

Child Okeford



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Village Directory 2014

Welcome

This Directory, produced free by the Parish Council, contains information about all the organisations, groups, clubs, facilities and businesses in Child Okeford.

Child Okeford is one of North Dorset's largest and most attractive villages. It is a delightful place to live for people of all ages; with lots going on and lots to do.

Residents enjoy a thriving, modern lifestyle while treasuring their lovely surroundings and sharing a rich sense of the history of their village.

We hope you find this Directory a useful guide to the vibrant community life of the village.

Child Okeford Parish Council

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Child Okeford Parish Council

The Parish Council is an elected body at the first tier of local government. It has a number of powers and responsibilities and exists primarily to look after the interests of the residents of the parish.

If you wish to contact the Parish Council please contact the Parish Clerk, in the first instance. She will ensure your query is passed to the right Councillor and dealt with quickly.

The Parish Clerk is:

Ms Lorraine Hunt
1 Bennett Close
Sparkford
Yeovil
BA22 7BT

Tel: 01963 440114
clerk@childokeford.org

The Parish Council meets every month, usually on the first Monday of the month (not Bank Holidays). Meetings are held in the Community Centre, in Station Road, and start at 7pm. The schedule of meetings is posted on the village notice boards and on the website.

The meetings are open to the public and if anyone wishes to come along they will be made very welcome.

Agendas and minutes are displayed on the village notice boards and on the website. A brief report of each meeting is published in The Hill magazine.

The Council maintains village notice boards outside the Child Okeford Stores, at the Community Centre and in Millbrook Close.

Parish Councillors and Responsibilities

Wendy ADDLEY (Vice Chairman)	01258 860 990 wendy289@sky.com	Health & Safety Planning Group
Sylvia HOLDEMAN (Chairman)	01258 861 055 sylvia.holdeman@sky.com	Planning Group Utilities Liaison Finance Group Transport Officer Village Hall Representative
Sherry JESPERSEN	01258 860 482 s.jespersen@btinternet.com	Publicity Finance Group
Pamela MORRIS	01258 863 791 pm.morris@hotmail.co.uk	DT11 Partnership Rep Finance Group
Terry RANCE	01258 861 866 spectrumsignpost@hotmail.co.uk	DAPTC Representative Housing
Robert SMITH	01258 860 440 robertsmith@mhcsoftware.co.uk	DAPTC Representative Planning Group Finance Group
Deborah CRONEY	01747 812 469 hillfortsward@hotmail.co.uk	District & County Councillor

Non Councillor Roles

Stuart Carter	01258 861 998 stucarter1@btinternet.com	Tree Officer
Allan Blundell	01258 861621	Footpaths Officer

Home Watch

Home Watch liaises between the Police and the community and communicates relevant crime information via Coordinators, Ringmaster Messages and posters on the village notice boards outside the Child Okeford Stores and at Millbrook Close.

Village Co-ordinator:	Treasurer	Police
Mrs Zoe Hoare Willowbrook, Gold Hill Tel: 01258 861100	Ms Janet Purry Aplands Close	PC Richard Barnes Tel: 01258 452101

PCSO Luke Goddard and PSO Rich Mullins of the Blandford Police Safer Watch Neighbourhood Team can be contacted on 101

To report a crime that is taking place now or requires urgent police attention, always call 999

To report non-urgent matters, call 101

Home Watch: Street Co-ordinators

Allen Close	Marie Haworth	860799	Homefield (cont)		
Aplands Close			25 - 29	M&D Riley	860718
Apple Acre	R & B Martin	861181	30 - 33	Hazel Miller	861264
Bower			34 - 41	G&C Downer	860767
The Butts			Jacobs Ladder	Andrew Spearing	860554
Chalwell	D & M Thomas	861431		Sylvia Holdeman	861055
Common	Sally Bolton	861088	Knotts Close	Audrey Dow	860441
Higher Common	Ian Faulkner	860504	Markstone Cottages		
Duck Street	Barbara Sneary	860217	Melway Gardens		
Gold Hill			Melway Lane		
1 - 6			Millbrook Close	Sue Olds	860997
Cooper Gardens				Ann Salwey	860657
Ridgeway - Aplands			Nutmead Close	Ethel Garlick	860272
Greenway	Brian Baughan	861319	Oliver's Mead	Chris Lingard	861740
High Street			Portman Drive		
Station Rd - Post Office	Sarah Allen	861445	1 - 14	Walter Ransom	861312
(excl. Cottages)	Doreen Wells	860294	Remainder	Alan Blundell	861621
Cottages	Post Office - Cross		Rectory Lane		
Hollow	Jane Haines	860789	Ridgeway Lane		
	Kate St George	860135	St Nicholas Court		
Homefield			Shaftesbury Road		
1 - 8	G&C Downer	860767	Shephards Close	Nancy Manning	861412
9 - 15	Jim Freer	860113	Stansway Court		
16 - 18	Hazel Miller	861264	Station Road	Jan Ward	860078
19 - 24	M&D Riley	860718	Upper Street		

If you wish to receive information about local incidents (by email or phone) please let one of the coordinators know.

Additional Street Coordinators are always welcome, especially where there is limited or no cover. It is not demanding and may help prevent crime in our village.

Please contact one of the Coordinators for more information.

St Nicholas Church & PPC

Service dates and times are published in The Hill magazine and on the Church notice board.

Priest in Charge	Rev.Darren A'Court	01258 861847
Churchwardens	Judy Housley Julian Radburn	01258 860276
Director of Music	Situation vacant	

Bell Ringing

Practice is held on Friday between 7.30 and 8.30pm. For further information please contact Cyril White on 01258 860629. New bellringers always welcome.

Choir

Please contact the Churchwarden

Churchyard Support Group

Meet at the Church, from 9.30 to 11.00am, on the first Saturday of each month, from April to October. For further information please contact Rainer Kretz on 01258 861849

Parochial Church Council (PCC)

In conjunction with the Rector, the PCC promotes the mission of the Church within the Parish.

Chairman	Rev Darren A'Court	01258 861847
Lay Chairman	Julian Radburn	
Secretary	Jenny Coote	01258 861373
Treasurer	John Sneary	01258 860217
Churchwardens	Judy Housley Julian Radburn	01258 860276

The Child Okeford Surgery

Surgery hours	8.00am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday
Dispensary hours	8.30am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday
Appointments and enquiries	01258 860687
Practice Manager	Carole Tilley

Doctors are available, by appointment, at these times:

	Dr Ann Thomas	Dr Nick Berry	Dr Nixon	Practice Nurse
Mon	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	8.30 – 11.00 Half day	Half day 3.30 – 6.00	9.00 – 12.00
Tues	8.30 – 11.00 Half day	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	9.00 – 12.00 2.00 – 5.00
Weds	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	Day off	8.30 – 11.00 Half day	9.00 – 12.00 2.00 – 4.00
Thurs	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	Day off	9.00 – 12.00 2.00 – 4.30 5.00 – 6.00
Fri	Day off	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	8.30 – 11.00 3.30 – 6.00	9.00 – 12.00

The Village Hall

Chairman	Sherry Jespersen	01258 860 482
Secretary	Walter Ransom	01258 861312
Bookings	Rowena Carmichael	01258 860169 or villagehall@childokeford.org

Occasional Hire Charges

	Village Residents	Others
8.00am - 1.00pm	£17.00	£19.50
1.00pm - 6.00pm	£16.00	£19.50
6.00pm - 12.00am (Weekdays)	£29.00	£35.00
6.00pm - 12.00am (Saturdays)	£34.00	£45.00
Jumble Sales	£21.00	£31.00
Wedding Receptions	£80.00	£90.00
NDDC (elections/Appeals)	£90.00 per day	
BTCV	£80.00 Friday Evening to Sunday	

The Village Hall, a charming, traditional building, dating from 1909, has a large hall, with a kitchen and toilets. There is access and parking for disabled visitors and disabled toilet facilities. A small stage can be made available.

The Hall can seat up to 80 people, at tables, and 160 people for other events. There is a full alcohol licence via John Nash.

There is a reinforced sound system in conjunction with a loop system.

Monthly Cinema is to be arranged and will be publicised in The Hill magazine.

The Hall's tables and chairs are available for hire.

Equipment for events and fetes is held in the Village Hall loft on behalf of the village. For further information, please contact a member of the Committee.

The Village Hall Notice Board is only used to announce events to take place in the Village Hall. To use it please contact Walter Ransom, on 01258 861312.

Child Okeford Community Centre

Chairman	John Nash	01258 860485
Secretary	Sue Clayton	01258 860653
Treasurer	Peter Allen	01258 860142
Bookings	Pam Morris	01258 863791

Hire Charges

Casual Users	£15
Regular Users	£10.50
Football / Cricket Matches	£27.50
Children's Parties	£25
Weddings / Private Parties	£50
Car Boot / Jumble Sales	£15

Session times	9.00am – 1.00pm
	1.00pm – 5.00pm
	5.00pm – 9.00pm

The Community Centre has a function room with 70 chairs, 8 small & 1 large folding tables; a kitchen, with fridge, microwave, oven, hob, kettle, crockery, cutlery; toilets and showers.

There is disabled access and a disabled WC.

Community Centre is not licensed for the sale of alcohol so hirers wishing to sell alcohol at an event will be required to obtain, and pay for, a casual drinks licence.

Businesses in Child Okeford

ABBA Valeting

Quality car cleaning from £9.00. 01258 860093 or 07831 854541

Abbey Roofing & Preservation Ltd

01258 861832

The Art Stable

Art Gallery specialising in contemporary and modern British paintings and prints.

01258 863866 kellyross@theartstable.co.uk www.theartstable.co.uk

Bed and Breakfasts

Bere Marsh House:

2/3 letting rooms. Contact Felicity Roe

01258 861133 or 07766550481 jamesroe@talktalk.net

Manor Barn

2 ensuite ground floor rooms. Contact Cari Sorby

01258 860638 carisorby@btinternet.com

Hawthorn Cottage

Contact James or Francesca Chetwode

01258 860957 or 07796142112

12 Knotts Close

2 letting rooms 1 king size, 1 twin. Contact Dennis and Sue Brown 01258 863775

The Saxon Inn

4 ensuite rooms. Contact Helen and Peter Turner.

01258 860310 or bookings@saxoninn.co.uk

Nigel Bastable

Purpose made joinery. 01258 860459

Beehive Self Storage

Zoe Hoare 01258 861100

Email: dorset@beehiveselfstorage.co.uk

Bere Marsh Cookery

Catering for parties, weddings, funerals and also cookery courses. 01258 861133

R B Burrows & Son

Plumbing & heating engineer. 01258 861066

Christine's Puddings

Puddings and pastries. 01258 472010 christinespuddings.co.uk

Computer Help and Graphic / Web Design

Chris Juett. 01258 860705

www.christinctdesigns.co.uk

Paul Corbett

Your local handyman. 01258 860804 or 07960 712778

Dorset Hypnotherapy

Reflexology and massage 01258 860169

Rowena Carmichael DHP.MAPHP MAR ART (Regd)

rowena@dorsethypnotherapy.com www.dorsethypnotherapy.com

Dress and Shirt Making

Lauren Radburn. 01258 860697

www.evelyncouture.co.uk

Businesses in Child Okeford (Cont)

Edward's Taxis & Private Hire

Private hire, weddings, special occasions. local and long distance. Disable carriage. Organised coach tours.

Andy Kerr 01258 860730 or 07772 231913

edwardstaxis@live.co.uk www.edwardstaxis.co.uk

Farrier & Forge Ltd

Abbey Bunyard 01258 861832

Glassblower

Emsie Sharp. 07799 624256 emsiesharp@yahoo.co.uk

www.sharpglass.co.uk

Horse Box & Trailer Hire

01258 860100

James's Cheese

James McCall 07703 277894 www.jamesscheese.co.uk

enquiries@jamesscheese.co.uk

Low Level Arial Photography

Shaun Matthews. 01258 861696 or 07779 280056

Metro Rod

Your local professional drain service

Brenda Anderson. 01258 863745 or 07904 864287

wessex@metrorod.co.uk www.metrorod.co.uk

Okeford Tree Care

All aspects of tree work undertaken including fruit tree pruning & hedge cutting. Emergency call out service.

Contact: Stuart Carter 01258 861998 or 07982 040139 stucarter1@btinternet.com

Okewood

Individually designed, bespoke wooden furniture, kitchens etc. designed by Duncan Hitchings. www.okewood.org.uk,

okewood@btinternet.com

Child Okeford 07814 601291.

Phoenix Cards

Nikki Hooker 01258 860651 nikki.hooker25@gmail.com

Pianist

Pete Papworth - Piano and keyboard player and teacher

01258 861047 or 07904 616081

Plumbing and Heating by Knight

Paul Knight 01258 861372 or 07791 303302

R&B Electrical

Nathan Robbins and Slawek Blasik

07917 420777 or 07446 158442

M J Wareham

Carpenter and general builder 01258 860665

Willowbrook

Traditional blacksmith. 07747 622020

nick@willowbrookdesigns.co.uk

www.willowbrookdesigns.co.uk

Clubs and Societies

Babies and Toddlers

Address: Community Centre
When: Monday 9.30am – 11.30am
Contact: Maggie Vine on 01258 861007

Badminton Club

Activities: Weekly badminton meetings and occasional social events

Contact: Alan Blundell on 01258 861621
Venue: Village Hall
When: Tuesday 7.30pm
Cost: Joining Membership: £10
Subscription: £2 per week

COMPACT

Child Okeford music, performing arts and community theatre. Bringing professional theatre, music and dance performances to the village.

Contacts: David Pritchard 01258 860599
Charles Upton 01258 861391

Very informal, free and open to anyone who would like to participate. As well as actors, we welcome painters, set-builders, technical, front-of-house and promotional help.

COSI (Child Okeford Sustainability Initiative)

COSI comprises people living in Child Okeford who are concerned that the twin threats of environmental change and peak oil will affect our way of life, and who are seeking local solutions to minimise that change. Amongst the various projects we have undertaken, we have: carried out an environmental survey, run an event to promote sustainable energy solutions, co-operatively reared pigs and chickens and run a community vegetable patch.

New members are always welcome.

Chairperson: Carrie Lewis 01258 863800
lewis.seville@yahoo.co.uk

Lauren Radburn 01258 860697
laurenevelynholmes@hotmail.com

Flower Arranging Club

Activities: Monthly informal meetings for practical flower arranging and demonstrations

Contact: Sue Brown 01258 863775
Caroline Angelucci 01258 860049

Venue: Village Hall
When: 3rd Tuesday monthly, 2.15pm

Cost: Per Annum: £20
Visitors: £4.50

Clubs and Societies (cont)

Gardeners' Club

Lectures, outings and social evenings of a horticultural nature. Regular updates in The Hill.

Annual Village Show (open to all).

Chairman: Mrs P Samuel
Vice Chairman: Mr Keith Layton
Treasurer: Mr Roger Billington
Secretary: Christine Downer 01258 860767

Venue: Village Hall
When: 1st Wednesday monthly, 7.30pm
Sep to May. February 2.30pm

Cost: Annual Membership: £8

Hambledon Theatregoers

Activities: Very informal group with 5 trips to theatres each year

Contact: Mrs Josephine Hopkin on 01258 861440

Venue: Coaches pick up from 4 points around the village

Cost: Nominal £1 per annum membership fee. Recovery of cost of coach and theatre tickets.

Lunch Club

Child Okeford Lunch Club is a new venture for the village, from September 2013. An opportunity to enjoy a two course meal in pleasant company. No need to cook for yourself, no washing up and time to meet up with people for a chat.

Contact: Oonagh Eveleigh 01258 860881
Hazel Miller 01258 861264
Hilary Osborne 01258 863713

Venue: Village Hall
When: 4th Wednesday, monthly 12.30pm for 1pm
Cost: £5 per diner

Messy Church

Wednesdays in the Community Centre.

Details are published in The Hill and displayed on the Church notice board.

Millsinger Male Voice Choir

Chairman: Dick Hood 01747 811659
Venue: Community Centre
When: Thursdays at 7.30pm
Membership: Please contact the Chairman

Clubs and Societies (cont)

North Dorset Group of the Dorset Wildlife Trust

A series of winter meetings with illustrated talks. Occasional summer outings and fund raising activities. There are a number of advertised walks during the summer months.

Non members welcome.

Contact: Tony Stables 01258 471487 tony_stables@lineone.net

Venue: Fontmell Magna Village Hall

When: October to April, 3rd Wednesday monthly, 7.30pm

Cost: £2.00 per meeting, donation at entrance.

www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk

Okeford Minstrels

Activities: Mixed Voice Choir

Contact: Barry Curtis 01258 475427

Venue: Community Centre

When: Wednesday evenings at 7.30

Cost: Joining Fee £10 and Per week £1

Short Mat Bowls

Contact: Mike Brown 01258 861623

Venue: Village Hall

When: Monday: 2.00pm to 5.00pm
Thursday: 7.30pm to 10.00pm

Cost: Per Annum: £25 - Per Session: £2

St Nicholas Wives Group

An informal group open to ladies of all ages meeting monthly for a coffee and a chat, often with a guest speaker. Bring and Buy sales held three times a year to raise funds for local charities. Husbands and friends are invited to certain events.

Contact: Mrs Margo Backshall 01258 860286

Treasurer: Hazel Miller 01258 86126

Venue: Village Hall

When: 2nd Wednesday of the month, except August and December

Cost: Annual subscription £7.50. Teas 50p.

Table Tennis Club

Activities: 5 teams in the Blackmore Vale League. All ages welcome

Contact: Keith Anthony 01258 860094

When: Every Monday night and most Wednesday nights, commencing 7.30pm

Venue: Village Hall

Cost: Per Night: £2.50, Visitors/Non-Members: £3.00, Membership: £10.00
Free tea, coffee and biscuits

Clubs and Societies (cont)

Walking Group

Contact: Roger Hull 01258 863 418

Women's Institute: Shroton & Child Okeford

These are non political, non denominational and include support for local events. Educational talks on a variety of subjects, craft demonstrations, pub lunches, theatre and other outings.

For programme see notice board outside the Child Okeford Stores.

Contact: President: Liz Smith 01258 860432
Secretary: Cathy Bird 01258 861526
Venue: Elizabeth Freke Hall, Shroton
When: Second Monday, monthly.
2.00pm October to March inclusive
7.15pm April to September inclusive

Subscription: £33.00 per annum (includes County and National membership and magazine)
Visitors always welcome, £2.50

Education

Child Okeford Centre for Care and Learning (COCCL)

Address: Station Road
Hon.President: Sir Barry Wilson
Chairman: Grahame Downer
Secretary: Judy Housley 01258 860276
Treasurer: Grahame Downer 01258 860767
Administrator: Maggie Vine 01258 861007
(9am – 4pm, Mon – Thurs)

Trustees: Rosemary Blundell
Mike Hudson
Christine Downer

Availability: Monday - Friday: 7.30pm to to10.30pm
Saturday: 10.00am to 5.00pm

Bookings: Through Administrator

Hire Charges: On request

Facilities: Large room for up to 40 adults
Disabled access and toilet
Toilets
Kitchen

Activities: Series of winter meetings with talks and performances on a variety of themes

Contacts: Grahame Downer or Judy Housley (as above)

Venue: St Nicholas School, usually in The Ark Building
When: Mondays
Cost: £5pp each meeting or (£3 for under 16's)

Education (cont)

The Ark

Address: St Nicholas School, Station Road

Manager: Mrs Pauline Pinkney

Chair: Emma Reach

Contact: Maggie Vine 01258 861007

Child care facilities comprising:

Nursery

Pre-school

Breakfast club

Afterschool club

Holiday club

For children aged 0-11 years.

Open 8.00am to 6.00pm, 50 weeks per year.

St Nicholas School

A Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

Address Station Road

Head Teacher Mrs Tracy Maley

Secretary Mrs Jenny Hanson

Telephone 01258 860581

Web Site www.childokeford.dorset.sch.uk

St Nicholas School Governors

The governing body has a range of responsibilities laid down by statute, guidelines and codes of practice. These include working with the school's headmistress and staff to shape the future of the school, to decide the priorities that will help staff to raise the academic standards and determine how the school will spend its money to achieve these aims.

For further information please contact St Nicholas School.

St Nicholas Parent Teachers Association (PTA)

The PTA supports St Nicholas School by organising and running fund raising activities and functions.

Support includes termly class donations, financing coach trips and a wide variety of items to enhance the children's education.

Meetings are usually held monthly at the school, but more frequently when organising fund raising events.

Contact Mrs Xandra Cotton 01258 863651

Village Notice Boards

Jubilee Notice Board outside the Child Okeford Stores. The key is held in the shop.

Parish Council Notice boards at Millbrook Close and the Community Centre. Please contact the Parish Clerk or the Chairman of the Parish Council.

Village Hall Notice Board for events to be held in the Village Hall. Please contact Walter Ransom 01258 861312 or Malcolm Allen 01258 861806.

Women's Institute Notices are displayed outside the Child Okeford Stores

Home Watch Notices are displayed outside the Child Okeford Stores and in Millbrook Close.

Posters may also be displayed at The Child Okeford Stores at the discretion of the proprietors.

Advertising boards of various sizes are available for village use and stored in the Village Hall.

The Hill Magazine

The Hill is published 12 times a year, normally on the last Tuesday of each month. It is published to promote the community that it serves and to support those who live and work in it. Its aims are fourfold:

1. To foster community spirit, harmony and co-operation within the parishes of Hanford, Child Okeford, Hammoon and Manston and the wider benefice.
2. To encourage readers to support local organisations, clubs and businesses and to support events staged for their benefit and enjoyment.
3. To encourage an interest in Local Government affairs that affect the parishes and their inhabitants.
4. To counter rumours that may circulate within the community.

Cost: 35p per copy or £3.50 for those who pay for 12 copies in advance

Editors/Advertising:	Richard Muffett	01258 860010
	Kate Partridge	01258 863695
Distribution	Mrs Sally Bolton	01258 861723
Subscriptions	Mr Alan Blackman	01258 860118

How to contribute:

Copy is required by the Friday before the last Tuesday of each month and may be delivered by hand, by post, e-mail or telephone to the Editor.

Advertisements: The advertising year runs from the March issue to the following February, inclusive. Those wishing to advertise should contact the Editors.

Trade Announcements: Occasional articles publicising new ventures, carrying news of new lines to be carried by businesses are normally printed free of charge. Contact the Editor.

Printing Work:

The Hill is printed on a Gestetner copy printer which prints economically and at high speed. The machine is used to print other parish magazines and a wide variety of newsletters, commercial stock and price lists, church service sheets (for funerals as well as normal services), booklets, letters, programmes for village events, annual programme cards for clubs. A photocopier is also available and is used for short print runs at a cost of 3p per side. Enquiries and requests for estimates for printing or photocopying should be addressed to the Editor.

Village Web Site - www.childokeford.org

The Website for Child Okeford is used to promote the village; our Parish Council and all our clubs, societies and businesses.

It is intended to keep everyone informed about village matters, events and news. It carries information likely to be of use and interest to residents, visitors and anyone interested in our village.

The information on the site includes:

- Parish Council agendas and minutes.
- COCCL events
- Community Centre
- Village Hall
- Home Watch
- Clubs & Societies
- Businesses
- Doctors
- Travel information and bus timetables
- News
- Links
- Calendar
- Photo Gallery

All village clubs, groups and businesses are urged to keep the information on the website up to date. New entries are always welcome.

If you would like your club or society to be included or to make any changes to your information please contact:

web@childokeford.org or chrisjuett@hotmail.com

Pubs

The Baker Arms

Landlords:	Jim and Caroline Dennett	•	Folk Evening (2nd Thursday monthly)
Telephone:	01258 860260 www.bakerarms.com	•	Darts (League, Wednesday)
Hours:	Monday to Sunday	•	Pool (League, Tuesday)
	12 noon to 12 midnight	•	Free pool on Mondays

Varied menu available daily. Dog friendly.

For details of the Baker Arms football team please contact The Baker Arms.

The Saxon Inn

Address	Gold Hill	•	Bed & Breakfast, with four letting rooms
Landlords	Peter and Helen Turner	•	Home cooked food, daily
Telephone	01258 860310 www.saxoninn.co.uk	•	Large pub garden
Opening Hours	Monday to Sunday 12noon to 3.00pm	•	Blandford League Crib (Monday pm)
	(Serving food until 2.30pm)	•	Village Doubles League Crib (Thursday pm)
	6.00pm to 11.00pm	•	Pub Quiz League (Sunday pm)
	(Serving food until 9.30pm)	•	Catering for parties and special occasions
		•	Three or four cask ales on dispense

Village Shops

Gold Hill Organic Farm Shop and Cafe

Address Gold Hill Organic Farm Shop
Proprietor Andrew and Sara Cross
Shop Manager Jane Somper
Telephone 01258 861916
Email info@goldhillfarm.com
Website www.goldhillfarm.com

Opening Hours: Wednesday to Saturday 10.00am to 4.00pm
Sunday: 10.00am to 2.00pm

Gold Hill Farm Shop offers a wide variety of organically grown vegetables and meat products. The vegetables are picked in the morning and then placed in the shop, so food travels yards, not miles.

The farm grows a wide variety of delicious vegetables, from carrots to chillies, peas to beans, tomatoes to potatoes, wonderful wet garlic to onions and a whole host of other tempting treats, and, because the vegetables are grown on the farm, the prices are kept low.

The shop also offers other groceries, dairy products, dried and tinned items and locally produced fresh bread, so you can get everything you need to make a complete meal. Come and be greeted by our friendly and helpful staff.

Gold Hill Farm Cafe offers teas, coffee and cakes and homemade lunches using our own grown produce – all in a beautiful setting at the foot of Hambledon Hill.

The Child Okeford Stores and Tearoom

Child Okeford's popular village shop and tea room welcomes locals and visitors, throughout the year.

Proprietors: Andrew and Eileen Shaw
Telephone: 01258 860279

Opening Hours:
Monday to Friday: 7.00am to 7.00pm
Saturday: 8.00am to 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am to 12.30pm

Facilities Include:

- Fresh fruit and vegetables daily
- Newspapers & magazines
- Fresh bread, pies and pastries. Known for our Cornish Pasties & organic bread
- Fresh sandwiches & rolls
- Frozen foods, ice cream
- Fresh flowers and plants
- Groceries, speciality and gift items
- Off Licence, coal and logs

Local suppliers are used wherever possible.

Tearooms

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 9.30am to 4.30pm. Saturday: 9.00am to 1.00pm

- All day breakfast
- Light lunches including jacket potatoes & soup
- Morning coffee and afternoon tea
- Homemade cakes, scones & teacakes
- Take away and children & adult lunchboxes

Village Shops (cont)

The Post Office

The Post Office is located within the village shop on the High Street.

Proprietor: Rose Keir
Telephone No: 01258 863495

Opening Hours:

Monday - Friday	8.30am to 6.00pm
Saturday	9.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday	Closed

Post Office services include:

- Car Tax, Car & Home Insurance
- On Demand Bureau for Euros
- Pre-order on other foreign currency (0% commission to over 70 countries)
- Travel Insurance
- Money Gram: Transfer of money to countries abroad that can take place within 10 minutes
- Personal Banking – with all the major banks except for the Abbey National side of Santander.
- Bill Payments including BT, Gas, Electricity, Water, Council Tax and Argos. There is no charge for payments through the Post Office
- Mobile Top Up; UK & International Phone Cards
- Post Office Credit Card (0% commission when used abroad)
- Gift Vouchers (ideal for Birthdays & Christmas)

The Oasis Plant Centre

Address: Shaftesbury Road

Proprietor: John Harbour

Telephone: 01258 861325 or 07770 381180

Opening: Monday – Friday 9.00 am to 5.00pm
Saturday/Sunday/Bank Holidays 10.00am to 4.00 pm

Products include:

- Shrubs, Perennials, Bedding
- Hellebores, Roses
- Christmas Trees
- Pot Plants, Hanging Baskets
- Compost

Support Groups

Age UK Advice 0800 1696565

Age Concern

Drop-in centre, information and advice.
4 Nightingale Court, Blandford Forum Tel 01258 458250

Dorset POPP Wayfinders

Dorset Partnership for Older People Programme offering information and advice for the over 50's.

Contact Phyllis Watt 07971 338610
 phyllis.watt@helpandcare.org.uk

 Anne Wilkins 07971 338258
 anne.wilkins@helpandcare.org.uk

 wayfindersinfo@helpandcare.org.uk

Useful Telephone Numbers

Dorset Ambulance Emergency Care Service 0845 600 1013

Police non-emergency calls 101

Services Emergency Numbers:

Gas (Transco) 0800 111 999
Electricity 0845 770 8090
Water 0845 730 0666

Councils:

Dorset County Council 01305 251000
North Dorset District Council 01258 454111

Hospitals:

Blandford 01258 456541
Dorchester 01305 251150
Poole 01202 665511
Shaftesbury 01747 851535

Libraries:

Blandford 01258 452075
Sturminster Newton 01258 472669

Schools:

Bryanston 01258 452411
Clayesmore 01747 811217
Hanford 01258 860219
Sturminster High 01258 472642
Knighton House 01258 452065

Spectrum Housing Association:

Freephone 0800 783 7837
Local 0300 777 7837

Amendments, Omissions and Additions

Please notify the Parish Clerk of any additions or changes to the information in this Directory. We would be pleased to hear about any new village activity, group or business. Information will be included on the website and in The Hill magazine and added to the next edition of the Directory.

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Your Notes