

# **WINSHAM**

## **E-LETTER**

**No.627**

**6th February 2021**

Hi All,

The 'mega' e-letter of last week which resulted in a very large impact on the Parish Web site. This week's e-letter is a smaller affair but should be of interest to many.

### **Winsham Street Fair**

The first item relates to this year's Winsham Street Fair. Sadly, but not unexpectedly, it has been postponed until next year. Although most of the news about Covid-19 and the vaccination programme is positive, there is still a good deal of uncertainty, especially with regards to its variants, so it does make sense. A lot of work goes into the organisation of the event, so a measure of certainty is needed. One thing I am sure of; when the next Street Fair does next come about it is sure to be mean something incredibly special to all of us.

### **Joint Parish Magazine**

Regarding next month's Joint Parish Magazine, if there is no lifting of the appropriate Lockdown restrictions, for Winsham it will be printed and distributed in the same way as February-mainly via the Shop, newspapers, etc . The Joint Parish Magazine will also appear online.

Many of the readers of the e-letter subscribe the £ 4.50 pa which, in normal times, ensures that they get their copy delivered to their home each month. However, the temporary suspension of the normal delivery service, during the Lockdown, does enable those of our readers who do not get the magazine on a regular basis , sometimes those new to the village, to view and read it free of charge. This opportunity will not last beyond the Lockdown, so it is an ideal occasion to sample its content and experience its breadth of coverage, and of course make use of its 'Yellow Pages' which contain the ads of many local suppliers of goods and services. It is incredible value, only made possible, like so many of the benefits within the parish, because of the tireless efforts of a big team of volunteers covering both editorial, delivery and other services. The only professional service used is the actual printing. The local advertisers also benefit directly from this, as the costs of advertising reflect this. If, after viewing it on the Winsham Parish Web site you would like to start a subscription, or advertise, you can find out who to contact on the outside back cover.

Jenny Clampett is the Editor, and she has asked me to publish the following:

**Dear All,**

***I would just like to say a sincere thank you to everyone who helped distribute, publish this month's JPM under difficult circumstances. Without the backing of the village, it would not have happened especially the support from John, Jason, and the Shop. This shows how much our village comes together at this difficult time. Thank you again, Jenny Clampett, Editor.***

### **Scamming and Security**

The Scammers are still at it-another one featuring BT phone accounts-read all about it on the Neighbourhood Watch.

I had an unusual situation yesterday morning, which I am looking into. The Postman dropped into my mailbox his usual pile of letters and circulars ,etc. Among them was a small package from somebody supplying a small item via Amazon, which I was expecting. What I was not expecting was the small yellow sticker on the package saying, 'Fee to

Pay £2', along with another sticker saying, 'Counterfeit Stamp'. Is this a scam? Will someone, pretending to be from Royal Mail, knock on my door demanding £2? Why didn't the Postman knock on the door, when delivering and ask for payment? This, as I recall is what usually happens when insufficient postage has been paid. I shall endeavour to catch the postman when next delivering and ask. Finally, the item that came was supposed to be 'Post Free'!! I shall have to raise this with Amazon, I suppose. Also, surely, if counterfeit stamps were used, it is a problem for the Royal Mail and the Police, not me! I really do have better things to do with my time. Like prepare e-letters!!

### Winsham Shop and Post Office

I notice that Winsham Shop is promoting the 'Village Doorstep' on Facebook-the super 'on-line' shopping service which has been running for some months. I use it regularly and find it very convenient and easy. Of great importance, as well as providing an on-line buying opportunity, in effect it also provides a classified, illustrated 'catalogue' of many of the products that you can buy at the shop, just by 'popping -in', or phoning in an order. If you haven't done so already, check it out-there is a link of the Winsham Shop and Post Office web page-link below.

That's it for this week.

Keep safe, get vaccinated as soon as you can, and stay cheerful. Things could be a lot worse.





John





*Winsham Shop and Post Office at night. A cheerful beacon in the difficult times, sustained by the custom of residents and a cohort of volunteers.*



<b>Winsham Street Fair</b>	<b>Postponed until 2022</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Joint Parish Magazine February edition</b>	<b>Normal Distribution Disrupted. Read for free via Winsham Parish Web site-including ads</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Winsham Web Museum</b>	<b>Nature Diary 2020 Plus, butterfly sightings</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>Jubilee Hall Lottery 2021</b>	<b>Tickets now on sale at Winsham Shop</b>	<a href="#">Click Here for full information</a>
<b>WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL</b>	<b>Winsham Parish Survey 2021 On -line summary</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b>WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL</b>	<b>Introducing THE NEW WINSHAM GRAND CHALLENGE 2021 'Beat those winter Lockdown blues!'</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE For more information</a>
<b>Winsham Shop and Post Office</b>	<p><b>VIEW NEW UPDATE DETAILS RELATING TO LOCKDOWN 3 (6/1/2021)</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>Shop &amp; Post Office Hours of Opening</b></p> <p>***</p> <p><b>ON-LINE SHOPPING WEB SITE</b>  <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>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a> for more information, and link to the new site
<b>Winsham United Football Club</b>	<b>No fixtures at present due to Lockdown 3</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE for all information</a>
<b>Jubilee Hall</b>	<b>All activities cancelled until further notice.</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
	<b>Jubilee Hall Lottery 2020 Results -Last Quarter Draw</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>

Winsham Web Museum	Further updates to the history of Winsham Shop. 2016 until present	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
Community Matters Now carries a lot more items	<b>Follow SCC Covid reports from Linda Vjeh.</b> ..... <b>January 2021 Latest Somerset Waste Partnership Bulletin</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a> When page loads, scroll down to find topic
Somerset Waste Partnership	Chard Re-cycling Centre remains open-normal opening hours. <b>January 2021 Latest Somerset Waste Partnership Bulletin</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
Street Fair Committee	Latest news-two bulletins	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
	Latest In formation  *** Take-away services continue during Lockdown 3 ***	<a href="#">Click here for web page and Facebook link</a>
 <b>NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH EXTENDED TO COVER COVID-19</b>	<b>BE ON YOUR GUARD! THERE ARE A LOT OF THEIVES OUT THERE SEE LATEST TIPS TO BEAT THE E- MAIL SCAMMERS</b> *** Protect your pet dog. *** Important Government information about Covid-19 scams. ***	<b>UPDATED 5<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2021</b>  <a href="#">Click HERE</a>
St. Stephen's Church	. Latest information on	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>

	LOCKDOWN 3	
<b>WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL</b>	<b>January 2021 Meeting summary</b> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <b>Follow SCC Covid reports from Linda Vijeh.</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE- Scroll down as necessary</a>
<b>The NEW Winsham Market Place</b>	<b>Support your local suppliers! See details of locally based businesses!</b> <b>MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!</b>	Click HERE 
<b>Your essential Guide to Winsham Parish Web Site Content UPDATED</b>	<b>Please read to get the most from the Winsham Parish Web Site</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
<b><u>For all newcomers to the Parish</u></b>	<b>WINSHAM'S 'WELCOME PACK'</b>	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>
Somerset Museums UPDATED-a really useful web site.	Gives you details of most of the Museums in Somerset. <b>LOCKDOWN 3 RESTRICTIONS WILL APPLY</b>  Closures likely due to Corona Virus Emergency	<a href="#">Click HERE</a>



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had!**

**The Winsham e- letter will always help find missing pets.**

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