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# Editor's Letter



## Hello,

Once again, contributors have been generous with their time and articles. As you might expect, there is plenty of Christmas cheer in store for Somerton residents – Laburnum Drive Residents, the Gardeners' Club and The Club have all pulled out the stops. St Cleers Chapel have created a community kitchen and warm hub for everyone to share.

There are art exhibitions, theatre trips and a naughty pantomime for adults only to keep you entertained. For the environmentally minded there is an update on the SCOP Conference as well as tips on how to have an environmentally merry Christmas.

If that's not enough to keep you busy, don't forget there are several clubs and organisations you can join, just take your pick from the list.

With that said, I'd like to wish you a very merry Christmas full of cheer and good will and to say thank you to David Slocombe for his fabulous cover photograph.

Editor, Viaduct

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# News from your town council

| Meeting  | Date        | Time   | Venue      |
|--|-------------|--------|------------|
| Planning if required<br>Committee meetings will begin again when the new Clerk joins us on 6 February 2023 – welcome Laura Bolter. | 13 Dec 2022 | 6.30pm | Edgar Hall |

Somerton Town Council wish all residents a Happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

## New budget, new people, new stuff

The budget has been set and the precept will be calculated and submitted in January 2023. Careful attention has been given to staffing and managing services, enabling the Council to carry out our duties on behalf of residents as efficiently and effectively as possible.



The Council has been working hard to recover staffing levels over the last few months, and we are delighted to appoint Laura Bolter who will join us on 6 February 2023 as the town's new Clerk and RFO. Lydia Mason has been appointed as Finance officer.

Grant funding from the Market Town Investment Group has funded the purchase of new play equipment which has been installed at the recreational ground. Children, youngsters and adults alike will love swinging and lounging in the bird's nest swing.



## No dogs allowed

It has been brought to our attention that the signage around the recreational ground is being ignored. Please note that no dogs are allowed on the recreational ground, yet dog walkers have regularly been spotted taking their dogs into the fields, with some dog owners leaving dog waste behind. This is a health and safety concern for the children who use the play areas.

## Thank you

The Council are hosting a thank you event for Somerton Volunteers with mulled wine and mince pies on Monday 5 December 2022 at 6.30pm in the parish rooms. Invites have been sent out, if you have not already responded please contact Steph at your earliest convenience at [deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).

# News from your town council

## Challenges and changes

Even before the turmoil in national government over the last few months, councils across the country were facing a funding crisis. After more than ten years of austerity, council budgets are approximately 60% of their former value and demand for services has continued to rise. That makes budgeting and organising services more difficult. Town and Parish Councils in Somerset are being asked to consider by what means they can influence and control how some local services are delivered in the community and how assets are managed. The new Somerset Council will create opportunities for such councils to take control of more local assets, such as buildings and green spaces, where they wish to. Somerton Town Council have been preparing and planning for the changes and are well positioned for the challenges ahead. For more information on the New Somerset Council please visit [newsomersetcouncil.org.uk](http://newsomersetcouncil.org.uk).



## Scop 2 Climate Conference

The conference was well attended with excellent speakers on Saturday 5 November 2022 in Edgar Hall. The article can be found on page 8.



## Have your say

Please do not forget the second Consultation Evening Tuesday 6 December 2022, 7.00pm to 9.00pm, in the main hall at Edgar Hall.

After the Consultations, the Steering Committee will design a survey from the most popular topics selected. Remember, Somerton needs your ideas and support for a more positive future and for growth. Please contact Mo Fletcher for more information at [mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).

## Can you help?

We are seeking new volunteers to deliver Viaduct. If you can help, please email Mo Fletcher at [mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).

If you have any comments or questions regarding anything within this report, or in general, please contact the Clerk's office by emailing Lydia at [clerk.assistant@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.assistant@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk), Claire at [office@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:office@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk) or Steph at [deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk) or you can call 01458 272236.

Please note that the office staff work part time hours, and we endeavour to respond as promptly as possible.





# News from around town

## Watchout... it's not for kids

Somerset's panto scene is about to be turned on its head when the county's only touring adult panto hits several stages in the new year.

Glastonbury And Street Pottymouth Squad (GASPS) is staging *Sinders* – a cheeky version of the classic Cinderella tale – at seven Somerset venues.

Set up to raise funds for the award-winning Glastonbury and Street Musical Comedy Society to help secure the future of its popular annual musicals, GASPS says its adult pantos, which are sponsored by Somerset-based Your Personal Chauffeur, will be one step beyond the smutty humour of the beloved Carry On movies with all the naughty bits left in.

The pantos will be performed at the following locations:

- Thursday, January 19 – **West Pennard** Village Hall
- Friday, January 20 – **Wedmore** Village Hall
- Saturday, January 21 – **Edington** Village Hall
- Wednesday, January 25 – **Compton Dundon** Village Hall
- Thursday, January 26 – **Bridgwater** Arts Centre
- Friday, January 27 – Edgar Hall, **Somerton**
- Saturday, January 28 – **Glastonbury** Town Hall

The show is packed with lots of familiar local faces both on and off stage, with decades of stage experience, including its Director, theatre stalwart Brian Epps from Street, who has been treading the boards for 60 years, and former professional magician Jonathan Miller from Glastonbury, who has appeared on prime-time television and has recently won awards for playing the dame in family pantos.

Tickets cost £15 and include a welcome drink. They can be bought online at [gspottymouth.co.uk](http://gspottymouth.co.uk). For more information and updates follow GASPS' social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram @GSPottyMouth.

## Family fun for all

Somerton's family-friendly music festival is on for 2023 and will be staying at the Recreation Ground. It will take place on Saturday 8 July, with an extra evening of music on Friday 7 July. A limited number of Tier 1 tickets at budget-busting prices will be available from December 4th at [somerstock.co.uk](http://somerstock.co.uk).



Photograph courtesy of Victoria Welton

# News from around town



## A thread in time

From 26 November until Christmas, ACEarts will be showing A Visible Thread by the seam Collective. This exhibition aims to encourage viewers to rethink their relationship to thread, be aware of its materiality, its sustainability, its possibilities, and limitations. Thread, as cloth, is woven through our lives. It surrounds us like a second skin. Precisely because of these close connections, it becomes almost invisible to us.

On Saturday 10 December we're hosting a 'Flock Together, Coming Together' Open Day as part of the final stages of our year long community project. The Flock Together pieces from all those who have submitted work will be on display on the panels as they are being produced ready for the January exhibition. Participants will be available to talk about how the individual pieces have been made and how they are being pieced together. There will also be the chance for anyone to have a go at either completing a piece or taking away an idea to work on, and we will be talking about our plans for a continuation of the community project into 2023.

Alongside all of this, we will be launching our Christmas raffle to help us raise funds for the building – we have some beautiful pieces from local artists together with some fabulous prizes donated by local businesses. The draw for the raffle will take place after the Christmas Light Switch-on Fayre at 7.00pm on Sunday 4 December in ACEarts with tickets available right up until then.

## Being neighbourly

Somerton Good Neighbours Committee welcomed fourteen volunteers to the second AGM. Annette Sparks, Chairman of the group, thanked all the volunteers for their hard work supporting the residents of Somerton.

The new transportation to medical appointments service has been well utilised and over 82 trips have been provided. Regular shopping trips and collection of prescriptions have continued for the housebound, and there has been an increase in the number of requests received for a weekly visit by a volunteer for a chat and cup of tea.

Looking to the future we are focusing on helping with Warm Hubs and supporting residents who suffer from memory loss.

For further information if you, or someone you know, is in need of support please contact Chairman Annette Sparks on 01458 258947.





# News from around town

## 274 theatre trips, £67,362 donated to charity and still counting



To start off 2023 we are looking forward to the critically acclaimed Lincoln Theatre production of My Fair Lady at Bristol Hippodrome on Tuesday 21 February. Payment will be due in early January but the earlier you book the better your seats. You can cancel until the date that I pay for the reserved tickets, usually two months before the trip.

Our full list to date is:

My Fair Lady, Tue 21 Feb, £45/£61  
Bourne's Sleeping Beauty, Thu 2 Mar, £44/£63;  
The Commitments, Tue 21 Mar, £51  
The King and I, Thu 30 Mar, £44/£53  
Fisherman's Friends, Thu 4 May, £54  
Strictly Ballroom, Tue 11 Jul, £37/£52  
Charlie & The Chocolate Factory, Wed 27 Sep, £62/£70

Our coach departs from Curry Rivel, picks up on route via Langport & Somerton, then either via Wells or Shepton Mallet. You can access more details at [charitytheatretrips.com](http://charitytheatretrips.com). You can also book online, by e-mailing [charitytheatretrips@btinternet.com](mailto:charitytheatretrips@btinternet.com) or phoning 01458 273085.



## Celebrated treasures

We are featuring an Exhibition of Textiles and Mixed Media by HEPTAD – Marie Andrews, Jenny Blackburn, Hilary Farthing, Thelma Masters and Heather Robinson.

Som-Art-on Gallery is a new venue for this established group of textile artists. Personal treasured artefacts and memories have inspired a new collection of work for this eclectic exhibition. The group aims to dispel conventional expectations of traditional embroidery. Their work demonstrates innovative design, incorporating fabric, thread, paper and mixed media, together with dyeing and printing.

Open Tuesday 6 to Sat 17 December  
10.00am – 4.30pm and Sunday 18 December  
10.00am – 2.00pm

Call 01458 834113 for details.



# News from around town

## Good SCOP, bad COP

More than 36 parishes and 15 Somerset community organisations met in Somerton in early November to discuss ways to prepare for climate change. The Somerset Congress of Parishes (SCOP) brought 60 delegates to the Edgar Hall in one of the largest gatherings on climate change to be held in the county.



Conference were told that present weather patterns caused by carbon dioxide emissions are the result of fossil fuel consumption baked in 40 years ago in the 1980s. Given the world consumption of fossil fuels today is many times what it was then, climate disruption at scale is likely to escalate.

Conference co-ordinator Mo Fletcher said: "Let's hope our small effort here will be felt in Egypt otherwise what do we tell our grandchildren, we just watched it happen?"

This is the second time Somerton Town Council has supported the SCOP conference, which was set up to shadow the United Nations Conference of the Parties (COP) talks. The first SCOP conference shadowed the COP 26 talks in Glasgow in November 2021; this year's conference shadowed the COP 27 talks in Sharm el-Sheikh.

Closing the conference, Glastonbury Mayor Jon Cousins told a story of two friends on a beach surrounded by thousands of starfish that were dying from exposure to the sun. One of them picked up a starfish and threw it back into the sea. "You can't save them all," the other laughed. "I can save one though, and so can you," they replied.

The Levels Climate Forum, which organised the conference, would like to express its sincere gratitude to climate consultant Jon Burke, Open University lecturer Roger Bradley and One Planet Bruton's Jane Durney for giving up their free time to speak to the conference.

Grateful thanks also to facilitators Indra Donfrancesco, Stewart Crocker, Steve Mewes, Charlie Hull, Ewan Jones, Jon Cousins and Cara Naden. Thanks to Grace Read for the catering, film-makers Gordon McKerrow and James Godman, and Julia Wellard from Frome FM.

The forum would like thank the following sponsors: Cobbs, Nature's Pantry, The Stationery House, George James Estate Agents, Tony Canvin, Somerset Business & Trade Association, Westcombe Cheese, the Society of Friends at Long Sutton and Somerton Co-op. Final thanks to First Somerton Guides, who did the small but important things so well.

For more information about the conference, look up the Levels Climate Forum YouTube channel online, or email Mo Fletcher at [mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:mo.fletcher@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).



# News from around town

## Have an environmentally Happy Christmas

I hope you will find this article useful - even if you take one idea from it you will have saved money and helped the planet.

### PAPER

In the UK we use 300,000 tonnes of wrapping paper and card at Christmas and 100,000 tonnes of plastic.



- Re-use envelopes, cut into note size, staple, or clip together. Free notepad.
- Old Xmas cards make gift tags. Cut into mini jigsaws for children.
- Re-use string, ribbon, knitting wool, raffia. Buy paper tape, eg. Naturally Wrapt (online).
- Iron out tissue paper, decorate plain paper with stencils, use old Xmas comics.
- Avoid any paper that contains plastic eg. foil paper. And avoid buying cards wrapped in plastic; buy your cards in a box.
- Buy gift bags (and decorations) from a charity shop.

### THE XMAS MEAL

We waste about 8 million tonnes of food a year in the UK.

- Buy loose vegetables, you tend to buy less. Buy vegetables in season: sprouts, red cabbage, parsnips, celeriac, leeks. Some frozen veg are economical: peas, sweetcorn, or mixed veg. Bulk out your meal with veg and stuffing.
- Get everything at room temperature before you put it in the oven. Get food prepped before you turn the oven on - don't let your oven wait for you.
- Use a slow cooker if you have one and microwave as much as possible.
- Cook multiple vegetables together, and chop them small for quicker cooking.

## Christmas fun in the library

There's plenty to keep you entertained in the run up to Christmas. To start, there's the Children's Christmas Craft Event on Saturday morning, 3 December. Come along anytime from 10.30am and join in the activities. All materials are provided. Library closes at 1.00pm.

We also offer Jigsaw Share. There are many jigsaws to borrow. A Chess Club operates every Saturday morning from 10.00am to 12.00pm. No formality, young and older, we all mix in. Come along and bring your board.

Remember, our hours have changed – we are closed all day Monday, open Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and Saturday morning. Thursday and Friday we're open all day (with an hour closed for lunch 1.00pm to 2.00pm).



# Have your say

## It's party time in Laburnum Drive

Thank all of you who have supported us this year, and have made new friends too, making our efforts even more worthwhile. 10 December is our Christmas Party, open to all Laburnum Residents. The guest list of invitations is limited owing to numbers allowed in our Hall. 14 December is our Floral Class, 3.00pm to 5.00pm, £7. All flowers supplied, and to take home. 15 December is Xmas Bingo, and the last one until 5 January. Breakfast is from 9.00am on 19 December for £4. Happy Christmas everyone, and thank you Viaduct for keeping us all in touch.



## Don't waste your waste

Please save your Christmas Postage Stamps for Marie Curie – stamps just need to be torn off envelopes and parcels, leaving a little paper around the stamp to avoid damage. All stamps are needed, ordinary as well as commemorative, and the Christmas specials. In fact, this is an ongoing appeal for stamps, so whether you've just a few, a bag full or an album, they will all be very much appreciated. Every stamp counts.

The stamps will be used to help support the Marie Curie Nurses in Somerset. A Marie Curie Nurse provides hands-on nursing care in the home over-night to anyone who is terminally ill – not just cancer but any terminal illness. The service is provided totally free of charge, there's no cost to the patient or the family. To receive the services of a Marie Curie Nurse you have to contact your District Nurse or GP.

We can also make use of any old mobile phones and broken or unwanted jewellery. Stamps and other items may be taken to Jane at Cobbs Wholefoods who willingly acts as a collection point or contact Judy Glossop on 01458 270265. If items will fit through a letter box, they can be taken to The Old Saddlery, New Street (black & white house).

## For the gardeners

If you're a member of the Somerton Gardeners' Club, you're in for a treat. On 14 December it's our members' Christmas meal with entertainment at the Edgar Hall commencing at 6.45pm. Do come and join in the fun.





# Have your say

## December at The Club

There's a lot going on in The Club this December. We kick off with Bingo on 4 and 18 December, followed by a Quiz on 22 December. On Christmas Eve it's our Christmas Draw and on New Year's Eve we'll be rockin' and rollin' with Rocking Ronnie. So don't miss out, make sure you come along.

### Newsflash

Somerton is having its first ever Community Day for all the family on Sunday 16 July 2023, brought to you by The Club@Somerton. Look out for future updates via The Viaduct and The Club's Facebook page.



## Let us entertain you

Come along and be entertained with a medley of Christmas Carols and popular songs, sung in 4-part harmony a cappella style by local group, Somer Singers. We will be outside of the Co-op in Somerton on Saturday 10 December at 10.30am to help bring some Christmas cheer to your shopping experience.

## The kindness of strangers...

I would like to thank all the wonderful people who came to my rescue on the morning of 7 October in Cox's Yard. I was feeling groggy from a fall in West Street and sat on the bench outside the Co-op to try and recover. Apparently, I fainted and Lexi, Jane, Jackie, and the lovely lady from Nature's Pantry, together with a wonderful gentleman who took on the task of calling the ambulance service and all that entails, were there to look after me. Also, special thanks to Peter, Lexi's husband, who rescued my car and delivered it to my home. There were probably more people who helped, and I apologise for not remembering them. Thank you all so much. I am being well looked after by friends and family and hope by the time this edition comes out that this incident is just a distant memory. Denise Clarke.



## ...and locals

We have filled all our volunteer places for the community kitchen at St Cleers. Thank you to all the kind people who contacted us to help. We are opening St Cleers chapel to provide a warm barn on Fridays between 10.00am and 4.00pm. If you are genuinely struggling to stay warm, please come and join us for refreshments and company. For further information contact Joy at Joy.burke1961@gmail.com.

# Local clubs and activities

If any of the details for the current list are incorrect or you would like to be added to the list, please email [viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).

| GROUP                            | CONTACT NAME                               | MEETING PLACE                              | MEETING TIME   | EMAIL/WEBSITE  | TELEPHONE                    |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|------------------------------|
| Ageing Well                      | Age UK somerset                            | Parish Rooms, booking required for a place | Monday, Thursday and Friday  | <a href="mailto:ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk">ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk</a> for details and to book a place                                       | 01823 345626                 |
| Archies Extra                    | Alex Judith                                | Sports Ground, Gassons Lane by MUGA        | Thurs 7.30-9.30pm<br>11 to 18 year olds                                    |  | 01458 272047<br>01458 273079 |
| Flexercise                       |  | Buttercross Surgery                        | Fridays 2.30-3.30pm  |  |                              |
| Friendship Club                  | Mo Fletcher                                | Somerton Sports Club                       | Second Thursday of the month 10.30am                                       | <a href="mailto:fletcher080@btinternet.com">fletcher080@btinternet.com</a>   | 01458 274631                 |
| Health Walks                     | Mo Fletcher                                | Somerton Library                           | First and third Thursday of the month 11.30am                              | <a href="mailto:fletcher080@btinternet.com">fletcher080@btinternet.com</a>   | 01458 274631                 |
| Martial Arts Self Defence        | Dan Palmer                                 | Village Hall, High Ham, Langport TA10 9DA  | Weds 7.00-8.00pm Kids and Adults<br>Thurs 5.00-6.00pm and 6.00-7.00pm Kids | <a href="mailto:info@realitymasd.co.uk">info@realitymasd.co.uk</a>   | 07484 849157                 |
| Mid Wessex Singers               | Sheena Smith                               | West Street Church Hall                    | Tuesday 7.15-9.00pm  | <a href="mailto:info@midwessexsingers.co.uk">info@midwessexsingers.co.uk</a><br><a href="http://www.midwessexsingers.co.uk">www.midwessexsingers.co.uk</a> | 07768 704883                 |
| Rugby Club                       | Gary Saunders & Steve Benn under 18s & 15s | Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch             | Tues and Thurs 7.00pm  |  | 07870 861731<br>07919 153205 |
| Scottish Country Dancing         | Anita Wilson                               | Ash Village Hall                           | Wednesday 7.30-9.30pm  | <a href="mailto:anitaandjim22@gmail.com">anitaandjim22@gmail.com</a>   | 01460 929383                 |
| Somerton Bridge Club             | Joan Davies, Jim Dawson                    | West Street Church Hall                    | Thursday 7.00pm  | <a href="mailto:joandavies15@rocketmail.com">joandavies15@rocketmail.com</a>   | 01458 272418<br>01458 251228 |
| Somerton and District Bowls Club | Peter Jones                                | Sports Ground, Gassons Lane                | Tuesday 5.45pm<br>Friday 2.00pm  | <a href="http://somertonbowlsclub.co.uk">somertonbowlsclub.co.uk</a>   | 01458 224212                 |
| Somerton Gardeners' Club         | Pauline Saunders                           | Edgar Hall<br>£3 for visitors              | Second Wednesday of the month 7.30pm                                       | <a href="mailto:somertongardenersclub@gmail.com">somertongardenersclub@gmail.com</a><br><a href="http://somertongc.com">somertongc.com</a>                 | 01458 272769                 |
| Somerton Group of Artists        | Mandy McAllen                              | Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton      | Second Wednesday of the month 7.30pm<br>£5 includes tea or coffee          | <a href="mailto:i_dissagree@hotmail.com">i_dissagree@hotmail.com</a>   |                              |
| Somerton History Society         | Joan Banbury                               | Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton      | Fourth Thursday of the month 7.30pm  | <a href="mailto:j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk">j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk</a>   |                              |



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|---|------------------------------|---|--|--|------------------------------|
| Somerton Music & Arts Festival                                    | Jon Sackett                  | Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton   | One committee meeting a month at 7.30pm - email for dates            | <a href="mailto:somertonartsfestival.co.uk">somertonartsfestival.co.uk</a><br><a href="mailto:hello@somertonartsfestival.co.uk">hello@somertonartsfestival.co.uk</a> | 07928 508700                 |
| Somerton Probus Club  | Derek Long                   | Somerton Sports Club  | Last Wednesday of the month 11.30am for 12.00noon start              | <a href="mailto:long.derek1946@gmail.com">long.derek1946@gmail.com</a>   | 01458 274038                 |
| Somerton Runners  | Keith Brackstone             | Somerton Recreation Ground handstanding by 5-a-side football pitch                              | Tuesday 6.00pm   | <a href="mailto:coachkeith53@gmail.com">coachkeith53@gmail.com</a>   | 07999 511366                 |
| Somerton Tennis Club  | Membership Secretary         | Somerton Tennis Club, Somerton Sports Ground, Gassons Lane TA11 6HS                             |  | <a href="mailto:somerton.tennisclub@gmail.com">somerton.tennisclub@gmail.com</a>   | 01458 396006                 |
| Somerton Town FC  | Jason Burton-Tuttiatt        | Somerton Recreation Ground by The Sports Club (October we move to Huish School 3G until spring) | Tuesday 6.30pm   | <a href="mailto:jasonb52s@yahoo.com">jasonb52s@yahoo.com</a>   | 07825 180506                 |
| Somerton Town Youth FC  | Dave Walton                  | Recreation Ground   | Various times, please contact for details                            | <a href="mailto:djwalton79@hotmail.com">djwalton79@hotmail.com</a>   | 07476 206224                 |
| Somerton u3a  | Marilyn Muffett              | Various venues and Edgar Hall fourth Friday of month 10.00am                                    | 40 different groups meet at various times - details online           | Full information including speakers at <a href="http://u3asites.org.uk/somerton/groups">u3asites.org.uk/somerton/groups</a>  | 01458 899773<br>07736 425426 |
| Treacle Eater Clog (North-West style Morris dance with side band) | Jadi                         | Rimpton Village Hall BA22 8AH (car share available)   | Mondays 7.30-9.30pm<br>Beginners welcome                             | <a href="mailto:secretary@treacleaterclog.org">secretary@treacleaterclog.org</a>   |                              |
| Tai Chi   | Jacqui                       | Parish Rooms, Somerton  | Tuesday 9.30-10.30am<br>Thurs 9.30-10.30am<br>£20 for four weeks     |  | 01458 270258                 |
| Wessex Junior Youth Club  | Clive and Sara Dyer          | Wessex Rooms, Broad St, Somerton TA11 7ND   | Thursday 6.00pm to 7.30pm £1 entry, free first night for new members | <a href="mailto:sarad53@hotmail.com">sarad53@hotmail.com</a>   | 01458 273665                 |
| Womens' Institute   | Sue Long<br>Pauline Saunders | Parish Rooms  | Third Tuesday of the month 2.30pm                                    |  | 01458 274038<br>01458 272769 |

# PROTECT YOUR BIRDS FROM BIRD FLU THIS WINTER!

Keep your birds housed.

If it is impossible to house them keep them in a fully netted area with feed and water undercover.

Do not allow birds in netted enclosures to mix with fully housed birds.

**Remember, anything you bring into your birds' housing could introduce disease!**

- Change into clean footwear before tending to your birds.
- Store feed and bedding undercover.
- Control rodents and clean up spilled feed.
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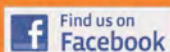


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