


Over the 15 + years that we have been working on the Silk Mill and running the business we have built up quite a library of contacts. Here are many of the local suppliers and services who we recommend because we have worked with or heard about (linked if they have websites). They are grouped by activity.

| Who (linked to websites where possible) | Phone | E-mail | Notes |
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| Carpenters/Joiners/Cabinet Makers & General Builders | | | |
| Josh Brudenell | 07758 848522 | joshan76@gmail.com | Josh is a builder who has project managed much of the work that has been done to the Silk Mill since 2014. He also makes planning applications when necessary. He works with several of the people listed here. |
| Gwynn Jenkins | 07808 296929 | gwynnjenkins@gmail.com | Gwynn is a very talented carpenter who can also work metal. He has worked on the Silk Mill intermittently since 2007 |
| Gareth Evans | 07976 404395 | garethlynnevas@yahoo.co.uk | Gareth is a very talented woodworker and has helped us out on many of the floors of the Silk Mill, most recently the beautiful new floor of Silk Mill west upstairs. He and his wife Lottie run Bistro Lotte at Badcox, highly recommended eatery/hostelry. |

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| Joe Hann | 07807 041738 | jlhann13@googlemail.com | Joe is the partner of a wonderful Jeweller and bridal accessory maker at the Silk Mill. He has been our go-to electrician for many years now. |
| Sturman Craig Electrical Services | 07743 643452 (Andy) 07747 722077 (Pete) | info@sturmanelectricalservices.co.uk | We asked Joe (above) to do our 5 year electrical certification but it was rather a lot for one person to take on so we went to Pete Sturman & Andy Craig who were brilliant. |

Masons

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| Gary Boyce | 07858 233477 |  | Gary is an extraordinary mason. He has done almost all the pointing and putting in of new stone elements at the Silk Mill and was one of the very first people to work with us since 2005. He created the decorative walls on the courtyard with the words Silk Mill. |
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| Mike Massey | 07979 658758 | | Tends to be available evenings & weekends. |
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Blacksmiths

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| Sam Allen | 07970 174718 01985 219610 | | Amazing blacksmith based at Corsley. He made the door for the electric locker with 2014 on it in spanners. Most of the ironwork in the building has been fabricated by Sam. |
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| James Crossman Iron Age Forge | 07779 068451 | enquiries@ironageforge.co.uk | James made the very solid new steel doors for the gallery kitchen. His wonderful workshop is on the same trading estate in Whately as Materia (below). |
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Bookkeeping/Accountancy

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| Avonfield Bookkeeping | 07834 266 664 | info@avonfieldbookkeeping.com | Very experienced local bookkeeper who specialises in <u>Xero</u> and will be able to do accounts for smaller operations. |
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Awning

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| Materia | 01373 836008 | info@materiaproducts.co.uk | This company is based in Whatley just outside Frome and they have made the awning and seat covers for us for several years. They are brilliant |
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Roof

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| Andy Jones | 07894 328029 |  | Andy and his friend Andy masterminded the rebuild of the roof of the Silk Mill in 2011. They put up with the Moore family providing much of the person-power and did an amazing job! He has returned to troubleshoot the very few problems we have had since. He is a very skilled lead artist too. |
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Kit Hire, tables, lights, PA etc.

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|  | <p>07825 828671 - 07790 270742</p> | <p>pricklypearstretchtents@gmail.com</p> | <p>Bristol based company with beautiful tents available.</p> |
| <p>PartyBench</p> | <p>07766 883037</p> | <p>partybench@gmail.com</p> | <p>These guys are based in Frome and sound lovely.</p> |
|  | <p>01249 716119</p> | <p>caroline@vintagemarquees.co.uk</p> | <p>Great local company with a pretty two pointed tent that fits well outside the gallery door. They also hire out a huge variety of furniture and decorations.</p> |
| <p>South West Marquees</p> | <p>01373 836999</p> | <p>info@southwestmarquees.co.uk</p> | <p>Very good, local and know the site so can often quote without site visit.</p> |
| <p>Abbas Marquees</p> | <p>01749 890909</p> | <p>Enquiry@abbasmarquees.co.uk</p> | <p>Based at Pilton. Not actually used yet but sound good.</p> |

Food providers

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| The River House and Fat Radish | 01373 596102 | info@fatradish.co.uk | The River House and the Far Radish are 2 fantastic eateries in Frome; both run by Ellen Porteous. Ellen has a personal licence and a great team. The food they create is wonderful so they are a very good solution to food and alcohol. They have catered etc for several events at the Silk Mill and all the feedback has been excellent. |
| Ember & Vine | | james@embersandvine.uk | They say “Ember and Vine is the marriage between owners Sean and Mary's two loves, smoked foods and wine.” They live in Frome and have not yet catered here but they sound absolutely yummy! |
| Ebbie's Kitchen | 07782 369 896 | ebbie@ebbieskitchen.co.uk | Will do bar as well as food, know the Silk Mill well and produce excellent delicious food. Very lovely helpful team. |
|  Cream Tricycle | 07515 893294 | cafebonicecream@aol.com | These guys have been here several times and they are wonderful. |
| Sarah Urquhart, Incredible Edibles | 01963 33395 | sarah@macawberhouse.co.uk | “Catering for all occasions”, particularly keen on making canapés etc. |
| Mrs B's Catering | 01373 452593 | office@mrsbscaringcatering.co.uk | We have not yet used Mrs B's catering at the Silk Mill but they are a local company who regularly sell produce at the monthly independent market. If you go for them will you give us some feedback so that I can update this listing? Thanks |
| Miranda Catering | | mirandacatering@mail.com | Makes lovely canapés and is the in house caterer at Drawing Projects in Trowbridge |

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| Patrick Twigger | 07812 365430 or 01373 836122 | | Patrick offers cutlery and crockery for events which he takes away unwashed. He has also provided bar licence cover with and without bar at the Silk Mill. He lives locally. |
| Drinks | | | |
| More Wine | 07940 732012 | rich@morewine.eu | Properly selected French (& other) wines in 10litre, 5 litre & 3 litre boxes... cuts down on waste. Will do sale or return for unopened boxes. |
| The Griffin | 01373 467766 | admin@milkstreetbrewery.co.uk | Local microbrewery |
| Bath Ales | 0117 9474797 | hare@bathales.co.uk | Do beers on tap and in casks as well as ciders |
| Lilley's Cider | 07594 926565 | lilleyscider@aol.co.uk | Very Local, great selection of ciders you can try in Frome |
| King Brain Cider | 01963 441233 | kingbrain@btconnect.com | Lovely Somerset farm cider brewed from ancient orchards |

Bars and Licensing Services/Event Management

PLEASE NOTE:

It is fine to bring your own alcohol (and/or ask your guests to BYOB) but do not then ask a bar to provide a paying service as they then do not sell enough to make it worth their while. If you are bringing your own then you will need to pay someone to oversee the alcohol consumption. The Silk Mill does not charge any extra corkage.

You can have one arrangement for the lunch time then have a pay bar for the evening so long as the bar know what you are doing.

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| <u>Lucy Cooper from The Three Swans Pub</u> | 07790 725145 | <u>threeswansfrome@gmail.com</u> | Lucy can provide a normal bar service for you or she or one of her many colleagues at the Three Swans has a personal licence and can be employed by you to meet our licence requirements if you bring your own alcohol. Her pub is the nearest to the Silk Mill (just opposite La Strada; Cheap St/Kings St) and one of the nicest pubs in Frome. |
| <u>Patrick Twigger</u> | 07812 365430 or 01373 836122 | | Patrick has provided bar licence cover with and without bar at the Silk Mill. He also has a business providing cutlery and crockery for events which he takes away unwashed. |
| <u>The Wheatsheaves</u> | 07595 974680 | <u>craig.webber@hotmail.com</u> | Full bar service or they can just provide staff at whatever level you need. |
| <u>The Living Bar</u> | 07753 117323 | <u>tim@livingbarcompany.co.uk</u> | Wonderful bar assembled around growing trees and hung with plants run by the lovely Tim Goodman. |
| <u>Big Bars (Airstream Bar)</u> | 07580 673753 | <u>robin@bigbars.co.uk</u> | Full bar service from an airstream van! |
| <u>Scout & Sage</u> | 07786 240505 | <u>holly@scoutandsagespirits.com</u> | Travelling Gin bar in a horse box! They say: "We create our own small batch, limited edition Scout & Sage Gins with different Master Distillers. Our mission is to distil a gin in every region of Britain!" We have not tried them yet but they sound interesting! |

Acommodation

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| Bistro Lotte | 01373 300646 | info@bistrolottefrome.co.uk | <p>Lotte and Gareth run this excellent bistro a short walk from the Silk Mill at the top of Catherine Hill/Street. They also have excellent accommodation which one wedding recently booked all 6 of their luxury ensuite rooms.</p> |
| Stonwall Manor Culverhill Frome Somerset BA11 5AA | Big Cottages: 0845 257 1510 | | <p>This is a wonderful huge Elizabethan Manor house right in the town and can sleep at least 28! We had a group stay there who were very happy with it. It is a bit heavy on the dark wood furniture but a really good size and well within walking distance of the Mill. I took lots of photos which you can see here. There are more pictures if you follow the link in the first column.</p> |
| The Old Granary Bradford-on-Avon | Trish Bowles: 07880359313 01225 722246 | stay@churchfarmcottages.com | <p>They say: "The Old Granary is situated in the countryside, just 5 miles from Bath and within a mile from Hartley Farm Shop & Café, the village pub and shop. A beautiful, award-winning converted barn that sleeps up to 12 people. Indoor heated pool and games room available at Church Farm, ¼ mile down the lane." I am planning to go and visit soon, will report back!</p> |
| The Archangel | 01373 456111 | hello@archangelfrome.com | <p>Nearest and very nicely appointed hotel and restaurant. (dog friendly!)</p> |

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| The George Hotel | 01373 462584 | georgehotel@wadworth.co.uk | 28 rooms varying from singles at around £60 to premium ensuite and family rooms up to £140 in high season. Very centrally located in town (so some rooms on the front might not be all that quiet) and will do discounts for bulk booking for weddings. Speak to Dawn. I have not looked at all of it but the rooms I have seen are nicely done, fairly traditional. |
| Here is a website with local B&Bs on it, I cannot vouch for all of them but would welcome feedback! | | | |
| Jackdaw Cottage, Bruton | 07906 242296 | jackdawcottagebruton@gmail.com | A really beautiful cottage with 2 bedrooms in Bruton, no detail has been left unperfected in this lovingly created space. |
| Bruton has several other airbnb places that the Jackdaw Cottage people recommend so if you were to go for Bruton as your main accommodation spot there would be plenty of good choice... including: | | | |
| Bower House Tree House | 01749 812707 | info@bowerhouseconstruction.co.uk | Totally amazing tree house (between Bruton and Frome) that we have been lucky enough to stay in ourselves. Sleeps 2 and has all mod cons you could wish for including hot tub on the terrace! 2 night minimum stay and not cheap but a real treat. |
| DJ | | | |
| Spam Bhok | 07828831441 | sambhokmusic@gmail.com | Highly recommended local DJ |



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| Luke Emery Nomad Solutions | 07929623764 | luke@nomadau.diosolutions.co.uk | These guys really understand the unusual acoustics in the Gallery. Luke also does a busking stage at the Independent Market (1 st Sunday of every month except Jan/Feb) and knows lots of excellent local musicians. |
| Live Music | | | |
| Captain Cactus and the Screaming Harlots | | | Really good local band |
| The Hammervilles | 07714 991 047 | thehammervilles@gmail.com | The Hammervilles are a great local band, one of whom is booked to get married here when possible! |
| Backwood Redeemers | | | Another really dancy band, local! |
| Sara Vian | 07763654803 | info@saravianmusic.com | Excellent local band with other music contacts |
| Security | | | |
| CSS Security | 07415 867007/ 0800 002 9855 | info@securitycss.co.uk | Lester Silk/Carley Watts at CSS Security. Security has to be organized through an accredited organization so if you do not use these guys then it must be another such. Please let Kate know who you are using asap. We know it is a pain but you need a guard per 75 people so if you have 150 people in the evening you will need two security people. |

Photographers/Artists

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| <u>Aimae Laoise Photography</u> | | aimee@aimeelaoisephotography.com | Local photographer who specialises in family images. |
| <u>Peter Wilbourne</u> | 07816 409984 | peterwilbourne@gmail.com | Locally based excellent photographer. |
| <u>Ciara Nolan</u> | 07703 843100 | ciara.poot@yahoo.com | Ciara has photographed a couple of events at the Silk Mill and she is excellent. Her style is quirky and interesting. She has the shop Poot on Catherine Hill in Frome and has always been a really good friend to the Silk Mill since we started the project. |
| <u>Katherine Needles</u> | 07947 207408 | katherineneedles@me.com | One of the artists who has a studio at the Mill and exhibition in 2017 Frome Festival in our Gallery |
| <u>Pip Newland Photography</u> | (07780) 611 671 | | |
| <u>Sarah Godsill</u> | | | Brilliant local artist who will come and paint/sketch at any and all stages as you wish. |
| <u>Emily Coles</u> | | | Works with Amy Spicer - see below, decorations – chandeliers of flowers! |

Flowers & Other Decorations

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| <u>Bramble & Wild (Flowers)</u> | 01373 473788 | hello@brambleandwild.com | Lovely Catherine Hill flower and shop |
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|  <p>Event flag hire</p> | 01749 850991 | hello@eventflaghire.co.uk | Recently moved to the area these guys have the most beautiful collection of bunting and flags. They will put it up for you or just send it to you for you to do your own thing in the usual Silk Mill way! |
| <p>Jigantics (huge artificial flowers)</p> | 07984 679421 | info@Jigantics.com | Fabulous gigantic flowers often seen at festivals (they are based in Frome) |
|  <p>Crescent Moon Chandeliers</p> | 01373 454147 07976 369360 | simon@crescent-moon.co.uk | Wonderful enormous chandelier selection. Local company that hires to film sets and events. They did a photoshoot of their wares at the Silk Mill in Sept '19 |
| <p>Amy Spicer</p> | 07974 836270 | amy@octoberstudios.co.uk | Local, partner to More Wine, chandeliers of flowers and fabrics; work very well on our 7 beams Works with photographer Emily Coles (see photography entry) |
| <p>Mrs J</p> | 07553 446372 01761 434906 | becky@mrsjflowers.co.uk | Lovely local flower designer who uses seasonal home grown flowers as much as possible. She also has a great many vintage china items available as well. |

Taxis

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| Tony's Cabs Frome | 01373 464444 | | |
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| Arrow Taxis - Frome - | 01373 470110 | | |
| ABC taxis of Frome - | 01373 452211 | | |
| Bruton and Mendip Taxi | 07984 465864 | | |
| Swift Taxi - Shepton Mallet - | 01749 340820 | | |
| Regal Taxi - Shepton Mallet - | 01749 347750 | | |