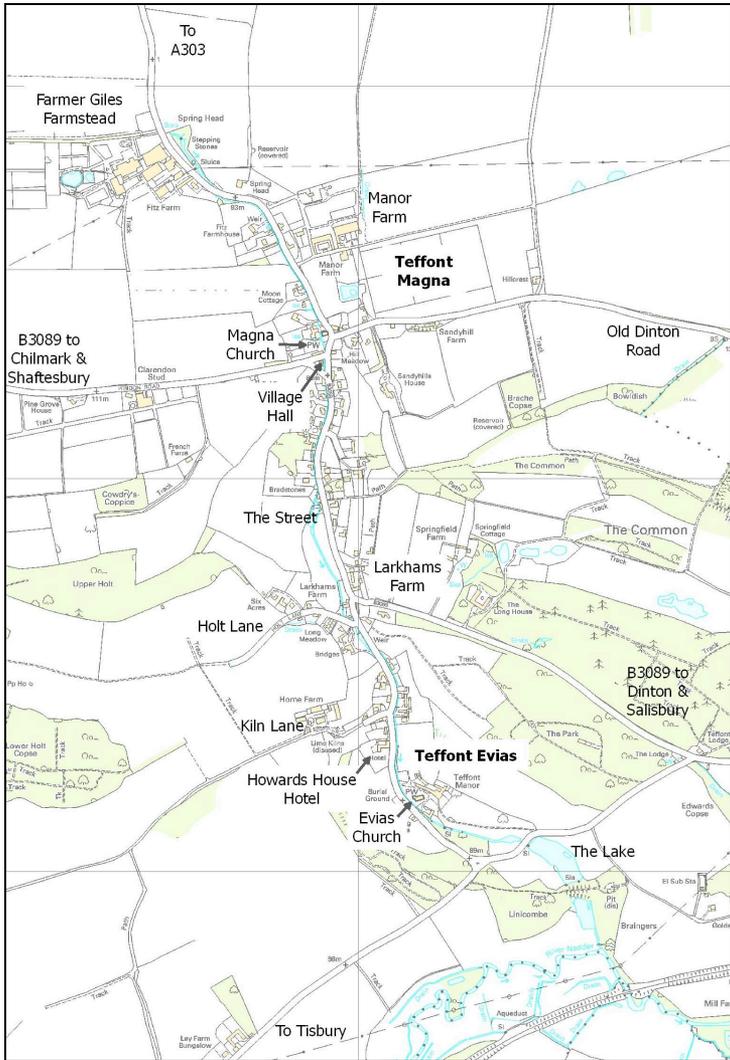


Welcome to Teffont!

Teffont Magna & Teffont Evias



Village Community

Welcome to Teffont! We very much hope that you will find the following items of information useful as you settle in to the village.

Village Website

Much of the information contained in this booklet and more besides, is on the village website www.teffont.com which is well worth a look.

Churches

Teffont has two Church of England churches:

- **St Edward, King of the West Saxons**, in Teffont Magna
- **St Michael and All Angels in Teffont Evias**.

Both are part of a benefice that includes Barford St Martin, Burcombe, Baverstock and Dinton, all of which come under the care of our rector, The Reverend Jane Tailby Tel: 01722 717582

Church Service dates and times are on church noticeboards and in a news sheet distributed with the Valley News (see below).

The churches are run by the Parochial Church Council. (PCC)

You will be warmly welcomed at any of the services.

The current secretary of the PCC is Elaine Robinson Tel 01722 716404 and the church warden is Guy Hony Tel: 01722 716566

Parish Council

The Parish Council consists of seven parishioners elected by the village. Notices and minutes of Council Meetings are posted on the two Parish Council notice boards, one located on the wall of the Village Hall and the other one where the road into Teffont Evias leaves the B3089.

All meetings, which usually start at 6.30pm and last about two hours, are held in the Village Hall and open to the public although non-Councillors may not normally address the meeting except during a short question time at the start of each meeting. The Parish Council reviews local Planning Applications and sets an annual precept, which appears as part of Council Tax bills, to cover its expenses.

The names, addresses and telephone numbers of the Chairman, the Councillors, the Parish Clerk and the Wiltshire Councillor, whose ward includes Teffont, are listed on the village notice boards.

Parish Meetings

The Annual Parish Meeting is held in early May and is open to all. It includes reports on all village activities.

Points raised by the public are taken forward to the annual meeting of the Parish Council which immediately follows.

Additional special parish meetings can be held if six or more parishioners request them.

Planning

The entire village falls within the Cranborne Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), and most of it is in a Conservation Area.

There is a Village Design Statement (VDS) that was prepared by the village and has been adopted by Wiltshire Council.

Copies are available online at www.teffont.com.

Anyone considering making a planning application within Teffont would be well advised to study the VDS.

Pre-application advice may also be available from the Parish Council on a case-by-case basis and is of course available from Wiltshire Council's Planning Officers.

Much of Teffont Evias is in a Special Restraint Area. As a result, there are considerable restrictions under planning law on what may be built here as well as the removal or lopping of trees whose trunk is more than three inches in diameter.

More details are available either from www.wiltshire.gov.uk or the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Planning applications that are not decided using officers' 'delegated powers' are decided at Wiltshire Council's Southern Planning Committee that is open to members of the public.

The Teffont Trust

The Teffont Trust exists to raise funds and manage the repair and maintenance of the four communal buildings (Teffont Village Hall, the two churches and the Reading Room).

The Treasurer is Hugh Homan who can be reached on 01722 716566

As you settle in to the village it is hoped that you would feel able to support the important work carried out by the Teffont Trust.

Village Hall

The Village Hall is the hub of much community activity and is used for meetings, the Teffont Film Club, for entertainment and educational events such as art classes and pilates.

It can also be hired for private events.

The hall is located on the triangle of land between the B3089 as the road climbs out of the village towards Chilmark and the C277 that leads to the A303.

It is owned by the PCC and leased to the Village Hall Committee.

The current Chairman of the committee is Hugh Homan.

Reading Room

The Reading Room was built in memory of those who died in the First World War and to provide a facility for those who survived.

It is located next to the red telephone kiosk on the east side of The Street. Legally it is a Village Charity but, as there is now no specific need for the building to function as a Reading Room/Village Hall, it is currently let out to generate rental which helps pay for its upkeep and to generate an income for the Teffont Trust.

Post Boxes

There are two post boxes in Teffont, one on the wall of the graveyard opposite the Church in Teffont Magna and the other in Teffont Evias opposite the entrance to Holt Lane.

Public Telephone

There is one old-fashioned red public telephone box halfway down The Street, on the East side. It only accepts credit cards not coins.

Refuse Collection

Wiltshire Council requires that household refuse is sorted in to one of five categories: non-recyclable, cardboard and recyclable plastic, paper, glass and garden waste (garden waste is a 'paid for' service)

Full details of what can and what cannot be included as well as the collection schedule is available from www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Internet and Mobile phone coverage

Teffont now has super-fast fibre-optic broadband available from the normal providers.

Unfortunately, the village is not well served by mobile telephone providers. Connectivity within the village is patchy and unreliable.

Town Crier

Teffont operates an email Town Crier service through which useful items of news can be disseminated to those who sign up.

The Town Crier is Richard Long-Fox. Villagers wishing to put notices out via the Town Crier should send them to info@teffont.com.

The Town Crier tries to tread the fine line between passing on useful information and pestering villagers with what some may regard as junk mail. It is sometimes not an easy balance to strike!

Neighbourhood Watch

The level of crime in Teffont is fortunately extremely low. Nonetheless, Teffont operates a Neighbourhood Watch scheme through which suspicious sightings may be reported and from which information and advice can be provided to villagers.

The scheme co-ordinator is Zillah Faulkner who can be reached on 01722 716312. Villagers wishing to be notified of such occurrences should provide their e-mail address to Zillah.

Garden Club

The village has a thriving Garden Club that organises meetings with interesting speakers, social events and outings to famous gardens.

New members are very welcome! Membership costs £7.50 per annum. The Membership Secretary is Richard Long-Fox Tel 01722 716215.

Teffont Fishing Club

There is a long-established fly-fishing club in Teffont which fishes three miles of the beautiful Nadder between Dinton and Chicks Grove. Membership Secretary is Jeremy Lowry 01747 820484.

Teffont Village Show

The Village organises an annual show in late July each year held in the grounds of Teffont Manor.

With all the attractions you would expect from a traditional English village show, this is a fun event not to be missed!

The chairman of the Village Show committee is Richard Blamey: Tel 01722 716574. New helpers are always welcome.

Nadder Valley Wine Circle

The Wine Circle meets six times per year with a varied programme of presentations by both trade and members on all aspects of wine as well as running outings and an annual dinner.

For more details, contact Alistair Bellingham Tel 01722 716267.

Essential Services

Police

Rural policing is in a state of flux at the moment.

Up to date information is available on www.wiltshire.police.uk.

For non-emergencies dial 101.

Doctors

There are 3 nearby NHS practices:

- Tisbury: Carter Park. Tel 01747 870204
- Hindon: The Surgery. Tel 01747 820222
- Fovant: Spring Orchard, High Street. Tel 01722 714789
This is connected to a larger practice at Wilton

Dentists

Tisbury: Private practice: Tel 01747 870743.

Wilton: Tel: 01722 742100 (limited National Health work)

Vets

Longmead Veterinary Practice is based in Shaftesbury but has a surgery in Tisbury on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 2.30 to 4.30.

Tel 01747 853911 (office hours). Avon Lodge Veterinary Group from Salisbury run surgeries in Wilton morning and evening on weekdays

Tel 01722 742332

Schools & Colleges

The nearest Primary Schools are Dinton and Chilmark Church of England schools.

There is a Roman Catholic 5-11 Primary School at Wardour, two miles beyond Tisbury.

The nearest College of Further Education is in Salisbury.

Playgroup

The nearest nursery education is available at Dinton Playgroup located adjacent to Nadder Valley Nursery between Teffont and Dinton on the B3089. Tel 01722 716365

Churches (non Church of England)

The nearest Roman Catholic Church is at Tisbury Tel 01747870.

There is a Methodist chapel in Tisbury - Tel 01747 854631.

The nearest Baptist Chapel is at Wilton Tel 01722 742651.

Shopping

The nearest General Store is Dinton Community Shop in the centre of Dinton. Tel 01722 716252.

The nearest village with a significant range of shops including a Co-Op and a cash machine is Tisbury.

The nearest full-sized supermarkets are in Salisbury and Shaftesbury.

Garden Centres/Nurseries

Nadder Valley Nursery Tel 01722 716287 is on the B3089 between Teffont and Dinton.

Wilton House Garden Centre is on the far side of Wilton on the A36 leading into Salisbury.

Post Offices

The nearest Post Offices are in Tisbury and Wilton.

Banks

The nearest is Lloyds Bank in Wilton.

There is a cash machine at the Co-op in Tisbury.

Fuel

The nearest garages are in Tisbury (Tisbury Motors) and on the A30 just beyond Barford St Martin (Tinker Bell Garage) The latter also provides general shopping and newspapers seven days per week.

Deliveries

The following deliver/visit within the village:

Newspapers	Wylve Post office	01985 248225
Milk	Dairy Crest	01722 415567

Nearby Pubs

- **The Black Dog** at Chilmark Tel 01722 716344.
- **The Compasses** at Lower Chicks Grove Tel 01722 714318.
- **The Wyndham Arms** at Dinton Tel 01722 716999.

Nearby Takeaways

Fish & Chips. High, Street, Tisbury. Tel 01747 870273

Chinese take-away, High Street, Tisbury. Tel 01747 873111 .

Chinese take-away, North Street, Wilton. Tel 01722 742208.

Transport

Buses

Teffont has five buses per day to and from Salisbury.

Timetables are displayed in each of the bus shelters. There are also Lever's coaches into Salisbury on Tuesdays and Saturdays (market days there) and to both Tisbury and Warminster on Thursdays.

Tisbus

Tisbus is a community minibus service, which can be booked by telephoning 01747 870995. its purpose is to provide economic transport for the residents of Tisbury and surrounding villages. Currently, on Tuesdays there is a regular visit to Salisbury and on Thursdays to Shaftesbury.

Provided you have "joined" the scheme (at a cost of £2 per year) it will collect you and return you to your home. If you have a bus pass, there is no charge. On other days, it may be booked for visits to hospitals or the dentist. There is also a monthly schedule of outings.

The mini-buses are also available for private hire.

Link Scheme

Teffont is the most Westerly parish in the Wilton Link Scheme. This scheme marries up volunteers with people needing assistance because of age or infirmity. More details are on the Parish Council main notice board. The contact is Mr Mike Thomas on 01722 741241.

South West Trains

Both Salisbury and Tisbury are on the Exeter to Waterloo line.

Salisbury is also on the Portsmouth, Southampton, Bath and Bristol line. For full details see www.swtrains.com

Taxis

These are available in Tisbury and Wilton.

Road Safety

The village has a number of dangerous corners and road black-spots. If you are aware of a traffic accident, please advise the Parish Clerk (Tel 01722 716556) as that will help in negotiations with Wiltshire Council to improve road maintenance and safety.

Other Services

Local Newspapers

The Valley News, which includes news of Teffont is published each month and distributed free to all houses in the Village. It contains reports of events past and forthcoming in the villages of the Nadder Valley and carries advertisements for local businesses.

Salisbury Journal and the Western Gazette are published on Thursdays. The Valley News, Blackmore Vale Magazine and the Avon Advertiser (all free) are also published on Thursdays and are available from shops, garages etc.

Re-cycling Facilities

The nearest facilities are at the car park in The Avenue, Tisbury and outside Wilton Memorial Hall.

Large items can be taken to the Wiltshire Council refuse and recycling dump at the far end of Stephenson Road, Churchfields, Salisbury.

Building Materials/Thatching

Domoney Woodwork in Bratch Lane, Dinton. Tel 01722 716305.

The nearest thatcher is Mike Read in Chilmark. Tel 01722 716631.

Village-based Services

Howard's House Hotel	01722 716392
Manor Farm Livery and Stables	01722 717927
Pam Fisher (Flowers)	01722 716514
Richard Bull (Building Services)	01722 716557
Tisbury Mowers (Sales & Repairs)	01722 716633
David Scott (Electrician)	01722 716808
Garden Enterprises	01722 716698
Nadder Valley Classics (Classic Cars)	01722 716052
Cabinet Making and Joinery	01722 716808

The Environment

Weed Cutting in the Stream and other Flood Precautions

To minimise the risk of flooding and to keep the stream flowing properly, some weed control is necessary. The leaflet, The Teffont Stream, includes advice about when and how to do this for those riparian owners responsible for their stretch of the stream. Keeping ditches and other watercourses on private land clear is an important element of flood reduction measures.

For farmers, there is a free information toolkit, covering measures to reduce run-off and soil erosion, from the Landcare Project Office at the Environment Agency, Blandford Tel 01258 456080

The Village Flood Warden, Andrew Jones (Tel: 01722 716740), coordinates flood prevention action and assists in promulgating flood warnings.

Supplies of sandbags and sand are kept at Manor Farm in Teffont Magna and at Howard's House in Teffont Evias.

Both can be accessed by villagers at any hour.

Hedges and Grass Verges

It is generally the responsibility of property owners to keep those hedges adjoining roads and the stream trimmed and grass verges cut. However a limited number of grass verges are maintained by contractors during the summer months.

For details contact the Parish Clerk.

Grass Cutting

The Parish Council organises grass cutting to cover the village green, the area surrounding the village hall, both churchyards and both graveyards.

Ice and Snow

A supply of salt and grit is available in various bins within the village. These supplies are provided by the council and are available for gritting the public road in the immediate vicinity. They should not be used for private drives or paths.

Protected Habitat - Water Voles

The habitat and places of shelter for water voles are legally protected. If you are considering undertaking work that will affect land within 2 to 3 metres of the stream bank, please contact English Nature on 01380 726344 for guidance.

Foot Paths, Bridleways and Restricted Byways

The countryside around Teffont is truly beautiful and the public is very well served by a large number of rights of way including footpaths, bridleways and restricted byways that criss-cross the area.

A map showing all of the local public rights of way is available online: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/rightsofway/publicrightsofwaymapping.htm>.

Villagers using these public rights of way are of course reminded of the Country Code and the importance of closing gates, keeping dogs under control, and not leaving litter.

Please could we also ask that dog poo is picked up from verges and pavements in the village and removed from footpaths and bridleways.

Peaceful Sundays!

We are very grateful to residents who are able to avoid using particularly noisy machinery (such as strimmers and chain saws) and lighting large bonfires on Sundays.