

Pillaton Village News

Issue 245 September 2026

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Parish of St Mellion-with-Pillaton HARVEST 2026

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**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Harvest Praise Family Service**  
St Odulph's Church at 10.00 am

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Monday 5th October
Harvest Supper and Auction
in the Village Hall 7.00 for 7.30 pm

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**Glass of wine & supper of pasty and pudding**  
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**(Feel free to bring own drink)**

*Donations of puddings & sweets for the supper and contributions of good quality bric-a-brac for the auction, together with cakes, vegetables, fruit, flowers, plants, jams and pickles would be gratefully received.*

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*Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September*  
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**Contact:** *Shirley - 350683*  
*Sue - 350065*



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After this year's long hot summer with its endless blue skies and little rain, as we move into September it is almost as if we are returning for a new term after the school holidays. To continue the analogy a little further whilst we've been away enjoying ourselves there have been changes afoot. There's a new headmaster at Makerfield High; the previous one having been replaced after a tricky Ofsted inspection. At his first school assembly the new Head seemed to be particularly keen on extolling the virtues of a magnetic compass always pointing north. It was also apparent some staff members had changed. Already there are more school buses, but the new policy of letting pupils out of detention early is proving a bit of a problem. The school still has dodgy plumbing; the heating system is unreliable and no real sign of a replacement for the school nurse. However, it's early days yet and we will just have to wait and see whether the exam results will be any good.

Fortunately, closer to home in Pillaton there have some very identifiable changes with a new kitchen for the Village Hall and a new children's multi-purpose activity centre for the Playing Field. Hopefully, these new facilities will serve the village community for many years to come.

Finally, one piece of editorial housekeeping, I'm looking for a volunteer to distribute the Village News in The Row and Mary Moon Close to take over from Pam Lowther who has so kindly been doing it for a number of years. If anyone is able to help, I would be most grateful.

My contact details are on page 23, and the next copy date is Monday 9 November.

*Robin Dwane, Editor*



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## PROCEEDINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 1 SEP 2026

### PRESENT

Councillor Dolley (Chairman) Councillors: Bridgman, Floyd, Moore, Johnson, Bunkum & Warne (Vice Chair) Also in attendance: Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) & Jim Gale – Cornwall Councillor.

APOLOGIES None.

### CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

Cllr Dolley (Chair) welcomed Councillors to the Meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Three members of the public were also present.

### MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 7 July 2026 were approved.

MATTERS ARISING None.

### REPORT BY CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JAMES GALE

Reform Councillors have met with the Cornish fishermen to discuss the effect that wind turbines are having on fishing banks. Fishing numbers are reduced which puts the profession at risk. Current fishing fleet 157 inshore and offshore fleet over 40 ports. £56 million turnover.

A30 Highways – Kennards House / Five Lanes road safety works to commence early September.

Tamar tunnel refurbishment works now complete

Potholes repairs continue, the number having reduced from 6,000 to 700.

Clapper Bridge repairs complete.

### FINANCE

The Council approved the following payments: Clerk's salary (Jul/Aug) £300, Contractual Office Allowance £52, Bank charges £8.50, Kompan Playpark equipment installation (paid by delegated authority) £16,672.8475; Total £17,033.34.

### PLANNING

No applications/decisions received.

### CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

Cllr Dolley stated that the bench situated by the telephone box had now been repaired with new slats thanks to Cllr Warne (Vice Chair).

*Editor's Note - These are abbreviated notes on the proceedings of Pillaton Parish Council meetings; full versions of the draft minutes from each meetings can be found on the village website.*

The new playground equipment has been installed but additional turf will be required around the landing area for safety purposes.

### COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Defibrillator Cllr Warne (Vice Chair) advised that the defibrillator and the Wifi signal were not making contact. Cllr Bunkum will investigate and remedy the signal.

Fly Tipping No further incidents.

Playground equipment Cllr Johnson confirmed that new equipment has now been fully installed, and all Councillors agreed that the new equipment and the project had been a great success.

The Playing Field Support Group has now been disbanded and surplus play equipment funds approximately £271 will be transferred from the Village Hall CIO to Pillaton Parish Council. The funds will be added to the VAT amount (when recovered) on the new equipment and form a ringfenced budget to fund and maintain play equipment and assets in the future. The value of the new play equipment will be added to the Parish Council's assets list for insurance and audit purposes.

The RoSPA inspection of play equipment will now take place during September/October now the new equipment has been installed.

Safeguarding No further incidents.

Neighbourhood Development Plan & Parish Plan Deferred until May 2027.

## THE FRIENDS OF ST ODULPH

Invite everyone to a

### **‘Talk on the Victorian Woodcarvers’**

whose craft work enhances our village church on

**FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 7.00-8.30 pm**

Author and Historian Dr Helen Wilson will give an illustrated talk in the Village Hall, followed by a guided tour in St Odulph's Church.

**Admission FREE. Donations welcome.**

**Start 7.00 in Pillaton Village Hall**

Inquiries, or if you would like to join the Friends of St Odulph:

**Tel 07877521930**

# 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SUMMER SHOW



The Pillaton Gardening Club's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show on Saturday 5 September started with the assembly of the wonderful knitted and crafted display on the bench seat by the Old Post Office. Thank you, ladies for the great gesture.

Having endured an extremely wet winter and early Spring, followed by the driest, hottest summer on record, I had grave reservations as to how successful the Show would be particularly in the flower and veg categories.



Once again, the parishioners of Pillaton didn't let us down. Although the Vegetable entries were well down the dried flower and cut flower displays were terrific in quantity and quality.



Being our 40<sup>th</sup> show, our only original member from that inauguration day, Kathryn Bumkum, made a lovely and very 'moreish' 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake for us all to enjoy and I hope you all had a piece.

Dick Harnett, our long standing, President kindly undertook the task of presenting all the Trophies to the various winners as shown below.

This show couldn't function without significant input from the small select committee and we are all very grateful for the additional help given in erecting all the staging and dismantling after the show. Thank you.

The Show attracted some 608 entries from 34 adults and (very pleasing) 13 children. Major winners on the day were Clare Page, Shirley Floyd, the Symons family, Richard and Maire Warwick and Ian Edwards.

### **Trophy Winners**

|                                                             |                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Kernock Park Nurseries Shield - Most Points sections 1 to 4 | <i>Clare Page</i>             |
| Rose Peters Cup – Most points Cut Flowers                   | <i>Clare Page</i>             |
| Horticulture Society Cup – Most points Pot Plants           | <i>Richard Warwick</i>        |
| Kathryn Bunkum Cup - Most points in Vegetables              | <i>Clare Page/Ian Edwards</i> |
| J Hubbard Cup - Best leek display                           | <i>John Archer</i>            |
| W.E. Lucas Cup - Best Herb exhibit                          | <i>Shirley Floyd</i>          |
| Clare Druett Cup – Most points in Fruit                     | <i>Ian Edwards</i>            |
| Ken Beal Shield – Most points in Handicraft                 | <i>Richard Warwick</i>        |
| The Howarth Trophy – Most Points in Needlecraft             | <i>Claire Mildren</i>         |
| The Peter Hicks Plate - Most points for Art                 | <i>Alison Downing</i>         |
| Gymkhana Association Cup – Most points for Floral Art       | <i>Kirsty Mims</i>            |
| Davina Beal Cup - Most points on Cookery                    | <i>Shirley Floyd</i>          |
| WI Rose Bowl - Most points for Preserves                    | <i>Ian Edwards</i>            |
| WI Silver Vase - Best Jam Sponge                            | <i>Shirley Floyd</i>          |
| VNA Symons Trophy – Most Points for Wine                    | <i>Spencer Symons</i>         |
| Pillaton Wives Group Cup – Most Points Junior Photography   | <i>Ivy Symons</i>             |
| Greta Jope Cup - Most Points for Photography                | <i>Maire Warwick</i>          |
| Headmasters Cup - Most points in Junior section             | <i>Ivy Symons</i>             |
| Playgroup Cup – Best Infants Garden on a Plate -            | <i>Argo Kiddey</i>            |
| Rose Peters Shield - Most points for Children's Cookery     | <i>Emily Evans</i>            |
| The Newton Ferrers Trophy – Best Pot Plant Special Class    | <i>Tracy Kennedy</i>          |
| J and T Dolley Trophy – Family gaining most points          | <i>Symons Family</i>          |
| Rose and John Memorial Trophy – Best exhibit Veg Collection | <i>Clare Page</i>             |



Many thanks again to the Garden Club Committee and the wonderful support from the Pillaton Villagers, whose support makes our efforts worthwhile.

Our next event will be the ever popular Pumpkin Carving event on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall. We have plenty of Pumpkins available.

*Ian Edwards*  
*Chairman Pillaton Gardening Club*



## PILLATON VILLAGE HALL CIO 200 CLUB

Are you aware/do you know of the Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club, which is drawn on the first Monday of each month and raises funds for the upkeep and maintenance of the Village Hall.

We have been running the Club since November 2020 and would very much like you to join us.

If you would like to participate by having a number(s) in the draw, it is £24 per annum for one number. £12 goes to the prize fund and £12 to the Village Hall.

Please contact Chris Ley on 07972 817086 to sign up.



**REMEMBER.... You have to be in it to win it!!!**

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### Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Winners

| Date       | Amount | Number | Winner                  |
|------------|--------|--------|-------------------------|
| 1 Jun 2026 | £102   | 71     | Richard Bruton          |
| 6 Jul 2026 | £102   | 48     | Richard Harnett         |
| 3 Aug 2026 | £102   | 62     | Shirley Floyd           |
| 7 Sep 2026 | £102   | 34     | Richard & Maire Warwick |

**NEXT DRAW 5 OCTOBER 2026**

# PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

**2.30 pm**

**Pillaton Village Hall**



***Watch out for more details***

## NEW SKITTLES SEASON

The new 2026/27 Skittles League gets under way on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October and the full fixture list is given below. Prior to that we will be holding a Skittles Social on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 7.00 pm in the village hall. Snacks will be provided but bring your own drinks. Teams are always looking for new members so please come along and if you enjoy the evening, we can put you in touch with team captains.

*Maggie Bruton*

### SKITTLES LEAGUE FORTHCOMING FIXTURES 2026/27

#### 2026

**Thursday 8 October**

Knackered Monks -v- Wild Indians  
The Mavericks -v- Wild Indians  
Knackered Monks -v- Hillbillies

**Thursday 12 November**

Hillbillies -v- Knackered Monks  
The Mavericks -v- Wild Indians  
Hillbillies -v- The Mavericks

**Thursday 10 December**

The Mavericks -v- Knackered Monks  
Hillbillies -v- Wild Indians  
Knackered Monks -v- Wild Indians

#### 2027

**Thursday 14 January**

Knackered Monks -v- The Mavericks  
Hillbillies -v- Wild Indians  
The Mavericks -v- Hillbillies

**Thursday 18 February**

Hillbillies -v- Wild Indians  
The Mavericks -v- Hillbillies  
Knackered Monks -v- Wild Indians

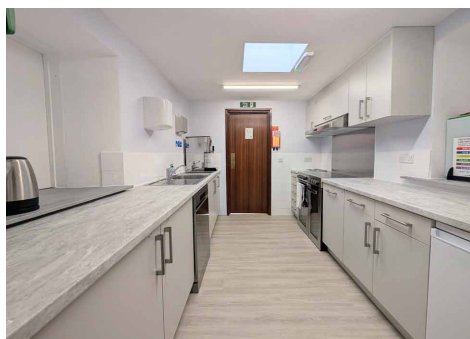
**Thursday 18 March**

The Mavericks -v- Wild Indians  
Knackered Monks -v- Hillbillies  
Knackered Monks -v- The Mavericks

# NEW KITCHEN FOR THE VILLAGE HALL

Completed in early August, the Village Hall now has a shiny new kitchen. It's a lot brighter, more ergonomic, and has fantastic new features - a 900cm cooker (with air fryer function, 2 conventional ovens, grill, and 5-ring ceramic burner). The new dishwasher includes a 15-minute quick wash cycle (for glasses/lightly soiled plates).

There's more storage, and everything is labelled. The back storeroom has also had a makeover, and we now have a dedicated cleaning cupboard to house all cleaning kit and chemicals. Plus, a large metal dishware cabinet and a dedicated First Aid spot. To comply with Health & Safety, these are all lockable, and the keys hang high up on the end of the Dishware cabinet. There's also a new fridge/ freezer in the back room (as well as the existing fridge).



Back in April the Village Hall CIO took the decision to modernise the old kitchen following an assessment by a small sub-committee consisting of Beth Bailey, Rory Dunn and Carole Hoskin. An initial budget of £7,500 was set with Beth taking the lead to bring the project to fruition, including sourcing of materials. The new kitchen finally came in well under-budget at £6,800, but this could not have been



achieved without the very considerable efforts of Hugh Bailey and Dave Truscott, who fitted out the kitchen and electrics, Dave Tate for doing the plumbing, which saved much time, and Rena Truscott, who with Beth did much of the cleaning, painting and moving of furniture.

As the Village Hall was registering as a food business, just as important as the physical kitchen was putting in place the necessary management procedures to ensure it meets all current Food Safety regulations. Rory Dunn, who is the Food Safety Officer for the Village Hall Committee and has a Level 3 qualification in Food Safety & Hygiene, undertook the important task of putting together the procedural manual and the application to Cornwall Council. The result of all this collective hard work culminated in the Food Registration officer for South East Cornwall awarding the kitchen the highest possible 5\* rating.

Hopefully, the new kitchen will serve us well for as long as the one it replaced. It is there for the use of everyone and open to private hirers and clubs to use for functions and not just events organised by the Village Hall Committee.

*Robin Dwane*



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# PILLATON ARTS AND CRAFT GROUP

The Pillaton Arts and Crafts Group has been in existence for 13 years and aims to provide opportunities for everyone, regardless of ability or experience, to enjoy creative activities in a sociable and non judgmental environment.

We have explored a wide range of topics including mosaics, printing, flower arranging, weaving, tie dyeing, puppet making, photography, etc. as well as all types of painting and drawing and also have an enthusiastic recorder group. We have visited art galleries, museums and craft fairs, enjoyed talks and presentations on a variety of relevant subjects and put on exhibitions to showcase the artistic talent in Pillaton and its locality.

We meet in The Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons and only a small charge (usually £2 - £3) is made to cover the hire of the hall and materials. There is no official membership or commitment

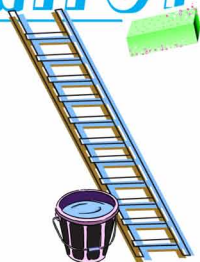


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Our Autumn term programme includes leaf printing and cyanotypes (using photosensitive paper to produce images), willow weaving, making a Christmas flower circlet, water colour painting and making felt animals. After Christmas we have plans to include mosaic workshops and clay modelling.

We welcome new participants, especially those who may have a particular



interest or skill they are willing to share. We can guarantee friendly and fun afternoons even if our creative efforts aren't always of a particularly high standard! Think Friday afternoon in primary school and you get the idea!

If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please contact me at  
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*Maire Warwick*

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Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who made Cherry Feast 2026 such a great success. Not only did this year raise the

## CHERRY FEAST

biggest amount ever towards maintaining the fabric of churches in Pillaton and St Mellion but we had the biggest attendance and many reports of a great day, enjoyed by all and from many first-time attendees. This success is due to the generous spending of all that came and bought raffle tickets, in addition to the hard work of the many volunteers and the Cherry Feast Committee.

Planning for 2027 has already begun with the first committee meeting having been held on 17 August 2026. Hugh Bailey, the new Chair, has taken over the helm from Barry Mims. Items on the agenda included obtaining appropriate Council licences, entertainment ideas and bookings, marketing improvements, overall resources available and required, and communication outside of the committee meeting.

We are aware that communication has been mainly via social media, but we wish to be more inclusive. A first step is to include these regular brief summaries in the Pillaton Village News (and hopefully Melanus News) throughout the year, and we welcome feedback and ideas - as well as more volunteers for the big event! Here is a list of the Committee Members, please do not hesitate to approach us with any ideas and/or contact us by email at: ***CherryFeastAdmin@gmail.com***

- Chairman - Hugh Bailey
- Finance - Suzy Renfree
- Secretary - Rena Truscott
- Site Manager - Stuart Renfree
- Church Warden - Vivienne Malsom (VM)
- PCC Member - Beth Bailey currently present. Vivienne Malsom is another representative.

### **Other Committee positions/team leads and nominees**

- Stalls & Entertainment coordination - Zara Sutton
- St Mellion School & Community Engagement - tbc
- Health & Safety Coordinator - Rory Dunn
- Marketing & Advertising (including Raffle Ticket purchase) - Beth Bailey and Jamie Humphrey
- Raffle Ticket Selling Co-ordinator (pre-event) - tbc
- Catering & Bar - Jamie Humphrey and Beth Bailey
- Site setup/take down logistics - Graham Heap

### **Stall/Event Leads**

- Dog Show - Tracy Kennedy

Next meeting is planned for mid-September, and a summary will appear in the next newsletter.

*Rena Truscott, Secretary*

# SUMMER BARBECUE SUCCESS

Every summer Shirley and Dave Floyds' hold a barbecue at Rick Park Farm. This year's event, held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, raised a wonderful £232.50 on behalf of Cornwall Air Ambulance. In response Shirley and Dave received a handwritten

card from the Air Ambulance Critical Care Team thanking all those who contributed.

Dear Shirley and David

Thank you so much for your generous donation of £232.50 raised at your Summer BBQ.

Please pass on our thanks to all those who attended.

Your kind donation will help to keep both of our aircraft flying and will help your crew to deliver critical care to those who need it the most.

With our heartfelt thanks

Your Critical Care Team



Illustration from front of the card

## WEARY FRIAR COFFEE MORNINGS

Please join us for tea, coffee, cake and chat.

A fabulous opportunity for village locals of all ages, to get together in a warm, friendly environment with no strings attached, though donations of cake are most welcome! See below for forthcoming coffee mornings this year.

All dates 11.00 am to 1.00 pm.



**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**



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## **CHURCH DIARY**

### **ST. MELLION-with-PILLATON and ST DOMINIC**

| <b><u>DATE</u></b> | <b><u>DAY</u></b> | <b><u>TIME</u></b> | <b><u>SERVICE/EVENT</u></b>   | <b><u>CHURCH</u></b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 20 Sep             | Sunday            | 1000               | Holy Communion                | Pillaton             |
| 22 Sep             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | St Dominic           |
| 27 Sep             | Sunday            | 1000               | Contemporary Celtic Worship   | St Dominic           |
|                    |                   | 1000               | Holy Communion                | St Mellion           |
| 04 Oct             | Sunday            | 1000               | Harvest Praise Family Service | Pillaton             |
|                    |                   | 1800               | Cornish Evening Prayer        | Halton Quay          |
| 05 Oct             | Monday            | 1930               | Harvest Supper                | Pillaton VH          |
| 06 Oct             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | Pillaton             |
| 11 Oct             | Sunday            | 1000               | Morning Praise                | St Mellion           |
|                    |                   | 1000               | Holy Communion                | St Dominic           |
| 18 Oct             | Sunday            | 1000               | Holy Communion                | Pillaton             |
| 20 Oct             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | St Mellion           |
| 25 Oct             | Sunday            | 1000               | Holy Communion                | St Mellion           |
|                    |                   | 1000               | Contemporary Celtic Worship   | St Dominic           |
| 27 Oct             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | St Dominic           |
| 01 Nov             | Sunday            | 1000               | Morning Praise                | Pillaton             |
|                    |                   | 1500               | Cornish Evening Prayer        | Halton Quay          |
| 03 Nov             | Tuesday           | 1030               | Holy Communion                | Pillaton             |
| 08 Nov             | Remembrance       | 1015               | Morning Praise                | Pillaton             |
|                    | Sunday            | 1050               | Act of Remembrance            | Pillaton             |
|                    |                   | 1030               | Morning Praise                | St Mellion           |
|                    |                   | 1050               | Act of Remembrance            | St Mellion           |
|                    |                   | 1000               | Holy Communion                | St Dominic           |
|                    |                   | 1050               | Act of Remembrance            | St Dominic           |
| 15 Nov             | Sunday            | 1000               | Holy Communion                | Pillaton             |
| 17 Nov             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | St Mellion           |
| 22 Nov             | Sunday            | 1000               | Holy Communion                | St Mellion           |
|                    |                   | 1000               | Contemporary Celtic Worship   | St Dominic           |
| 24 Nov             | Tuesday           | 0930               | Holy Communion                | St Dominic           |
| 29 Nov             | Sunday            | 1000               | Benefice Advent Communion     | St Dominic           |

## **BENEFICE CONTACT DETAILS**

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For all matters concerning the church, timings of services, and enquiries regarding baptisms, weddings, and funerals, visit the Benefice website at:

***[www.sites.google.com/tamar7.org/tamar-valley-benefice](http://www.sites.google.com/tamar7.org/tamar-valley-benefice)***

## WASTE AND RECYCLING DATES

|            |                |            |                |
|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|
| Wed 16 Sep | Food/Rubbish   | Tue 27 Oct | Garden Waste   |
| Wed 23 Sep | Food/Recycling | Wed 28 Oct | Food/Rubbish   |
| Tue 29 Sep | Garden Waste   | Wed 4 Nov  | Food/Recycling |
| Wed 30 Sep | Food/Rubbish   | Tue 10 Nov | Garden Waste   |
| Wed 7 Oct  | Food/Recycling | Wed 11 Nov | Food/Rubbish   |
| Tue 13 Oct | Garden Waste   | Wed 18 Nov | Food/Recycling |
| Wed 14 Oct | Food/Rubbish   | Tue 24 Nov | Garden Waste   |
| Wed 21 Oct | Food/Recycling | Wed 25 Nov | Food/Rubbish   |

## Pillaton Village Diary

|            |                                                                 |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat 19 Sep | Fun Skittles Evening, Pillaton Village Hall                     |
| Mon 21 Sep | Coffee Morning, Weary Friar                                     |
| Sat 26 Sep | Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning, Pillaton Village Hall  |
| Mon 5 Oct  | Harvest Supper, Pillaton Village Hall                           |
| Mon 5 Oct  | Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw                             |
| Tue 6 Oct  | Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall                   |
| Thu 8 Oct  | Skittles League, Pillaton Village Hall                          |
| Fri 9 Oct  | Talk on Victorian Woodcarvers, Pillaton Village Hall and Church |
| Fri 23 Oct | Coffee Morning, Weary Friar                                     |
| Sun 25 Oct | Pumpkin Festival, Pillaton Village Hall                         |
| Mon 2 Nov  | Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw                             |
| Tue 3 Nov  | Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall                   |
| Thu 12 Nov | Skittles League, Pillaton Village Hall                          |
| Mon 23 Nov | Coffee Morning, Weary Friar                                     |
| Tue 1 Dec  | Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall                   |
| Sat 5 Dec  | Christmas Quiz Night, Pillaton Village Hall                     |

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**Wed 30 Sept 2026 | 9:30am to 12pm**  
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**Weddings at Pentillie**  
Book a private viewing to come and see Pentillie for yourself. Wander through the Castle, explore the gardens and starting to picture your own day here.



**What's on this Winter**  
Enjoy a little festive magic at the Castle, we're planning wreath making and Carols in the Courtyard return this winter ~ dates to be announced soon so keep an eye on our website!



**2027 Spring Charity Garden Open Days**  
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