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Sunday 21st June



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GOOD NEWS!

We are delighted to introduce Kate Davies, who will be joining the Beacon Benefice as our new curate following her ordination as deacon at 10.15am on 28th June in Gloucester Cathedral. We encourage you to keep her in your prayers and we look forward to welcoming Kate to our churches and communities and getting to know her in the months ahead.



Hello everyone, I'm Kate, I'm 52 and live in Upton St Leonards, with my son, William, who is a student at the University of Chichester. I was born in Gloucester and attended local schools before studying Theology at Exeter University. I worked in the construction industry after graduation, also studying part-time for a Master's degree in Religion & Society, before William was born in 2006. When William started school I began a new career in education, as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant, and in the last few years I was RE Lead as well as Forest School Leader.

I was licensed as a Lay Worker in 2023, and I have been PCC Secretary and Deanery Synod representative for my home parish of St Lawrence, Barnwood. I love singing, clerical crime fiction and being outside in nature. I've been training for ministry part time for the last two years and I'm really looking forward to meeting you all after my ordination on 28th June.

I really love to be out in the countryside, so I'm thrilled to be coming to the Beacon Benefice, learning with you all about the amazing love that God has for us all, sharing in worship with you and encouraging everyone to be salt and light in our communities.

www.beaconbenefice.org.uk

Worship in Cranham - June 2026

Sunday 7th 11.00am Benefice Communion at Sheepscombe

6.30pm Evensong Sue Hartley
Sidesperson Chris Collier
Readers Chris Collier
Rob Garratt

Sunday 14th 11.00am Holy Communion Revd. Sarah

Sidesperson Lindsay Burtinshaw
Readers Lindsay Burtinshaw
Nicki Clapton

Sunday 21st 6.30pm Evensong Revd. Sarah

Sidesperson Phil Stick
Readers John Bentley
Joy Bentley

Monday 22nd 9.00am Morning Prayer Revd. Sarah

Sunday 28th 11.00am Holy Communion Revd. Helen

Sidesperson Phil Stick
Readers Richard Tyson
Phil Stick

Cranham Parish Council website

lots of info including the minutes of meetings

<https://cranhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

Flowers, Cleaning & Refreshments in June

Church Flowers

31st May/7th June	Nicole W
14th & 21st June	Angela Harris
28th June/5th July	Sarah Taylor



Church Cleaning

6th June	Sylvia Ardron
13th June	Gill Firth
20th June	Di Blandford
27th June	Linda Faulkner



Refreshments will be served after the following services:

14th June	11am	Holy Communion
28th June	11am	Holy Communion





The Bible Course :

grasp God's big story in 8 weeks!



Monday nights from 11th May
7.30pm, The Church Rooms

Extracts from The Messenger – June 2026

Churches Count on Nature 2026

Churches across England and Wales are being encouraged to take part in Churches Count on Nature 2026, which will take place from Saturday 6th June to Sunday 14th June as part of Love Your Burial Ground Week.

The initiative invites churches to discover, record and celebrate the wildlife found in churchyards and burial grounds. The information collected contributes to a wider understanding of the ecological value of churchyards and burial grounds across the UK.

Churchyards can provide important habitats for wildlife, particularly in areas where green space is limited or heavily managed. Many have remained relatively undisturbed for centuries and can support a rich variety of species, including wildflowers, lichens, mosses, pollinating insects, birds and small mammals.

One of the simplest changes some churches are making is leaving certain areas of grass un-mowed. Allowing grass to grow longer can encourage native wildflowers to emerge naturally, providing food and shelter for bees, butterflies and other pollinators. In turn, this helps support wider ecosystems within churchyards.

Churches taking part in Churches Count on Nature in the past have often organised community events such as wildlife walks, species surveys, talks, outdoor activities and guided nature recording sessions. Many also make use of identification charts, bird boxes, and the iNaturalist phone app to help participants recognise and record the species they find.

Erica Siddall, Strategic Net Zero Carbon Lead for the Diocese of Gloucester, said:

"Many people appreciate nature and have experienced God when spending time in creation. We tend to focus on buildings, but spending time beyond the doors of the church is a great reminder that God's beautiful creation also honours Him and is worthy of our love and care. It feels good to learn more and feel more connected with your surroundings, your neighbours and God.

"In the past six months I have enjoyed starting to use the iNaturalist app, and I have also begun paying special attention to our churchyard yews. If these sound too vigorous, simple personal prayers of thanksgiving for creation are also a great starting point."

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For more information about Churches Count on Nature 2026, visit <https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/love-your-burial-ground-week-national-cemeteries-week-and-churches-count-on-nature/>

As part of Churches Count on Nature 2026, the Church of England and Caring for God's Acre will also host a series of lunchtime webinars on Zoom exploring different aspects of land and nature. You can find more information about these webinars at <https://www.churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/churches-count-nature>

GDBF supports affordable housing at Innsworth

The Diocese of Gloucester has helped open seven new affordable homes in Innsworth, near Gloucester. The homes are part of the Church Housing Association's first ever housing project.

The project was paid for with support from the Gloucester Diocesan Board of Finance. The rent is set at or below Local Housing Allowance levels, which means it's cheaper than many 'affordable' homes that still cost close to normal market prices.

One tenant shared the impact the new home has had on their family:

"It has truly been life changing. For many years, we lived in a very small space. Now, my four children each have their own space to sleep, grow and feel comfortable. My oldest finally has a quiet place to focus on school-work, and the younger ones are happier too. Our home feels peaceful for the first time in a long time."

The project follows ideas set out in the Church of England's Coming Home report in 2021. The report challenged the Church to use its land, money and influence to help tackle the housing crisis and create homes people can genuinely afford.

At the opening ceremony in April, Bishop Robert said the homes were "far more than bricks and mortar".

"These houses are becoming real homes and communities," he said. "This project is about hope, faith in action, and helping neighbours who are struggling to find somewhere secure to live."

"We hope this inspires similar projects across the country."

Read the full article at <https://gloucester.anglican.org/2026/gdbf-supports-affordable-housing-at-innsworth/>

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Events and training

More details for all these events at gloucester.anglican.org/events

Community day, St Paul and St Stephen's Church, Stroud Road, Gloucester, GL1 5AH, Saturday 6th June, 10am to 2pm. A family friendly day of fellowship with arts and crafts, food, stalls, and a bouncy castle. <https://www.stpaulstephenglos.org.uk/>

Gloucester Cathedral organ festival, Gloucester Cathedral, GL1 2LX, Saturday 13th June to Monday 15th June. A celebration of the unveiling of Gloucester Cathedral's new organ with a weekend of gala concerts, family performances, recitals, and workshops featuring leading musicians. <https://gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/organ-festival>

'Songs for a summer evening', St Philip and St James Church, Leckhampton, GL50 2DD, Saturday 20th June, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. An evening with performances from The Cheltenham Singing Groups' The Tuesdays and The Cheltones, alongside The Ladybrook Singers, raising money for Maggie's Cancer Care. <https://pipandjims.churchsuite.com/events/wqlll6xn>

Sailing Ships of Sound: An Orchestral Premiere by Crimea Butler-Downton, St Laurence Stroud, The Shambles, Stroud, GL5 1JL, Saturday 27th June, 7.30pm to 10.30pm An evening featuring the premiere of 'Sailing Ships of Sound', the latest orchestral work by Crimea Butler-Downton, whose compositions are created entirely by hand despite total visual impairment. https://stlaurencestroud.uk/event_custom/sailing-ships-of-sound-an-orchestral-premiere-by-crimea-butler-downton/

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All Saints Church, Bisley

SUMMER SOLSTICE NIGHTS

FRIDAY 12 JUNE 2026 | 7.30PM

Cathy Thompson and Friends

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Note from the Chair - May 2026

The **Annual Parish Meeting** took place in May. Reports from various organizations and clubs in the village demonstrated the vibrancy of our community. It was clear however that we could all contribute more by responding to pleas to join working parties on the Common and Playing Field and participating in the annual Village Litter Pick.

Reports are available on the village website <https://cranhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/> Amongst other things this website provides details of Cranham PC's agendas, minutes and policies.

We heard from Gary Luff, our District and County Councillor, that:

- ◆ The form local government reorganization takes will be decided by the end of July.
- ◆ Gloucestershire County Council's "Safer Roads and Community 20s" programme to install 20 mph limits in residential, town, and village areas from 2026/27 is being driven by air quality and will start with urban areas. Cranham is therefore far down the list.
- ◆ Stroud Lido will open this season, but its long-term future is unclear.
- ◆ Brown bins for garden waste are now available for the whole village and can be arranged with Stroud District Council (for an annual fee).

Gary Luff's full report is available on the village website.

At the **Annual Parish Council Meeting** Mike Drake was re-elected as Chair and Jenny Barraclough elected as Vice Chair.

The CPR and Defibrillation Training on 30th April was a great success. It was well attended and both informative and enjoyable. We will aim to repeat the training in a couple of years. The village defibrillator is in the bus stop shelter opposite The Pound. There is another defibrillator in Cranham School that is available during school hours only.

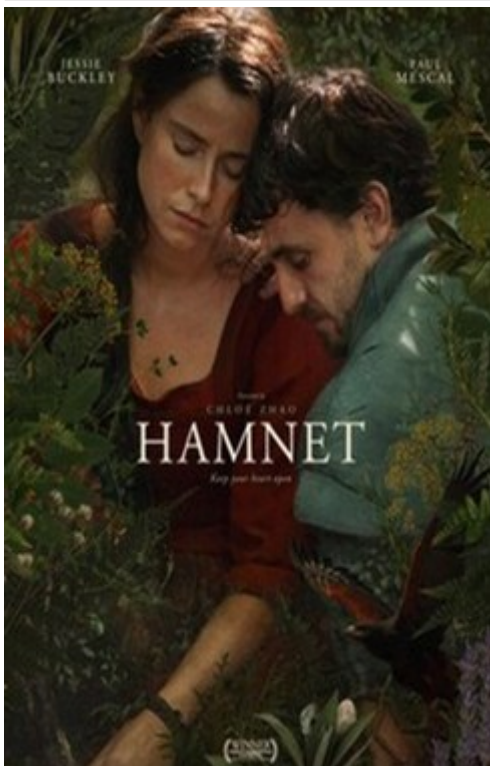
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Unfortunately, there have been further unexpected delays getting the Playing Field sorted out. However, it is hoped that the new swing will be up in a few weeks' time. The Playing Field Committee has been re-established and repairs to equipment on-going.

Unfortunately, data from the AutoSpeedWatch camera has shown a recent increase in the number of vehicles speeding in the village during weekdays. Our suspicion is that there is a new cohort of drivers using the route as a cut through. Hopefully police action will modify behaviour as before. Overall, the scheme has worked well. Adherence to the speed limit is rated as good and remains better than before the camera was installed.

Next meeting **Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7pm**
in the Cranham Village Hall.



**The Bisley Flicks in the Sticks
Presents:**

Hamnet

At Bisley Village Hall

8:00pm

Tuesday 9th June

**Doors Open 7:30pm for
Tea, Coffee and Wine
(now summer hour timings)**

No Flicks in the Sticks during the
summer (July & August) they will see
you again in September!

ON COMMONS & ON BEACONS & ON ADDERS

REPORT ON TWO RECENT VILLAGE MEETINGS



Following concerns expressed widely throughout the village about recent attacks by adders on dogs walking the common, on 8th May the Cranham Common Trust (who own the common and let it to Natural England), together with the Cranham Common Management Committee (who help carry out day to day management of the common) held an open meeting for villagers.

Some 36 villagers attended this constructive and good-natured meeting. That it turned out to be such was due in large measure to the excellent address given by Alice James, a senior reserves manager at NE seconded to this area to cover maternity leave. She also engaged positively with the many questions and observations made by villagers. A leaflet about the common and its adders was also made available to the attendees.

As a mother of young children and owner of a beloved family dog, Alice made it clear that she fully understood and shared the concerns about adders of those walking the common, and especially near the school with young children. She pointed out that there was in fact little risk of adder bites, but she accepted that the consequences could be of great concern. As the managers of this sensitive SSSI site NE had work on the fine balance between public access on one hand and providing an adequate habitat for fauna and flora on the other.

Whilst Alice stated that the adders on the common were not going to be removed, she did say that NE were seeking to “manipulate” the habitat on the common to discourage adders being in sensitive areas such as near the school. Ways of achieving this “manipulation” included removing scrub and brambles, which adders love, from sensitive areas and seeking to persuade them to move to live in less sensitive areas. This was not an easy or short-term task, but it was hoped that with the assistance of goats and cattle it could be achieved. Alice accepted that there was too much scrub on the common and indeed mentioned that if it became too scrubby there was a risk that the common could lose its SSSI status.

There was discussion about the introduction of additional adders, translocated from the A417 works in 2023. This had occurred as there had been a monitored decline in the adder population, and the translocation brought the population back to what it was some 10 years before. It was pointed out that the reasons for this translocation had been explained to villagers in an article in the Cranham Parish magazine in August 2023, and that there had been no concerns raised then. Other observations made at the meeting included the need (as planned) for a wildlife highway between Cranham and Sheepscombe to avoid fauna such as adders becoming land locked.

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Finally, Alice emphasised the need for more engagement by NE with the village, and so the meeting ended on a positive note.

The day after this meeting the CCT held its AGM where some 29 members attended, many of them having been at the adder meeting the night before. Here we learned much about how Painswick Beacon is managed by the Painswick Beacon Conservation Group from Paul Baxter, a founder and very active participant in the Group. This is a voluntary group who run weekly work parties, with up to 30 volunteers at a time, attacking excessive grass, brambles, scrub and even trees. Whilst not a common, the site is managed under the Countryside Higher Tier Stewardship Scheme which means that the work done is strictly conservation work. The addition of their own herd of Dexter cattle has been transformative. Over the years the Group had transformed this large and complex site, which includes a golf course, a scheduled monument old hill fort with a beacon, and the Cotswold Way. Unlike the management of our common they were permitted to fell trees, have bonfires and poison scrub. Also, unlike our common they have no adders there! Lessons were learned from Paul which can assist in the management of our common, and this meeting too showed how villagers really care for and love our common.

Finally, a plea. The surge of interest in our common can and should lead to more villagers becoming more involved in its running and maintenance. You can do this by joining the CCMC's winter work parties (contact: chair.ccmc@gmail.com) and/or by coming a member of the CCT, the charity that owns the common and which has a 5 year rolling management agreement with NE on how it is to be run (contact: cranhamcommontrust@gmail.com).

RICHARD TYSON

Secretary CCT

Poppy Collectors

Are there any kind people who might feel able to help out with Cranham 2026 Poppy Collection?

It would be so good to help boost our present collecting stalwarts.

Please get in touch with Organiser: Liz Flint

01452 810889 With Thanks



Cranham Common News

In late spring the common is looking beautiful, covered with cowslips and hawthorn blossom and with the first orchids appearing.

CCT and CCMC hosted an open meeting to discuss the recent concerns about adders on the common, with Alice James from Natural England. Villagers concerns about the numbers were noted. Natural England are planning to manage scrub areas to encourage adders away from busy areas of the common, but please be patient because this will take time to achieve.

How to stay safe around adders

- Adder bites to humans are very rare. The last UK human fatality was in 1976.
- Dogs are more likely to be bitten because they sniff around in areas of scrub and undergrowth where adders like to be. Most dogs make a full recovery with veterinary care, but bites can be fatal depending on where they are bitten and the size of the dog. Avoiding contact is always the best prevention.
- Please keep to well used tracks and paths. This will reduce the likelihood of either you or the adder being taken by surprise.
- Wear wellies, boots or shoes instead of sandals, and long trousers, not shorts. This is especially important for smaller children where wellies are the best option.
- Be vigilant and scan the ground ahead of you as you walk.
- **Keep dogs on short leads** and don't let them go into areas of scrub and bramble as this is where adders like to hide. Dogs should also be kept on a lead around cattle and goats.
- If you meet an adder on a path or track, either walk past it giving it a wide berth, or retrace your steps and make a short detour.
- Adders are most active when the ground is warming up in mid to late afternoon so consider walking earlier in the morning or later in the afternoon/early evening in late spring and summer if possible.
- Make sure children are aware of the chance of meeting an adder and know how to react. Keep small children close to you at all times.
- Take great care when foraging for blackberries as these scrubby areas are just where adders like to be.

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What to do if a person or animal is bitten

- In the unlikely event of a person or animal being bitten by an adder:
- Keep the affected area as still as possible. Some bites are “dry” with no venom, but this will help to slow the movement of venom around the body and limit its effects.
- If you have to walk to a vehicle, go slowly and keep the individual as calm as possible. If possible, carry a dog rather than allowing them to walk.
- Seek medical/veterinary help as soon as possible. In the case of an animal being bitten, call ahead to the veterinary surgery so they can be prepared to treat your animal immediately on arrival.
- Do not apply dressings or tourniquets to the bite or take any medication before receiving medical treatment unless on the advice of a doctor or vet.
- For further advice, ‘Adder Pack’ first aid kits for dogs are located in the Village Pound near the Village Hall at the following location...
What3words/// stirs.steep.plots or SO89760 12974

For more information on adders and other British reptiles, visit: www.arguk.org

Goats

The goats should have returned to the common by the time you read this. Goats are excellent conservation grazers preferring to eat trees and brambles than grass. The goats are very friendly so do go and say hello to them.

Please do not feed the goats and keep your dog on a lead around them.

VILLAGE email - cranhammail@gmail.com

Cranhammail is for all village announcements, such as forthcoming social events, society meetings, planned road closures, and general Parish announcements.



Fix my Street

website to report potholes and fly tipping etc

<https://www.fixmystreet.com>

CRANHAM LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Summer Outing to Burford

Sunday 21st June 2026

11.30 - 1.30: Guided walk around the town,
meeting at the Tolsey Museum, on the
High Street, finishing at the parish church.

We will be asking for a small donation
for the guides.

Lunch (at your own cost) for the whole
group at Huffkins café on
the High Street

Parking: at local car parks

Afternoon: explore at your leisure

Travel: by shared cars

If interested, please contact Sue at
Sue.Crawford@wiggin.co.uk/077 88565005

Cranham Village Hall

You are warmly invited to attend the Cranham Village Hall Committee AGM on **Wednesday 17th June** at **6pm** at the village hall.

During the meeting we'll be discussing our proposal to convert the current charity status of the village hall into a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). This is a modern legal structure designed specifically for charities like ours.

Why are we doing this?

- Better protection for volunteers: A CIO gives committee members limited liability, helping protect those who give their time to run the hall.
- Clearer governance: It provides a simpler, more formal structure for managing the hall responsibly.
- Long-term sustainability: It helps ensure the hall remains well-managed and secure for future generations.

What does this mean for you?

- The hall will continue to operate as normal.
- Bookings, events, and activities will not be affected.

The hall will remain a community asset for the village. This change is about strengthening how the hall is run behind the scenes, not changing how it is used or enjoyed.

There will be a period for discussion after which a vote will be taken on this resolution.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Cranham Village Hall Committee

In June we are offering Members two exciting half-day excursions. Firstly, a visit to **St James the Great Church, Cranham** on Wednesday 17th June. Meeting at 10.00am in the church for refreshments, two local historians (Jan Whitton and Helen Daltry) will tell us about the highlights of the Church with time afterwards to take a closer look. St. James Church is mainly C15th but restored and enlarged by Sidney Gambier Parry in 1894-95. Highlights include the 16th Century triptych which serves as an altar reredos, and which recently returned to the church after 20 months of repairs; the recently refurbished 1894 T.C. Lewis organ; and the church's link to Gustav Holst who composed the music to the carol In the Bleak Midwinter while staying in the village in the 19th century. This is a self-drive trip and the cost to members including refreshments and a donation to the church, will be £12 per person (£14 non-members).

Later in June, we have arranged a visit to the 'Fresh Air Sculpture' exhibition, where we will have an exclusive curator-led tour. The exhibition is held biennially in the 4 acres of gardens of the Old Rectory, Quenington, which sits on the banks of the River Coln and an old mill race. This will be the final year for 'Fresh Air Sculpture' after which founder Lucy Abel Smith take a well-earned retirement. The Church opposite has some exceptional Norman carving and is well worth a look round, as is the Knights Hospitallers' Gateway, circa 12th century further along the street, the only remains of a preceptory. Refreshments can be purchased in Jossers' Roaming Restaurant tent. This self-drive trip is on Thursday 25th June, with the aim of arriving by 10.30am. Cost £15 for group entrance and tour (£17 non-members).

For further information or to book, either of these tours please contact Jane Rowe, tel. 01452 813228, email: janeerowe2015@gmail.com

Further information about the Club and its activities (including Membership information) can be found on the CNFC website www.cotsnatsfield.club.

Sylvia May - cnfcsecretary1@gmail.com

Painswick Community Library

The library is gearing up for a very busy summer and looking forward to welcoming eager children. Come and join us The Lego Builders Club is free but donations for the other activities would be welcome but not necessary. Places are limited.



PAINSWICK COMMUNITY LIBRARY

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

FOR CHILDREN 2026

LEARN! CREATE! BUILD! READ! HAVE FUN!

A SUMMER OF IMAGINATION, CREATIVITY & FUN!

LEGO BUILDERS CLUB 5+
EVERY MONDAY
3:30 – 4:30pm
BUILD • CREATE • IMAGINE!

LIBRASAUROS READING CHALLENGE AGES 3-11
18TH JULY – 7TH SEPTEMBER
READ, DRAW, WRITE, IMAGINE AND MAYBE WIN A PRIZE!

LEGO SPIKE 5+
24TH JULY 11:00am – 12:00pm
28TH AUGUST 11:00am – 12:00pm & 2:00pm – 3:00pm
DISCOVER CODING AND ROBOTICS WITH LEGO!

STOP MOTION 6+
14TH AUGUST
CREATE YOUR FILM 11:00am – 12:00pm
WATCH YOUR FILM 2:00pm – 3:00pm
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Brimpsfield & Mid-Cotswold Garden Society



Every year the Garden Society arranges a self-drive outing to a garden for a private visit. This year we are going to Wicks Green Farm, Longney, on Tuesday 23rd June; the cost of entrance and refreshments will again be free for paid-up Society members, but non-members are welcome to join us, either paying the visit cost of £10 or joining the Society for £8. If you'd like to join us, please contact us so that we can let the garden know, at:

brimpsfieldgardensociety@gmail.com, by 15th June.

We meet at the garden at 2pm, and we would love to see you there!

Our summer event this year will be a treasure hunt around Brimpsfield, with a cream tea in the Village Hall, on Saturday 4th July from 2pm; the cost will be £2.50 per person. We have fingers crossed for good weather!

The Society is trying to encourage gardeners in the broader mid-Cotswold area to join us, and we are considering changing the Society's name to the Mid-Cotswold Garden Society emphasise our wider commitment to the area; do let us know what you think!

Pruning and cutting back are often thought of as winter jobs, but don't forget that you can enhance your garden by cutting many early-flowering perennials to the ground to encourage a new flush of leaves. They probably won't flower again this year, but the new foliage will help keep your display looking fresh into late autumn. And it's not too late to do the Chelsea Chop, to prolong the flowering of the later perennials too!

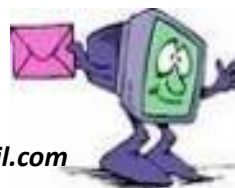
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Shopping online? Beware of retail scams

Buying something online and finding that it looks nothing like the images shown is very frustrating. Retail scams where sellers deliberately mislead people and make refunds difficult to obtain are becoming increasingly common.

Some companies convince people they're based in the UK by using **deceiving brand names and UK websites or postal addresses**. They may use AI generated images of fake products and shops. Low quality items are then shipped from overseas and look nothing like the images advertised. Refunds require costly international return shipping fees, which puts many people off - and the sellers count on it.

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Cranham Village Lunch

The next village lunch will be held on

Monday 15th June

12.15 for 12.30pm

at the Scout H.Q



Menu for this month will be:

Fruit Juice

Coronation Chicken and Rice

Green Salad, Tomatoes and Beetroot

Summer Pudding and Cream or Fresh Fruit

Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

Please do remember to book if you were not at the May lunch.

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Village Lunch	Monthly on a Monday 12.15 for 12.30pm (Nicky Overs 07884 432886)
Lego Building Club	Mondays 3.30 - 4.30pm - Painswick Community Library
Orchestra	Mondays 8.00pm - V Hall (Beryl Berry 813200)
Rachel's Pop Up Café	Tuesdays 10.00am - 1.30pm - V Hall
Post Office	Tuesdays 10.30am - 12noon - V Hall
Cranham Art Group	Tuesdays 7.00 - 9.00pm - V Hall (Lyn Barker 813025)
Choir	Tuesdays 7.30pm - V Hall (Virginia Pittman 07989 712263 virginiapittman3@gmail.com)
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	Wednesdays - Scout Centre - times as follows: Beaver Scouts (6 to 8 yrs) 4.45 to 5.45pm Cub Scouts (8 to 10 yrs) 5.50 to 7.10pm Scouts (10 to 14 yrs) 7.30 to 9.00pm
Crock 'n' Roll	Wednesdays 2.30 - 3.00pm - Painswick Community Library (With Steph - £1 per child)
Table Tennis Club	Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.30pm - V Hall (Clive Hayden 07833 635762 chayden814@gmail.com)
Cranham Ramblers	1st Thursday of month 9.45am - Car Park (Joan Charman 07717 286848)
Tennis Social Evening	Thursdays 6.00 - 8.00pm - Tennis Courts
Cranham Bell Ringers	Thursdays 6.30 - 8.00pm - Church (Rob Garratt 07703 503547)
S'Combe Bridge Club	2nd and 4th Thursdays 7.00pm - Sheepscombe V Hall (Contact Hugh Tarran 814081 or h.tarran@tiscali.co.uk)
Rachel's Pop Up Café	Fridays 10.00 - 1.30pm - V Hall
Parent and Toddler	Fridays 10.30 - 12noon - V Hall (Contact tbc)
Garden Club	Brimpsfield, Phone Francis Ellery 01452 862412 for further info

WELCOME!

No new people in the village this month!

However, if we have missed anyone, please accept our apologies and make yourself known and we will include you next time.





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JUNE 2026

2	Tues	Recycling/Food Waste		
4	Thurs	Ramble	Car Park	9.45am
7	Sun	Benefice Communion	Sheepscombe	11.00am
		Evensong	Church	6.30pm
9	Tues	Rubbish/Food Waste		
		Flicks in the Sticks	Bisley V.Hall	7.30 for 8.00pm
12	Fri	Summer Solstice Nights	Bisley Church	7.30pm
14	Sun	Holy Communion	Church	11.00am
15	Mon	Village Lunch	Village Hall	12.00 for 12.30pm
16	Tues	Recycling/Food Waste		
17	Wed	** Magazine Articles Due **		
		CNFC Outing	Cranham Church	Meet 10.00am
		Cranham V.H AGM	Village Hall	6.00pm
21	Sun	Evensong	Church	6.30pm
		History Society Outing	Burford	11.30am - 1.30pm
22	Mon	Morning Prayer & Coffee	Church	9.00am
23	Tues	Rubbish/Food Waste		
		Garden Society Self-Drive	Longney	Meet 2.00pm
25	Thurs	CNFC Outing	Quenington	Meet 10.30am
28	Sun	Morning Worship	Church	11.00am
30	Tues	Recycling/Food Waste		

JULY 2026

2	Thurs	Ramble	Car Park	9.45am
4	Sat	Garden Society Event	B'field V.Hall	2.00pm
7	Tues	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.00pm

