

Notice Board

Village Events and Activities

Weight-Watchers: Every Tuesday- Contact is Lyn Grimstead ☎: 474761

Drop in Market: 10 am till 12 noon on the first Wednesday of every month except January (when there's no market). A wide range of local produce, crafts and other wares as well as coffee and chat. As the name says, just drop in.

Westbury Folk Dancing Club: Eileen Dredge ☎: 822469

Exercise Classes: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: Alison Jacobs ☎: 07748 407753

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

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

Yoga Classes: Allan Oakman (Tuesday evenings) ☎: 859313
Fiona Fallon (Wednesday evenings) ☎: 01985 846133

French and Spanish Classes: Sara Starbuck ☎: 825959

Village Association Contacts

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Websites

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: Wednesday 2nd December, 7:30pm at the Community Hall (upstairs). Please come and join us enjoy a nice mince pie.



The Brambles

The planning application by SPB Homes for 25 residential dwellings (reduced from 28) on this site at the end of Church Lane was approved by a narrow margin at the Wiltshire Council Planning Committee meeting on October 28th. The consent is part of the Wiltshire Council PFI Affordable Homes Scheme, and will consist of all rented housing.

A number of Councillors expressed their reservations at this type of development being situated in the middle of predominantly owner-occupied housing, and one Councillor quoted Wiltshire Council's policy regarding affordable housing, stating that it should be a mix of rented and intermediate (part buy/part rent). The PFI Scheme is for all rented, which does not meet this criterion.

The copse on part of the site nearest the end of Church Lane already has a Tree Preservation Order and is classified as Public Open Space in the previous planning application by Persimmon Homes. There is concern that it is maintained and managed for its environmental benefit, and the developers have agreed that Wiltshire Council will adopt it.

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The Brambles

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Village Supper

About 80 people came to the annual Village Supper on 3rd October. They enjoyed a good meal (with homemade apple pies), lively conversation with friends and neighbours, spirited entertainment from "The Entertainment Brigade" and opportunities to win lots of raffle prizes. Everyone had a great time and £350 was raised for Community Hall funds. If you missed the Supper this year, make a note in your diary for early October next year!



Christmas is just around the corner!



As Christmas approaches, there are many events in and around the village, in addition to the regular classes and meetings at the Community Hall. Keep an eye on the notice boards inside and outside the Hall.

Here's a list of events to be held in the Community Hall for your diary:

Sat 28th Nov 7pm for an 8pm start	Annual Quiz night: £2.50 per person and a maximum of 6 people per team.
Wed 2nd Dec 10am to 12 noon	Monthly Market. Come along to have a chat and coffee with your neighbours. There'll be lots of extra stalls and a raffle.
Wed 2nd Dec 7.30pm to 8.30pm	Village Association meeting in the upper hall. This may be your first chance to have a mince pie this Christmas season.
Friday 4th Dec eyes down at 7.45pm	Christmas Bingo. Admission £2.50 to include 1 book.
Sun 6th Dec 3pm	Carol Concert with music from the Westbury Players.
Tue 8th Dec 10am & Fri 18th 7.30pm	Relaxation session to soothe those jangled nerves.
Sun 20th Dec 3pm	Children's Crib Service

Some of the other events in and around Westbury:

Fri 27th Nov 6pm	Christmas lights switched on and many shops open until late to help with the celebrations.
Sun 29th Nov 4pm	Advent service (candlelit): St Mary's Church, Old Dilton
Sat 12th Dec	Christmas activity day in the town centre.
Mon 14th Dec 11:30 – 12:00	Westbury Library: Xmas Rhyme Time for 0-3 year olds. Children to wear festive head gear.
Mon 14th Dec 18:30 - 19:00	Westbury Library: Bed time stories. Wear pyjamas; bring teddies and lamps if you want to.
Mon 21st Dec 11:00 – 12:00	Westbury Library: Snowflakes and stars



Did You Know?

That the Countess of Wessex visited the brand new Westbury Leigh School in 2004?

That the bridge over Warminster Road at Chalford was built by William Henry Laverton? He lived at Leighton House 1888 - 1921 and wanted easy access to his private theatre, cricket ground and 9-hole golf course.

That Westbury and Westbury Leigh have many examples of fine 19th century cast iron railings? In many parts of the country such railings were removed for reuse during World War II. Here, an inventory was taken in 1941 but for some reason now unknown the railings were not taken away.

Charity Coffee Morning Update

A very big thank you to everyone who supported and attended the coffee morning on Saturday 14th November. Despite the appalling weather conditions we managed to raise £153.66 for Macmillan Cancer Support and Spinal Research. Well done and thank you everyone! Ed Coleman.

Burglaries and Anti-Social Behaviour

It has come to our attention that there has been an increase in burglaries and attempted burglaries in the area. There has also been mention of anti social behaviour.

Perhaps this is the time to note that there is a dormant Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in Westbury Leigh, and if you wish to find out more come to the next Village Association meeting.

Local Trades Directory

Acer Tree Surgeons Nick Cranston: 31 Westbury Leigh, 0870 3830124, nickcranston@acertreesurgeons.co.uk, www.acertreesurgeons.co.uk

Bright Glass - stained glass commissions and beginners' courses
Debs Sage: 23 Westbury Leigh, 07919 476994, debsandnick@waitrose.com, www.brightglass.co.uk

Jewellery-making courses and graphic design service
Sarah Perrett: 16 Westbury Leigh, 826303, sarahjane.perrett@btinternet.com, www.beadbuffet.co.uk

Solicitor Tony Wilkin: 74 Westbury Leigh, 824528, tonywilkin@blueyonder.co.uk

Vines and Lipscombe Design Group - architectural and planning services
Vaughan Lipscombe: Boyers House, Black Horse Lane, 864866, vlipscombe@lineone.net

If you would like a free one-line entry in this directory in future newsletters, please give the details to Angela (303941 or jandagraham-leigh@blueyonder.co.uk).