



OYEZ!

August 2014

News from your Town Council

New Town Councillor

Mrs Helen Bridgeman has been co-opted by The Town Council to fill the place vacated by the resignation of Councillor Mrs Dawn Brigham-Curtis. Mrs Bridgeman took up her place at the August council meeting.

Axbridge Carnival road closure



This year's Blackberry Carnival will be held on Saturday 20th September. To enable this there will be road closures through the town that afternoon affecting St Mary's Street, The Square, High Street and West Street.

Town Car Park works

To enable contractors to work on planned improvements to the verge adjoining Read's Garden the parking bays on the north side of the Town Car Park will be closed for three days from 2nd to 4th September.

Town maintenance contractor

During July the town maintenance contractor worked 13 hours on the following tasks:

- Hedge work & litter on The Furlong
- Hedge trimming, strimming & litter in the car park
- Strimming at the allotments
- Working on the hedge at Townsend
- Strimming in Starrs Close

Regalia

The Council is to replace the robes of the Sergeant-at-Arms and the Mace Bearer, and to extend the Mayor's Chain.

Harvest Service

This year's Harvest Service will be at 6.30 pm on Sunday 21st September at Axbridge Methodist Church.

Annual report

The Town Council's annual report for the year 2013-14 will be made available in the Post Office, Surgery and local library. A concise A5 version will be sent to local residents with Oyez!

New bus service



The weekday frequency of buses to Weston and Wells has been increased by the introduction of a new service by Webberbus. The new service 26 follows the same route as the First Bus 126 except within Weston and Wells. For most of the day buses now operate approximately at these minutes past each hour:

To Weston-super-Mare
xx.25 (Webberbus 26) xx.04 (First Bus 126)

To Wells
xx.14 (Webberbus 26) xx.45 (First Bus 126)

There are variations so please check the full timetables which can be found at:

<http://www.webberbus.com/index.php/timetables/26-23jun14>

http://firstgroup.com/ukbus/bristol_bath/journey_planning/timetables/

The Webberbus 26 continues beyond Weston as service 76 to Burnham, where it connects with service 75 to Bridgwater, Taunton & Wellington.

The Webberbus service does not operate on Sundays.

Police changes

PC Wills has transferred to Burnham, and his place will be taken by PC Cooke who will cover this area. The beat team will continue to be based in Cheddar. They will operate from Cheddar Police Station at present, but may move to another location in Cheddar in the future.

Superfast broadband

The programme for installation of superfast broadband through Devon and Somerset is timetabled to reach the Axbridge and Cheddar area by mid to late 2015.

Somerset CC budget consultation

Somerset County Council has to save £30 million next year and is consulting residents about priorities. It is holding roadshows around the county, including:

- Friday 29th August at Burnham Farmers Market
- Wed. 24th September at Wells Market

Alternatively there is a link to an online questionnaire and a list of other roadshow dates at:

<http://somersetnewsroom.com/2014/08/15/listening-learning-changing/>

Council minutes

Oyez! highlights main points from the Town Council's business for each month, but more detail of the council's work can be found on the website where agendas, reports and minutes from council meetings are posted:

<http://www.axbridge-tc.gov.uk/council/>



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 50s Cost: £2.50

AUTUMN PROGRAMME

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| Wed 10th Sept | Somerset Folk Songs—fun and interactive presentation—Amanda Boyd |
| Wed 24th Sept | Holiday Diary —1836 Holiday in Weston-super-Mare and Bristol -Pat Hase |
| Wed 8th Oct | A Day in the Life of a Journalist—Charlotte Fay-Fineran |
| Wed 22nd Oct | Chalice Morris Men Talk—Dick Shilton |
| Wed 5th Nov | Strawberry Line Talk—Louis Brenchley |
| Wed 19th Nov | Tea and Cake at THE OAKHOUSE |
| Wed 3rd Dec | Quiz Time! |
| Wed 17th Dec | Christmas Festivities |

No need to book—just come along

Be lovely to see you there—why not bring a friend?

For Further Information, please contact
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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 usually held in the Town Hall on the 3rd Monday each month at 7.30 pm

The next meeting will be on Monday 15th September

The agenda is displayed in advance outside the Town Hall and on the website

The Town Clerk, Vicky Brice, can be contacted by phone or e-mail:

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