



# YOUR VIEW

## GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

Keep Britain Tidy has launched its biggest-ever litter campaign, the Great British Spring Clean, to encourage 500,000 people to get out there and make sure their neighbourhood is one of which they can be proud.

All volunteers welcome.  
Meet in the White Hart car-park on **Saturday 3rd March 10.30am**. Equipment provided. Tea, coffee, bacon butties, vegetarian sausage sandwiches provided by Longwaite Farm from 10.00.



## FROME ART SOCIETY IN TRUDOXHILL

Frome Art Society holds art workshops 6 times a year in the Village Hall. A professional artist guides a group through an art project over the course of a day. It's great fun and a practical way to learn new skills. The society also runs demonstrations and talks, outdoor painting days and exhibitions of members work. If you are interested in getting involved, the subscription is just £15 a year, and you can apply by contacting the membership secretary Eve Knowles on [epona5@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:epona5@hotmail.co.uk).



## SPRING PARISH WALK

The enthusiastic band of walkers who joined the autumn Parish Walk expressed a wish to do it again in the Spring. Another walk is therefore planned for April 22nd. As the intention is to try to walk as much as possible within the Parish and enable Parishioners (and anyone else who might like to join in) to see views of the Parish which they may not have seen before, we will start from a different venue instead of the village. We will meet at 10.00 a.m. at Smithwicks, Marston Bigot. Transport could be arranged from the White Hart if anyone needs it but those coming from the village might like to share cars. Once more a walk of about 5 miles returning between 12.30 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. for a celebratory pint in the White Hart. Please contact John Salmon at [thesalmonfamily@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:thesalmonfamily@tiscali.co.uk) for directions and so that email addresses will be at hand should it be necessary to change the arrangements.



As a very advance notice, would anyone like to "beat" Trudoxhill Parish boundary in 2019? This would be a 10.5 mile walk normally undertaken on Rogation Sunday either April 25th or a day preceding Ash Wednesday



### Remember Christmas ?

38 youngsters had a good time at the Christmas Party. The village Christmas Tree was decorated with the help of Abi, our tinsel consultant.



## SPEEDING

The Police Enforcement team continue to support our endeavours to make drivers more aware of their speed in the village, greatly aided by our 'weather-proof' Trudoxhill Community Speedwatch group who have reported the following:

*What a time of year to start the CSW, it has been more like a training exercise for arctic exploration than anything to do with traffic management. Anyway, two sessions having now been completed it is pleasing to report that most local motorists are law abiding, with only 5% exceeding the limit at which Avon and Somerset Police will take action. The registration numbers of those 5% have been passed on to Avon and Somerset. I am also pleased to report that the reactions of most drivers has been positive with, so far, only one expletive shouted at us and only one two fingered salute.*

*However, more volunteers are required to "share the shivering" the existing 4 person team are not allowed to second new members directly, they have to be trained by the Mendip CSW Co-ordinator. We understand that there is one further potential recruit in the wings, so if others would care to make themselves known to The Clerk, Mrs. Georgie Blackshaw, when we have four we will pass their details onto the Co-ordinator and leave it to him. The training was carried out locally, did not take very long and was not onerous in the least.*



## BROADBAND UPDATE

You may have seen from a recent e-Newsletter that David Warburton, our local MP, has responded to our pleas for help in speeding up the delivery of fibre optic broadband to the parish, by letting us know that the schedule for the rollout of fibre optic cable in this area has been published by Gigaclear. This shows that we are at the end of their rollout plans in the last quarter of 2019. The schedule can be viewed on the Gigaclear website <https://www.gigaclear.com/connecting-devon-and-somerset-rollout-schedule/>



Faster broadband is still at least 2 years away. In the meantime there are other options. Openreach will provide a quote to connect communities. Other companies offer to provide broadband by wireless technology. To investigate either of these options we need to know if any local residents are interested in being connected in this way. If you are interested, please contact Chris Galpin, without commitment, by email on [chris@galpos.com](mailto:chris@galpos.com), or give him a ring on 01373 836227

## ST LEONARD'S, MARSTON BIGOT

The windows on the North and South side have been taken out for repair and cleaning, they are expected to be put back in place sometime during April.

The glazier has informed us that the first step is to photograph each panel and then examine them carefully so that they can formulate a treatment plan for each. The north windows will be cleaned and put back with protective glazing that will help reduce condensation on the stained glass, thus protecting the fragile glass paint. The glass paint to the three south windows is more robust but the lead work is quite unstable and will require areas to be re-lead.

The stained glass restoration specialists would be happy for a group from the parish to go and look at the work in progress at their workshop in Chewton Mendip. They can accommodate 8, and can do shifts of 8 people at a time. Early March would be a good time, so if people would like to go please get in touch with Angela Yeoman 01373 836209 / [ayeoman@btinternet.com](mailto:ayeoman@btinternet.com) and we will arrange a time and date.



The Village Hall has a new floor

Come and try it out at one of the many events advertised on

[www.trudoxhill.org.uk](http://www.trudoxhill.org.uk)



Friendship Café : 23 Feb 1030-1200, 30 Mar 1030-1200 in the Village Hall