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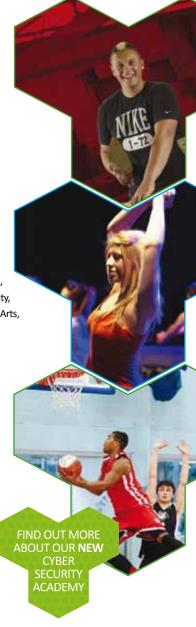
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Dear Residents,



We hope you all enjoyed a fabulous summer, you can read about some of the lovely, local activities that

took place throughout the magazine.

As you can tell by the front cover picture, Winterbourne Medieval Barn are preparing for some fantastic events in the coming weeks, you can find out more in their report.

As always WADCA community venue have a whole host of activities for you to enjoy, both on a weekly and one off basis - look out for details of their special music evenings.

The Floral Friends of Frampton have once again been busy making the local area look beautiful, we hope you enjoy reading all their latest news, including exciting developments on the new Community Sensory Garden.

Staying on the theme of gardening, the Coalpit Heath WI have been particularly creative with their planting, as you will discover in their article. We are pleased to share news from Winterbourne and Frampton WIs too.

We hope you will enjoy an interesting article sharing the wonderful activity taking place at Says Court Solar Farm to promote wildlife, thanks to the combined work of Avon Wildlife Trust and Westerleigh Parish Council. They have some free events to attend soon.

Catch up on all the latest activity at Winterbourne library and check out all the groups and events you can get involved within the community notices.

If you are part of a local group or are organising an event that you would like promoted, please do get in touch, we love to hear from you. Take care until next time.



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hands-on meeting in August, when we were visited by Catherine from C Squared, C Squared provides first aid training and Catherine is a qualified paramedic so we were assured of receiving very up to date advice.

We had a very

Firstly we ran

through the DRABC, danger, response, airway. breathing and circulation. Catherine gave us pointers on what to look for and she brought several dummies to the meeting so we were able to practice our compressions. We were all surprised at the amount of effort needed to keep compressions going for two minutes. We were briefed initially on the process for adults, then children and finally babies.

After CPR Catherine then ran through what to do in the event of someone choking and the differences between treating children and adults. Whilst the subject was very serious Catherine's presentation was very engaging and we had lots of laughs but also learnt valuable information. Hopefully we will see Catherine again when she can cover other aspects of first aid.

Some of our ladies have been busy on craft nights with crotchet and knitting and some ladies took

the craft night to a new level deciding to make Braskets. A Brasket is basically a bra filled with plants and used like a hanging basket. It's not as easy as it looks. We had a lot of fun making them. We had a few spare bras left so more ladies took up the challenge. Hopefully you will all be able to see the results very soon in Coalpit Heath!

August is a busy month, as we also take part in the Horton and Horticultural show and following hot on its heels is the St Saviours' Horticultural show early in September.

I can't believe it but we actually started talking about the outing to the Christmas market (this year it's Cardiff) and our Christmas meal. We have also been discussing some more charitable items so will keep you all posted.

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month in St Saviours Church Hall at 7.45pm, all visitors welcome.





Winterbourne breaks the "60%" barrier with improved A Level results for the 3rd year in a row

Year 13 students at Winterbourne International Academy are celebrating another year of superb results, which are up for the third year in a row. The Academy has achieved its best ever A Level results, breaking the "60%" barrier for the first time. 61% of students achieved A*-B grades in their examinations. This is an amazing 10% above the national average and confirms that Winterbourne is among the top A Level attaining schools in both the public and private sector in South Gloucestershire and Bristol. In addition 94% of Level Three BTEC students gained a Distinction or starred Distinction.

The number of very top grades were up too. At Winterbourne, this year, 34% of A Level grades were at A* or A. The overall pass rate was 100%. Many subjects put in outstanding performances where more than two thirds of students achieved A*-B grades, including Art, Chemistry, Classical Civilisation, Economics, English Literature, German. History, Law, Maths and Further Maths, Music Technology, Photography, Physics, Religious Studies and Sociology. The pass rate at Level Three BTEC Engineering was 100% starred Distinction. 93% of students gained Distinction or starred Distinctions in Level Three BTEC Business. AS qualifications sat by Year 13 students saw a sharp rise in top grades by 10%.

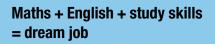
Particular congratulations must to go to individual students for some incredible grades. Xinyu Shen achieved 4 A* and Catrin Buckley gained 3 A*, with a further A* in her Extended Project Qualification (EPQ). Tom Chamberlain achieved 2 A* and a starred Business BTEC Distinction. Peter Brooks and Aimee Mulcahy achieved 2 A*, with A* in their EPQ. Furthermore, Joe Evans, Hannah Stevens, Georgia Ace and Emily Brown achieved 2 A*. Shaun Mitchell, Anna Ley, Beth Ward, George Hillier, Phillip Rawlinson and Joy Carlin all gained A* or A in all subjects.

Following on from such magnificent results, Year 13 students have been able to enter some of the most sought after universities and courses in the UK. These include Medicine. Law. Architecture. Economics, Natural Sciences, Maths, Physics, Chemical Engineering, English Literature and History at Durham, UCL, Manchester, Nottingham, Exeter, Cardiff, Birmingham, Bristol and Sheffield Universities.

Principal, Richard Haupt and Director of Sixth Form, Lucy Kirkbright said: "we are delighted and immensely proud of what our students have achieved; their hard work has been richly rewarded. Congratulations too must go to their teachers for their dedication and commitment to Year 13. With vet another record breaking year, our students have well and truly put Winterbourne International Academy on the

map as the place to come for Sixth Form".

Congratulations to all our Year 13 students, teachers and parents and all who have supported them on this brilliant achievement. Demand for Sixth Form places is very high this year, but there are a very few places left in Year 12. If you would like to make application to join our successful and vibrant Sixth Form contact jennifer.arpino@trfwia.org.uk



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Rhymetime: Rhymes and songs for parents and babies/toddlers to enjoy together every Tuesday morning 9.30 – 10.00am

Pre School Storytime: following a break for the summer our popular Storytime will start again on Wednesday 6 September, Join us weekly on Wednesdays 9.30 – 10.00am for stories and crafts, term time only.

Chatterbooks group: If you love books and chatting and you've started in Year 5 or 6 then there's still time to sign up for our Chatterbooks group. This is a fun reading group where we have quizzes, play games, make crafts and, of course, chat about books. The first meeting will be in October and if you are interested please speak to a member of staff.

The Book Group for Parents will be meeting on Friday 9 September 2.00 – 3.00pm. New members are very welcome - please speak to a member of staff or contact the group's facilitator Liz on 07825510079.

The Craft Group is meeting on 10 and 24 September 10.00am - 12 noon for more knitting and nattering.

The Summer Reading Challenge Saturday 10 September 10.00 - 4.00 The Summer Reading Challenge finishes today! This is your last chance to collect stickers, certificates and medals and to make any of the craft activities vou missed over the summer.

Photo Exhibition

Saturday 10 September - Friday 23 September.

Visit the library to view the varied photos taken by the talented members of the Crossbow Camera Club.

News from the Community Garden One

Year On: It's been over a year since the official opening of the garden at Winterbourne library and you would be amazed at how the plants have established themselves and GROWN. Do come and enjoy this lovely green and secluded space. Sit with the newspaper, a book, or your laptop - yes, our WiFi does extend to the garden – or just relax and watch the children play. We have some deckchairs for customers' use and large games for children (of all ages!)



Welcome to Discover 2016

There's so much happening across South Gloucestershire for the Discover Festival this autumn.

For the full range of events for the festival which runs 8 September – 16 October, go to www. southglos.gov.uk/discover Whether you want to learn something new, find a hobby, meet new friends, get out and about in nature, catch a performance or explore one of our historic buildings, vou are sure to find something to enjoy. Events are run by South Gloucestershire Council, local community groups and businesses across the area so find out what is right on your doorstep.

Look out for future Discover events at Winterbourne library: coming later in October we have line dancing with Laughter in Line and a Murder Mystery with The Red Herrings.

And if you want to get the very latest updates why not like our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ discoversouthglos. Tell us what you've enjoyed about the festival or share your upcoming events.

Discover Events at Winterbourne Library

Discover Technology Tuesday 27 September 4 - 5pm. Making games in Scratch. Using the drag'n'drop code of Scratch you'll build your own games. Suitable for age 8 – 14. Book your FREE ticket with library staff.

Singalong for Discover on Friday 30 September 2.00-3.00pm. Join library staff and friends for a singing workout. We'll be singing World War II songs, songs from the shows and songs you might have learnt at school. Accompanied by local music teacher Joan Ward at the keyboard singing will be followed by tea and coffee. Book your FREE ticket with library staff, this event is suitable for 50+ age group

J Fry & Sons a talk by Alan Freke Saturday 1 October 2016 10.30-11.30am. Alan is chair of the Francis Tuckett Society and an expert on the history of Frenchay. He'll be telling us the story of how the famous chocolate family passed down the generations - with a few diversions along the way!

Book your FREE ticket with library staff.

For more information: Tel: 01454 868006 Email: winterbourne.library@southglos. gov.uk Website: www.southglos.gov.uk/ libraries Twitter: @southgloslibs 'Like' us on Facebook: South Gloucestershire Libraries for all the latest news.

News from -Frampton Cotterell WI

The big event for us this summer was the wonderful Frampton Festival, which we all felt was a big success, in spite of the sunshine being rather shy on the day. That said, it didn't rain and the turnout was impressive. so we really can't complain.

Our members did a great job in baking a wide range of cakes, scones and snacks for sale on the stall, and also in selling them - at the end of the day we were left with no stock remaining, thanks to everyone's efforts.

The July talk on the 26th was about how to make baskets out of re-cycled materials and was given by Pam Pontin from Pam's Baskets, based at Wick. Apart from being a star for turning up at short notice (as one of our speakers had cancelled at short notice), Pam gave a very interesting talk on how she weaves the baskets from strips of cardboard decorated with fabrics, wrapping paper etc. and then coats them with a special varnish to protect the materials and bring out the colours. And Pam doesn't only make shopping/gift boxes, she also makes tissue boxes, plant holders and trays. Pam had brought a collection of her lovely baskets for sale at the meeting and so we all enjoyed having a browse and a shop.

In August we took our traditional annual break from the monthly meeting, however members planned planning a country walk followed by afternoon tea at Poplars Farm Shop.

Events coming up over the coming months include a presentation from a local awardwinning gardener this September and even a chance to have a go at Morris Dancing in October!



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Please Give Blood

Blood donations are vital for helping save and improve lives. Each donation can help up to three people.

Craig Shellard, (pictured right), from Little Stoke, knows just what an amazing gift blood donation is. The 35-year-old received numerous transfusions of blood and platelets after being diagnosed with a type of blood cancer called Follicular Lymphoma. "I took it relatively well, the most difficult part was telling family and friends," said Craig. "At the time it was considered non-curable." After the cancer was diagnosed in 2008 Craig began a treatment journey that took many years. Both cancer and chemotherapy damage the body's bone marrow, which is where blood and platelets are produced. Blood transfusions are a vital part of treatment for many cancer patients. Unfortunately Craig's cancer returned after treatment and he also needed a stem cell transplant – receiving both his own stem cells and stem cells from his brother in 2013. When Craig then developed Graft Versus Host Disease - his immune system started attacking his own body - he was given only a 10 per cent chance of survival. Craig had specialist treatment at NHS Blood and Transplant's Therapeutic Apheresis unit in Bristol, and a further blood transfusion. He recovered gradually and was able to return to work as a



business analyst in spring 2016. Craig said: "I have needed many blood products over the years and I am indebted to donors for the help I received."

Blood is always needed and hospitals in England rely on around 6,000 units a day to treat patients. NHS Blood and Transplant particularly needs people with blood groups O negative, B negative, AB negative and A negative to come forward, and people from Black and South Asian communities.

Bristol's blood donor centre is on the grounds of Southmead Hospital and it is open every week day and everyother week day with free parking and wifi. Please make and keep your appointment to donate this summer by calling 0300 123 23 23 or visit www.blood.co.uk



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Lynne has Benign Hereditary Chorea, so is unable to walk long distances and therefore couldn't take part in Slimming World's Race for Life in July 2016. Lynne was however keen to do something to raise money for this amazing charity! Lynne has proven that anyone with a disability can lose weight and change their lifestyle for the better!

If you would like to join Frankie's Slimming World group then come along to - The Greenfield Centre, Park Avenue on a Tuesday either at 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.30pm or 7.30pm where a warm welcome awaits.





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Tuesday

Facebook Page: Frampton Cottrell and Winterbourne Slimming World

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The Greenfield Centre Park Avenue 9.30am, 11.30am 5.30pm & 7.30pm Tel: Frankie 07519 347243

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SMUKEHOUSE SAL

Winterbourne Matters was delighted to be invited along to visit the new and very exciting Smokehouse Saloon at the Swan in Winterbourne.

The venue has undergone a complete transformation since local resident Robyn Maggs and his partner Sandra took over the lease two years ago. As a long time local living right on the pub's doorstep, Robyn was determined not to see the place closed for good, or taken over by a chain offering the same as so many others across the area.

Robyn and Sandra's goal was to maintain the feel of a local pub, as well as offering a brand new themed restaurant with food to match, offering something completely different that would appeal to a wide audience.

With the support of the brewery and extensive self help, the restaurant has been completely refurbished using re-cycled timber wherever possible. The 'rickety' tables and the new bar are made from old scaffold planks while the picture frames and window pelmets are from pallet timber. A range of children's games and play items are available in the 'reservation' area to entertain the 'young guns'.

Growing up enthralled with tales of cowbovs and indians, and after much research across both the UK and the US, Robyn and Sandra have chosen a 'Wild West' theme for the restaurant.

Inspired by Cowboys gathered around the chuck wagon, open fires out on the range and the smokey ranch houses at night. The Smokehouse Saloon will be serving good quality meats smoked low 'n' slow in their own smoker and served in a fun atmosphere in the brand new themed restaurant. Made popular through TV programmes like 'Man v Food' and 'Drive Ins/Diners and Dives', the ethos is very simple; produce good helpings of good quality food in a fun atmosphere and people will visit time after time.

Being the only wild west themed saloon east of the Pecos! (definitely the only one in the county!) The Smokehouse Saloon brings something very different to the local area. Menu options include Saloon ChowdersÓ Rootin' Tootin' Cuts (also Cattleman's Cuts and Homestead Cuts), Pancho's Nachos, Bill's Buffalo Wings, Ribs, Surf & Turf and Build Your Own Meat Plate, Trail Blazing Burgers and Vegetarian options for non-meat-loving diners. Sides include Sweet potato fries (my favourite!) and Blazin saddle beans! You can also order off the menu for takeaway. There is a 'Young Guns' menu too priced at just £4.95 or one child can eat free with two adult main meals. The Smokehouse Saloon is offering a 10% discount off of your food bill with this September edition of Winterbourne Matters - be sure to make the most of it and pay a visit!

Not wanting to lose what is already popular at The Swan, it will still be offering its more traditional lunch menu through the week, and a traditional Carvery on Sunday. There are also plans for live music nights on the last Saturday of the month, and occasional mid-month Country nights too - so watch out for details of these in future issues of your favourite community mag!

NEXT EVENT is Monday 29th August, from 2pm there will be a BBQ on the decking with live music from covers band The Renegades. Forthcoming music nights are listed on the adjacent advert. Come along and join in the fun!











Community Noticeboard

For free listings contact community@ mattersmagazines.co.uk

Forthcoming events you are invited to join in at St Saviours Church -

- Wednesday 31st August 12noon-3pm, lunch followed by Horticultural Show Preparations. In the hall.
- Saturday 3rd September Horticultural Show from 2pm (Staging Friday evening and Saturday morning).
- Pilgrimage Date TBD We are hoping to go on a Pilgrimage again this year. When the details are know. I will send another email.

Please book in to these events, so we ensure there is enough food and craft - call Mary on 01454 887870 or email Andy andrew@brander.me.uk

All events are free. We do not charge for events, but if you would like to make a donation towards the food that is always appreciated.

Coalpit Heath Village Hall Table Top Sale 1pm to 3pm Saturday 3rd September To book a table at £5 Tel: 07920 145352

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Please see www.downendhortsoc.co.uk for details or telephone Hilary Walton on 0117 9792832 or Roger Davis on 0117 9571763

From September to May we meet on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. Our evenings start with tea/coffee and homemade cakes or biscuits. From about 8pm we listen to a speaker on an horticultural related subject until about 9pm.

We are a friendly group of gardening loving individuals come and join us when you can.

The Manor Hall at Coalpit Heath

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Community coffee morning on 21st September 2016

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New Season's programme of South Glos Decorative & Fine **Arts Society**

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The new season of illustrated lectures begins on Thursday, 20th October with a talk on William Morris and the Arts and Craft Movement followed by Theatre Design and Architecture on 17th November. The varied programme of nine lectures include - The Forbidden City, First World War Artists and The Hands of Leonardo. The speakers are all professionals in their respective fields and come from across Britain.

We meet at Bradley Stoke Community School, Fiddlers Wood Lane, BS32 7BS (near the library and leisure centre), with plenty of parking. Refreshments are available from 7.00pm and the illustrated lectures begin at 7.30.

New members of all ages are welcome. For further details please contact the Chairman, Sally Kitching by phone: 01454 774401 or by email: sallykitching@googlemail.com



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WADCA Summer Party

Saturday 9 of July was celebrated by Winterbourne & District Community Association with their summer fare!

As soon as the doors opened at 10am, the venue was buzzing with local people, who enjoyed the quaint stalls of bric-a-brac, home-made knitted items, beautiful plants and local businesses selling health products.

Delicious Mexican food and home-made cakes were available to enjoy at your leisure with a welcome cup of tea, coffee or other refreshment from the open bar.

The Winterbourne Bowls team were on hand to help demonstrate and play the game. They are at the community centre five days a week and offer a free taster to those interested in joining their already popular team. It was fantastic to meet them and watch their friendly team spirit as they so kindly and patiently taught my very keen four year old son to play the game!

Following on to gym displays, dance and sports activities the day was a wonderful success. The celebrations rolled into the evening with fabulous live music from the 'Twenty Flight Rock' band for the local patrons to rock and roll along to. Thank you WADCA for a great community event.

This local centre hosts numerous activities for all ages throughout the year, please do support them. Find out more about forthcoming events below.

Autumn Music at WADCA

The Community Centre is featuring three very different musical events in the coming weeks, offering something for everyone. Bring your friends and have a great night out! More information about WADCA on the website and facebook.

Vehicle Live - Sat 10 Sept 8.30pm

Local nine piece show band playing a wide range of well-known hits from James Brown and the Beatles to Robbie Williams and Paolo Nutini. Doors open at 8pm. Tickets £8 in advance or £10 on the door. Bookings by email ca.winterbourne@gmail.com or ring 07467 319373 or 01454 776268 (ansafone). Or contact WADCA via Facebook.

Fascinating Rhythm - Sat 24 Sept 8pm

Very entertaining female acapella chorus, singing a range of songs from pop to barbershop. Doors open 7.30pm. More information and tickets £8 in advance from 01454 773370.

The Alligators - Sat 1st Oct

The well-renowned Rock 'n' Roll band are back playing all the 50s and 60s hits - come and dance to Elvis, Roy Orbison, Little Richard and more. Doors open 8pm. Tickets £8 in advance or £10 on the door. Bookings by email ca.winterbourne@ gmail.com or ring 07467 319373 or 01454 776268 (ansafone). Or contact WADCA via Facebook.

All sorts of activities available

And if there is anyone out there who doesn't like music, why not check out the range of regular clubs and societies that meet at WADCA (badminton. bowls, karate, scrabble, theatre, etc) and try a new activity for the autumn. Or perhaps get a group of friends together and hire the newly-painted skittle alley for a fun evening, from just £12 an hour. For twenty people that's just £2.50 each for a Saturday night out - bargain! Bar available, and catering can be arranged on request. Bookings 07467 319373 or 01454 776268.

WADCA, Watleys End Road, BS36 1QG www.wadca.co.uk

FB: winterbournecommunitycentre/WADCA





This year's Frampton Festival was once again a fun-filled family day out for local residents as the weather remained dry and warm throughout for this popular annual free event.

Preparations began early on Friday morning and by two o'clock on Saturday, everything was ready for the Thornbury Brass Band to open proceedings. The dog agility display by Iron Acton K9 Club and exhibition of Tae Kwon Do in the main arena were popular attractions, as were the climbing wall and the mini land rover rides – both provided by the local scout group.

Professor Panic brought along his "little" big top once more and youngsters (and adults) were able to try their hand at various circus skills. Tractor trailer rides, always popular, were in great demand throughout the day.

Live music on the main stage was provided by country music duo Tumbling Dice, local band Underground Frets, Ashton – who played the festival last year -, and the headline act this year, The Great eSkacape.

The successful event was concluded when Bart Gee, who had performed earlier in the day, lit the Centenary Field beacon, followed by a spectacular ten minute firework display provided by Fire Magic.

Organiser Ian Haddrell told us, "At this year's festival there were nearly 20 stalls in the field, the most that we've ever had, some new attractions, great music, and to end the evening a fantastic firework display. The Frampton Festival would like to say a massive thank you to all those who attended this great community event and for generously donating towards next year's festival."

Photos taken during the festival can be found on the Frampton Festival's Facebook page www.facebook.com/FramptonFestival

















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Sunday 25th September 12noon-4.30pm

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Murder Mystery Dinner

Saturday 26th November

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£42.95 per person



Christmas Tribute Nights Ultimate Boubands

Thursdau 1st December

Our popular tribute nights are always a sell-out. Join us this year for our Ultimate Boybands act including hits from Take That, Backstreet Boys, 5ive, Westlife and Blue plus many more. Enjoy 3 course meal, half bottle of wine, tribute act and disco.

£42.95 per person



Christmas Tribute Nights Michael Bublé

Thursdau 8th December

He may not have met you yet but enjoy being serenaded by the one and only Michael Bublé tribute. We have designed a full evening package with your enjoyment in mind: 3 course meal, half bottle of wine per person, tribute act and DJ & disco.

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1pm - Punch and Judy Show

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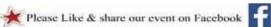
3pm - GKR Karate demo

3.30pm - Punch and Judy

4.00pm – Tug of War and Egg Throwing Game

4.30pm - Raffle

There will also be all the usual stalls, tombola, coconut shy, bouncy castle and beat the goalie!





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Can a solar farm become a wildlife haven?

Alongside the new Solar Farm at Says Court, a host of wildlife friendly habitats have been created. Three thousand trees, a barn owl corridor and a wildflower meadow now sit alongside this development. The local community and school children will help determine if this space can become a thriving home for mammals, pollinators and birds.

Recently, three councillors from Westerleigh Parish Council came to inspect the new interpretation boards at Savs Court Solar Farm. The boards introduce you to the five year partnership project between the council, Avon Wildlife Trust, the landowners and not least the wildlife of this new solar farm site.

For buzzing bees and butterflies a wildflower meadow has been planted and new hedgerows will provide shelter for many different creatures. The new barn owl corridor is an area of tussocky grassland that will require little maintenance once it's established, and will be a good habitat for the small mammals on which barn owls feed. Over 3,000 woodland trees including oak, field maple, small leaved lime and rowan have also been planted here.





Left to right: Bob Taylor - Chairman of Westerleigh Parish Council, Julie Doherty - Community & Volunteering Manager for Avon Wildlife Trust, Ann Fay & Sarah Blackmore- Westerleigh Parish Councillors.



Bob Taylor, Chairman of Westerleigh Parish Council said "I look forward to seeing the changes on the site, as the new wildlife habitats develop over time."

Avon Wildlife Trust has been invited by Westerleigh Parish Council to work with the local schools and community to survey these habitats, and to monitor the impact of the solar farm over the coming years. School children have been learning about renewable energy and using quadrats to survey the site for wildlife. Avon Wildlife Trust have worked with two of the local schools so far and they will continue to be involved with the project year on year.

The Westerleigh Parish councillors announced the local cycle and walking routes are to be improved. with a new cycle route joining up with Says Court in the next 18 months, which is fantastic news!

Currently, a public footpath creates a circular route around the farm, so why not explore for yourself and discover the local landscape? The walk even passes by a 15th century pub, The New Inn - a perfect end to a country stroll.

Keep an eye on our events page for community family events at Says Court Solar Farm later this year http://www.avonwildlifetrust.org.uk/whats-on.

www.avonwildlifetrust.org.uk westerleighparishcouncil.org.uk

FREE Owls & Bats Evening 22nd September 6pm - 8pm

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Says Court Open Day

Meet at Says Court Farm, Badminton Rd, Frampton Cotterell, BS36 2NY. Free car parking is available.



Tues 30th August 10am—12noon Family nature day & picnic

A morning of nature based exploration including bug hunting, blackberry painting and much more. Bring a picnic and eek out the last of the summer holidays in this secluded wildflower meadow surrounded by traditional farmland and a new solar farm. A mix of led and free play activities available.



Free. Suitable for all ages though all children must be accompanied by an adult For more information or to book please email Nicole daw@ayonwildlifetrust ord uk







Floral Friends of Frampton

Floral Friends were delighted to be part of this summer's 'The Big Lunch' - Frampton Cotterell's annual get-together and which this year also celebrated the Queen's 90th Birthday. Despite the rain showers, everyone enjoyed themselves.

We hope you are enjoying all of our planted up gateways and containers in the village, in the royal colours - red, white and blue, to celebrate the Queen's birthday. Many thanks to all the kind local residents who have helped us with our floral displays by planting or donating seeds and plants.

The Frampton Cotterell Girl Guides helped with the planter bench at St Peter's Church and will continue to look after it to keep it looking great. Well done girls! If anyone lives near a planter and could help to water and deadhead the display that would be much appreciated and would mean the flowers would look great for much longer.

Year 3 pupils from Watermore **Primary School** helped Floral Friends sow wild flower seeds in the Glebe Land near the River Frome, Clare from Buglife helped us to prepare the strip and provided lots of seeds to sow. We are hoping to attract bees and other pollinators, as well as make the area more beautiful.



at the Brockeridge Centre (with a little help from us). They enjoy sowing seeds, watering and are especially thrilled to be tasting radishes which they grew themselves! Well done to everyone who is helping us - we are delighted that so many local people are supporting us.

A big thank you to local estate agent A J Homes, who are working with us to make the village beautiful by sponsoring seven of our planters. This helps us to purchase plants and maintain our seasonal displays. Plaques were added to the selected planters to show their sponsorship. Please contact us if you are interested in advertising your local business by sponsoring us in this way.

Much more information about our activities is available on our website - http://ffframpton.wix.com/frampton-cotterell - and if you'd like to help us (no gardening experience necessary!) please email us at floralfriendsofframpton@ amail.com





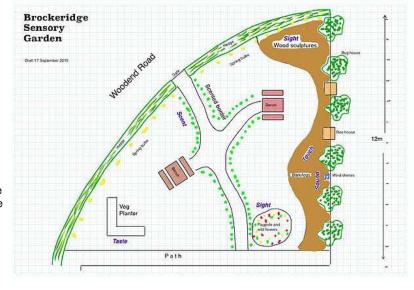


Funding Boost for Community Sensory Garden

Floral Friends of Frampton are celebrating the news that they have received a £8,425.00 funding award from **SUEZ Communities Trust (formerly** SITA Trust) for a **Community Sensory** Garden.

The award will allow the group to create an attractive, tranquil space at the heart of the village and will aim to benefit residents of all ages, from young children to older folk.

It will be carefully planted with colourful,



fragrant and tactile plants and will be fully accessible, with seating and picnic benches providing a place for people to meet. Spaces for bird feeders, a bug 'hotel' and homes for bees and other insects will be provided thus enhancing the space for all!

Celia Zlobec, Chair of Floral Friends of Frampton said, "We are delighted to receive this funding which will help us to provide an oasis of beauty and tranquillity in the centre of our village for residents and community groups to enjoy."

Lisa Helyar of SUEZ Communities Trust added "Floral Friends of Frampton are an enthusiastic voluntary community group, set up to improve their local environment by planting flowering plants around the village of Frampton Cotterell. Our funding will see the creation of an attractive community sensory garden that will be accessible to all. We can't wait to see how this project evolves. SUEZ Communities Trust provides grants through the Landfill Communities Fund. This important source of funding has been available since 1997 and has provided such worthy projects with more than £1.4 billion."

Winterbourne & Frampton Matters looks forward to keeping you posted on this exciting prospect for the local area, congratulations Floral Friends!





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Forthcoming events at Winterbourne Medieval Barn



A Day's Work - a musical drama by Mick Ryan

featuring Mick Ryan, Paul Downes Heather Bradford, Pete Morton, Matt Quinn Greg Russell and Ciaran Algar

'A Day's Work' - Sunday 18 September, 3pm

A Musical drama to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme. Using original songs, spoken verse, monologue and dialogue, 'A Day's Work' tells the story of a group of farm labourers, members of a mummers' team, who join up, or refuse to join up, and meet finally on the first day of The Somme. The show examines war, love, courage and cowardice through this new script and songs with a cast of highly respected performers.

Refreshments will be available to purchase during the interval. Visitors are welcome to bring a picnic to eat in the grounds from 12.30pm. Tickets cost £15 adults, £5 for under 16s, and are available from Daisy's Cafe. Flaxpits Lane. Winterbourne, or on the gate subject to availability.

What was the Battle of the Somme?

In the summer of 1916. British and French armies launched a joint offensive against German forces in the Somme region. General Sir Douglas Haig had hoped to break German lines and bring the deadlock of trench warfare to an end. So on 1 July 1916. British troops rose from their trenches and advanced across no man's land. But this 'Big Push' was ineffective and advancing soldiers were met by a hail of German gunfire. On that day alone the British Army suffered 57,470 casualties with 19,240 deaths, making it the bloodiest day in British military history. The Battle of the Somme continued for 141 days to 18th November 1916, by which time British

casualties had risen to 419,654, and total casualties on all sides reached more than one million.

It was a pivotal battle, with tanks being deployed by the British Army for the first time, and crucial military lessons were learned which contributed to the eventual allied victory in 1918. But the Battle will forever be remembered for its devastating death toll and appalling human cost. For many families, it remains the most painful and devastating battle of the First World War.

Heritage Open Days with Bell-ringing from the Lichfield Diocesan Mobile Belfry

Saturday 10 September 11am - 5pm and Sunday 11 September 12.00 - 5pm

National Heritage Open Days celebrates England's fantastic architecture and culture by offering free access to properties across the country that are usually closed or charge for admission. Winterbourne Medieval Barn is an outstanding and unique building of national importance. Built by Thomas de Bradeston in 1342, just a few years before the Black Death hit in England, only three barns of this scale are recorded as built by gentry' families, and Winterbourne is the only survivor. It was built using the green-timber construction methods which were the cutting-edge technology of that period. It is a fine example of a raised-cruck construction, and one of the largest and earliest raised-cruck barns. Free entry. Access dogs and well behaved dogs on a lead will be welcome. Winterbourne Barn is supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

The Lichfield Diocesan Mobile Belfry will be installed in the Barn throughout the weekend and bellringers will be on hand to demonstrate their skill. The belfry contains a peal of 6 bells cast in 1998 at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry of London. For more information see article opposite..





Saturday 10th September 11-5 Sunday I Ith September

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Learn about bell-ringing

Have a go

Visit the Church belfry

Watch the bells in action via CCTV



Heritage Open Days - Winterbourne Medieval Barn And Parish Church

Saturday 10 September 11-5 & Sunday 11 September 12-5

You may have heard church bells ringing for a wedding or on a Sunday and have seen film of ringers in action but do you really know what is going on? Here's an opportunity to see ringers in action and watch the bells at the same time. You will also have a chance to try out bellringing yourself.

During the Heritage Open Days in September, the Lichfield Diocesan Mobile Belfry will be installed in Winterbourne Medieval Barn and ringers will be on hand to demonstrate their skills and explain what bell-ringing is all about. You can also learn something about the history of this uniquely British tradition and have a go yourself under the guidance of experts. You may even get the bug and want to learn more by joining your local band of ringers we can help put you in touch with them.

In St Michael's Church next door to the Barn, there will be tower tours and CCTV coverage so that you can see the church bells in action. Winterbourne bells were all cast in 1757 by William Evans of Chepstow. A complete intact group like this from an early is unusual.



Frampton Cotterell and Coalpit Heath Village Diary

September 2016

Fri 2nd - Kids' Film (PG), WADCA, 10am - 12.00, £2. Ideal for age 4-10. Booking Tel. 01454 776268 or 07467 319373 / email ca.winterbourne@gmail.com or Facebook WADCA.

Fri 2nd - Quiz night, Crossbow, 8pm. Open to anyone £1.50 Tel. 772947 www.fcdca.co.uk.

Sat 3rd - Table Top Sale, Coalpit Hth Hall (The Miners).1-3pm. Table £5 Tel. 07920 145325.

Wed 7th - Community History Walk, meet 10.20am The Miners village hall. All welcome.

Fri 9th - Folk @ Frampton, Crossbow, School Road, 8pm, Small charge. All welcome.

Sat 10th - Heritage Open days, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 11am - 5pm, Free entry to the barn. And have a go at bell-ringing with Lichfield Diocesan Mobile Belfry.

Sat 10th - Party Band 'Vehicle Live' at WADCA, 8pm. Ticket £5 in advance, £8 on door, Tel, 01454 776268 or 07467 319373 / email ca.winterbourne@gmail. com or Facebook WADCA.

Sun 11th - Heritage Open days, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 12.00 - 5pm. Free entry to the barn. And have a go at bell-ringing with Lichfield Diocesan Mobile Belfry.

Sun 11th - Bingo Night, WADCA, Watleys End 7pm. Tel: 01454 776268 www.wadca.co.uk.

Wed 14th - Carer's Club, Zion, 2-4pm. Carers welcome to stay with the person they care for or use the free time as they wish. More details from Jean 01454 775786 or Rona 01454 886925.

Fri 16th - Crafty Night Out, Scrap-booking, WADCA 7.30pm. £6 booking essential. Tel. 01454 776268 or 07467 319373 / email ca.winterbourne@gmail.com or Facebook WADCA.

Fri 16th - Bingo Night, Crossbow, 8pm. All welcome. Tel. 01454 772947 www.fcdca.co.uk.

Sat 17th - Table Top Sale, St Peters, 2 - 4pm. Tel. 07811 916628.

Sun 18th - 'A Day's Work' music and drama to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Battle of the Somme, Winterbourne Medieval Barn 2,30pm, Adult £15, child £5.

Sat 24th - Fascinating Rhythm at WADCA, Watleys End Rd, 7.30pm. Tel. 01454 773370.

Tue 27th - Short Stroll or Rural walk, meet 10,20am Golden Heart pub. All welcome.

Tue 27th - Frampton Cotterell W.I. St Peters Hall, School Rd, 7.45 - 10pm Tel. 01454 773426.

Wed 28th - Litter Busters, meet 10am Gingerbread Man cafe. All welcome.

Wed 28th - Forget-me-not Singalong Group, for local people that enjoy a sing-a-long! Details from Jean 01454 775786 or Rona 01454 886925.

October 2016

Sat 1st - Table Top Sale, Coalpit Hth Hall (The Miners),1-3pm. Table £5 Tel. 07920 145325.

Sat 1st - The Alligators, Rock 'n' Roll Band, WADCA, from 8pm. Tickets £8 in advance or £10 on the door, Tel. WADCA on 01454 776268 / email: ca.winterbourne@gmail.com.

Sat 1st - St Peters church Harvest Supper, 7.30 -9.30pm.

Sun 2nd - Orchard Harvest Day, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 11am - 4pm, £2,

Fri 7th - Quiz night, Crossbow, 8pm. Open to anyone £1.50 Tel. 772947 www.fcdca.co.uk.

Sun 9th - Bingo Night, WADCA, Watleys End 7pm. Tel: 01454 776268 www.wadca.co.uk.

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Fri 14th - Folk @ Frampton, Crossbow, School Road, 8pm, Small charge. All welcome.

Sat 15th - "Spirit of Divas" live disco hits, WADCA, 8pm. Tickets £6 in advance/£8 on door. Bookings T. 01454 776268 or 07467 319373 / email: ca.winterbourne@gmail.com.

Fri 21st - Bingo Night, Crossbow, 8pm. All welcome. Tel. 01454 772947 www.fcdca.co.uk.

Tue 25th - Short Stroll or Rural walk, meet 10.20am Live and Let Live. All welcome.

Tue 25th - Frampton Cotterell W.I., St Peters Hall, School Rd, 7.45 - 10pm Tel. 01454 773426.

Wed 26th - Litter Busters, meet 10am Heather Avenue, All welcome,

Wed 26th - Forget-me-not Singalong Group, for local people that enjoy a sing-a-long! Details from Jean 01454 775786 or Rona 01454 886925.

Sat 29th - WADCA Halloween Party. Watleys End Rd, 7.30pm www.wadca.co.uk

Theo's Day Matters

Twins Theo and Ollie Cameron were born to parents Scott and Sarah in 2010, Shortly after his birth young Theo was diagnosed with a rare terminal condition called 'ARC Syndrome'. Theo sadly passed away at only 9 months old. Throughout his short life Scott, Sarah and their family were supported by Bristol Charity - Jessie May.

Jessie May was founded in 1996 and have supported over 175 children and their families with life limiting illnesses in the Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset area. The Trust is almost entirely reliant on charitable donations, as no charge is given for the incredible services and support they provide the families.

Shortly after their young son's funeral, Scott and Sarah began fundraising in memory of Theo for Jessie May, and after many events 2016 would prove to be bigger and better than ever for the family.

Theo's Day took place on Saturday 9 July, at the Cross Hands Pub in Winterbourne Down. The event is aimed for the whole family to enjoy and proves increasingly popular every year with the local community.

Entertainment was provided throughout the whole day from local businesses such as - Parody Portraits the caricaturist, Jessica's Faces (the very talented and patient face painter), live bands and tombola. All of these activities were made possible thanks to individuals giving up their time to be a part of a special day. The popular raffle was once again well supported by local traders, with donations of hairdressing, beauty treatments, meals out, family passes to country parks and many more. The family are extremely thankful to all those who generously donated.

Along with a BBQ, cider and pie stall, bouncy castle, some special quests from Disney and of



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Theo's mum Sarah told us. "We have enjoyed another fantastic day in memory of Theo. We can't thank everybody enough for coming along to support us. I am always blown away by people's generosity. Again this year I have felt

supported the

day.

very humbled by the amount of people who turned up to make the day such a success."

A fantastic well done to Scott. Sarah and the Cross Hands Pub in Winterbourne Down for organising an amazing event, with a wonderful atmosphere. A truly inspirational family who most certainly keep Theo's name alive and his memory in our hearts.





News from the Friends of Brandy Bottom Colliery, Pucklechurch

It has been a busy quarter at Brandy **Bottom: The masons** have been working on the Old Pit and the fan ducts: There have been 18 planned or impromptu work parties and site liaison visits since the last report, compared with 29 during the

whole of 2015; And three experienced industrial archaeology visitors came in April, bringing a fresh perspective to bear on interpreting the layout of the place.

Rebuilding in the Old Pit area is almost complete. It has strengthened the fabric of the walls and will hopefully prevent any further deterioration for years to come.

The work parties have been clearing areas before the masons started to work on them, investigating some of the items they uncovered, and looking at new parts of the site.

The AIBT leases the land on which the buildings at Brandy Bottom are located from Ibstock Brick. We would like to thank them for producing bricks for use in the restoration, as they used their expertise to match the colour of the new bricks to the existing

Outline of Work for the Remainder of 2016

Now that the masons have almost completed the current programme agreed with Historic England, thoughts are turning to the needs of the New Pit enclosure. The tops of the walls of the heapstead need to be rebuilt and capped, parts of the north-west wall need patching, and the brick window and door surrounds need to be rebuilt. This work will probably take place in late 2016/early 2017.

Several relatively small areas of walls in the Old Pit area will be rebuilt by volunteers in 2016. The exploration of the Old Pit heapstead will continue, and the next area to be looked at will be the New Boiler Area.

To receive an e-mail with a detailed newsletter on all the recent activity that has taken place, please e-mail: info@aibt. org. or visit www.aibt.org



CWS Landscaping continued with their conservation work on the walls of the Old Pit and the fan ducts. The buttress in the Vertical Engine House is now complete (pictured above), it was built to support an overhanging section of masonry at the top of the wall, which had previously been held in place by ivy.

Future Work Parties

Access to the site is limited to days when there is a work party in progress. The dates for work parties for the remainder of 2016 are currently: Sat 03, Wed 14, Sat 24 September; Wed 12, Sat 22 October; Wed 09, Sat 19 November; and Sat 10 December.

Please note that these dates may be altered at short notice, so newcomers are advised to first make contact via the AIBT's email address of info@aibt. org.

Fireplace in northern corner of the Cornish Engine House before reconstruction... (30 cm scales)







Older people across the city support each other to tackle isolation and loneliness

"When I came out of detox, a peer support worker took me out for coffee, and that changed and saved my life; it took me out of my depression", says one of Bristol Drugs Project's Champions, sharing his experience being supported by a peer during his recovery. Now this group of older people are returning a hand, helping others overcoming similar issues.

The Champions are a group of older people who have been trained to support peers in their journey to recovery. These volunteers have undergone 6 weeks of training that has given them the confidence and tools to make home visits to people facing similar issues who are in earlier stages of recovery. BDP's Champions is one of 17 projects funded by Bristol Ageing Better as part of their group work and peer support stream of funding.

Andy Bowles, BDP's Older People's Service Worker, highlights the need for peer support when addressing this issue among Bristol's older population: "If you are visited by someone of a similar age who has had a similar experience, you'll feel less judged, more comfortable and more able to accept help, hopefully."

Bristol Ageing Better, a partnership of organisations working together to reduce loneliness and isolation among older people in



Bristol, recognises peer support groups as a key element to address social isolation. Peer support provides a safe and understanding helping hand at difficult times in people's lives, and gives hope of a better future.

Following seven pilot contracts awarded in September 2015, BAB commissioned another 10 group work and peer support projects to further support isolated older people in the city. These projects include gardening group activities for people living with dementia and their carers by Growing Support CIC; 'Living together with dementia' counselling for couples by The Harbour; Bristol & Avon Chinese Women's Group multicultural cooking classes; and Wellbeing Champions training for older people by Happy City.

For more information about Bristol Ageing Better and these pilots, please visit www.bristolageingbetter.org.uk or call 0117 928 1539.

News from Winterbourne Down WI

At our July meeting we had a very informative talk by Mrs Alvis from Lyle Farm, Redhill, talking about making cheddar cheese. They use the milk from cows from three local farms, half being organic and half being conventional. Cheese is a living commodity and they export their cheese to over 30 countries.

We had some tastings and the tip of the day was – do not open the packet until required and discard the original packaging and rewrap in your own clean packaging.

A summer outing was arranged and enjoyed to Truffles Garden, in Bishop Sutton and everyone who went enjoyed a lovely cream tea.

At time of writing we are looking forward to celebrating the Queens Birthday in a members garden. We are hoping for a sunny afternoon!

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 1 September, with a talk on the Queens Bodyguard. All are welcome to join us at 7.30pm in All Saints Church Hall.



The congregation of Whitehill Evangelical Church, in Hambrook, is celebrating being able to meet back in their two hundred year-old chapel after completion of a seven-month-long renovation. While the much-needed refit of the grade 2 listed building has been taking place, worshippers had to squeeze into the old school room behind the church for their services.

The church now has an entirely new ceiling, constructed using the very same methods and materials as when the building was erected in 1816. A complete new computer-controlled heating system has been installed throughout the premises along with the latest all-LED lighting.

Amongst much other work undertaken has been a revamp of the church toilets which now include a fully-equipped disabled toilet and baby changing facility. One of the final tasks before the chapel came back into use was a full redecoration of the interior and exterior of the building.

The refit is not the only thing being celebrated at the church this year. This August the church will be marking two hundred years of continuous use since it opened only one year after the Battle of Waterloo. There is an open invitation to a special service at 11am on Sunday, 28th August - the exact date of the opening of the church two centuries ago. The Bishop of Bristol, Rt Revd Mike Hill, will be present to unveil a plaque in the church foyer marking the milestone.

A weekend of celebrations

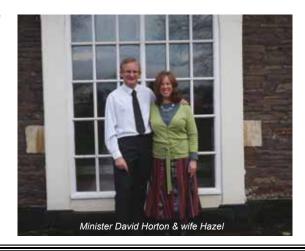
A celebratory Songs of Praise is planned for 4pm in the afternoon. On the previous day, the church will be open on the Saturday afternoon for viewing a Festival of Flowers. On Bank Holiday Monday from 2pm there will be a community garden party on the lawn next to the church with a variety of live music, exhibition of local art, plus fun and games for all ages - and cream teas.

An exhibition covering the history of the church, still known to many as 'the chapel', will be on display and there will be a heritage walk through the village for those who would be interested in hearing a little bit about local events and places that have a special connection with the church's history.

The building will also be open during South Gloucestershire's Heritage Days on Friday 9th and Saturday 10th of September, for visitors to see the refurbished church.

Whiteshill minister, David Horton said, "It's great to be able to meet and worship in the main church again. It is interesting to see from the 1916 record of the chapel's hundredth anniversary that a major renovation was carried out during that year as well – including refitting the coal heating stove and changing from oil to acetylene lighting! We look forward to being able to welcome many local people at the 200th anniversary services and events."

See www.whiteshill.com for more details of the 200th anniversary events.



700 Year Celebrations at St Peter's

As a part of our 700th year celebrations we held an open weekend and invited the local community to come and toast the tower with us.

On the Friday evening there was a Folk Evening at which there were a number of singers and groups from around the area. A reasonably full church was treated to some excellent entertainment and we were grateful to those who helped set everything up for this event. The bar and refreshments were busy during the evening and added to the pleasant atmosphere in the church.



On the Saturday the church was open to visitors. There was plenty of room in the newly arranged back of the church for coffee, lunches and cream teas as the day progressed. There were various displays in the church including some of the old documents from the church archives which proved popular and very interesting.

The weather was guite good during the day which enabled lots of our visitors to take a trip up to the top of the 700 year old tower to enjoy the views around the area and to see the bells and the clock mechanism. These

tours were much appreciated by our visitors. During the day the visitors were also entertained by David our organist and by a group from The Crossbow Singers which

all added to a very pleasant time in the church.



Sunday brought the close of the weekend with a Songs of Praise service for the benefice, during which the new room, and the moving of the font were dedicated and blessed for us all. There were some final celebrations with tea and cake helping us all to relax after the busy few days. Our thanks once again must go to all those involved in any way with the planning and organising of the weekend.

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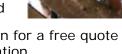
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Winterbourne Matters was pleased to catch up with both Nigel and Myles, who is due to take over the Ovenclean franchise for North Bristol towards the end of June.

Nigel has been an Ovenclean franchisee since 2011 and has become very established in the North Bristol area, acquiring a large customer base through an excellent service. However. he has now decided to pursue his dreams of travelling by going on a 2-year trip around Southern Europe! When we met, Nigel was in the process of handing over his business to Myles, who is very excited to start his journey and looking forward to getting out and meeting Nigel's existing customers.

Before joining the Ovenclean franchise, Myles spent 20 years in the IT industry but, as the years went on, he began to crave more control and flexibility in his life.

Realising that the possibility of redundancy was on the horizon gave Myles the push he needed to look for a job in another industry. Noticing Nigel's advert in the local magazine for an Ovenclean franchise therefore appeared to be an ideal opportunity, coming along at just the right time.

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Myles is looking forward to having a career that he can feel passionate about and is determined to build upon the success already achieved by Nigel. He told us "I am excited to finally be running my own business and to have the opportunity of continuing such a great service across the local area. I very much look forward to meeting all our Ovenclean clients - both old and new".

Winterbourne Matters would like to welcome Myles and also say goodbye to Nigel Welch who has been an advertiser with us for the last five years. We hope that you have a fabulous trip around Southern Europe!

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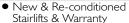
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