

# WINSHAM E-LETTER

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*'The cat who thought it was a plant'*

*In response to last week's plea for pictures, Hazel Butler sent me this charming picture.*

Hi all,

All-in-all a fairly quiet week has just passed, but I think you will find some interesting information in this e-letter.

Just before the start of the parish council meeting on Wednesday the winners of the various categories of the Winsham Grand Challenge 2021 gathered to receive their certificates, and there are several nice photographs of this event on the web site. Unfortunately, Ann Beviss was unable to make it, but daughter Chloe stood in for her.

I didn't stay on for the meeting but looking down the agenda there were some interesting planning applications as well as the usual grind. The parish councillors do a good job. Their task is not easy at the best of times, and it has been especially onerous during the pandemic, so, why not, when you next bump into one say thank-you; it will probably be a

unique experience for them! If you think you could do a better job, why not stand for election , which I think is next year. Watch this space.

**It's all building up to a very busy Bank Holiday weekend at the end of this month.** On the Saturday, there will be the Winsham Horticultural Annual Show, and on the Monday a welcome return of the Winsham Fun Day, organised in conjunction with the Winsham Street Fair Committee, Winsham School PTFA, and the Winsham Recreational Trust. Running concurrently will be the Winsham Art Club Annual Show. Something for everyone! Links to all the details will be found below

Neighbourhood Watch has an interesting message relating to people living with dementia-tech wristbands are available.

Winsham United has its first proper match of the season-the Chard Hospital Cup on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> against Forton Rangers – a real local derby. There is also news of two Winsham sets of roadworks for this month-all water works. Linda Vijeh's Monthly Council and Covid report is also on the web site, in the usual place.

One final thing, which should not affect too many people. The section of the footpath leading from Court Street up to Chapel House will be **closed to vehicle traffic** on this coming Tuesday and Wednesday, **but not to pedestrians**. It is being dug-up in order to lay an electrical supply to the new property that is being built.

Never a dull moment,

Have fun,

John




## PARISH INFORMATION

<b>Winsham Fun Day</b> <b>Something for all ages</b>	<b>Winsham Field ( Upper Rec.), Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>-10am-3pm</b> <b>Live Music from Rocking Ronnie from 6.30pm</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for details</a>
<b>Somerset County Council</b>	<b>Somerset to become a single unitary authority</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for details</a>
<b>Winsham Art Club</b>	<b>Annual Exhibition</b> <b>28<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for details</a>

	<b>Jubilee Hall</b>	
<b>Winsham United F.C.</b>	<b>Details of games in August</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Winsham Horticultural Society</b>	<b>Annual Flower Show, Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> August.</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>At last-what everyone has been waiting for!</b>	<b>GRAND WINSHAM CHALLENGE 2021 Presentation of certificates to the winners THE PICTURES</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Winsham Recreational Trust</b>	<b>Dedicated Web Page, which includes Winsham Community Club.</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for details</a> Also available from New Portal icon on Home Page of Parish Web site <a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>For all nature lovers</b>	<b>Henk Beentje's Winsham botany walks NEW-July</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Useful for new residents and visitors</b>	<b>'Welcome to Winsham' An online guide for visitors and people new to the parish</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Winsham United Charities</b>	<b>WUC are inviting applications for small grants to children and young people to help with educational and training needs.</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for details</a>
<b>Winsham Shop and Post Office</b>	<b>Post-Covid policy on facemasks</b>  *** <b>Shop &amp; Post Office Hours of Opening</b> *** <b>ON-LINE SHOPPING WEB SITE</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a> for more information, and link to the new site

	<p><b>Try it! Let it help you with your shopping list.</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>The History of Winsham Shop and Post Office from 1850</b></p>	
<p><b>Community Matters</b> Now carries a lot more items</p>	<p><b>Henk Beentje's botany walks</b></p> <p><b>See latest July edition!</b></p> <p>-----</p> <p><b>'Welcome to Winsham'</b></p> <p><b>A guide for visitors and people coming to live in the parish</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p> <p>When page loads, scroll down to find topic</p>
<p><b>Somerset Waste Partnership</b></p>	<p><b>Chard Re-cycling Centre - Garden waste collections suspended</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>
<p><b>Street Fair Committee</b></p>	<p><b>Latest news-two bulletins</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>
	<p><b>NOW OPEN as normal!</b></p> <p><b>Keep an eye on the Community Facebook page for events and sometimes they even make the Parish Web site!</b></p> <p>***</p>	<p><a href="#">Click here for web page and Facebook link</a></p>
 <p><b>NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH</b></p>	<p><b>BE ON YOUR GUARD! THERE ARE A LOT OF THEIVES OUT THERE SEE LATEST TIPS TO BEAT THE E- MAIL SCAMMERS</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>Help for dementia sufferers</b></p> <p>***</p>	<p><a href="#">UPDATED 8th August</a></p>

<p><b>NEW!</b></p>	<p><b>Gift Cards</b> *** Protect your pet dog. *** Important Government information about Covid-19 scams. ***</p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>
<p><b>WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL</b></p>	<p><b>*Somerset to become a single statutory authority</b></p> <p><b>*Garden Waste collections suspended for six weeks</b></p> <p><b>*Road Works in August</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>Summary of business dealt with at July meeting</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>Follow SCC Covid reports from Linda Vjeh and Unitary Council proposal.</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE-Scroll down as necessary</a></p>
<p><b>The NEW Winsham Market Place New Advertisers</b></p>	<p>Support your local suppliers! See details of locally based businesses! <b>MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!</b></p>	<p>Click HERE</p> 
<p><b>Nature Lovers Guide to Winsham</b></p>	<p><b>Visit accounts of Winsham Flora and Fauna , dating back to 2002.</b></p> <p><b>Botany walks with Henk Beentje.</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Wildlife Diaries 2016-2020 Contributed by Liz Earl</b></p> <p>.....</p>	<p><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>

	<p align="center"><b>Butterfly Diary 2019</b>  <b>Contributed by Liz Earl &amp;</b>  <b>Henk Beentje</b></p> <p align="center">.....  <b>Paul Smith's 'Bugs 'n'</b>  <b>Bees'</b>  <b>Index</b></p> <p align="center">.....  <b>Natural Winsham</b>  <b>Fossils, Flora &amp; Fauna</b></p> <p align="center">.....  <b>Paul Smith's reflections on</b>  <b>farming, and his experience</b>  <b>as a farmer in Winsham</b>  <b>since 1921 until his passing</b>  <b>in 2007.</b>  <b>A unique record</b></p>	<p align="center"><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p> <p align="center"><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>
<p align="center"><b>Your essential Guide to</b>  <b>Winsham Parish Web</b>  <b>Site Content</b>  <b>UPDATED</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Please read to get the most</b>  <b>from the Winsham Parish</b>  <b>Web Site</b></p>	<p align="center"><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>
<p>Somerset Museums          UPDATED-a really useful          web site.</p>	<p>Gives you details of most of          the Museums in Somerset.</p>	<p align="center"><a href="#">Click HERE</a></p>



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