

Limpley Stoke news

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Popular police officer heads for pastures new



Police Community Support Officer Andrew MacLachlan has moved to a new beat in Devizes, after serving Bradford on Avon and surrounding villages for the past eight years. Andrew regularly attended Limpley Stoke Parish Council meetings and village events. His replacement has yet to be announced. Good luck to Andrew in his new endeavour.

Andrew writes: “I have been a PCSO for over 10 years, and was initially posted to Trowbridge and then to Bradford on Avon rural in August 2012. Although I thought the rural beat would be very quiet, it was surprising to quickly realise that, even in the lovely villages surrounding Bradford on Avon, there is crime being committed.

“I very much enjoyed getting involved with the

villages, whether through community events, schools or parish councils. I was welcomed with open arms and I enjoyed my time there.

“I have just over five years to retirement and I decided that I would like to work in one final area and requested a move to Devizes, which was granted. I started in Devizes on October 20 and relish the opportunity to build all those new contacts again. I was in business in Devizes prior to joining the police, so I do know the town quite well.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in Bradford on Avon and will certainly miss patrolling the lovely villages and meeting the friendly residents, who were always happy to stop for a chat.

“I wish Limpley Stoke all the best for the future and I am sure my replacement will enjoy looking after you as much as I did.”

FLISCA AGM

FLiSCAs AGM is on **Monday, November 23 at 7.00pm** via a Zoom link. An email providing the link will be sent to all those on various communication lists to which FLiSCA has access. Copies of the accounts will be contained in a link in the email or can be viewed at www.galleriesshop.co.uk/flisca. If you don't have access to email or don't receive the link, call Lee Newlyn (07785 955191) or Simon Coombe (07966 027637).

Each attendee will be a member for the purposes of voting for the meeting only. Normally, all names would be recorded in writing but, this year, a show of hands will be taken instead. For those not used to Zoom, please phone Lee or Simon. Everything will be explained at the meeting.

Bulb-planting day on The Tynning

Everyone is welcome to join the Friends of Freshford's (socially-distanced) bulb-planting day on The Tynning from 10am on **Sunday, November 1** to help biodiversity in the locality. Planting native species of flower bulbs will be the first in a series of initiatives by FoF to alleviate climate change. Please take along a trowel or bulb planter if you can.

More information from Candy Harrison candyharrison@hotmail.co.uk



Feeling festive in Bradford

Bradford on Avon's Christmas lights switch-on will take place on **Friday, November 27**, this year without crowds or celebration.

The following day, Covid restrictions permitting, the Town Council is to host a **Festive Fayre** in Westbury Garden from 10.30am to 7pm on **Saturday, November 28** – *Small Business Saturday* – to encourage more people to shop local in the town.

If you'd like to run a stall at the Festive Fayre, an 'expression of interest' form can be found at

<https://www.bradfordonavon.co.uk/expression-of-interest-boa-festive-fayre/>.



Library vans mobile again

Mobile libraries are back on the road providing services to rural areas. Certain precautions will be in place to help keep people safe, with clearly-signed social distancing measures and only one customer at a time allowed access to the library van. Browsing will be limited to five minutes, if other people are waiting, and customers are requested to wear face coverings.

Users will be asked to provide contact details as part of the COVID-19 test and trace system. Details will be handled in accordance with GDPR laws. Remember to take your library cards with you. The mobile library timetable can be viewed at <https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/>.



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WASTE COLLECTIONS

Household waste

Monday, November 2
Monday, November 16
Monday, November 30



Blue-lidded bin Black box

Green waste
(chargeable)



Wednesday, Nov 4
Wednesday, Nov 18

Useful numbers

Transport Link 07714 16 92 16
Power supply emergency 105
Police (non-emergency) 101
Bradford on Avon Police:
new PCSO to be confirmed

MP: Michelle Donelan
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MyWilts app: potholes, road issues, blocked drains, grit bins
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting or
phone 0300 456 0105



Mobile library monthly visit:
Thursday, Oct 29 / Nov 26,
10-10.25am, Uplands, Midford Lane

Website: www.limpleystoke.org



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