

CHRISTMAS IS COMING IN THE TOWN BY THE HILL...

There's a lot to look forward to in Wellington this Christmas, with a packed programme of one-off markets, concerts and other events to get you into the festive spirit. So, escape the retail parks, cast out the TV Guide and join us for a handmade, homegrown Christmas with a distinctly Shropshire flavour.

Sat. 14th – Sun. 15th November Christmas Gift & Craft Fair

Forty local makers will be selling a wide range of high quality handmade crafts and locally-made food and drink – all in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

10am – 4pm, TCAT, Haybridge Rd.

Saturday 21st November Christmas Lights Switch-On

A day of entertainment leads up to the switch-on of Wellington's festive lights display at 5pm, when Father Christmas will also be paying a visit.

12 – 5.30pm Market Square

Tuesday 24th November Festive Food & Craft Fayre

Over 30 local suppliers selling handmade crafts, vintage goods and food. Entry £1.

6-9pm, Charlton School, Severn Drive



Saturday 28th November Wellington Victorian Market

Wellington gets into the spirit of Christmas past with dozens of stalls selling hot festive food and drink alongside Shropshire-made gifts. Enjoy street entertainment from Leo's Loco Circus & music from Wellington Brass Band. For details see www.wellingtonsoup.org.

9am – 3pm, Wellington centre

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Cottage Care Autumn Fayre

Stalls will be selling tea & cakes, books & crafts, along with a raffle and tombola.

2pm – 4pm, Cottage Care, Haygate Rd.

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Sam's Concert

Featuring performances by The Gallery Singers & Wellington Brass Band.

7.30pm, Methodist Church, New St.

Sunday 29th November Civic Carol Service

Wellington Churches Together invites everyone to join in the singing at the town's annual civic carol service.

6.30pm, All Saints Church, Church St.

Thursday 3rd December Belfrey Pottery Open Evening

Meet the potters and buy some fantastic ceramic or wall art as a unique gift.

7pm, Belfrey Arts Centre, Prince's St.

Sat. 5th & Sun. 6th December Christmas Wreath-Making

Book a place and learn how to make your own decorative wreath at a festively-dressed Sunnycroft.

11am, Sunnycroft, 200 Holyhead Rd.

Tickets £30: www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Fri. 11th – Tue. 22nd December
Christmas at Sunnycroft

See Wellington's National Trust house decked out for an Edwardian Christmas, with occasional live music to match.

10.30 – 4pm, Sunnycroft, 200 Holyhead Rd. See www.nationaltrust.org.uk.

Saturday 12th December
Think Big & Shop Local!

Come along and meet some of our local entrepreneurs, showcasing everything from crafts & furniture to food & fashion – and taste the all-new 'Wellington Cake', just in time for Christmas. Email fay@shropshireenterprise.co.uk for details.

10am-4pm, Market Square.

Tuesday 15th December
'Crash into Christmas'

The Telfordaires Barbershop Chorus entertains with a festive concert performance.

6pm, Old Hall School, Stanley Rd.

Saturday 19th December
Carols at Sunnycroft

Another chance to hear the Gallery Singers as they perform as part of Sunnycroft's Christmas season.

Sunnycroft, 200 Holyhead Rd (afternoon slot). See www.nationaltrust.org.uk.

Sunday 20th December
A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

A performance of this traditional pre-Christmas musical service by New College Chorale, conducted by Bob Wysome.

3pm, Christ Church, New Church Rd.
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Carols by Candlelight

Join the annual candlelit carol service at the town's parish church.

6.30pm, All Saints Church, Church St.

Monday 21st December
A Family Concert for Christmas

New College Chorale & friends perform a light-hearted evening of seasonal music, including the first Shropshire performance of Alan Bullard's 'Mr Lear'.

7.30pm, Centenary Theatre, Wrekin College

Tuesday 22nd December
The Great Pickled Onion Contest

Wellington's Ale Taster renews his quest to find which local picklers really know their onions. There will be tears!

12.30pm, The Pheasant, Market St.

*We're Wellington H2A, and every year we organise events such as **Charter Day** and the **Midsummer Fayre** to bring the town's streets to life. After several years of compiling an annual summer events guide, this is our first Christmas version. Printing costs have been met by Wellington Town Council. Check the local press & online for updates about the events listed here and look out for others.*

WELLINGTON CHRISTMAS EVENTS 2015



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