

Local Trades Directory

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Reflexology and Reiki
Alison Lewis: Hope Cottage, Dilton Marsh, 228010. Home visits available.

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If you would like a free one-line entry in this directory in future newsletters, please
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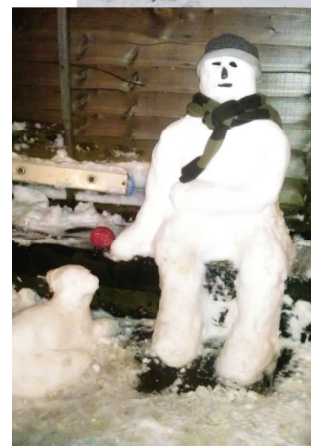
Community Hall Website: www.westbury-leigh-community-hall.org.uk
Westbury Leigh Village Association Website: www.westbury-leigh.co.uk



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Next Village Association Meeting: Monday 11th February, 7:30pm at the Community
Hall (upstairs).

Snow end to the fun!



Snow sculptures by Tris Fry and Traci Pepler of Sparrick Lane

Community Centres

The Leigh Park Community Centre is now open and the Village Association wishes to congratulate the Leigh Park Community Association on their achievement – it is a fine building and will be a good focus for the Leigh Park community. Don't forget about the Westbury Leigh Community Hall though – it is still open for business and as a converted church building it has a unique atmosphere. The Community Hall's website is being redeveloped and online booking and payment will be available soon. In the meantime, if you would like to make a booking (or just look round the Hall to see what it is like), contact Angela Graham-Leigh on 303941 or jandagraham-leigh@blueyonder.co.uk.

World Book Night

23 April will be the UK's third World Book Night. 20,000 volunteers will be handing out free books in their communities all over the country to share their love of reading and encourage those who don't read regularly to do so. Volunteers from the Village Association are hoping to be chosen as "givers" for the third year running, but even if they are not, there will be a book-related event at the Community Hall. So make a date in your diary for 23 April and get reading!

Tree Works Approved

A planning application by Persimmon Homes for work on trees in and around the Copse at the end of Church Lane has been approved. The trees in the copse, which is part of the Brambles development, have a blanket Tree Preservation Order, so work on them needs to be approved by Wiltshire Council.

The work involved follows closely the recommendations in the Environmental Survey undertaken for Persimmon Homes' first planning application for the site. This recommended the removal of 2 White Poplar trees at the south west corner, which were classified as dangerous as they had grown out from an old stump. Also in this corner 2 elders are to be removed, and the Poplars replaced by a Field Maple.

The remainder of the copse is to be selectively thinned, to remove any poor or unhealthy trees, leaving space for trees with good potential for future growth. The Council have stated that the thinning should be by no more than 20%, and the predominant species removed should be Ash. The consent states that the Arboricultural Officer should be notified and be able to arrange a site visit to agree the exact specification of the pruning and thinning operations.

Other work will involve clearing all trees back to 1 metre from the edge of the block paved area (next to the flats), pruning the large willow on the east side to create a high pollard, and crown lift trees overhanging the pavement (footpath?) to give 2 metres clearance.

Let us hope this work will be undertaken professionally and lead to an enhancement of the copse, both visually and as wildlife habitat.

Westbury Bridge Club

Meeting every Tuesday morning in the upper room at Westbury Leigh Community Hall. A small, friendly club playing Chicago bridge, so there is no need to bring a partner. Arrive at 10.15am for tea/coffee, and play bridge from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome and there is one table for anyone who would like to learn how to play bridge. The cost is £1.50 per week.

Stitched-up Sewing Club

Meeting every Thursday in the main room at Westbury Leigh Community Hall, from 10am to 1pm. This is a small, friendly, informal group and it's not just about sewing. It's good to have some time to come together and share ideas, and skills, and have some fun. The cost is £2 per week.

Did You Know?

That the last glovemakers in Westbury were the firm of Reynolds & Kent, who had a workshop over The Oak public house? The Oak has just been demolished to make way for the new Aldi in Warminster Road.

That Chalford used to have a tollhouse? It was on the corner of Warminster Road and Old Dilton Road and was demolished in 1960.

That the cost of building the Church of the Holy Saviour in Westbury Leigh was £2584? The funds were all raised locally in the early 1870s. Before the church was built local services were held in a schoolroom.

Wildlife in Westbury Leigh

During the recent cold spell we have had plenty of birds visiting our garden taking advantage of the different kinds of bird food that we, and nature, have provided. After the heavy fall of snow, my wife cleared an area underneath our apple tree, exposing the fallen apples that we had left for the birds. The blackbirds were very quick to take advantage in the conditions, and would feed even when we were in the garden.

The small birds certainly appreciated the fat balls, fat filled coconut, peanuts and bird table food, with sparrows, long tailed, blue and great tits, and the odd chaffinch along with our resident robin and black cap, both of which would try to see off the other birds! We have also been visited by 2 or 3 goldfinches, as we have a niger seed feeder, which they appreciate. So it has been gratifying to see the small birds finding our offerings to help them through the winter.

If you have spotted any unusual visitors to your garden, or have anything else to tell about the local wildlife, why not share it at our next Village Association meeting.

Brian Osborne

Village Events and Activities

Drop in Market: 10 am till 12 noon on the first Wednesday of every month except January (when there's no market).

Westbury Folk Dancing Club: Eileen Dredge: 822469

Exercise Classes: Alison Jacobs (Monday evenings): 07748 407753
Sue Jackson (Monday afternoons): 824267

Westbury Playford (Country Dancing): Susan Swann: 01985 212556

Bingo (Popular sessions – First Friday of the Month):
Beryl Drake: 823971

Yoga Classes: Fiona Fallon (Wednesday evenings): 01985 846133
Dawn Teasdale (Tuesday evenings): 07974 744930

Sewing Club: Sue Taylor (Thursday mornings): 822659

Bridge Club: Sue Taylor (Tuesday mornings): 822659