varying sizes and stems.

# Hereford Fire Choir

St Mary the Virgin Church, Burghill

You are warmly invited to a concert given by  
**Hereford Fire Choir**

led by

**Jon Watson**

The Choir will sing well known songs  
on

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

**at St Mary's Church, Burghill**

**7pm**

**Entry by Donation**

**Light summer refreshments**

**Further details from Liz Donovan (01432 760881)**

# Public Notice:

## You are invited to attend a screening of The People's Emergency Briefing

An eye-opening film featuring nine leading UK scientists and experts updating us on the latest in the climate and nature crisis and its impacts on everyday national life.

Including:

- extreme weather
- food security
- health
- cost of living

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Based on the National Emergency Briefing in Westminster, as covered by ITV, C4, and the Times. Followed by a short open discussion about what we can do and what it means locally.

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Featuring Chris Packham, Deborah Meaden, surprise guests, and a wide range of Brits.

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Please note: The film is only being shown at in-person screenings, not online. Bring a friend or neighbour. Please book your free seat asap.



# People's Emergency Briefing

*On the climate and nature crisis*

## Burghill Hereford



Film screening and discussion to explore meaningful local responses.

The Simpson Hall, Burghill, HR4 7RW  
Tuesday 21st July, 7pm for 7.30pm

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# MUSIC BINGO

**SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026**

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## **Burghill and Tillington Retirement Club**

**June: On Thursday 18th June there will be a talk by Fiona Bailey on The Guide Movement.**

**July : On Thursday 16th July there will be a Quiz followed by a Strawberry and Cream Tea.**

**August : CLOSED**

**Tickets for the draw, that take place at each meeting, cost £1. We meet in the Simpson Hall. We start gathering from 2pm onwards and commence at 2-30pm. The cost is £3 and it includes light refreshments.**



## **Burghill & Tillington Gardening Club** **Simpson Hall- June 2nd 7.15pm**

**Unusual Ways to Grow Veg**

This month one of our favourite speakers Sue Maberley will tell us about unusual ways to grow vegetables.

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The club still needs to find a new secretary soon to start booking speakers for 2027. Please talk to Sue if you think you might step up.

All are welcome. £4 on the door to include refreshment.

[sueanddavidrix@talktalk.net](mailto:sueanddavidrix@talktalk.net)



Rosamund Pike, David Tennant, Billy Connolly, Celia Imrie, Ben Miller.

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# What We Did On Our Holiday

Doug and Abi take their children on a family holiday. Surrounded by relatives, the children innocently reveal the ins and outs of their family life and many intimate details about their parents. It's soon clear that when it comes to keeping a big secret under wraps from the rest of the family, their children are their biggest liability. Find out how the rest of the family cope and see if the holiday will ever end.

**The Simpson Hall,  
Burghill**

HR4 7RW

**Friday  
19 June**

7.30pm

**Tickets**

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You don't have to be a knitter - bring your own craft project and come along. You can be sure of a warm welcome, whatever your interest or level of expertise. We have some (almost) complete beginners as well as more experienced members who are always willing to provide advice or practical help. You are also welcome if you only want to natter!



We usually meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month in the Simpson Hall, from 2-4pm, with refreshments provided, paying £2 per session.

**June meetings are on the 10th and 24th.**

If you need help with transport, do let me know.

Joanna Helme Tel: 01432 760816 Email: joannahelme@gmail.com

## Burghill CAP & Community Library



Our next session is:  
**Friday 12th June 2026**  
**10 am to 11.30am** at The Simpson Hall  
during the Community Café Session.



A new selection of jigsaws available to borrow



# Bell Club

Mon 10th - Wed 12th

August

9.15am to 2pm

St Mary's Church,  
Burghill, HR4 7SF

## Get Ready for it!

*Activities based on Bell ringing.  
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**For more information and booking contact:**

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# The Copse Leisure Trust

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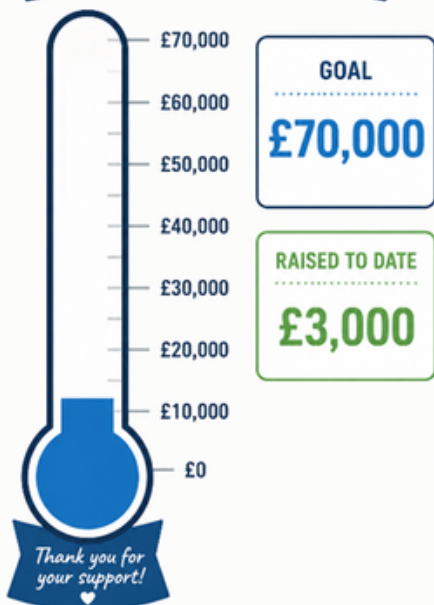


We are delighted to announce that planning permission has been granted for the new modular building on The Copse Leisure Area. We are now forging ahead with grant applications for the remainder of the funding needed.

The trustees are very grateful to the cast of “The Corpse in The Copse” production. The proceeds were donated to our charity and will be used towards the new building. A big thank you also to all the people who came along to support the two performances. Fortunately, none of the current trustees were murdered!!

We would also like to thank Bernie and Helen Green for organising the recent Race Night, sponsors of the races, horse owners and supporters of the event. Along with donations, £1,000 was raised from the two events which we have added to the funding goal thermometer opposite.

## FUNDING GOAL



Date for your Dairy - Community Picnic which will follow the All Ages Service on The Copse, Sunday 6th September 2026. More details and timings next month.

## Do you have the skills that could save someone's life?

Herefordshire Heartstart charity is running an informal local course that could help you save someone's life.

**Saturday 13th June 2-4pm at the Simpson Hall Burghill.**

**Maximum 20 places.**

The course is free but a donation would be appreciated.

To book a place / ask questions please contact Franca Lyddon (who will be one of the instructors) on 0143760997/07875589279.

Suitable for everyone



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### **St Mary's Walking Group**

The weather was warm and dry and we had a good walk through the lush but isolated farmland south of Woolhope, with lunch at Sollers Hope Church. The countryside was undulating, with beautiful views from the hill-tops. We were most impressed with the new kissing-gates at almost every field entrance!

**Our next walks are:**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**Starting from Burghill church 9.50am**

We meet at 9:50 am in the Burghill Church car park. From there, we share cars and drive to our starting point for a leisurely 4 to 5 mile walk. We warmly welcome newcomers to join us on our adventures. For more information call Annie Ness: 01432 760552



# Burghill & Tillington Good Neighbour Scheme Including the Community Café



## We can help with any of the following:

- Delivering a hot meal from Burghill Valley Golf Club to anyone in the village, on Monday to Friday
- **Trips** around the village and to town
- Running errands, such as fetching prescriptions, library books, shopping,
- Simple DIY jobs
- Befriending, if you would like **someone to talk to**
- **Socialising** at the Community Café or outings
- Simple **gardening** in an emergency

**Contact** Joe Helme: 01432 760816 or [jfhelme@gmail.com](mailto:jfhelme@gmail.com)

## The Community Café

A warm welcome awaits you at the next café, on **Friday, 12th June** from 10.00 am to 11.30. We will greatly miss Hilary but also remember with gratitude and fondness all that she contributed to the Café over many years. Do join us for coffee or tea and delicious cakes and scones. Don't worry if you are on your own - you will soon find some friendly folk to chat to.

If you enjoy the café, why not bring along a friend or neighbour ?

You can also browse books in the Community Library or look up information on the Talk Hub.

If you think you might like to take some goodies home with you, please bring a container.

We look forward to seeing you.

**Dates: Fridays: June 12th, July 10th, August 14th**  
**Time 10 to 11.30**

## Can You Help?



As you will be aware, we have lost a valued member of our Community Café team with the death of Hilary Armstrong.

We are looking for someone (or maybe more than one person) to help us in the kitchen on Café mornings, getting ready, serving food and drinks and tidying up afterwards.

We also need cakes for the Café – would you be prepared to make us one - or two?

We appreciate we might not be lucky enough to find one person prepared to make cakes and serve in the kitchen on a monthly basis but maybe you would be prepared to help more occasionally and in either capacity.

If you are prepared to help in any way, please get in touch with Joanna Helme at [joannahelme@gmail.com](mailto:joannahelme@gmail.com) or by phoning 01432 760816.

<i>Golden Meadow</i> SCHEDULE		
Without new volunteers for September 2026, Golden Meadow Playgroup will have to fold. Please let Jo know if you would be willing to help out next year.	2 JUNE	Farm Week (tractor visit)
	16 JUNE	Easy Week
	23 JUNE	Summer Party

### Community Digital Awareness Sessions

At the Simpson Hall, Burghill, HR4 7RW

The next free Digital Awareness Session will be on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2- 4pm**. Those attending are welcome to bring their own device, laptop, tablet, or smart phone and we can help you to access relevant sites for information, give advice on security such as potential Scams, setting up emails, filling in online forms etc, or simply just getting to grips with your mobile phone. Alternatively, we also have two laptops provided by the Herefordshire Community Fund which are available for your use.

Meanwhile if you would like more information or have a query, please leave a message, or text 07889285657 and we will get back to you. Alternatively, you may email:  
[janettepudsey@burghillparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:janettepudsey@burghillparishcouncil.gov.uk)

### Good Neighbour Scheme **Summer Lunches**

Will continue once a month in the Simpson Hall on the **last Friday of each month from 12.30pm until 2.00pm**. From April to October  
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