

Limpley Stoke news

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Clean air decision delayed

It could be some time before we learn of any potential impact on our community of Bath's Clean Air Zone proposals. A decision on the proposals, which was due to be announced on December 18, has been delayed.

An astonishing 8,400 responses to the six-week consultation process were received by Bath & North East Somerset Council by the November deadline, resulting in officers asking the Government for more time to give proper consideration to the unprecedented high number of responses received and to carry out further technical work. B&NES is aiming to produce an updated report in March.

Middle Stoke road closure

Part of **Middle Stoke** will be closed temporarily on **Monday, February 4**, from outside property No. 52 for a distance of approximately 100 metres, to enable Wessex Water to replace a communication pipe relay.

The closure may be required until **February 8** (depending on the weather) and delays are likely. Further details from Wessex Water on 0345 600 4600.

Galleries stats

Last year, 50,000 customers passed through the doors of the Galleries Shop and Café, where 225,000 items were purchased throughout the year, including 4,000 boxes of eggs; 12,000 litres of milk; 750kg of bananas and 600kg of tomatoes.

Customers polished off 10,000 croissants, washed down with 17,000 cups of coffee and 3,000 cups of tea.



Newspaper sales show that 5,000 copies of The Times and 3,000 copies of The Telegraph were sold during the year.

'On your marks'

Wiltshire Council has available 'elite athlete' grants of £1,000 for any athlete in the county, of any age, competing in an Olympic or Paralympic sport, or any sport recognised by Sport England at either national or international level. Funding can be used to access additional training and coaching, to purchase equipment and to cover transport costs for attending national and international events. **The deadline for applications is 5pm on Monday, January 28.**

Application forms can be downloaded from www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure-supporting-athletes. If you have any questions, email ffopgrants@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Station vandalism and local burglary

Three youths were apprehended after being caught causing criminal damage to the passenger shelters at Freshford Station last month. Witnesses who reported the incident also helped identify the culprits. The case has been handed to the British Transport Police.



Photo: Graham Jenkinson

A property on Crowe Hill was broken into just before Christmas, while the house was occupied. A ground-floor door panel was removed and several items stolen. Police advise householders to keep security lights on and doors locked.

What's On

Walking in the Cotswolds

If you're still trying to work off the excesses of the festive season, the Cotswold Voluntary Wardens have organised some free guided walks in the Avon Valley district, starting this month. No need to book in advance. **ASSISTANCE DOGS ONLY.**

Back in time at the Hill Fort

Tuesday, January 15, 10am. Distance: 4.5 miles.

Moderate, 3-hour walk through woodland leading to the Tyndale monument, offering superb views from the Cotswold Edge. Lunch available in Wotton, if required.

Start point: Wotton under Edge, top of the hill on the old London Road leading from Wotton to the B4058. Parking on roadside or by scout camp: GL12 7DP. Grid Reference: ST 755 942.

Winter Skyline

Friday, January 18, 9.30am. Distance: 6 miles. Moderate, 3-hour walk enjoying beautiful views from Bath Skyline and Bathampton Down, returning through Bushey Wood and Rainbow Wood. Unsuitable for pushchairs. Start at Combe Grove golf driving range car park: BA2 7HU. GR: ST 771626.

Lansdown Circular Walk

Sunday, January 27, 10am. Distance: 10 miles. Moderate, 5.5 hour walk with views of the valleys around Bath. Bring picnic lunch. Drink stop at pub only. Unsuitable for pushchairs. Start at Lansdown Park and Ride, away from entrance: BA1 9BJ. OS Map ST 732681.

For more information: tel 01451 862000 / or visit www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/.

Tudor rivals

Freshford & District Local History Society's talk by author Nicola Tallis on **Wednesday, January 23** is the tumultuous tale of Lettice Knollys, Countess of Leicester, a rival of Queen Elizabeth I. Ms Tallis's latest book will be on sale at the meeting.

History Society meetings are held at 7.30pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Freshford Memorial Hall.

Annual subscription: £10. Visitors welcome: £2. More information and membership details from peter.pennyjones@gmail.com / 01225 723447.

Book exchange

A big thank you to everyone who regularly deposits paperbacks in the Book Exchange (housed in the former telephone kiosk in Lower Stoke), which ensures a good turnover of reading material for anyone wishing to borrow a book. Just a reminder that large hardback books are not ideal, simply because there isn't enough space to accommodate them.

WASTE COLLECTIONS

Plastic / cardboard:
Tuesday, January 8
Monday, January 21



Domestic waste/ black box:
Monday, January 14
Monday, January 28



Green bin:
Wed, January 16
Wed, January 30



Useful numbers

Transport Link 07714 16 92 16
Power supply emergency 105
Police (non-emergency) 101
Bradford on Avon Police:
Andrew MacLachlan
0752 897 2236
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Mobile library monthly visit:
Thursday, January 24
10.00-10.25am
Uplands Close, Midford Lane