



Picture by Shaune Shearer



Picture by Di Crawley

An unusual scene in recent years for people in Church Street last week- hundreds of sheep being moved for grazing.



Children from Winsham School taking on the Christmas Challenge to sing 100 Christmas Songs, performed at the Jubilee Hall Cafe on Thursday. Their efforts raised over £100 for IT equipment

Hi All,

Another year draws to a close, and this maybe the last e-letter of 2016, depending on events.

All in all, whatever else that is happening in the wider world, Winsham seems in good shape. As a community we are a pretty cohesive group, with a lot of positive attitudes, which in turn generates positive activity. As the Winsham Web Museum shows, the parish has always been like this, and despite the passage of time, and in recent years a lot of new people moving into the parish, Winsham continues to demonstrate the vitality and open mindedness of its residents. Not exactly 'Heaven on earth' - we all have our problems, but it is a good place to live!

This past week has seen a lot going on. Yesterday evening at the Shop AGM, the trading and financial situation was explained with great clarity by Paula Bramley Ball, the shop's Commercial Director. She also explained the Board's idea of attempting to buy 'The Bell', to ensure its future, and to relocate Winsham Shop and Post Office to the area behind the pub. The meeting, which had to be limited to Shareholders, demonstrated a very positive attitude to the idea. As a result, early in the New Year a much bigger event is planned to give everyone in the parish the opportunity to express their views and learn more about the proposals. The e-letter will also keep you informed of developments as they arise.

This coming week we have the Christmas Concert Party, on Wednesday, which is a new event, which is attracting good ticket sales. If you haven't got your ticket already, don't delay.

Tomorrow there will be the very popular service of Nine Lessons and Carols at St Stephen's , and of course several services on Christmas Eve and Christmas day at the church and chapel. The details can be found below in the e-letter.

Finally, as it is unlikely that there will be an e-letter next week, don't forget the coffee morning at St. Stephen's on Wednesday on the 28th December.

Have a good Christmas. and best wishes for the New Year.

John

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The Shop AGM was well attended, and Paula Bramley Ball used the meeting to unfold the proposal to acquire 'The Bell', and move the shop to the area behind the pub.

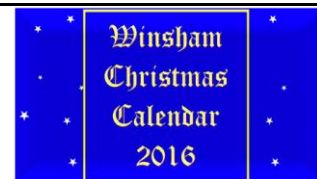


WINSHAM ON THE WEB

**CHRISTMAS
CALENDAR**


NEW EVENTS ADDED!

The complete details
of Winsham
Christmas Events



A CHRISTMAS CONCERT PARTY	Jubilee Hall, 6.30pm Wednesday, 21st December Tickets:£5	Click HERE for details
THE HEIR OF HEARTFELT MANOR	THE PICTURES (all taken by Annie Dent)	Click HERE
Jubilee Lottery Last Quarter and Christmas Draw	Details of Prize Winners	Click HERE
Yoga with Esther	New Yoga course- Tuesday Mornings 9.30-11.00am	Click HERE
A statement from the Winsham Shop Management Committee	Possible acquisition of 'The Bell'	Click HERE
Winsham Shop and Post Office	NEW CHRISTMAS WEB PAGE	Click HERE
Surviving Winter	A Charitable Appeal to people who do not need the Winter Fuel Payment	Click HERE
VSO award for Judith and Simon Hill	Watch the ceremony and the interview by Mike Woodbridge (BBC)	Click HERE
Winsham School NEW!	New Portal Page giving you access to all you need to know.	Click HERE See the latest news Updated weekly
WINSHAM CALENDAR 2017	NOW ON SALE £5 Beautiful pictures of Winsham and surrounding countryside	Click HERE for details

HAWKCHURCH Film Nights CHANGES!	October-December Programme CHANGES!	Click HERE
St.Stephen's Tower Appeal	Coffee Morning 10.30am in St Stephen's. Wednesday, 28th December All welcome	SEE THE NEW WEB PAGE Click HERE
CLAPTON & WAYFORD FILM SOCIETY	2016-2017 PROGRAMME	Click HERE
WINSHAM WEB MUSEUM NEW!	NEW NATURE DIARY-2016 by LIZ EARL ---- NEW -NATURAL WINSHAM Major update or the Fossils, Flora & Fauna section, with new look 'Bugs 'n' Bees'	Click HERE ---- Click HERE
Public Holidays' Waste Collection 2016	Christmas and the New Year	Click HERE
<u>Neighbourhood Watch</u>	Beware counterfeit notes	Click HERE
<u>Market Place</u> on the Parish web Site Lots of new ads!	Sponsored by Winsham Shop-see lots of new ads by local suppliers	Click HERE
<u>For all newcomers to the Parish</u>	WINSHAM'S 'WELCOME PACK'	Click HERE

<p>St.Stephen's Church Details of services for the rest of the year including Christmas. Also information about coming Church events.</p> <p>-</p> <p>Have you visited St.Stephen's new Facebook Page?</p>		<p>Click HERE for Church Index</p> <p>-</p> <p>Click HERE</p>
<p>Somerset Museums UPDATED-a really useful web site.</p>	<p>Gives you details of most of the Museums in Somerset.</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>Drimpton Village</p>		<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>Thorncombe Village Trust</p>		<p>Click HERE for link</p>
<p>Thorncombe Parish Web Site</p>		<p>Click HERE for link</p>
<p>Tatworth & Forton Parish Web Site</p>		<p>Click HERE for link</p>



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