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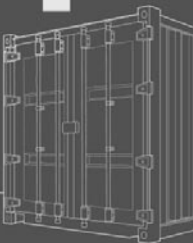
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A LETTER FROM REV RONA

When I was at Theological College, being interested in spirituality was almost considered the soft option; the more intellectual subjects seemed to appeal more. Yet I could never move far from the awe and wonder—the mystery of God—and so prayer, contemplation, and quiet became my guilty secret.



Fast forward quite a few years, and I find I have met so very many people who say they aren't religious but are spiritual. You may not come to church, but there is a spark of something inside every one of us that can make us curious to discover more about this thing we call our soul—our spirituality.

I was charmed by a letter from the principal of my school, which I received in a Guild newsletter. The school is based on Christian principles, and recently, the role of spirituality was reviewed. The findings were fascinating and, in many ways, explained to me where my burgeoning interest in all things spiritual was born.

There were a few headlines:

- “Spiritual exploration provides a foundation for personal development, empathy, and a sense of belonging.”
- It offers a framework for “ethical decision-making, equipping pupils with the insight and values needed to navigate the complexities of modern life.”
- Spirituality was described by current staff and pupils as “a force which bridges intellect, emotion, and personal belief. It enables the nurture of not just mind and body but also spirit.”
- It helps to build resilience, as it gives pupils “somewhere to go to explore in greater depth those events which they may find challenging.”

Spirituality also plays a role in the development of integrity. What can you do in your current environment which would enable you to create a safe space for the nurturing of integrity? It will pay dividends.

A teacher friend of mine talked about his school's environment recently, saying that the Christian values shaped everything they did, and when behaviour fell short, these values made it easier to resolve by saying: “Let's look at that behaviour alongside Kindness, Inclusion, Generosity, Forgiveness, and Compassion.”

So I encourage you to join others who are exploring that spiritual spark inside. Find a place, a space, a community where you can be curious, challenge, explore, and nurture it. You and the community around you will undoubtedly benefit.

*With blessings,
Rev Rona*

FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS



3rd June Sam Vandenburg (Yeovil Crematorium), late of Blackford

5th June Jean Gwendoline Pipe (Yeovil Crematorium)

6th June Raymond John Hallson (interment of ashes at Charlton Horethorne)

Raymond was known for his work at Charlton Horethorne Garage for many years.



I would like to thank the two very kind "Good Samaritan" ladies - neither of whom I knew - who came to my rescue after I became unwell on Gainsborough on 6th June. They reassured me and made sure I got home safely for which I am truly grateful.

Alan Stansfield

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Can you help make our Church Fete on 19th July a success?

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What Are Julian Meetings?

Julian Meetings are small gatherings of people who come together in silence to be in God's presence. They are named after **Julian of Norwich**, a 14th-century Christian mystic known for her deep trust in God's love and the hopeful message:



Julian of Norwich

"All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well."

The focus of Julian Meetings is **contemplative prayer** — not asking for things or reciting words, but simply being still and open before God. It's a form of silent, wordless prayer that goes beyond thoughts and feelings, resting in God's presence.

Julian Meetings are open to people of all faith traditions (or none), and no special experience is needed. You don't have to "do" anything or get anything "right." Just come as you are and be still.

In the silence, we listen. We open our hearts.
We sit together — with God, and with each other — in peace.

Do join us on Tuesdays, 4 – 5 p.m. at St John's Church

Rev Rona

News from the Parish Council

Limited parking on Bathwell Lane, Wednesday 2nd July

A groundworks contractor will be working on the verge between the gate opposite the entrance to the Church and Sansome's Hill. This is the second of two phases of work to try to increase the width of Bathwell Lane in this area, as years of hedge overgrowth and the building up of the verge have encroached into the road and narrowed it, causing issues with traffic flow and problems with parking in a very well-used part of the village.

The contractor will need access to the verge to carry out this work, **so we are asking that cars are removed by 8 am on this day and that no-one parks there during the day.** We apologise for any inconvenience, but it will be to everyone's benefit in the long run!

The Parish Council is currently inviting tenders from **contractors for the maintenance of its open spaces.** Go to the Parish Council website for more information.

'The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body, but the soul.' (Alfred Austin)

We are in the unusual position of having both half and full plot allotments available for new tenants! If having an allotment has been on your wish-list and you have never quite got round to it, now's the time! There are few activities that can achieve what horticulture and gardening can. The act of gardening helps us to keep fit and connect with others, to enjoy and be part of nature and to revel in colour, aroma, wildlife and beauty. Do get in touch if you are ready to pick up that trowel! office@milborneport-pc.gov.uk

Parish Council Meetings in July

Full Council: Tuesday 1st; Planning Committee: Tuesday 15th. Meetings take place in the Town Hall and start at 7 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to attend and can address the meeting with questions or comments from 7-7.15 p.m. If you would like to attend but would experience access difficulties, please let us know in advance and we will relocate to the Community Room downstairs.

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Find us on Facebook! Search: Milborne Port Community Council
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Community Plan Update – Time for Action!

It's not too late to get involved! We would still love to hear from you if you are interested in making a positive impact on your community by joining any of our groups on **dog-fouling, village communications, provision for young people, emergency planning, pavements & accessibility and footpaths/bridleways/byways.**
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✿ Milborne Port Primary School: Summer Term Highlights! ✿

As the summer sun shines down on Milborne Port, our school has been buzzing with activity, adventure, and community spirit! Here's a look back at some of the fantastic events that have taken place this term:

🏆 Sports Day Success! Our annual Sports Day was a roaring success! In the morning, children competed in their house teams in a variety of throwing and fielding events, showcasing their strength, skill, and sportsmanship. The excitement continued into the afternoon with thrilling running races that had everyone cheering from the side-lines. A huge well done to all our pupils for their enthusiasm and team spirit!

🌿 Clean-Up Day: A Community Effort We extend a heartfelt thank you to the Milborne Port community for their incredible support during our 'Clean Up the School' event. With generous donations of gardening supplies from our PTFA and helping hands from parents, carers, and volunteers, we were able to transform sections of our school grounds into beautiful, tidy spaces for everyone to enjoy.

🌻 Gardening Club News
Our Gardening Club has been blooming with activity! Thanks to a kind donation from the Co-Op, we've been able to enhance our gardening area with new tools and plants. The children also took part in a sunflower growing competition, and we've loved watching their green thumbs in action as their sunflowers stretch towards the sky!



Gardening club receiving their donation from the Co-op

Milborne Port Primary School continues to thrive thanks to the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our pupils, and the unwavering support of our families and local community. Thank you for being part of our journey!

Year 6 Take on Adventure Bude Year 6 had an unforgettable time on their residential trip to Adventure Bude. From surfing the Cornish waves and kayaking along the coast to scaling climbing walls and tackling team obstacle courses, our pupils embraced every challenge with courage and joy. It was a week packed with fun, friendship, and memories that will last a lifetime.



Organ Recital

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Michael Bawtree

International musician visits Milborne Port

An organist with a wide-ranging international career, Michael Bawtree has performed with many ensembles including the London Symphony, Swedish Radio, Bergen Philharmonic, BBC Symphony, BBC Scottish Symphony, Scottish Chamber, Royal Scottish National Orchestras and most recently the Symphony Orchestra of India. Solo organ recital invitations have taken Bawtree to all the major British cathedrals, Notre-Dame de Paris, Washington National Cathedral, Bermuda, Auckland Town Hall and across the USA.

Bawtree regularly conducts the Royal Scottish National Orchestra, and has directed the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, London Mozart Players, the Orchestra of Scottish Opera and many performances for Scottish Ballet and Northern Ballet across the British Isles. In October 2023, he travelled to a remote island in Northwestern Greenland to lead a music project with young musicians from across Scandinavia.

Michael lives in Glasgow where he is Lecturer in Conducting at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and Director of Music at St Margaret's Episcopal Church. Since 2005 Michael has been Chorus Director of the Edinburgh Royal Choral Union and Music Director of Glasgow Chamber Choir. He is co-Artistic Director of the Glasgow Bach Cantata Project, a group aiming to perform all of Bach's cantatas over the next decade or so. He made his debut at the Royal Albert Hall in London in 2015 conducting Mozart's *Requiem* with the London Philharmonic Choir. Michael was a music scholar at Sherborne School and went on to study music and the organ at Christ's College, Cambridge University, and conducting at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

Milborne Port Village Hall News

Ladies' Washroom, Main Hall We are hoping to get work started on the ladies' washroom this month, with local plumber Simon leading the way. This should bring it up to the standard expected of a modern village hall and whilst it's been a long time coming, I am sure that it will have been worth it, taking that extra time to make sure that we got it right. *This also seems a very appropriate time to thank Toomer Trees once more for their wonderful donation towards the project, following the Christmas Tree Clearance back in January.*

Sound Healing (Gong Bath) Back At The Hall Following the amazing success of the first 'gong bath' at the hall, there is another chance to experience this pocket of peace on 8th July at the hall. There are two further dates already booked for August and November.

TO BOOK: Go to 'Daisy's Healing Gong Sanctuary' Facebook Page and click tickets

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Film Night – Paddington Is Coming To Milborne Port!

I know it's a long way away, but we have booked *Paddington in Peru*, the latest in the Paddington franchise, for Tuesday 30th September, start time to be confirmed. I know a lot of people have been looking forward to this one, so let's hope for a lovely evening with a cup of tea or glass of wine, (or beer), a chat with old friends and a bellyful of laughs with our favourite bear.

Chris Sheeran

Milborne Port Football Club

As quickly as last season ended, we're working towards the start of the coming season! There has been a lot of activity around the club since May and we're now looking forward to pre-season beginning this month.



Our Mini and Youth sections have been competing in local small-sided tournaments, once again representing the club and village superbly. We've held our presentation events to celebrate last season and now it's all about the future.

The pitches at the rec have been overseeded, with fertilising and weed removal to come soon as we look to make use of the grants we received earlier this year. We really hope to improve the facilities at the rec for the coming years.

We were really pleased to support the Spirit of Milborne Port Summer fete in June and thank them for their ongoing efforts to show the village in the best possible light.

Enjoy the summer and we look forward to seeing you at the rec very soon.

#upthemilborne

Ben Tupman

CHURCH SERVICES

(including the Principal Service Readings)

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel at St John's: Weekdays at 9 a.m.

Our pattern of services has changed. Please check the list below carefully, and please consider attending some services which may be new to you.

Wednesday 2nd July

10:30 a.m. Midweek Communion Milborne Port

Sunday 6th July 3rd Sunday after Trinity

Galatians 6:7-16, Luke 10:1-11 & 10:16-20

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Blackford

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Milborne Port

6:00 p.m. Evensong Stowell

Wednesday 9th July

10:30 a.m. Midweek Communion Milborne Port

Sunday 13th July 4th Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37

9:30 a.m. Compton Pauncefoot and Blackford
Morning Service Compton Pauncefoot

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Milborne Port

6:00 p.m. Evensong Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 16th July

10:30 a.m. Midweek Communion Milborne Port

FOR JULY

Sunday 20th July 5th Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-end

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Milborne Wick

9:00 a.m. Blackford and Compton Pauncefoot

Morning Service, Blackford

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Maperton

10:30 a.m. Matins Milborne Port

6:00 p.m. Holy Communion Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 23rd July

10:30 a.m. Midweek Communion Milborne Port

Sunday 27th July 6th Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 2:6-15, Luke 11:1-13

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Compton Pauncefoot

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Milborne Port

6:00 p.m. Evensong Goathill

Wednesday 30th July

10:30 a.m. Midweek Communion Milborne Port

Sunday 3rd August 7th Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Blackford

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Milborne Port

6:00 p.m. Evensong Stowell

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Now the holiday season is here, and people are out and about enjoying the warm weather I thought I would reflect on what has been happened on a Sunday morning at our services.

With June being the time for the National Picnic we decided at our Family Service, held on the first Sunday of each month, to have a church picnic. During the service we reflected on the Story of the Feeding of the Five Thousand which is told in each of the four Gospels in the New Testament. This was followed by a Bring and Share church picnic.

The following Sunday was Pentecost Sunday which is often referred to as the birth of the church. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he promised to send the Holy Spirit, who is still transforming the lives of ordinary people today.

Next followed Father Day and at the beginning of the service we were reminded 'that those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.....And by him we cry "Abba" Father'. (Romans 8v14

During July we will be holding our morning services in the refurbish building at Milborne Port on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays in July. Weather permitting, we hope to have one of these services outside in a members' garden, so watch out on our website for dates. www.rebornechurch.org.

Our Toddler group will finish on Monday 21st July when we will break for the summer holidays and are due to start again once the schools return in September. Keep watch on Facebook for details also of meetups in the local park.

Ginny Bignell

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The Whitethroat

Something to look forward to in spring is the return of Whitethroat from their over-wintering home in Western Africa. Not uncommon, the Whitethroat is easily recognised by its grey cap, chestnut coloured wings and distinct white throat which gives the species its name.

Slightly smaller than a sparrow, one is most likely to see a Whitethroat in May when these pretty 'warblers' will sing from a suitable high perch (as in the photo) making them easy to spot on the edge of woodland or on tall hedgerow plants around the fringes of the village. Flitting between plants in hedges or low scrub such as nettles and brambles, these summer migrants feed on flies, beetles and other insects moving onto berries in the late summer. Most birds will have left us by early October.



Whitethroat numbers suffered a catastrophic decline in the late 1960s due to prolonged drought in the Sahel region of Western Africa. Although their numbers have increased since then, the species is still recovering (source: British Trust for Ornithology).

Jane Hewitt

Milborne Port Gardening Club

Hopefully you are all getting much joy from your gardens and the countryside at large. We enjoyed the Open Gardens in the Village recently, which was a lovely occasion to see how creative folks are and of course admire the wonderful and varied gardens.

A gentle reminder that for July and August, the Gardening Club's programme is an outdoor programme. Please note, we do not meet at the Village Hall again until mid-September – details will follow in due course. Last month we had a good turnout to visit Burton Grange, Wiltshire. Our hosts were friendly and keen to share the hard work they'd put into creating a beautiful garden, with many varied areas and wonderful views over surrounding fields.

Tuesday, 8th July is our forthcoming Garden Club visit is to Batcombe House. Situated in Shepton Mallet, Somerset, BA4 6HF. Meet at venue for 2pm and the cost is £20.00 for Garden Tour, Tea & Cakes.

RSVP: to Judith Lazell jmlazell@gmail.com; no later than 30th June – we have been asked to confirm numbers by then, so please don't leave it too late to confirm your attendance. Members can bring guests.

Nestled in a Somerset valley, the garden is the project of Designer Libby Russell, who has spent years creating this plantswoman's garden. There are many different garden rooms to explore, from kitchen terraces, a potager, pool garden, amphitheatre and much more

Next visit on 12th August is Bennetts Water Gardens DT3 4AF 2pm

Should you wish to know more about the Club, or join us in 2025, please do come to any meeting or contact the Secretary (Samantha at samgraham2009@gmail.com). We happily welcome guests to our meetings for a fee £4.00.

Samantha Dean



We had our delayed AGM in June which was attended by 20 members. Jan, our retiring president, read her report in which she detailed events during the past three years or so. She saw us through the covid pandemic and made sure to keep in touch with members regularly. During that time, the library moved into the premises at the town hall. We were slightly concerned how it would work out, but we needn't have worried, and our regular Friday coffee mornings have proved we can happily exist together. We have had many interesting speakers over the last three years, ranging from Wildlife Photography to the History of Gin with many things in between, as well as several social evenings such as our annual fish 'n chip supper in December and our lunch out in February - this year it took place at the Clockspire. After Sue, our treasurer, kept us up to date with the accounts, the new president, secretary and committee members were elected.

I'm really pleased to say that we have a new president, Celia, and secretary, Millie, who many of you will know from visiting the library. Being fairly new to the WI, and with one of them being considerably younger than most of us, I know they have lots of new ideas which will be most welcome. If you are new to the village, or are a long-term resident and have considered coming along, then please do so, as we always welcome new members. Our next meeting is on Thursday, 10th July, at the community room in the town hall, starting at 7.30 p.m. Our speaker will be Maureen Wright, who some of you probably know, and she will be talking about the start of the Suffragette Movement. In August we should be having a social evening in Church House - details to follow next month.

Please join us for coffee/tea and cake/biscuits on Friday mornings.

Christine Porter

Friends of Milborne Port Library

A huge thank you to everyone who stopped by the Friends Of Milborne Port Community Library book stall at the Spirit of Milborne Port Fete. The money raised is kept within the library and helps with costs including resources for the craft sessions and musical instruments for Rhyme Time.

Millie and Karen are always working hard to rotate books and get new titles in for you to read and we have a new delivery every week. Please do pop in and see what has arrived recently.

What's on in July

Rhyme time on Tuesday 1st, 8th and 15th July, 10.30 a.m. ***Please note that Rhyme Time will be paused during the summer holidays***

Knit and Natter on the 1st and 15th July, 2.30pm

Lego Club on the 12th July 9.30 – 12 noon

Book club on the 22nd July at 2pm

Butterfly Suncatchers on the 2nd August 10 – 11am.

Summer Reading Challenge trail – Pick up an entry form from 25th July.

We are gearing up for the Summer Reading Challenge which launches on the 10th July and this year's theme is **Story Garden**. There are lots of activities lined up for over the summer holidays. Please bring children and grandchildren into the library for us to register them and give them their challenge packs. On completion they will receive a medal and certificate.

Mary Clothier marydmc38@gmail.com

Milborne Port History & Heritage Group



Our next talk - led by Hugh Vincent - is on Monday 21st July and is entitled: **Fancy *Another* Tipple? The History of Milborne Port's Pubs and Inns Part 2!** Hugh has continued his extensive research into the (many!)

pubs and alehouses of the village - past and present - and this will be the second of two talks, tracing the history of numerous establishments and their often colourful landlords and landladies, including some that you will know and some that you will never have heard of! Do join us for another pub crawl at 7.30 pm at Church House in Bathwell Lane.



We are a charity and ask for a suggested donation of £2 per member or £5 per non-member to cover costs (please Gift Aid your donation if you can). If you are parking in Bathwell Lane, please do so considerately as it is a bit of a squeeze along there! If you wish to become a member of your group, and we very much hope that you do, please email us: mphhgroup@gmail.com

A little flavour of somewhere quintessentially English!

Many thanks to those who take care of this wonderful building, to Harold, Hugh and Pip, and to those intrepid history hunters who came all the way to Milborne Wick Mission Church on Monday 16th June for a talk about its origins, benefactors, architecture and use since it was built in 1891. After Harold's talk, we were privileged to be invited by Pip into Milborne Wick Mill for a look at the mill race that can be seen running under the floor! Hugh showed us some old maps of the village, and then Harold told us about working class hero - shepherd Henry Osmond - who in 1873 was victimised by his

employer, a wealthy Milborne Wick farmer called Charles Bugg, and sent to prison with six months hard labour for organising agricultural labourers in the area. On his release in January 1874, over 2,000 local people marched through Milborne Port in his support. A really special evening in the glorious sunshine.

The Summer opening period of our fabulous small-but-beautifully-formed **Chapel Museum** is now in full swing! Come and see our extensive range of artefacts every Sunday between now and the end of August, 2.30-4 pm. We are at the cemetery on Wheathill Lane.

Nathalie Hetherington, MPH&H Group Secretary

Remember that you can follow us on Facebook for updates on talks and events, and for signposts to articles that are new to our ever-evolving website: <http://milborneporthistory.org.uk>. We have many people now posting brilliant material onto our Facebook pages, so if you are a Facebooker, it is well worth checking out these contributions. You can also get in touch by e-mail: mphhgroup@gmail.com

What to Watch for in the July Night Sky

"Moonlight drowns out all but the brightest stars." – J.R.R. Tolkien

Last week in north Iceland we experienced the 'midnight sun'. This natural phenomenon is caused by the earth's tilt, which is the reason for the seasons. During our summer the northern hemisphere is tilted towards the sun. The midnight sun is observed north of the Arctic Circle, which is approximately 66.5 degrees latitude north. The duration of the midnight sun varies with latitude and lasts longer the closer you get to the pole. In some locations, the sun may be continuously visible for several months.

In north Iceland the midnight sun is visible from late May to mid-August. As north Iceland is just below the arctic circle the sun does dip below the horizon, however it remains close enough to create near 24-hour daylight. I took the photo below at just after midnight.



Planets

Evening Sky: Mercury and Mars (west)

Midnight: Saturn & Neptune (east)

Morning Sky: Venus, Jupiter & Uranus (east), Saturn & Neptune (south)

Astronomical Events in July

2nd: Moon at First Quarter

3rd: The Earth at aphelion - the point in a planet's orbit around the Sun where it is farthest from it.

4th: Mercury at greatest elongation east from the Sun, provides the best opportunities to see Mercury, but it's still a relatively short window.

10th: Full Moon - the Anglo-Saxons named the July Full Moon the Hay Moon after the hay harvest. They also called this Moon the Wort Moon. The Old English word 'Wort' means a plant that is used as food or in the treatment of some ailment e.g., butterwort or woundwort.

13th: Saturn enters retrograde motion. Refers to the apparent backward movement of a planet across the sky, as viewed from Earth. It's not a change in the planet's actual orbital path, but rather an effect caused by the relative positions and speeds of Earth and the other planet as they orbit the sun.

16th: Close approach of the Moon, Saturn and Neptune.

18th: Moon at Last Quarter

20th: On July 20th, 1969, Neil Armstrong became the first person to step foot on the Moon.

21st: Close approach of the Moon and Venus

24th: New Moon

28th: Close approach of the Moon and Mars

Sunrise and Sunset

1st: Sunrise 5:00 am Sunset: 9.29 pm

31st: Sunrise 5.34 am Sunset: 9.00 pm

In Milborne Port, the length of the day gets 1 hour and 16 minutes shorter during July 2025.

*Good Viewing.
Ganymede*

Blackmore Vale U3A

Laughter is on the menu as Michael Malagan makes a return visit. This time his talk is CAN YOU HEAR ME AT THE BACK which is all about his adventures and experiences as a public speaker, gained at almost 400 schools and adult organisations. Once again, the focus is very much on the funnier side and what went wrong!

Michael's working career in writing started as a journalist in local newspapers and having short stories published in Best, Me, Chat, Take-a-Break and Woman's Realm magazines. His writing also led him to being a children's television scriptwriter with the BBC and ITV and finally as a novelist. This will be one of his final talks as retirement beckons.

Henstridge Village Hall BA8 0QB Tuesday 1st July from 2.15 p.m. for refreshments where everyone is welcome.

MAGAZINE DEADLINES

All entries for the August issue of the magazine to the editor please by Saturday 19th July at 12 noon latest.

Distributors at the church on Friday 25th July at 2 p.m.

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All email contributions will be acknowledged. If you do not receive a reply, or if you are unable to use email, please ring 01963 33495



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