

## Fontmell Magna Parish Directory 2026

### Parish Council

[www.fontmellmagnapc.co.uk](http://www.fontmellmagnapc.co.uk)

The Parish Council holds 6 meetings a year - in January, March, May, July, September and November. They take place at 6.30pm in the village hall.

Chair Community Reach	Cllr Hannah Lister	<a href="mailto:fmpe.hlist@gmail.com">fmpe.hlist@gmail.com</a> 07917 390549
Vice Chair Planning	Cllr Steve Drew	<a href="mailto:cldr.stevedrew@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk">cldr.stevedrew@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk</a>
	Cllr Katie Cooper	<a href="mailto:cldr.katiecooper@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk">cldr.katiecooper@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk</a>
Communications	Cllr Sara Powell	<a href="mailto:cldr.sarapowell@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk">cldr.sarapowell@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk</a> 07842 522679
Social Infrastructure	Cllr Jeremy Long	<a href="mailto:jeremylongfmpe@gmail.com">jeremylongfmpe@gmail.com</a>
Environmental Protection	Cllr Christine Scott	<a href="mailto:fmpe.cscott@gmail.com">fmpe.cscott@gmail.com</a> 07586 088069
Clerk and RFO	David Green	<a href="mailto:clerk@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk">clerk@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk</a> 07542 928169

### Dorset Council

01305 2210

[www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)

County Councillor Beacon Ward	Cllr Jane Somper	<a href="mailto:Cllrjane.somper@dorset.gov.uk">Cllrjane.somper@dorset.gov.uk</a> 07710 395359
Member of Parliament	Simon Hoare MP	<a href="mailto:simon.hoare.mp@parliament.uk">simon.hoare.mp@parliament.uk</a> 01258 452585

### St Andrews Parish Church

[www.iwernevalleybenefice.org.uk](http://www.iwernevalleybenefice.org.uk)

Vicar	The Revd. David John	01747 811623
Benefice Office	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 11.30 - 2.30pm	<a href="http://www.iwernevalleybenefice.org.uk">www.iwernevalleybenefice.org.uk</a> <a href="mailto:ivbco@btinternet.com">ivbco@btinternet.com</a> 01258 861576
Church Warden	Robert Wellen	<a href="mailto:robertwellen@btinternet.com">robertwellen@btinternet.com</a> 01747 811070
PCC Secretary	Daniel Rimmer	07484 303312
PCC Treasurer	Roger Thomas	01747 811440
Morning Breakfast	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	9 am in the village hall Sue Keen 01747 812282
Worship for All	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	9.30 am St Andrews Church
Sung Communion	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	9.30 am St Andrews Church
Holy Communion	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	9.30 am St Andrews Church
Benefice Service	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	10 am in one of the Benefice churches
Parish Bell Ringers	Caroline Rhodes	01747 812002
Valley Views Benefice monthly magazine	The Church Office Shroton Village Hall DT11 8QB	Editor Mrs Ruth Parry <a href="mailto:ivbmag@gmail.com">ivbmag@gmail.com</a> 01258 861576

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### St Andrews C of E Primary School

56 West Street, Fontmell Magna SP7 0PF

Executive Headteacher	Debbie Brown	<a href="mailto:debbie.brown@standrewsfontmell.co.uk">debbie.brown@standrewsfontmell.co.uk</a>
Head of School	Dan King	
Office Manager	Jamie Paul	<a href="mailto:office@standrewsfontmell.co.uk">office@standrewsfontmell.co.uk</a> 01747 811500
Chair of Governors	Jonathon Pinder	<a href="mailto:jonathon.pinder@sast.org.uk">jonathon.pinder@sast.org.uk</a>

### Fontmell Magna Under Fives, Breakfast and After School Club

Blandfords Farm, West Street, SP7 0PF

01747 812773

Leader	Lauren Ballard	<a href="mailto:fontmellmagnaunderfives@hotmail.co.uk">fontmellmagnaunderfives@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Pre School Club	Monday to Friday 8.45 - 11.45 pm 11.45 - 2.45 pm	
Breakfast Club	Monday to Friday 7.45 - 8.45 am	
After School Club	Monday to Friday 3.00 - 4.00pm	

### Village Shop and Post Office

<b>Shop and Post Office</b> Fresh local produce, newspapers, off- licence, ATM, travel money	Duane and Tarnia <a href="mailto:fmvillageshop@gmail.com">fmvillageshop@gmail.com</a> 01747 811201	Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm Saturday 8.30am - 2pm
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### The Springhead Trust Ltd Charity number 1112083

Mill Street, Fontmell Magna, SP7 ONU

Trust Managers	Jonathon Pinder Joanna Poole	<a href="mailto:info@Springheadtrust.org.uk">info@Springheadtrust.org.uk</a> 01747 811853
Springhead Garden Volunteers	Jonathon Pinder	<a href="mailto:info@Springheadtrust.org.uk">info@Springheadtrust.org.uk</a> 01747 811853
Friends of Springhead	Kate Partridge	<a href="mailto:friends@springheadtrust.org.uk">friends@springheadtrust.org.uk</a>

Springhead's buildings and gardens offer flexible outdoor space set in 15 acres of beautiful countryside which can be hired by the hour or day, or for residential events.

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### Village Pub: The Fontmell

Crown Hill, Fontmell Magna SP7 0PA

Landlords	Arnie and Sarah Fernandes	01747 812208 <a href="mailto:fontmellthepub@gmail.com">fontmellthepub@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.ourvillagepub.com">www.ourvillagepub.com</a>
Opening hours subject to seasonal change	Wednesday - Sunday 12.00 - 9.30pm Sunday 12.00 - 6pm	
Food served	Wednesday - Saturday 12.00 - 2.30pm 5.30 - 8.30pm Sunday 12.00 - 4pm	

Arnie and Sarah say “the aim of The Fontmell is to become the hub for this amazing village and surrounding areas. We pride ourselves on offering freshly prepared food with a very warm and friendly welcome.”

### Fontmell Magna Village Hall

Charity Number 1204403

West Street, SP7 0JP

[www.fontmellmagnavillagehall.co.uk](http://www.fontmellmagnavillagehall.co.uk)

#### Trustees

Chair	Rosie-Anne Yates	<a href="mailto:ra@yatesmail.org">ra@yatesmail.org</a> 07710 326339
Treasurer	Dick Stainer	<a href="mailto:dickstainer@phonecoop.coop">dickstainer@phonecoop.coop</a> 01747 811153
Secretary	Lisa le Druillenec	<a href="mailto:lisa.ledruillenec@gmail.com">lisa.ledruillenec@gmail.com</a> 01747 812500
Bookings	Sian Highnam	<a href="mailto:bookings.fmvh@mail.com">bookings.fmvh@mail.com</a> 01747 811028
Caretaker	Cath Allard	07725 247689 <a href="mailto:catherineallard1980@hotmail.co.uk">catherineallard1980@hotmail.co.uk</a>

**Elected Members:** Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Bookings Manager, Chair of Fontmell Friendship Garden with a Parish Councillor. **Representatives Members:** are from the Archive Society, The Art Club, Carpet Bowls, Fontmell Friends, Garden Club, Tennis Court and Playground groups.

The hall, which can be hired, has a loop system and acoustic padding.

### Parish Newsletter

The Gossip Tree, News and Views from the Parish

Editor, Submissions	Graham Eames	<a href="mailto:fmgosstree@gmail.com">fmgosstree@gmail.com</a>
Chair, Sponsorship	Barbara Humphreys	<a href="mailto:blueletterbox@btinternet.com">blueletterbox@btinternet.com</a>
Distributor	Sue Keen	01747 812282 07772 240809 <a href="mailto:susanannekeen@gmail.com">susanannekeen@gmail.com</a>

## Doctors Surgeries, Medical and Social Infrastructure

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<b>Blackmore Vale Practice:</b> Abbey View	<a href="http://www.blackmorevalesurgery.co.uk">www.blackmorevalesurgery.co.uk</a> Salisbury Road, Shaftesbury SP7 8DH 01747 856700	Open Monday - Friday 8am to 6.30pm
Sturminster Newton	Old Market Hill Sturminster Newton DT10 1QU 01258 474500	Monday - Friday 8am to 6.30pm
Marnhull	Church Hill Marnhull DT10 1PU 01747 856700	Monday - Wednesday 8am to noon
<b>Blandford Group Practice:</b> Child Okeford Surgery and dispensary	<a href="http://www.theblandfordpracticegroup.co.uk">www.theblandfordpracticegroup.co.uk</a> Upper Street Child Okeford DT11 8EF 01258 452501	Monday - Friday 8am - 6.30pm
<b>Chemists:</b> Boots	33 High Street, Shaftesbury SP7 8JE 01747 852471	Monday - Saturday 9am to 5.30pm
Boots	Market Place Sturminster Newton DT10 1AS 01258 474500	Monday - Saturday 9am to 6.00pm
J Hoots Pharmacy	Hawkdene Lane (near Abbey View Medical Centre)	Monday - Friday 8.30am - 6.00pm
Marnhull Pharmacy	Church Hill DT10 1PU  N.B some pharmacies close at lunchtime for one hour.	Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm 2pm - 5.30pm Saturday 9am - 5.30pm
<b>Westminster Hospital</b>	Reception (for enquiries) 01747 851535	Monday - Friday 9am - 5.30pm
<b>Minor Injuries Unit</b>	Ring 111 to speak to a nurse for an appointment.	Saturday, Sunday Bank holiday 10am - 4pm

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<b>Citizens Advice</b>	The Parish Centre The Plocks Blandford Forum DT11 8YH      Freephone 08001448848 <a href="http://www.centraldorsetca.org.uk">www.centraldorsetca.org.uk</a> <a href="mailto:advicend@centralca.org.uk">advicend@centralca.org.uk</a> <b>Phone calls on</b> Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm	<b>Office</b> Monday & Wednesday 10am - noon 1pm - 3.30pm Tuesday & Thursday 10am - noon
<b>Police:</b>	Phone : 101 <a href="http://www.dorset.police.uk">www.dorset.police.uk</a> Silent call: ring 999 then press 55 when prompted Text phone 18001 101 (for people with hearing and sight impairment) Crimestoppers: 0800 555111	Gillingham Police Station Monday and Friday 10am - 3.30pm
<b>Carer Support</b>	<a href="mailto:ndorsetcarersgroup@rethink.org">ndorsetcarersgroup@rethink.org</a> 07483 332529	
<b>Samaritans</b>	Phone 116 123	
<b>Bereavement Drop-In</b>	Ruth Jones 07764 497532 01305361361 <a href="mailto:dhc.dorsetopendoor@nhs.net">dhc.dorsetopendoor@nhs.net</a>	Bell Street United Church, Shaftesbury
<b>Shaftesbury Children's Centre</b> Seasonal programmes	01258 474036 <a href="mailto:northlocality@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk">northlocality@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk</a>  <b>Safeguarding concerns:</b> 01305 228866	Wincombe Lane Shaftesbury SP7 8PZ
<b>Dorset Mental Health Forum</b>	Cafe Social Thursday 2 - 4pm Dave 07788 312844 Angela 07596 899496 Office 01305 818595	The Silver Band Hall , Bleke Street Shaftesbury SP7 8QA
<b>Welcome/New Residents</b>	Ann and Michael Hobbs <a href="mailto:hobbs.glebe@btinternet.com">hobbs.glebe@btinternet.com</a>	01747 811189
<b>Community Speed Watch</b>	Road Safety Volunteers Peter Mole <a href="mailto:peter.mole@btopenworld.com">peter.mole@btopenworld.com</a>	01747 811669
<b>Tourist Information</b>	Inside Morrisons Daily, Bell Street Shaftesbury SP7 8AR 01747 859997	Open daily excluding Sunday

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### Clubs and Societies meetings are held in the village hall

<b>Archive Society Workshops</b>	Roger Hillman 01747 811878	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 4pm - 5.30pm
<b>Art Club</b>	Sandra Jelbart 01747 812468	Tuesdays 2pm - 4pm
<b>Carpet Bowls</b>	Derek Bone 01747 812505	Thursdays 7pm - 9.00pm
<b>Community Lunch Club</b>	Rosie-Anne Yates <a href="mailto:ra@yatesmail.org">ra@yatesmail.org</a>	Various dates January to March
<b>Yoga for health and well-being</b>	Kirsty Elliot 01747 829281 <a href="mailto:kirsty@theyogawithin.co.uk">kirsty@theyogawithin.co.uk</a>	Fridays 10am and 11.30am
<b>Fontmell Friendship Garden</b>	Sian Highnam <a href="mailto:sianhighnam@gmail.com">sianhighnam@gmail.com</a> 01747 811028 Pop Up Café and Gardening	Café: May to September
<b>Fontmell Friends (formally The Fontmell Society)</b>	Andrew Davies 07831 162446 <a href="mailto:davisajh@btinternet.com">davisajh@btinternet.com</a>	October to April For details see the Gossip Tree
<b>Fontmell Magna &amp; District Garden Club</b>	Secretary: Sue Chippington 01747 811520 An interesting programme of talks on horticulture and wildlife. You don't need to be a gardening expert to join the club.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, October to April from 7.30pm
<b>Pilates Vicci Gillet</b>	Vicci Gillet <a href="http://www.movewithstablebodies.co.uk">www.movewithstablebodies.co.uk</a> <a href="mailto:stablebodies@gmail.com">stablebodies@gmail.com</a>	Mondays 5.30pm - 6.30pm 6.30pm - 7.30 pm
<b>Stott Pilates</b>	mat work with props	Tuesdays 10am - 11am
<b>Pilates with Sam Whitford</b> A refresher level class suitable for beginners	Sam Whitford <a href="mailto:s.whitford@btinternet.com">s.whitford@btinternet.com</a> 07740 906515	Mondays 10.30am - 11.30am term times
<b>Tae Kwon-do suitable for adults and children from 6 years</b>	Sam Donohoo 07388 342625 <a href="mailto:sam.donohoo@hotmail.co.uk">sam.donohoo@hotmail.co.uk</a>	Fridays 5.15 pm - 6.15pm
<b>Tennis Court at the Village Hall</b>	Book the court at the greenhouse 27 Orchard Close or contact Louise Murchie <a href="mailto:murchie25@btinternet.com">murchie25@btinternet.com</a>	

## Activities

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<b>Iwerne Valley Walking Group</b> Details of walks are published in the Gossip Tree	Helen English <a href="mailto:englishhv@gmail.com">englishhv@gmail.com</a> 01747 853472 07789 845498	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in each month
<b>Volunteering opportunities</b>	<a href="http://www.volunteeringdorset.org.uk">www.volunteeringdorset.org.uk</a> 01305 269214	
<b>Fontmell Magna Community Land Trust (FMCLT)</b>	The FMCLT is an organisation which can hold in trust assets of value to the community. The principal reason for its' formation was to buy the freehold of the village shop. The FMCLT is run by its' members and new members are always welcome.	<a href="http://www.fmclt.org">www.fmclt.org</a>

**Refuse collections** [www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) 01305 221040

Alternate weeks for landfill waste and recycling

Optional garden waste collection – a charge applies.

Collection days vary within the parish - Fontmell parish to Bede Cottage on Mondays;

Bedchester, Penhill and Hartgrove on Tuesdays.

Weekly food waste collection.

**Libraries** for times see [www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)

Sturminster Newton Library, Bath Road DT10 1EH 01258 472669

Gillingham Library, Chantry Fields SP8 4UA 01747 822180

Shaftesbury Library, Bell Street SP7 8AE 01747 852256

### Sports and Leisure

Blandford Leisure Centre, Milldown Road, DT11 7DB 01258 845566

Shaftesbury Lido, Outdoor swimming, Barton Hill SP7 8DQ 01747 853181

### Local Radio

This is Alfred Radio – Shaftesbury 107.3FM, contact Keri Jones,

[hello@thisisalfred.com](mailto:hello@thisisalfred.com)

**Shaftesbury Arts Centre**, 13 Bell Street, Shaftesbury, SP7 8AR

Charity no 1109836 01747 854321

Offers a wide range of creative arts including theatre, music, comedy, gallery, film, livestreaming and recording and workshops.

We apologise for any mistakes. Please send any amendments to [cllr.sarapowell@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.sarapowell@fontmellmagna-pc.gov.uk)