Wilstone Community Shop

We're open Mon-Fri 8am-2pm ◆ Sat 8am-1pm ◆ Sun 9am-12pm

Run by the community for the community and offering:

- ▶ excellent value
- ▶ local and homemade produce
- ▶ a wide range of products and services, including:
 - b dry cleaning
- ▶ paintings by local artists
- ▷ postage stamps
- ▶ greetings cards
- ▶ light refreshments made to order





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Although we have finished celebrating the Platinum Jubilee it's nice to see some decorations are still hanging on (literally!) in few corners of the village - and that life is returning to something like normality. Unfortunately, however, Covid-19 hasn't gone away and continues to have an impact on the smooth running of the shop. For instance, if a shop volunteer or someone in their household gets covid then it means the shop is suddenly without a key member of staff for at least a week. This is one reason why we need a such large pool of volunteers and also why the volunteers that we do have need to be fully trained in all areas, so that they can cover any gaps.

We have an amazing band of volunteers of whom we are truly proud. Not only do they staff the shop, make cakes and sausage rolls, price goods, re-stock shelves, and make hot drinks and food for builders and cyclists, they also make the shop a welcoming environment for all visitors young and old.



David Mead (centre) with longstanding friends Neil Dean (left) and John Southernwood.

Now I bet they have some tales to tell.

If you would like to volunteer to work in the shop please let any member of the staff know and they will pass on your details to the manager. But just as important, if not more so, is that we would like more customers to come into the shop because without your support the shop will struggle to provide the excellent level of



The shop often gets famous customers like Colin and Sheila Reedman.

service the village has come to enjoy. For instance, only last week someone came into the shop and said how having moved from a lovely village they couldn't believe how much more they love being in Wilstone - it's like winning the lottery and they wished they had moved in years ago.

Shop frontage update

Work continues on redesigning the shop frontage so that it meets the needs of the staff and provides safe and easy access for all customers and especially those with disabilities.