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This newsletter is produced and distributed to every house in the five parishes for the purpose of communicating the activities of the Bishopstone Group Parish Council and other events being held locally.

Bishopstone Group Parish Council

The members of the Parish Council are elected to represent all residents of the villages in the group and can influence decisions made by the various departments of the County Council and other Government organisations such as the Police and Fire Brigade.

Please contact your councillor if you have any concerns on: -

Housing and Planning, Roads, Traffic, Public Transport and Rights of Way, Refuse Disposal and Waste Recycling or any other local issues

List of Parish Councillors

Village represented	Name	Tel. number
Bishopstone	Trevor Hunt	590325
	John Macklin (Chairman)	590620
	Denise Shaw	07929 793406
	John Verry	590680
Bridge Sollars	Lillian Allsopp	590210
	Gary Malins	590601
Byford	Sue Hubbard (Vice-Chairman)	590319
	Sharon Knights	590626
	Penny Redshaw	590634
Kenchester	Muriel Holmes	590233
	Petra Hickey	590630
Mansell Gamage	Cathie Draper	590284
	Adrian French	590762

Clerk to the Council To be appointed

Parish Paths Officers

Village represented	Name	Tel. number
Bishopstone	John Macklin	590620
Byford & Mansell Gamage	Sue Hubbard	590319
Bridge Sollars	Lillian Allsopp	590210
Kenchester	John Macklin	590620

Herefordshire County Councillor

Adrian Blackshaw Tel:01432 260201 (contact via Herefordshire Council offices)

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thursday 10th March. This will be held at Staunton-on-Wye Village Hall starting at 7.30 pm. The following meeting will be on Thursday 12th May.

Parish Plan

Members of Focus groups, ensuring that the Bishopstone Group Parish Plan is implemented, are as follows:-

Traffic and Rights of Way –John Verry and Sue Hubbard

Local services – To be appointed

Housing and Planning – Petra Hickey (Kenchester), John Macklin (Bishopstone), Gary Malins (Bridge Sollars), Cathy Draper (Mansel Gamage) and Muriel Holmes (Byford)

Recycling – Penny Redshaw

Community Centre – John Macklin and Sue Hubbard

Web Page

Readers with access to a computer can read Council notices, past issues of this newsletter and other local information on the Parish Council **Web site**. This can be reached by logging on to www.Bishopstonegroupparish.co.uk

Notice Boards

The appointed key holders for the Notice Boards in each village are:-

Bridge Sollars	Gary Malins	Tel. 590601
Byford	Penny Redshaw	Tel. 590634
Byford Common	Sue Hubbard	Tel. 590319
Kenchester	Petra Hickey	Tel. 590630
Mansell Gamage	Adrian French	Tel. 590762

Please contact one of the above to display any article of public interest.

Recycling Facility

There is a local recycling facility at Oakchurch Farm Shop on the main A438 near Staunton-on-Wye.

Sandbag provision.

The sandbag stores are at the bottom of Bishon Lane, Bishopstone, in Mansell Gamage and at Bridge Sollars.

In times of flooding call 01981 590 620 for assistance with sandbags.

Parish Council Chairman's Report

Elaine Wood who was our new clerk handed in her notice at the end of December, not only to our Parish Council but to all her other parishes. I understand she is leaving the area.

Although Elaine was only with us for a short period she brought us up to standard and set up a much needed new office system which will help a new incoming clerk.

We have received an application for the clerk's position from a person who is clerk for two other Parish Councils. This application will be discussed by the councillors at the next meeting to be held on 10th March.

I would like to thank Sue Hubbard on behalf of the other councillors for taking on the duty of acting clerk.

In May all of the parish councillors are up for re-election. Even if all the present councillors put themselves up for re-election we will still be a councillor short of our allocated number.

Anyone who is interested in standing to become a parish councillor can obtain the relevant forms from our acting clerk, Sue Hubbard tel 01981 590319 or by contacting the Electoral Services Office at Hereford Town Hall tel 0844 9396107

Thank you to everyone who returned the broadband survey, I was very pleased with the number of people who responded. These forms, with the letters written by the parishioners, I have passed on to our ward councillor Adrian Blackshaw. This very good response will put us in an excellent position to be one of the first groups of parishes to benefit from this new service. We are actively pursuing registration with the Allpay scheme; a report on which is covered in the rear of this newsletter. Herefordshire Councils new strategy for delivery of the new fast broadband states 90% of homes and all business premises should have the opportunity to connect to the super broadband service offering at least 40 mbps downspeed and better than 10 mbps upspeed by 2015. The longer term intention on delivery of optical fibre is that by 2020, 50% of the counties homes and businesses should have the opportunity to access 100mbps downspeed.

I attended the Chairmans' and Clerks' meeting with Sue Hubbard on 26th January where Roger Phillips leader of Herefordshire Council and Chris Bull chief executive of Herefordshire Council and N H S Herefordshire, outlined the cuts to public services and the effect this would have on our local community. There would be a cut of £10 million this year followed by £5.8 million next year. The cut in government funding will affect the concessionary bus fares: the council will use some of its financial reserves to retain free travel for bus pass holders, although free travel will no longer be available during the weekday

morning commuter period before 9.30am. It seems likely that the mobile library service will not survive these ongoing cuts.

I came away from the meeting with the feeling that the government and county councils are looking at parish precepts as a way of raising money to provide local services. Several options were discussed, one example given “If the parishioners wanted the same bus service as present we could along with all the other parish councils along the route be asked to pay towards providing this service”. The same could apply with the lengthsman system: in order to maintain present standards we could be forced to adopt this system where the parish council through the precept pays towards the maintenance of our parish roads, verge grass cutting, cleaning ditches, etc.

With the improvement of the weather in January four volunteers, David Macklin, Dave Verry, John Verry and myself installed three new self latching gates to replace the stiles on the footpath BN4 at Bishopstone. It has now made the footpath more accessible to the less mobile creating a pleasant circular walk from the village.



The Localism Bill when it comes in at the end of the year will have an effect on the Parish Council with more power being passed down to the local community. Planning is an area where decisions will be made at parish council level, the small print of the act will need to be studied before we know exactly what this will mean to our community. This is only the start of David Cameron’s “Big Society” plans where voluntary groups and parish councils will have more say in the needs and developments of local communities.

We have already been served notice by Herefordshire Council that planning applications will now be sent only electronically. To deal with this new format the Parish Council will have to invest in new IT equipment, laptop, projector, screen and access to broadband.

John Macklin Chairman

Advance Notice – Parish Meeting

The annual Parish Meeting will be held in April. This is a chance for **you** to set the agenda and discuss any local issues that you want to raise. Every elector has the right to attend and to speak and vote in the meeting. If you have an idea that you think would improve our parishes, or a complaint about what is happening (or what isn't happening) come along and share it with us. We need to draw up an agenda, so if you have something you would like to see discussed please tell your councillor or contact the Acting Clerk, Sue Hubbard, tel 01981 590 319 email hubbard7jz@btinternet.com

Full details of the meeting will be advertised on the village noticeboards at the end of March.

New Bridge Community Centre

Work on the New Bridge Community centre is on track to finish in the first week of April three weeks later than the original end of contract date. This extension was agreed after the main contractor I J Preece put forward their case: delay on completing the ground work was caused by the inclement weather and the fabrication of the service cube was delayed by one week.

As soon as the Big Lottery project finishes in April another contractor will start the restoration of the church porch, this estimated 8 week contract will finish in June. We will then have access to the new community centre and hopefully have the opening ceremony at the end of June/beginning of July and start making full use of the building.

We have applied to 'Awards for All' for funding to buy chairs, tables, crockery and other kitchen equipment.

The external ground works have been completed and the contractors are laying the new path through the churchyard.



The service cube is well on the way with the heat pump installed and ready for commissioning. The floor structure, with the under floor heating pipes, has been completed and awaiting the oak floorboards that will be laid as one of the final jobs.



During the excavations five human remains were discovered on the edge of the churchyard under the hedge. Three had deteriorated to such an extent that only a few bones were left so they were unrecognizable as complete human skeletons, the other two remains were of more interest they were buried at a shallow depth of only two feet, both were complete skeletons and what was unusual according to the archaeologist, both were buried with their arms crossed over their chests. There was no evidence of any wood or nails in the vicinity so they were buried in just a shroud. There are several theories as to who these two people were. The only evidence of date the archaeologist found was a piece of 14th century pottery close to the bodies. If they were 14th century remains they could have died in the Black Death and the crossing of the arms could symbolise the cross used in the Black Death to mark the doors of the households affected.

They could be 16th century Catholics who were buried on the edge of the churchyard without permission. Catholics were not allowed to be buried in the churchyard even if their relatives had been buried there for centuries before. This would have been a cloak and dagger affair, burial possibly under the cover of darkness or very quickly in the daytime so not to alert the church authorities, hence the shallow grave and the crossing of arms.

The remains have been reburied in the churchyard close to the spot where they were discovered. I would like to thank Rev Angie Deane for a very thoughtful burial service. It was a full graveside service attended by Nancy Malins, Sue Hubbard and myself.

As a nice gesture within the service, Sue read out the Lord 's Prayer in Latin as it would have been what the deceased would have been familiar with as part of the church service during their time on this earth. The spot was marked afterwards with a flagstone.

John Macklin

Clerk of Works/Chairman - New Bridge Community Centre

FORGET ME NOT **GRAVE TENDING SERVICES**

Are you unable to visit a loved ones grave as often as you would wish to.

We offer a reasonably priced grave tending service.

For leaflet/price list,
Tel: 01432 880615.

Public Rights of Way

This article is based on the talk given to the Open Annual Meeting of Bishopstone Group Parish Council by Will Steel, Public Rights of Way Officer, Amey Herefordshire on 11 May 2010

Herefordshire has over 2100 miles of public rights of way crossing its countryside and towns. Most of these rights of way were developed gradually over the centuries by local people needing to get to work, to the church or village shop or as a short cut to market. There was no single conclusive record of where they went and so it was hard to resolve the inevitable disputes that arose.

The Definitive Map

In 1949 Parliament passed the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act which set out to change this situation. A system was set up by which Parish Councils submitted statements and maps of all the public rights of way in their parishes, which were used by the County Council to draw up draft maps for the whole county. This was followed by a lengthy period of hearings for objections and alterations to the draft maps as required. All this took a long time and it was only in February 1961 that Herefordshire County Council produced its First Definitive Map.

There are currently 4 types of public rights of way recorded on the Definitive Map. All these routes are forms of highway (a highway is defined as a route over which the public have the right to pass and re-pass.) The specific type of highway determines the rights that the public have over that route. These are:

Public footpath – you may walk on a footpath and also push a pram or pushchair or use a wheelchair. You are allowed to take your dog provided it is under control at all times.

Public bridleway – you may do everything the same as a footpath, plus ride or lead a horse, or ride a bicycle. Cyclists must give way to walkers and horse riders.

Byway open to all traffic (BOAT) - a boat is a highway which is mainly used for walking, horse-riding or cycling but there is also a right to use any kind of wheeled vehicle, whether motorised or not. This could be, for example, a car, a motorbike or a horse and cart

Restricted by-way – this is a highway that may be used by any kind of traffic apart from motorised vehicles. So, for example, you could cycle along it or travel along it in a donkey cart but not in a car.

If a route is shown as a public right of way on the Definitive Map, that is legally conclusive evidence of the public's rights over the route but if it is not shown then that is **not** conclusive proof that the route is not a public right of way.

Changing the Definitive Map

The Definitive Map was intended to be reviewed every 5 years but this never happened and so in 1981 the Wildlife and Countryside Act introduced a system of continuous review by which individual modifications to the map are made as and when required, and the Map is republished when necessary to show the effect of all the intervening modifications.

Changes can be made in two ways. It is possible to modify the Definitive Map and Statement where errors are proved, for example if a path has been missed off or if one has been put on by mistake. Such changes are made by a Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) and anyone may apply for a DMMO as long as they can show sufficient evidence for the change. It is also possible, by means of a Public Path Order (PPO), to divert, extinguish or create a public right of way in the interests of the landowner or occupier, in the public interest, or to enable permitted development to proceed. There are lengthy delays in dealing with applications for both these types of order as they can be controversial and often require much research, consultation and negotiation. Applications for DMMOs are prioritised on the strength of the evidence and the value of the change to the overall footpath network within the county, while PPO applications are prioritised according to whether they are required for development or public interest and their date of receipt.

Maintaining Rights of Way

In looking after the Public Rights of Way network within the county Herefordshire Council has two key duties. These are to ensure the maintenance of the route in a suitable condition, and to protect the rights of the public and prevent a route from being obstructed or blocked.

Responsibility for the active care of rights of way is split between Herefordshire Council and the landowner/occupier. The Council is responsible for surface vegetation, bridges, surfacing and draining, signposting and waymarking, and cleansing. The landowner/occupier is responsible for overhanging hedges, fallen trees, maintaining gates and stiles, obeying restrictions on bulls and ensuring that there are no misleading signs. The council aims to minimise the number of stiles on a route in order to improve accessibility and offers support to landowners to replace stiles with gates where possible.

Farmers are allowed to plough out a cross-field path or bridleway only if it would not be reasonably convenient not to do so. The line of the route should be marked across the field, and a reasonably convenient surface provided for people using it, within 14 days of the first ploughing. Farmers must not obstruct a public right of way with growing crops and the line of the route should be cleared to a minimum of 1metre for footpaths and 2m for bridleways.

Who to contact

Herefordshire Council has only 3 Area Wardens to cover the whole county and so they are reliant on local people to act as their eyes and ears. Our parish council has appointed Parish Path Officers whose duties are to carry out an annual survey and report any defects to the Area Warden, to resolve issues by asking landowners to carry out their duties and to do any waymarking that becomes necessary. If you have any rights of way problems in your parish, please contact the relevant Parish Path Officer (details are given on the inside cover of the newsletter.)

The parish council holds a copy of the current Definitive Map for our parishes which can be seen by contacting John Macklin or Sue Hubbard, and the map for the whole county can be viewed at the office of Amey Herefordshire. If you wish to see the full map or other available information about the location and status of Public Rights of Way please call Amey Herefordshire on 01432 845900.

For more information about public rights of way go to Herefordshire Council's website www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport and follow the links.

Broadband

Rural villages to be blessed with new broadband service – network rollout confirmed

More than a dozen Herefordshire villages are to enjoy superfast broadband in the next six months following the official launch of the UK's first Broadband Licence for Churches.

Service provider Allpay today confirmed that Peterchurch, Madley, Preston-on-Wye, Staunton-on-Wye, Credenhill, Burghill, Callow and Wellington would be among the first communities to benefit from the company's trailblazing work with the Diocese of Hereford.

The Bishop of Hereford, the Rt. Rev. Anthony Priddis officially presented the very first Broadband Licence to the vicar of Kingstone Church, Rev. Clare Dyson, during a ceremony at the Bishop's Palace in Hereford last Friday.

Kingstone is the first church in the Diocese to have broadband equipment installed with Allpay using its tower to beam a wireless signal to more than 150 customers across three communities. It follows a successful pilot study in the parish, which will now be used as a blueprint to roll the service out across rural parts of Herefordshire and South Shropshire.

In addition to the villages confirmed today, Allpay says it plans to include areas such as Shobdon, Leominster, Clee Hill and Bromyard in the next 12 months. Expressions of interest are also being sought from other parishes via the company website www.allpaybroadband.com

"We will go where there is the demand, so please register your interest with us," said Allpay's Marketing Director Nick Peplow.

Allpay says it is committed to providing a high speed broadband service with the standard package offering up to 4Mbs. In addition, the company has the potential to offer up to 35Mbs for businesses and other high end users.

As part of the deal allpay has done with the Diocese, churches will receive an annual fee of £500 for allowing their churches to host the equipment. Both organisations see the project as an example of the Big Society in action and both are keen to emphasise how important the service could be to local communities.

The official launch of the Broadband Licence, which provides standard terms and conditions allowing every church in the Diocese to apply for equipment to be installed, was attended by the county's two MPs Jesse Norman and Bill Wiggin, along with the Mayor of Hereford, the Chairman of Herefordshire Council and a number of key clergy, including the Bishop of Hereford.

Any residents or parishes interested in the allpay Broadband service can register their interest on the company's website. Go to www.allpaybroadband.com for more details or telephone 0844 557 8332.

For more information, please contact Lisa Howell, allpay Broadband Manager on 01432 852567/email lisa.howell@allpay.net orAnni Holden, Director of Communications at the Diocese of Hereford, on 01432 373342/email a.holden@hereford.anglican.org

Great Spring Garden Event

Hampton Court Castle, Hope-under-Dinmore, Leominster, Herefordshire
Thursday, 5 May 2011

Hampton Court Castle, located just south of Leominster off A49, dates from the early fifteenth century and is located on the meadows of the River Lugg, backed by a steep wooded escarpment. It boasts spectacular gardens which, although recently developed, are now receiving national recognition. On 5 May, the entire gardens and grounds will be made available to stage the British Red Cross annual Garden Event

A must for all enthusiasts of gardening and the outdoors, this popular event will feature around 80 quality stalls. Exhibitors include a host of specialist garden nurseries selling a wide range of plants from the traditional to the highly unusual – plants for the garden, the terrace, the conservatory, the pond, the woodland garden and the wildflower meadow. This event will also see the introduction of a produce market, where visitors will be able to peruse stalls selling fine foods.

When this popular event was staged at Hampton Court Castle in 2009 it attracted record crowds and resulted in traffic tailbacks and some delays. Since then Hampton Court Castle has worked hard to avoid a similar situation occurring again, this year staging, amongst other prestigious events, the BBC Antiques Roadshow and the Herefordshire Country Fair.

The gardens at Hampton Court are one of the most ambitious garden creations of our time. Rescued from neglect in 1994, they have been revived and transformed. Features include an ornamental kitchen garden, beautiful herbaceous borders stretching out from a 150 year old wisteria tunnel, a maze of a thousand yews, a sunken garden, impressive water features, vast lawns and ancient trees.

The event runs from 10.30am to 4.30pm. Admission is £6.00 per person. Entrance to the Castle is also available at a small additional cost. Further information, including a full list of stallholders, available from; British Red Cross, 6 Harrow Road, Plough Lane, Hereford HR4 0EH. Tel. no. 01432 373020.

Pest Control

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Pest prevention programmes also provided for businesses and private houses.



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www.Positive-Environmental.co.uk

The Census is Coming

March 27th will be Census Day. From the middle of March those long, complicated forms will be dropping through our letterboxes again, although this year we will have the option to answer online if we find that easier. Whichever way we do it, returning the form is compulsory, with fines of up to £1000 for non-compliance. Since the government and local authorities base their spending plans on the statistics that they get from censuses it is also important for answers to be accurate and truthful. However the organisers have already admitted that no one can stop you claiming to be a Jedi knight or a witch if you feel so inclined, as many people did in the last census.

The census is always taken in March or April and there has been one almost every ten years since 1801. The exception was in 1941 when the authorities had rather more pressing matters to concern them, like how to stop Hitler from invading us. At first the exercise was little more than a parish by parish head count but by 1841 the government had begun to realise how useful it might be to have additional information about people's ages and occupations, and how they were moving around the country. Special forms were printed and an army of "census enumerators" was recruited and sent out to deliver them to every household. As many householders couldn't read or write, the enumerators were thoughtfully issued with pencils so that they could read out the questions and fill the forms in themselves if necessary. That was the beginning of the census form as we know it today and more and more questions have been added over the

years as governments try to get to grips with problems like house overcrowding and transport needs. In 1951 as slum clearance and house building speeded up after the war they even added a question about “domestic sanitation” – a delicate way of finding out how many outside lavatories were still being used.

The requirements for being a census enumerator were quite strict – they had to be male, respectable, honest, fit and able to walk long distances, temperate in their habits and able to read and write. Schoolteachers were considered very suitable for the task. The enumerators were usually very thorough in carrying out their duties, checking up on gypsy encampments and closely questioning any tramps they found sleeping in barns and haystacks. In 1901 the Byford enumerator included the steamroller driver who happened to be spending census night parked up by the Home Farm in the van that he pulled behind his steam engine.

Because they contain personal information the forms are closed for 100 years but once they are opened they give a fascinating snapshot of people’s lives. At Garnons in 1871, for example, Sir Henry Geers Cotterell, his wife and three little girls were being cared for by 21 servants including a butler and an under butler but there is no cook on the list – was it was her night off or had she given notice that day and flounced out as cooks frequently did?

The royal family have to fill out census forms just like anyone else. In the return for Buckingham Palace in 1851 Queen Victoria gave her occupation as “the Queen,” but Prince Albert was named as the head of the household, with his occupation as “Prince of the United Kingdom, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Coburg and Gotha” (maybe he filled the form in). By the time the next census came round someone must have had a word with him and explained a few home truths about his status and he was demoted to simply “husband” and Victoria was head of the household as well as the country.

Some people apparently found it hard to take the census seriously, like William Roberts from Kimbolton who gave his occupation as “grand cider drinker” or the two neighbours from Hereford, Thomas Porter and George Slabberdash, the one claiming to be a hedgehog catcher and the other a worm destroyer. Some were alarmingly honest like the man in Croydon who described himself as a retired opium smuggler, with a child born in Shanghai to prove it. One young Herefordian said he was a fortune hunter in search of a rich bride and a despairing mother (perhaps it was a wet half term) described her daughter’s work as “helps a bit in the house occasionally.” However the prize for honesty, or perhaps stupidity, must go to the six young ladies living in so-called lodging houses in Friar Street and West Street in Hereford in 1851 who cheerfully gave their occupation as “prostitute.” As we say these days, “too much information”!

Hereford Times

Since the end of May 2002 Barry Megson has been the Village Correspondent for Bishopstone, Bridge Sollars, Byford, Kenchester and Mansell Gamage in the Hereford Times.

Barry's address is Whipsiderry, Bishopstone. HR4 7JE, or telephone 590691, or email barryanne99@tiscali.co.uk and he will be very pleased to talk, meet and advise you about your news items or notices of forthcoming events. Birthdays, marriages, births and deaths are not permissible.

Every week, under the title **County Times**, the newspaper prints news from the villages and that means that clubs, churches and all organisations may advertise their next meeting date, their activities, needs and wants and have a **free announcement** in the newspaper. Keep in touch with your community.

Wackey Walkers

The FESTIVE WALK, led by John Macklin, took place on Saturday 18th December following the village boundary around Bishopstone starting from Jolin. It had snowed overnight and walkers were treated to a glass of mulled wine before starting out. The walk joined the old railway line and went westwards to the flag station at Shetton then joining the bridle path around Garnons Hill. The walkers then returned to 'Jolin' to enjoy a delicious lunch prepared by Jo Macklin. John and Jo generously gave the donations for the meal, which totalled £260 to The New Bridge Community Centre.

The January walk, also led by John and Jo Macklin, started from the public car park at Pembridge, headed south to Nutford and Bearwood, returning to the car park. Lunch was at the The Kings Head House, Pembridge.

In February, the walk, led by John Pinches, started from The Stag Inn Titley. After a long climb up to a 1080ft ridge the cloud had cleared and we were rewarded with spectacular views over the Herefordshire countryside. After the walk everyone stayed for a very delicious lunch at the Stag.

The next walk is on Saturday 26th March, meeting at 10.15 am at the Harewood End Inn. It is about 4 miles long crossing over fields to Hoarwithy then back along a private road.

Walks usually take place on either the third or fourth Saturday in each month. They often start at a Public House where bar snacks can be enjoyed after the walk. Many walkers stay, but this is optional! The starting place and time are announced in the County Section of the Hereford Times under Bishopstone.

Forthcoming Events

Bishopstone

Lent lunches will be held at Mansel Lacy Community Centre at 12 noon each Wednesday throughout Lent. Bishopstone will be hosting the lunches on 23rd and 30th March. Everyone welcome.

The Easter Service at Bishopstone Church will be at 10am on Sunday 24th April. Saturday 9th July is the date for a Garden Party to be held at Banbury Hall in aid of Bishopstone and Byford Churches. Further details in the next issue.

Bridge Sollars

SATURDAY 14TH MAY : CHURCH SINGERS CONCERT 7.30 -9.30 pm at Mansel Lacy Church Community Centre in aid of Bridge Sollars Church. The Singers have been an established choir since 1968 and they will be performing an interesting mixture of sacred and secular texts by well known composers such as Mozart, Mendelssohn and Tchaikovsky and less well known modern composers such as Morten Lauridsen and Jean Berger.

Light refreshments will be served.

Tickets: £6.00 Please contact Nancy Malins on 01981 590601

The times of services for all our churches can be found on the Parish Council **Web site**. Log on to www.Bishopstonegroupparish.co.uk

Call for local film footage – the Full Circle Project.

Do you have old reels of film gathering dust in your attic? Herefordshire Heritage Service is interested in films of Herefordshire on any topic: family picnics, farm footage, carnivals – anything which shows life over the last century up to recent times. We and certain local history societies are collecting them on behalf of the West Midlands film archive MACE, who will discuss making copies with the owner, with the future potential of showing them to the community. So don't throw away those old cine-camera films or videos – even footage of you as a child in your parents' back garden could be important to say something about how children played in the past.

The Full Circle project will run for three years. For more information, or to offer film for MACE, please contact the Community Heritage Officers Elizabeth Pimblett and Sarah Skelton on 01432 383599.

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