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September 2013

News from your Town Council

Allotment available



A further plot has become available in the Town Council's allotments. Anyone interested in having an allotment should contact the Town Clerk (*contact details overleaf*)

Civic Service 2014

The date for next year's annual civic service has been changed - it will now take place in Axbridge Church on Sunday afternoon 2nd March.

New Councillor

Following the resignation of Margaret Crawford from the council, Mrs. Dawn Brigham-Curtis has been co-opted as a new member of Axbridge Town Council.

Volunteer helpers needed



Axbridge Active Living, which provides a social meeting place for over-55s every other Wednesday in the Town Hall, would welcome volunteers who can spare a little time on the occasional Wednesday afternoon to help serve (and enjoy!) tea and cakes. If you would like to help, or would like further information please contact Vicky Brice, the Town Clerk (*contact details overleaf*)

Harvest Home

This year's Harvest Home was very successful, and as a result the committee has funds which will be available to donate to local groups.

Barn Dance



The Mayor will be holding a Barn Dance in the Town Hall on Saturday 19th October in aid of the Axbridge & District Museum, which is the Mayor's Charity this year. Tickets are £8, and can be bought from Axbridge Post Office or Axbridge Chemists. Tickets include a fish and chip supper (with a vegetarian option by order only, call 732573). There will be a bar.

Trafalgar Night dinner



There will be a black tie Trafalgar Night dinner in aid of Axbridge Sea Cadets on Saturday 26th October. Tickets are £24 and can be obtained from Patricia Tallack at Compton House or from The George House Antique Shop on The Square.

Cross Lane path

Most of Cross Lane is in the parish of Compton Bishop, but the council is concerned that this partially sunken lane is dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists and that the alternative footpath is unsatisfactory and does not go all the way to Cross. The council is supporting a Compton Bishop campaign group which is pressing for improvements here, which have been agreed in principle before but never implemented.

Moorland Street car park



The purchase of this car park and adjoining land from Sedgemoor District Council has been delayed as the Town Council is insisting that certain access rights relating to the site, which Sedgemoor has never sorted out, be clarified before completion. Once the purchase has gone through the council will be reviewing car park regulations for Meadow Street and Moorland Street car parks and The Square together.

Hinkley Point C connection



The National Grid is now undertaking a final round of consultations about the proposed power connection from Hinkley Point to Avonmouth. The proposed pylon line will run across the Levels, crossing the A38 between Rooksbridge and Tarnock before going underground near Loxton. Consultation ends on 29th October. If you would like more details of the proposals or of how to respond to them go to the consultation website at <http://www.hinkleyconnection.co.uk>

Strawberry Line cyclepath

North Somerset Council has gained funding to put cycle counters on sections of the Strawberry Line in order to gain a better idea of usage and trends.

Yellow line review

The council has received a draft Traffic Regulation Order from Somerset County Council detailing proposals for yellow lining in the town, but is waiting a map of the proposals. An earlier proposal for yellow lines along the north side of Jubilee Road has been removed at the request of the council. The Traffic Regulation Order must be advertised for consultation in the local press and on affected streets before it can be implemented - watch out for notices if you think changes to yellow lines may affect you.

Have you tried Survey Monkey yet?



Survey Monkey is a web based questionnaire system and we are using it to provide an online way for Axbridge residents to give their views on a range of planning issues, as a contribution

to the development of the Axbridge Neighbourhood Plan. When completed, the Neighbourhood Plan will be part of the statutory planning process, and will help guide the future development of the town. The more residents who respond to the questionnaire the better the final plan will reflect local opinion. Please try to spare a few minutes to complete the survey by going to this web link:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/axbridge-neighbourhood-plan

Mayor's Surgery

The Mayor, Councillor John Albone, is available for consultation, advice and discussion in the Fairtrade Cafe in the Church Rooms on Tuesday afternoons between 2 and 3pm. The cafe is open from 2-4pm

Next council meeting

The next meeting of the council will be at 7.30pm on Monday 21st October in the Town Hall. As usual the agenda will be published beforehand in the noticeboard outside the Town Hall and on the council website.

Meetings begin with a public participation session when residents may address the council on matters of local concern for up to 3 minutes.

Welcome to

AXBRIDGE ACTIVE LIVING

Meet up with friends over tea and cake
and enjoy an activity

Where: Axbridge Town Hall

When: Alternate Wednesdays

Time: 2-4pm

For: Over 55s

Cost: £2.50

AUTUMN PROGRAMME

Wed. 2nd October:	Casualty Make-up
Wed. 16th October:	Flexercise and Bingo
Wed. 30th October:	Pat Hase - Workhouse talk
Wed. 13th November:	Narrow Boat Art
Wed. 27th November:	Brian Saunders - Stage Props
Wed. 11th December:	Axbridge First School Academy

Be lovely to see you there!

For further information please contact Vicky 07884 264 033

Residents are invited to attend Town Council meetings to raise issues or just to listen. Matters may be brought to the Council's attention via the Town Clerk.

Meetings are held in the Town Hall on the 3rd Monday each month at 7.30 pm
The agenda is displayed in advance outside the Town Hall and on the website

The Town Clerk, Mrs Vicky Brice, can be contacted by phone or e-mail:
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The Town Council's website is at: www.axbridge-tc.gov.uk