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Paying for The Link

To all those who would ordinarily have made your donation towards the Link for the year by now but due to these unusual circumstances have not done so as yet.

Could you either please give your donation to your normal deliverer who will I am sure deliver it to myself or make arrangements for me to collect it from themselves OR you can now make BACS payments to

United Parish of Abbots Leigh with Leigh Woods:

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Many thanks, The Link Team

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Keep up-to-date on the events and highlights of our united parish.

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Dear Friends,

Autumn is my favourite season. Keats got it right: the mellow colours, the sense of something new beginning, the festivals we celebrate in the church, after the long summer Trinity period where less happens. This year though is somewhat different. Summer is proving a mixed bag with that wonderful spell of sun in May, but then, rain, and now, this humid heat and threat of thunder. We associate autumn with schools beginning again – but that's still work in progress. And although it's been wonderful to open up our churches for some services, observing social distancing and following government and Church guidelines, we're also conscious that many feel more comfortable with zoom and distanced gathering.

So I do hope that you've had some kind of a rest over the last couple of months; and that you will join us in some way over the next weeks. As many of you will know, our wonderful Licensed Lay Minister Wo Hill will be hanging up her gown and stepping back from her so many years of generous and inspiring ministry; and although Wo has modestly discouraged us from doing anything particular, we do hope to express our thanks in some way at her last service where she ministers in this way among us, which we expect to be at the end of September, 27th, at our zoom service in the morning. Our APCM, the annual parochial meeting, is expected to be on 20th after a shortened service, and then later in October 18th, our missionary link with the DRC, Peter and Patricia Wyard, hope to be with us in church or online to share their latest news from their year in Africa. Do look out for times and do join us for these services, among others.

Sending blessings and love,

Hester

FAMILY NEWS

BAPTISMS: None

WEDDINGS: 18.07.20 Donald Davies & Catherine Harrison St Mary's Leigh Woods

FUNERALS: 28.08.20 Mrs Esme Boulton St Mary's Leigh Woods

WELCOME PACK

New to the parish? Know of new arrivals? For a Welcome Pack, contact:

Abbots Leigh: Nicola Stinchcombe 01275 374523 or

Nicky Walker 01275 374177 - or **see Parish Website:**

www.theparishchurch.com



It is with regret we will not be meeting for a while. We will keep in contact by email,

If you want to be added to the email group please let Gill know

Time Out is a Women's group, of mixed ages, well rather older than we were when we first set up, with lively minds. We live or have connection with Leigh Woods / Abbots Leigh. We have a mixed program of meet ups about once a month. New members always welcome.

More info, or to go on email list and/or WhatsApp group, contact

Gill Ogden 01275 602657 gillm.ogden@gmail.com

FOOD BANK - AS MUCH NEEDED AS EVER

Many thanks to all the generous people who continue to support this essential charity. Three items they are currently very much in need of are: women's deodorant, tinned desert puddings of all kinds and tinned meat (excluding Pork because Morrisons have just given them a consignment). Please keep the donations coming.

Alan Shellard

Abbots Leigh Covid-19 community volunteers

A number of volunteers throughout Abbots Leigh are being coordinated to cover groups of neighbours along roads across the Parish. The purpose is to ensure that people have someone to contact should they need help with anything such as picking up shopping, posting mail, urgent supplies or just to talk to someone when they are having to self isolate. Different groups are liaising through different ways to suit local preferences. If you need help and do not know who your coordinator is, or want further information, contact Mel King on 07876 502951 or Simon Talbot-Ponsonby 07973 147017 or 01275 375250. Similar measures have been set up in Leigh Woods.

20,000 NEW HOUSES FOR NORTH SOMERSET

North Somerset Council have issued a '*Challenges for the Future*' consultation paper in relation to their Local Plan 2038.

The government has set NSC a new, higher housing target of 20,500 new houses by 2038 and, notwithstanding the Government's recently announced planning reforms there is a real threat to the existing boundaries of the Green Belt and to the precious environment that we all value.

Despite what the Government says you may still get something you don't want.

The questions which arise include:

- ◆ **Where should these 20,000 new houses go?**
- ◆ **Should there be adjustments to the Green Belt boundary?**
- ◆ **Should there be large new sites or smaller sites around existing settlements?**
- ◆ **Will sustainability lose out to economic priorities?**
- ◆ **What land will the Port Company need for future growth?**

NSC is keen to move ahead with the Local Plan and consultation on *Challenges for the Future* ends on September 2nd. By the time you read this LINK the Parish Council will have made its submission, but if you think some or all of the questions above are important there is still time to make your views known.

Bored as you may be to have to read yet again about the NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN, it does actually try to address the questions raised by the NSC document. The Plan will be submitted to NSC in October and will carry more weight if it is supported with views from more than a handful of residents.

You can learn about the Government's planning reforms, the North Somerset Local Plan and how the Neighbourhood Plan fits in at two drop-in sessions in September. It's the last chance to make a comment on the Plan.

PLEASE DROP IN TO THE VILLAGE HALL
Saturday September 5th 10.00 until 13.00
Saturday September 12th 10.00 until 13.00

HOW TO COMMENT

Comments by September 12th latest should be sent to
nhoodplan@btinternet.com

OR hand them in at one of the drop-in sessions.



Tea Time Special

Normally meets in the vestry at St Mary's Church Leigh Woods
at 2pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Inclusive price of £2.50

**If you are interested in being included in an email group
to keep you updated please contact Gill Ogden**

Gill Ogden 01275 602657 gillm.ogden@gmail.com



In July we had a gathering in School field in very hot sunshine under a large tree for shade which was lovely.

September Meeting will be in the Village Hall on Tuesday the 8th. Members will be respecting 'social distancing' and wearing a mask. There will be no refreshments.

The speaker is being organised. Come if you feel comfortable to join us. Stay safe everyone.

Donna

For more details contact: Donna Butcher 01275 375378

Where's The Link? Please tell your friends...

The Link is available on the village website <http://www.abbotsleigh.org.uk/news/>. On www.leighwoods.org it's an item on the Leigh Woods Society page, under Articles and Information. Also on www.theparishchurch.com.

Abbots Pool

It has been very sad that Abbots Pool has had to be closed by North Somerset Council following increased concerns for public health and issues with environmental damage and anti-social behaviour.

Unfortunately there have been a lot of people who are determined to continue to break into the pool area in addition to organised parties being held.

The positive points are that the number visiting is reduced, and that in spite of the numbers, there is not as much litter being left as earlier. A number of local people are also doing litter picks and the site is not looking too untidy any more.

NSC are in the process of setting up a Public Space Protection Order for the reserve which will include a number of bylaws which could be enforced with the fines being imposed. The process and consultation take time, but hopefully it will be completed before too long.

The pool will be re-opened when the weather makes it not so attractive for large numbers to congregate there, and also when the new bylaws can be enforced.

The parking restrictions will be lifted at around the same time.

Abbots Pool

RETURN OF THE WORKING PARTIES

We would first like to thank all the people who diligently litter-picked through lockdown and while the pool was still open.

The Pool remains closed at the moment and we are unsure when it will reopen. NSC may want to keep it closed until the site protection order is in place. Simon Rob and I did a site visit a last week and although people are breaking in it's in the 10's & not the 100's. Generally, the pool and surrounds are looking OK. A few of the paths are overgrown.

We would like to plan a Working party on Sunday 20th September. We hope the pool will be open by then but if not we will organise access into the carpark at 10am. I will advise closer to the time. We will be litter picking, clearing the dam and the cave, clearing paths of summer growth, and tidying up the Cascade.

Come and join us and help maintain the treasure on our doorstep.



Jo Chiverton



Wow!

I don't think I've ever had so much response from a Link article as last month's effort on Bristol and Abbots Leigh's position in the history of slave trading.

Most responses were positive. Others less so.

But that's ok, it's a controversial subject that splits opinion.

Thankfully everyone recognised the wickedness of the slave trade, the main controversy being how we as a populace should move forward to ensure such horrific practices never happen again.

Unfortunately the scourge of modern-day slavery – the exploitation of others for commercial gain in factories, textile sweat-shops, crop-picking or as nannies, cleaners and cooks – lies uncomfortably close to home.

But while we should look to do everything we can to help alleviate the suffering of those today, it doesn't mean we should turn our back on that imposed on those unfortunate enough through nothing but the lottery of birth, to be forced to work for others against their will in the past.

We quite rightly remember the bloody sacrifice of those villagers who fought and died in the two World Wars. Similarly we should not forget the impact some Abbots Leighans had on the unfair shaping of today's society and through that, the impact they are still having.

As far as societal impacts go, that reaped by Coronavirus looks difficult to best. Aside from the terrible death-toll around the world, it will be many years before its terrible influence on our lives and livelihoods starts to work its way out.

It's also put the kybosh on the **Festival in the Field** this year and with **Bonfire Night** just around the corner, that is under real threat too.

And as restrictions start to ease, the team at **The George** is working hard to try and provide the village with an experience as close to normal as can be safely managed.

Pete, Flo, Trudie and Phil are doing their level best to make sure it doesn't become adversely impacted by Covid 19 but **they need our support** in doing so. **It's open all day from Wednesday to Sunday. Even if you don't fancy a pint or glass of wine the coffee is excellent.**

It's worth noting that they helped source bread, milk, groceries, meat and fish for plenty in Abbots Leigh during early lockdown and that the pub was deemed such an important part of village life that a few years ago North Somerset Council listed it an *Asset of Community Value* following lobbying by the Civic Society and an application by the Parish Council. Now more than ever it's up to us to prove its value and help it through these Covid concerns, helping it come back stronger than ever.

As an aside I sincerely hope that my natural Midland pessimism over Bonfire Night is misplaced. It's my favourite village event of the year. Always fun and always busy. We could all do with a blast of that.

Stay happy and stay safe.

Paul Thompson, Chair, Abbots Leigh Civic Society
33, Dennyview Road 01275 373 115

LEIGH WOODS SOCIETY

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COVID-19 has made us all realise what's really important to us – our family, our friends and our health. We have had to adapt and make changes to our daily lives.

Whilst the authorities continue to monitor COVID-19, it is hoped that, over recent months, many Leigh Woods residents have been able to see family and friends.

The local COVID19 Community Support Group initiative has been successful in bringing the community closer together. The support groups in Abbots Leigh and Leigh Woods, comprise of volunteers who live in the area.

If you are self isolating and need support please contact your volunteer in the first instance, any problems let the coordinators know. COVID-19 Community Support Group is co-ordinated by Gill Dixon and Mark Rayson. They can be contacted via covid19@leighwoods.org Both can also be contacted by landline on 0117 973 1842.

Our website www.leighwoods.org has a dedicated COVID19 page with helpful information on a range of issues ranging from health to food and shopping delivery services.

The website also has some advice on cyber security. The criminal community is looking for new opportunities in these difficult times, with recent warnings about virus related bogus phone calls and scams.

Please have a look at the website and let us know if there is any information on Leigh Woods you feel it would be helpful to include.

We are looking forward to a time when the LWS can rearrange the AGM; organise a quiz or two; improve the area by organising a litter pick; take the opportunity to listen to interesting talks by our local residents; and hopefully have a party celebration for residents to get together and importantly for our new residents to get to know their neighbours.

Meanwhile, the LWS has actively supported the Food Bank. Many local people have supported the Church's efforts to collect donations for a local food bank. Donations may be left in the plastic containers in the porch of St Mary's Church. Local food banks continue to need our support more than ever at the moment.

The lockdown has reinforced how important fresh air and green space are to us all, both physically and mentally. Leigh Woods and Ashton Court have played an important role over recent months as a 'green lung' for surrounding urban areas. These fantastic green spaces on our doorstep, have a rich variety of trees, (including veteran and ancient trees), grasslands, native flora and abundant wild flowers. They are also home to an array of local wildlife including bats, insects, animals and reptiles. Since late July, Leigh Woods has welcomed the return of a small herd of Devon cows to help with restoration of the pastures in the woods.

Unfortunately at times the area has been too popular and a variety of associated problems continue to concern local residents, including the increase in litter. Big thank you to our local litter pickers who have continued to help, particularly on the grass verges.

Inconsiderate parking has been another impact on local residents. In late July, the Forestry Commission introduced car parking charges in the main Leigh Woods car park. The machines accept card payment only. Car Parking Charges (up to 2 hours £2.00, up to 4 hours £4.00.) Regular visitors can save money with a membership pass, cost of £80 per year. The impact on the North Road entrance will be closely watched.

With regard to North Somerset Council matters, a survey on a new Parking plan for Leigh Woods was undertaken earlier this year. The results are being coordinated for the Council who will then decide how to proceed. No decision yet by NSC.

Planning Applications under consideration, include :-

20/P/1435/FUH - Rosemont, Church Rd, BS8 3PG - Demolish rear extns,

conservatory, & garage. Replace with 2-storey rear extn + basement + associated external alterations. New vehicle access from Church Rd. Block existing entrances with matching stone. Erect a car port. Officer - Anna Hayes
20/P/1480/LDE - Land between Ashton Golf Hub & Miniature Railway - Lawful devt cert. for existing use of temp. overflow car park for 23-28 days a year. Officer - Julie Walbridge

20/P/1598/FUH - The Wood House, Valley Rd, BS8 3PZ - Single storey side/rear extension and proposed loft conversion. Officer - Janet Jones

There have been changes in traffic arrangements, in Clifton village. A temporary traffic management scheme is in place allowing for some outdoor trading & parking. Over coming months Bristol City Council will establish a focus group to consider traffic management in the whole village. They have committed to a public consultation in due course.

‘Lest we forget’

The LWS is supporting the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the new Long Ashton Parish War Memorial, taking place on Battle of Britain Day, Tue. 15 Sept., at the Flagpole, opposite Old Northleaze School, where most of the Fallen from the World Wars went to school.

The short service will start at 10.55am, led by The Vicar, Rev James Harris, and Sqn Ldr Taylor, RAF, will perform the removal of the first turf, ready for the construction to start.

The New Memorial, of modern design, designed by local Architect Alan Atkins, and listing all 97 Fallen from the Parish, including LW locals Charles Davey and Edwin Popert, will be completed over the winter, and the Dedication will be carried out on Monday, 12th April 2021, eighty years to the day since the only civilians were killed in the parish due to enemy action, when the Mill Cottages were bombed on Good Friday, 1941. More information nearer the day.

Finally, it would be great if more Leigh Woods residents could join our society. Joining is easy via the website. www.leighwoods.org

Have a look, all views welcome!

FOXES & RATS IN LEIGH WOODS - MIND YOUR FOOD BIN!

This is a reminder to residents to put the handle of your brown food waste bin **FORWARD** to the **LOCK** position and/or put bin inside recycling box, if room. Bins have been knocked over recently.

You are warmly invited to come to the

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Planning Application Records					
Applic'n no. Date rec'd Target Date	Applicant & Address	Proposal	Parish Council View	NSC status	Officer
19/P/3042/CQA 16-Dec-19 31-Jan-20	The Cowshed, Glen Farm, Sandy Lane, BS8 3SE.	Prior approval, change of use of agricultural bldg to Dwelling house with operational devt: insert windows & doors.	<i>Object - Inaccurate drawings.</i>	<i>TBC</i>	Judith Porter
20/P/0411/TPO 2-Mar-20 21-Apr-20	Bow House, Home Fm Rd, BS8 3QF.	T1 - Beech - Reduce by up to 3m. Remove 5 lowest laterals. Crown lift to 4.5m from ground level.	<i>No comments from PC. NSC Tree Officer to make decision.</i>	<i>Refused: Inappropriate devt. In Green Belt</i>	Jason Cox
20/P/0920/FUH 27-Apr-20 18-Jun-20	Tanglewood, Ashgrove Avenue	Extn to front, rear & at first floor level. Demolish existing garage. Erect open carport.	<i>TBC</i>	<i>Refused</i>	Ellena Fletcher
20/P/0927/FUH 4-May-20 22-Jun-20	62 Church Road,	Demolish existing lean-to & conservatory. Erect 2-storey rear & side extns.	<i>TBC</i>	<i>No objections in principle, but awaiting further info.</i>	Ellena Fletcher

Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111 **POLICE** Local Police (Nailsea): 101
Our Local Beat Officer is PC Justina Lewis, a local resident. With her are Connor Aitken (PCSO 9382) and Kate Turner (PCSO 7948). Contact them on local non-urgent matters on 101 (give their collar number).

If anyone wishes to volunteer for Community Speed-Watch they can contact PC Lewis at Justina.Lewis@avonandsomerset.police.uk

They cover **Abbots Leigh, Leigh Woods, Dundry and Long Ashton.**

Donald Davies, Pill Ward Councillor, N Somerset Council

My contact details are below, for those who need them, but I shall be suspending face to face surgeries until further notice for both residents' and my own health, to avoid spreading any viruses. My e-mail is donald.davies@n-somerset.gov.uk.

and my phone number is 07900 097671.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS The Parish Council is meeting through video links for the foreseeable future. If you wish to raise anything to be discussed at a meeting please contact Julie Smart, Clerk to the PC, in advance of the meeting. Meetings are normally held on the 3rd Monday of the month. The next will be **Monday 21st September** at 7pm. No meeting in August Agenda and Minutes are on the Village Website.

Abbots Leigh Parish Councillors **Simon Talbot-Ponsonby** (375250) Chair, Cycle & Foot-path Network/Highways/Verges/Recycling & Rubbish/ Skittle Alley/Communications/ Website. **Martin Walker** (219530) Vice Chair/ Public Footpaths/ Old School Field/ Open Spaces/ Abbots Pool/ Transport Links. **John Butler** (373446), Village Hall /Public Relations/Street Lighting. **Murray Stewart** (372878) Community Groups/ Neighbourhood Plan/ Abbots Leigh Charities/ Civic Soc. Liaison. **Robert Narracott** (375619) Planning/ Conservation Area. **Julie Smart Clerk to the Council:** (374442) who works out of the Resource Centre in Pill. Secretariat/Insurance/Police Coordination/Village Orderly.

RECYCLING AND RUBBISH

Check North Somerset council website under waste and recycling for your next collection.

Advice from North Somerset Council continues to be:

Our crews are very busy at the moment. To help keep you and them safe, and to help the crews keep making their collections in good time, there are a few things you can do to help:

The main grumbles that the recycling crews have are:-

- ◆ **Items are not rinsed before being put out for recycling**
- ◆ **Some people put out used tissues; they must be bagged and put in the general waste.**
- ◆ **There is a risk of their having to pick up broken glass.** If glass is already broken wrap it up and put it into the general waste. Do not put glass in anything other than the standard recycling boxes which can be hooked onto the side of the lorry



The Recycling Centres are open to a reduced extent. The limitations of one visit per month have been lifted. Check North Somerset website for specific times as they are limiting access on different days by car registration numbers. With an odd last number in your vehicle registration you can visit on Monday, Thursday or Saturday, with an even number you can visit on Wednesday, Friday or Sunday. When visiting Portishead Black Rock recycling centre there is a one way system in place and it is not possible to make a right turn to enter or exit the site. To enter you must turn left coming down Valley road and to exit turn left towards Clevedon Road B3123.

Recycling Tips

Food waste

The average family throws away about £700 worth of food waste a year and most of it ends up in landfill. Please put your food waste into your food waste bin rather than into your black wheelie bin.

Plastic Bags

These can be recycled at a number of larger supermarkets including a lot of food packaging and magazine wrappers which are not biodegradable.

Abbots Leigh Village Hall. The Village hall will be open again from 1st September. Plans are being drawn up to ensure that this can be done safely, with guidance for hirers of the hall. Please contact Julie Smart (01275 374442), John Butler (373446) or John Prodger (374597) caretaker at the Village Hall if you want to make a booking.

Abbots Leigh Old School Field

The Parish Council has installed a dog waste bin in the school field which will be emptied fortnightly or more often if necessary. Please remember to keep your dog on a lead and clear up after it when walking through. A new basketball with a net has been ordered.

	CHURCH	SERVICE	SIDESFOLK	READERS
06-Sep	Trinity 13			
9.30am	Abbots Leigh	Family Worship	TBA	
10.30am	ZOOM	Parish Communion		
13-Sep	Trinity 14			
9.00am	Leigh Woods	BCP Holy Communion	Ginny Owen	Ginny Owen Celebrant
10.30am	ZOOM	Family Worship		
20-Sep	Trinity 15			
10.30am	Abbots Leigh	Short PC > APCM*	Vicky Dominey	
27-Sep	Trinity 16			
10.30am	ZOOM	Parish Communion/ **Ecology Sunday		
4.30pm	Leigh Woods	Evensong	TBA	
04-Oct	Trinity 17			
9.30am	Abbots Leigh	Pets Family Worship	TBA	
10.45am	Abbots Leigh	Parish Communion	Vicky Dominey	

*Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) – Sun. 20 Sept.

The Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on **Sunday 20th September 2020 at Holy Trinity, Abbots Leigh** following the short Parish Communion. There will be time to ask questions. The purpose is to elect our Churchwardens and members of the PCC and DCC and to receive annual reports. The members of these committees spend a great deal of their time helping to run the Parish: we are sure they will appreciate your supportive presence.

**Thanks to Wo!

At the 10.30 zoom communion on 27 September we say a heartfelt thank you to Wo who is stepping back from her public ministry as our Licensed Lay minister (though we hope not vanishing!)

SERVICES

READINGS	
GREEN	
Matt. 18. 15-21	
Rom. 13. 8-end	
Matt. 18. 15-21	
GREEN	
Rom 14. 1-12	
Matt. 18. 21-35	
Matt. 18. 21-35	
GREEN	
Matt. 20. 1-16	
GREEN	
Colossians 1. 15-21	
Matt. 6. 25-33	
Philippians 2. 1-13	
Matt. 21. 23-32	
GREEN	
Luke 14. 1-6	
Philippians 3. 4b-14	
Matt 21. 33-46	

WEEKDAY MORNING PRAYER: JOIN HESTER, ABBOTS LEIGH, 08.00

Hester usually says Morning Prayer at 8.00am on weekdays. She would be happy to be joined in saying the office by others who would also like to do so.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION... ... continues,
Thursdays St. Mary's Vestry at 6.30. Please contact Hester to confirm the time if you'd like to join in.

PASTORAL CARE If you know of anyone in Hospital or Nursing Home who would like a card or a visit, there are books at the end of both our Churches for you to fill in their details

Worship on ZOOM and in Church

Noted above are 2 x **Parish Communion**s on Zoom and 1 x Family Worship - contact Wo Hill to get a link to these services. Other services are in church.

A **booklet of daily prayer and reading** is available in the porches of both Holy Trinity and St Mary's or directly from Hester.

We have been uploading **sermons and some services** to our Leigh Woods and Abbots Leigh Facebook page and links via email - please contact Hester or Wo if you would like a link to these.

In need of Prayer?

Anyone who would like prayer or a chat please give Hester a ring or email hester.jones2@gmail.com / 01275 219838

Liz England: Admin@theParishChurch.com / 01275 373996

PEW NEWS comes out weekly. Contact BEFORE Thursday:

0117 974 1494 / alanshellard@gmail.com

Adrian's one pot fish dish for sea bream, cod, hake or salmon



Ingredients: potatoes thinly sliced, handful of small tomatoes, quite a lot of capers, a clove or two of garlic (chopped), a glass of white wine - Sauvignon Blanc, Picpoul, Muscadet, Verdicchio

Method: Throw ingredients into a shallow ovenproof dish and mix together with some olive oil.



Season and bake in a hot oven for 30 mins. Open a bottle of the wine, put a glassful into the mix and return to the oven for the time it takes you to enjoy a glass of the wine.

Place your fish on top and return to the oven for 15 - 20 minutes depending on the size of the fish.

Serve with a sprinkling of parsley, slices of lemon and whatever vegetables you have. Beetroot and beans go well.

Our thanks to Adrian for his inspirational offering and top quality kitchen photography!

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Online: www.abbotsleighwildlife.com view this newsletter and any links online.

NEW PUBLIC, WILDFLOWER MEADOW IN VILLAGE

We are upgrading the wild grassy area around the bus stop opposite Sandy Lane. We are calling it Pound Batch Wildflower Meadow. It will not be like garden but a natural wildflower meadow in a few summers! We would like to create a **beauty spot for local plants, people and passers-by**. We have the backing of Civic Society and Parish Council to work on the land.

All help and involvement welcome, especially collecting local seeds of native flowers you would like to see in that spot!



GET INVOLVED:

If you have seeds to offer, or want to get involved in the planting, please contact the Wildlife group on info@abbotsleighwildlife.com or Tom Walmsley on **07771 963 504**
Many thanks!

HOW TO COLLECT SEEDS:

Gather the seeds when they are fully ripened, but **BEFORE** they naturally disperse or start to rot. Please only harvest some of the seed from any location, leaving some behind! When they have been collected you need **to dry them fully** before placing them in zip lock bags or envelope. Please **label the bag** / envelope and ideally add a photo of the flower, or the flower itself from the same plant (pressed or dried). Then store in the coldest part of the fridge for a few weeks, as many seeds will only germinate after they have experienced a winter.

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