

Wednesday 16th January

At Hengistbury Head the wind is strong across from the sea over Christchurch Harbour.

There are some lovely views in the garden. The *Hellebore foetida* has a beautiful lime green 'flower' and the *Vinca minor* (Common Periwinkle) with its purple flowers and deep green leaves contrasts nicely.



The Winter Honeysuckle is still full of little white flowers. Also in the woodland, *Hellebores* are dotted around.

At this time of year the garden looks very different and we can see where grass needs clearing and what pruning needs to be done.

We are consulting on the ancient Apple Tree. It does have lovely-tasting apples, even though parts of it are dying. Gradual pruning will help it to bear more fruit as it becomes more healthy.



The beautiful Yew Tree is also having a trim. It has grown healthy and tall. Meanwhile, the wind continues to blow and surely the garden is grateful for some moisture. We haven't had significant rain in a long time.

We look forward to your visit.

The Hengistbury Head Wildlife Gardeners