



NOVEMBER 2026

THE FORERUNNER

The monthly newsletter for the Kingscote parish
including Bagpath, Newington and Kingscote

Sebastian Cooper
September 2026

In this month's magazine:

At the Village Hall, there will be:

- Halloween Trail on **Saturday 31st October.**
- Coffee Morning on **Tuesday 10th November.**
- Book Club on **Wednesday 11th November.**
- Bar Night on **Friday 13th November.**
- Film Night on **Tuesday 17th November.**

Services at St John the Baptist will be:

- **Sunday 1st November, 9.30 a.m.** - Holy Communion
- **Sunday 8th November, 10.50 a.m.** - Remembrance.

Events at Matara and the Tetbury Goods Shed are detailed.

To join the mailing list for parish email alerts and the monthly Forerunner please go to the [Kingscote online website](#) and scroll down to join the mailing list.

Items of interest for next month's magazine should be sent by email to webmaster@kingscoteonline.co.uk (Andrew Adamson) by noon on the 20th of the month.

WELCOME to the
November 2026
edition of
The Forerunner

VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

At the heart of this month is Remembrance Sunday, when we gather as a church and community to remember those who gave their lives in the service of others. We remember especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice in times of war and conflict, and we give thanks for the peace and freedom we enjoy today.

Remembrance is not simply about looking back. It is also about recognising the cost of peace and our responsibility to work for peace in our own time. In a world where conflict, division and suffering continue to affect so many, our prayers for peace are as important as ever.

Jesus reminds us in the Beatitudes: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

As we gather for our Remembrance Service on 8th November, we will pause, reflect, give thanks and pray. We will remember those whose names are recorded on our memorials, but also the countless others whose lives have been changed forever by war. We will pray for those who serve today, for those who carry the wounds of conflict, and for a world in which justice, reconciliation and peace may flourish.

Yet, even as November invites us to look back, it also encourages us to look forward. Towards the end of the month, we begin to turn our thoughts to Advent, that wonderful season of waiting, watching and preparing for the coming of Christ.

There is something deeply meaningful about the movement from Remembrance to Advent. We move from remembering the darkness of the past to anticipating the light and hope that Christ brings into the world. Advent reminds us that, however dark the world may sometimes seem, God's light has not been overcome. The prophet Isaiah speaks words that continue to bring hope: "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light." (Isaiah 9:2)

These words speak powerfully to us today. We live in uncertain times, and many people carry private worries, grief or anxiety about the future. Yet the message of Advent is that God has not abandoned his world. In Jesus Christ, God comes among us, bringing love, peace and the promise of new life.

VICAR'S LETTER

Advent is a time of preparation, and there is always much to do as Christmas approaches. At church, we will be preparing to decorate our Christmas tree, and we look forward to a special service, when there will be an opportunity for everyone to make Christmas decorations and share in the joy of preparing for Christmas together.

But Advent is, of course, about much more than the practical preparations. It is also an invitation to make room for God in our hearts and lives. It encourages us to slow down, to listen, to pray and to rediscover the wonder of God's love.

So perhaps, as we journey through November and look towards Advent, we might take a little time to reflect on two simple questions: What do I remember with gratitude? And what do I look forward to with hope? For in remembering, we recognise the love, courage and sacrifice of those who have gone before us. And in looking forward, we are reminded that God's love continues to be at work in our world and in our lives.

As we move from Remembrance towards Advent, may we carry with us both thankful hearts and hopeful spirits, trusting in the God who walks alongside us through every season of life.

With every blessing,

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KEY DATES



**The Anglican churches of St George, Nailsworth, St Martin,
Horsley and St John the Baptist, Kingscote**

WORSHIP – NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY 1st	ALL SAINTS DAY		
	Kingscote	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Morning Worship
	Nailsworth	3.00pm	Remembering Loved ones Service
Wednesday 4 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 8th	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY		
	Horsley	10.50am	Remembrance
	Kingscote	10.50am	Remembrance
	Nailsworth	10.50am	Remembrance
Wednesday 11 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 15th	2nd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT		
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 18 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 22nd	SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT/ CHRIST THE KING		
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 25 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 29th	ADVENT SUNDAY		
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Benefice Communion
	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion

KEY DATES

Church flowers

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. We would love to have a few more people join the team, so if you feel you could do this, please contact Lorna Reynolds (01453 860231).



1 st November	Wendy Ingram
8 th November	Wendy Ingram
15 th November	Sheila Grey
22 nd November	Sheila Grey
29 th November	No flowers (Advent)

KEY DATES

Church flowers (cont.)

Many thanks to the Ladies of the Flower Team who provided such magnificent displays for the Harvest Festival.



KEY DATES

Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collections

Food waste - Friday 30th October and Fridays 13th and 27th November.

Food waste, recycling, garden waste and black bin – Fridays 6th and 20th November.

The 2026-27 calendar is available on the CDC website:

<https://community.cotswold.gov.uk/s/waste-collection-enquiry>

Recycling Centre

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open for pre-booked appointments. It is open from 9am to 5pm on all days except Wednesdays.

Book your visit [here](#). Phone bookings are possible only for those without internet access- phone 01452 596 626.

Post Office

The mobile post office will be at Kingscote Village Hall from 9am to 10am every Monday and Thursday except bank holidays.



KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

1. Safety at Hunters Hall junctions

We continue to press GCC Highways to deploy speed monitoring equipment to record the extent of any excessive speeds and to progress the safety measures which they have proposed.

We are also exploring other options with Highways including “village gates” on the verges, vehicle activated speed signs and a reduction in the speed limit to 40mph.

2. Next meeting

The next meeting of the parish council will be on Tuesday 10th November at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall.

Kingscote Parish Council

Current Planning Applications

1. Prior notification for erection of agricultural building for the storage of machinery and fodder

Barnhill Court Farm, Barnhill Farm Road, Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8YQ

Ref. No: 26/03129/AGFO · Received: Fri 09 Oct 2026 · Validated: Fri 09 Oct 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

2. Installation of roof lights

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/02982/LBC · Received: Mon 28 Sep 2026 · Validated: Fri 09 Oct 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Current Planning Applications (cont.)

3. Opening of new principal entrance doorway and installation of door to the North elevation of the Tower

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/02894/LBC · Received: Tue 22 Sep 2026 · Validated: Tue 22 Sep 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

4. Installation of suspended ground floor and reinstatement of a half level in the tower

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/02776/LBC · Received: Fri 11 Sep 2026 · Validated: Fri 11 Sep 2026.

5. Installation of staircase within the church tower

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/02479/LBC · Received: Fri 14 Aug 2026 · Validated: Tue 25 Aug 2026.

6. Demolition of 2x existing agricultural workers' dwellings and 1x existing shed. Erection of replacement 2x agricultural workers' dwellings and 2 x new garages

Calcot Poultry Farm, Calcot, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8YJ

Ref. No: 26/02409/FUL | Received: Mon 10 Aug 2026 | Validated: Wed 19 Aug 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

7. Compliance with conditions 3 (Bat mitigation strategy), 4 (Drainage), 7 (Sample materials) and 8 (Sample panel - stonework) of permission 25/00333/FUL - Erection of replacement self-build dwelling

Upper Hazelcote Cottage, Hazlecote Farm Lane, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8XX

Ref. No: 25/03167/COMPLY | Validated: Tue 21 Oct 2025 | Status: Awaiting decision.

KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Current Planning Applications (cont.)

8. Compliance with condition 7 (Architectural recording) of consent 25/04049/LBC - Structural repairs to tower roof. Repairs to nave and chancel roofs including installation of thermal insulation and associated works. Works to tower render and windows. Works to nave window and Norman doorway (part retrospective)

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/01425/COMPLY | Validated: Thu 07 May 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

9. Compliance with condition 3 (sample render panel) of consent 25/04049/LBC - Structural repairs to tower roof. Repairs to nave and chancel roofs including installation of thermal insulation and associated works. Works to tower render and windows. Works to nave window and Norman doorway (part retrospective)

Bartholomew House, Newington Bagpath, Kingscote, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/01958/COMPLY | Received: Thu 25 Jun 2026 | Validated: Thu 25 Jun 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

VILLAGE HALL

Events This Month

Halloween Trail

Saturday 31st October

5 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

Join in the fun at the Village Hall!



Coffee Morning

Tuesday 10th November

10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

Homemade cakes, coffee or tea, £3.00.

Everyone very welcome.



VILLAGE HALL

Events This Month (cont)

Book Club

At **1.30 p.m.** on **Wednesday 11th November** in The Reynolds Room at the Village Hall, we will be discussing:

'Seascraper' by Benjamin Wood.

Do come along if you're interested.

If anyone else would like to come and join the Book Club, please contact Angela Wooldridge on 01453 860697.



Bar Night

Friday 13th November

7.00 – 10.00 p.m.

Alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages at reasonable prices (cash or card), helping to raise money for Village Hall maintenance.

Enjoy time with your neighbours; everyone welcome.



VILLAGE HALL

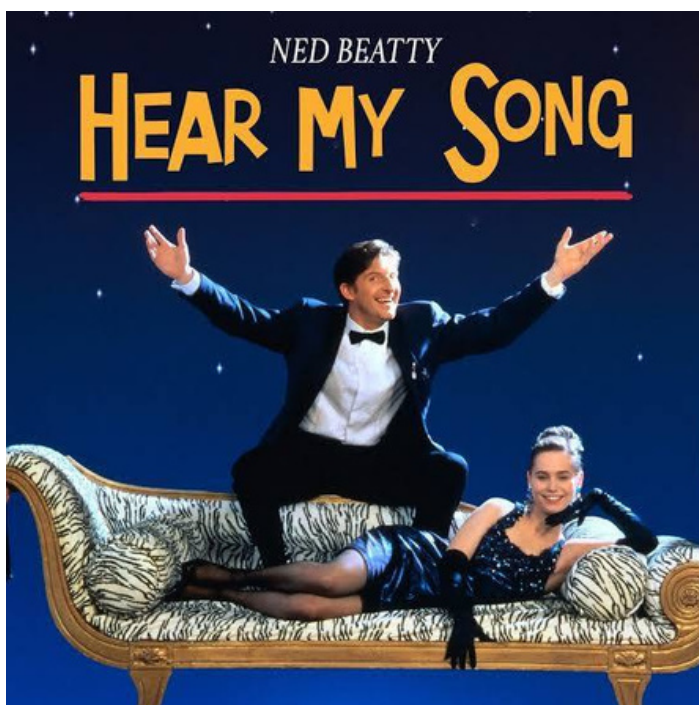
Film Night

Tuesday 17th November

7.30 for 8.00 p.m.

Hear My Song is a 1991 Irish-British comedy-drama film directed by Peter Chelsom, who co-wrote the screenplay with Adrian Dunbar, based on the story of Irish tenor Josef Locke.

The film was nominated for Best Original Screenplay at the 46th British Academy Film Awards in 1993.



VILLAGE HALL

Dates for your diary

2026 / 2027 Bar Nights

These are the dates for our village bar nights for the 2026 / 2027 season.

Look forward to seeing you there!



VILLAGE HALL

We're rooting for the Village Hall

Following the success of our spring plant sale, we have decided to install a plant stand (hat-tip Steve Teague) at the Village Hall.

Any spare plants you have can be placed here for your friends, neighbours and any passing walkers to buy.

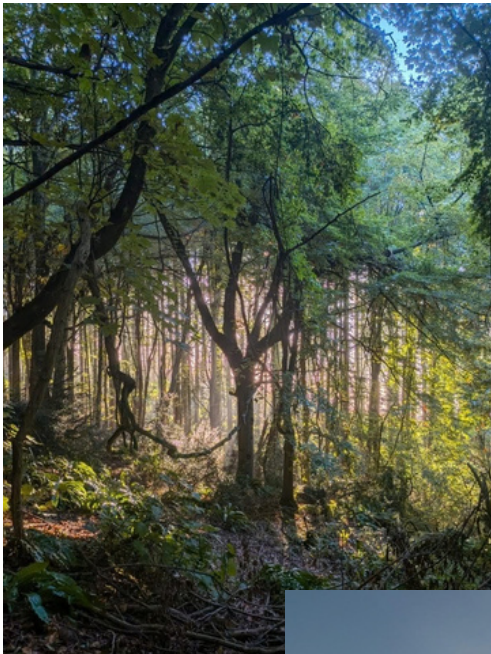
All donations are welcome.

Happy planting!



COMMUNITY CORNER

We welcome your contributions to this, our parish newsletter, in whatever format- photographs, puzzles, recipes, poems and stories and will try to publish a selection each month. Please send them to webmaster@kingscoteonline.co.uk



Misty, mysterious and magical.

Sharon West.

Sophie Barnard.



A Puzzle

The answers to last month's teaser.

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Matara Pizza Pop-Up

Our next pop up pizza night will be on **Friday 30th October, 5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.**

Take-away or enjoy in our front courtyard with a drink from our bar.

Pop in or ring to pre-order (07359 718811) to ensure you don't miss out.



OCTOBER MENU

13 Inch Pizzas

MAIN MENU

Margarita £12

Mighty pepperoni £14

Chicken Shawarma and chorizo £14

CHEF'S SPECIAL

Pumpkin with goats cheese and grilled peppers £13

A LITTLE EXTRA

Homemade dips

Truffle aioli £2

Hot honey £2

VE and GF Available

TETBURY GOODS SHED

ARTS CENTRE

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS AT THE GOODS SHED



November 5 Opera on Screen – La Bohème: The Royal Opera House's production of Puccini's heartbreaking classic of young love. It tells the story of a captivating romance set against 19th century Paris. Tickets from £13.50. 7pm

November 14 William Howard and the Carducci Quartet: We welcome back very special friends of the Goods Shed for an evening of chamber music pairing William Howard's piano with the Carducci Quartet playing Haydn, Schumann and Brahms. Tickets from £30. 7.30pm

November 21 Music for Miniatures: Magical musical concerts designed to inspire and connect young children to live music. For 45 minutes children from 0-4 and their carers can dance to their hearts content! Tickets from £6. 10.30am.

November 21 Remi Harris Hot Club: Guitarist Remi Harris teams up with bassist Tom Moore and rhythm guitarist Chris Nesbitt for an exhilarating evening of Gypsy Jazz and Blues. Tickets from £19. 7.30

November 23 Lino Cut Christmas card workshop: Design carve and print your own festive print and leave with 20 hand-printed cards and tags. No experience needed and materials are included. £40 per workshop (also Nov 30) 6.30pm

November 26 Photography Network Launch: Featuring micro-talks from exhibiting photographers and an introduction to GPN this is suitable for professionals, keen amateurs and photography fans. Free. 7pm

For more details of our other events including film, talks, exhibitions, and afternoon tea concerts and to book tickets visit our website:

www.tetburygoodshed.co.uk

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