



19<sup>th</sup> February

2022

Next Meeting: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 7:30pm

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#### Latest News

## **Roughmoor Lane Housing Development Update**

Statement from Sue Isherwood, chair of Westbury Parish Council

#### Key dates: 23<sup>rd</sup> February meeting with parish councillors

#### 1<sup>st</sup> March parish council meeting, open to all village residents

Lichfields, the agents for the Church Commissioners, have agreed to speak, by Zoom, with parish councillors on 23rd February. This will not be an official meeting of the council so no decisions in relation to their proposals can be taken. The objective from the PC side will simply be to agree arrangements for a proper pre-planning consultation with the village.

We have already told them that we consider consultation by leaflet and zoom is not satisfactory for a development on such a sensitive site and at least one in-person meeting should be arranged when they can meet and hear from residents. We have asked that they make a presentation and answer questions at the next open meeting of the council on 1st March which anyone will be able to attend. So far, they have not responded. We will let you know as soon as we have a response to this request and make available any other information that they may supply as soon as possible after the meeting.

## The Strawberry Line multi-user path opens new section

There is now a new path of about 1 kilometre connecting Station Road with Erlong Lane. It has already become very well-used by village residents of all ages and is a fabulous addition to the village. Members of the group have greatly improved the path by installing new benches, planting trees and preparing the stone troughs for planting.

It is well worth a visit if you haven't already. Thanks to kind permission of local landowners, the path can also form part of a longer walk through the adjoining fields. A big thank you to all involved for all their hard work to make this happen!



## **Upcoming Events**

# 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February Jack and the Beanstalk

Traditional pantomime for the whole family. Performances 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> February 7:30pm Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February matinee performance 2:30pm. Tickets £6.00 adults / £3.00 children, available from the shop.

# Local Community

Cost-of-Living grants for emergency essentials for young people (registered

charities, community groups or professionals only to apply – not families. Bauer

Radio Cash4Kids)

<u>Creative workshop for families: Family Portrait Cyanotype Printing</u> 17th Feb.,

Wells & Mendip Museum

Thatch Newsletter, Winter 2022 (Community Council for Somerset)

Fortnightly Newsletter (Wells Community Network, 23rd January)

Wells-Ukraine Welcome Hub Newsletter (Wells Welcome Hub, 31st January )

Information for Warm Welcome Venues (Spark Somerset) Find a Warm Space near you (Spark Somerset)

<u>Volunteering in Somerset</u> - opportunities for 2023 (SparkAChange) <u>Consider becoming a Stepping Stones carer for young people leaving</u> <u>care</u>

(Fostering Somerset)

Join the New Somerset Council Customer Panel (New Somerset)

<u>The Hygiene Bank</u> - get products, give products (Street & Glastonbury Boots)

Check broadband availability and speed for any address (Ofcom)

## Somerset Community Oil Scheme

Somerset Cost-of-Living Guide - holistic help (Mendip CAB) Find ways to save energy in your home (HM Govt.) Bank branch closures 2023: what's on the list (moneysavingexpert.com) Social Tariffs: cheaper broadband and mobile phone packages for low income families (Ofcom) County-wide support to mitigate the cost-of-living pressure (SCC, 19th October) 5 top tips for tackling fuel bills this winter (MDC) Cost of Living Advice (Mendip Citizens Advice Bureau)

<u>The Mendip Hills Hear from Sue Gearing, Les Davies, Jim Hardcastle!</u> (Open Country, BBC R4) <u>Mapping Community Wildlife</u> Team Wilder- community resources Wilder Churches (Somerset Wildlife Trust)

Young Wardens practical session at Shapwick Heath 15th Feb. 10-3pm (Avalon Marshes, booking essential. £5 fee) Local food, farming & growing: all-day event (FiveMileFood project People's Assembly: Sunday 19th March 2023, 10.30-4.30, Glastonbury Town Hall Become a Climate Action Networker: sign up (Somerset CAN)

## **BUS INFORMATION**

Libra Bus 126 timetable available here

Information about the £2.00 flat rate bus fare cap

Local Bus Services included in the £2 fare cap:

75 Bridgwater - Glastonbury/Wells Buses of Somerset

77 Yeovil - Wells Buses of Somerset

173 Wells - Chilcompton - Bath First West of England

174 Wells - Shepton Mallet - Bath First West of England

376 Street - Glastonbury - Wells - Bristol First West of England