



2022-2023 Report for Westbury-sub-Mendip Parish Council

The Westbury Society continued its programme of talks and activities in the year ending March 2023.

As in previous years, the Thursday evening talks in the Village Hall concentrated on local history, wildlife and archaeology with a focus on Westbury and the surrounding area. Two of the talks were particularly well received, one on King Alfred in Somerset, the other on the history of Hollybrook from 1700 to the present day.

The Society's Archaeology Group continued its excavation of the Romano-British farmhouse below Hollybrook throughout the year, interrupted only by flooding in January and February. A successful Summer Dig week continued the links with other community archaeology groups, and the team now organise a monthly digging session for a small group of young people and their parents. The Society wishes to thank the landowners for their continued support of the dig.

A full programme of talks for September 2023 to March 2024 has already been scheduled, and during the summer the Society will arrange visits to Charterhouse lead mines and the Romano-British farmhouse site.

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