



Brightwell-cum-Sotwell WI

May 2024

The Forensic Experience

**B-c-S WI Meeting
Tuesday 14th May**

The Forensic Experience with Hayley Scott



After working with the Metropolitan Police at locations including Wembley and Heathrow airport for 14 years Hayley left to concentrate on her family. With the encouragement of her young son she set up her business hosting interactive children's parties, CSI workshops and murder mystery nights.

Hayley outlined the role of the crime scene investigator in examining a crime scene and establishing the sequence of events that has taken place and the details of the protocols that must be carried out.

On arrival, photographs and video will be taken of the crime scene followed by collection of contact trace evidence (DNA, hair, fibres etc) plus any ballistic evidence and fingerprints/finger marks. Hayley told us that unfortunately criminals are now much more 'forensically aware' but they can and do make mistakes and that the painstaking work of the crime scene investigator, together with their forensic and police colleagues, can lead to a successful prosecution.

Hayley had many anecdotes to relate including how she attended a suspected burglary only to find on arrival that the son of the householder had returned home for lunch and left the front door open when he left!

[Link to Hayley's website](#)

Gill and Gloria provided a delicious selection of refreshments which were enjoyed not just by members but (as this was an open meeting) also by our visitors ~ thank you ladies.

Business News....

- Jan reminded members about our forthcoming visit to Greys Court on Friday 24th May leaving the village at 11am.
 - There has been little interest in outings/garden visits of late and Jan asked for a show of hands to see if we should continue to arrange trips. The show of hands was 50:50 so we will continue for the time being and review again at the end of the year.
 - The village fete takes place on 6th July and Jan confirmed that a sign up sheet for volunteers to man the stall would be available next month.
 - Jan was pleased to confirm that our July garden party will take place at Jennie Pozzoni's house on 9th July between 4pm and 6pm.
 - From time to time we make a donation to a charity in favour of women and girls and Jan asked the members for suggestions of such local organisations that could benefit.
 - Annette mentioned that tickets for the wine tasting evening, in aid of the village hall, were still available from the village stores.
 - Also in aid of the village hall refurbishment fund there are still places available on the evening session of the block printing workshop.
 - Annie confirmed the dates for forthcoming garden visits and is happy to co-ordinate car sharing.
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**Our next coffee morning will be on
Monday 20th May at
Root One Cafe from 10am**



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