

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:
 - ▶ dry cleaning
 - ▶ paintings by local artists
 - ▶ postage stamps
 - ▶ light refreshments made to order
 - ▶ greetings cards



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A decade of dedicated community service



The view from Ali Driver, Wilstone Community Shop manager

On 1 November 2022, Wilstone Community Shop celebrated ten years of trading as a community shop. This could not have been achieved without the selfless dedication and time given by our many volunteers past and present.

Wilstone Community Shop is a small shop with a big heart and our volunteers keep that heart beating. So to all of you a great big THANK YOU!

To our many customers who support us and give all of us a purpose and opportunity to keep our shop door open THANK YOU to you too!

We look forward to our next ten years.



The view from behind the counter

As volunteers in the shop we would like to thank Ali for putting so much time and effort into ensuring the shop runs as smoothly and efficiently as it does. Without her kind-heartedness and total commitment to the cause of serving the community, the shop wouldn't always open on time every day including Sundays, we wouldn't have stock to put on the shelves and your newspapers wouldn't be ordered. So a big THANK YOU to Ali from her team of volunteers.

The view from in front of the counter

As a daily visitor to the shop, I think I can speak for all customers when I say just how vital a role the shop plays in the happy running of the village and this was never more apparent than during the covid pandemic when the shop stayed open so people could still get their basic provisions without having to travel into the local towns. It also meant lock-downed villagers could meet their neighbours for a chat albeit at a safe and masked distance.

Without Ali and all those volunteers, the village would be so much the poorer and we have to be very grateful that this dedicated team so willingly give up their time to serve the residents of Wilstone and the surrounding villages.

New Shift Supervisor appointed

We are delighted to report that Anna Swannell has taken up the position of Shift Supervisor. Anna will be working four mornings a week and will be involved in all aspects of the running of the shop.

Shop frontage update

We're hoping that work will start in the next few weeks. This will include the installation of some iron railings around the outside dining area expertly designed by Abby Fermont's father.



The Christmas hampers and many other unique gifts are now on sale. Get yours before they sell out!



You've tried mulled wine, now try Tring's own mulled apple juice

Just up the road from Wilstone, at Mead's farm shop, local apples are milled, pressed and then pasteurised into Tring's Own Apple Juice. Blended predominantly from Bramley, Cox, Blenheim, Spartan and Russets this juice is free from any additives and tastes unlike anything you might find in the supermarkets. It's available from the village shop and can be enjoyed at any time. However, now the nights are drawing in you might like to try a traditional winter warmer drink using Tring's Own Apple Juice - mulled with orange and spices.

Here's the recipe:

Ingredients

1 bottle of Tring's Own Apple Juice

Strips of orange peel from one orange

1 cinnamon stick

2 cloves

Honey to taste

Method

Step 1

Simmer the apple juice with the orange peel, cinnamon stick and cloves for 5 to 10 minutes until all the flavours have infused. Sweeten to taste.

Step 2

Serve each drink with a little orange peel and a piece of cinnamon if desired.

Steps 3, 4, 5...

Enjoy.

