

Hi All,

The important news this week is that Jason Stevens has been elected as Chairman of Winsham Parish Council. This is good news for the parish as Jason is a relatively young man, with lots of energy, and a broad perspective.

Although a new-comer to the parish-he is married to Lisa Chick- he is full of enthusiasm and has already earned a reputation for getting things done, and deserves every support.

With John Chance and myself retiring from the Parish Council, there will be two vacancies advertised shortly and I hope that a good number of people will apply for co-option. Being a Parish Councillor is not a sinecure, and sometimes quite difficult decisions have to be made, but it can be very rewarding, in the community context. Like most things in life, the more you put in, the more you get out! The red-tape associated with the co-option or the election of Parish Councillors to fill the two vacancies has started, and in the e-letter you will find a link to a statutory notice that you should read, if you are a registered elector of Winsham Parish. The whole process is quite long and drawn out, taking at least a couple of months, which is one of the reasons that John and I retired when we did.

On other Parish Council matters, the new web site is beginning to come into its own. It carries the detail of the changes to the Parish Council, and also, for the first time carries the approved Minutes of the previous meeting. Personally I hope it will also soon publish draft minutes for the preceding month, as in the past, as this give important information to the parish residents more quickly, enabling them to respond if they wish by attending the Public Forum for the next meeting, rather than having to wait for a moth for the next meeting.

Avon & Somerset Police are promoting via Neighbourhood Watch an App available to all Smart Phone users. In danger, lost, confused, frightened, had an accident, and a simple shake or tap sends you location to a designated contact. Sounds a great idea-I haven't tried it yet-haven't had time, but I certainly will be doing so. Click on the link in the e-letter below.

At long last the Jubilee Hall Lottery 2016, is up and running, and you can now get your ticket from Winsham Shop. Your support will be gratefully received, as the hall always has a list of maintenance projects to be carried out as soon as possible.

Have a good week!

John

WINSHAM E-LETTER



Jason Steven's is the new Chairman of Winsham Parish Council, after being elected on Wednesday evening, 3rd February.

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**JUBILEE HALL
LOTTERY 2016**

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Winsham Parish Council	Statutory Notice relating to vacancies on the Winsham Parish Council	Click HERE
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Avon & Somerset recommend a new App for Smart Phone Users	In danger, lost, confused, frightened, had an accident, and a simple shake or tap sends you location to a designated contact.	Click HERE for more information
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Lych Gate Proposal for Winsham Cemetery	Public Meeting Jubilee Hall, 7.00pm. Tuesday, 16th February	Click HERE for details of proposal
NEW! Come on a Mystery Tour of Winsham Web Museum 'Young Love!'	Each week we will take you to a part of the Web Museum that you may not have visited before, or at least for some time!	Click HERE
JUBILEE HALL FUND RAISER Latest!	BOLLYWOOD FANTASY NIGHT March 5th	Click HERE for full details.
WINSHAM ART CLUB	Spring Programme 2016 New Members welcome	Click HERE
9th Annual Drimpton Potato Day	Drimpton Village Hall Saturday, 6th February	Click HERE

<p>NEW! Winsham-Make it better A new Parish Council initiative</p>	<p>A 'MUST' read for everyone.</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>COMMUNITY MATTERS</p>	<p>In response to new Parish Council Web Site, the Parish Web site has changed.</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>WINSHAM GETS A DEFIBRILLATOR</p>	<p>Another good reason for popping along to 'The Bell'</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>CLAPTON & WAYFORD FILM SOC.</p>	<p>Programme for 2015-2016</p>	<p>Click HERE for details</p>
<p>HAWKCHURCH FILM NIGHTS</p>	<p>NEW Programme January-April 2016</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p><u>Market Place</u> on the Parish web Site Lots of new ads!</p>	<p>Sponsored by Winsham Shop-see lots of new ads by local suppliers</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p><u>For all newcomers to the Parish</u></p>	<p>WINSHAM'S 'WELCOME PACK'</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>
<p>St.Stephen's Church Details of services for February, and information about coming Church events.</p> <p>-</p> <p>Have you visited St.Stephen's new Facebook Page?</p>		<p>Click HERE for Church Index</p> <p>-</p> <p>Click HERE</p>
<p>Somerset Museums UPDATED-a really useful</p>	<p>Gives you details of most of the Museums in Somerset.</p>	<p>Click HERE</p>

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Thorncombe Village Trust		Click HERE for link
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The Winsham e- letter will always help find missing pets.

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