

VIADUCT

March 2022



Editor's Letter



Hello,

This month's Viaduct is a bit of a bumper edition. The town council has a lot to share, including a little bit of magic. There is plenty going on in and around town and people have had a lot to say. If you're looking for something to do, there are lots of activities and clubs to keep you entertained, plus there are some very interesting talks coming up. Finally, our Spotlight feature this month might give you pins and needles.

Do you like getting out and about? We need volunteers to deliver Viaduct each month. There are a few routes available. To find out more, please email susan.pither@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk.

Wishing you all the best for St David's Day and Mother's Day.

Editor, Viaduct

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News from your town council

Meeting	Date	Time	Venue
Full Council (Planning if required at 6.30pm)	8 Mar 2022	7.00pm	Edgar Hall
Accessibility and Highways (Planning if required at 6.30pm)	22 Mar 2022	7.00pm	Edgar Hall
Promotions and Communications	23 Mar 2022	7.00pm	Edgar Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend and there will be opportunities to ask questions. Please refer to the Somerton Town Council (STC) website for Covid 19 related information.

A beacon of joy

On the 6 February, Her Majesty The Queen became the first British monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

The community came together in February to discuss how the town should celebrate this momentous occasion during the four day UK Bank Holiday from Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June. Plans are taking shape for the lighting of a beacon on the Thursday evening, which will be one of over 1,500 beacons to be lit across the United Kingdom. On Friday there will be a Market Fair, Saturday a community picnic on the Recreation Ground and on Sunday a town parade and church service of thanksgiving. If you would like to help with any of these events please let Cllr Fletcher know and she can put you in touch with the lead organiser for each event. Further details will be available in future Viaducts and on the STC website and Facebook page.



May 2022 elections

The Government has set out its proposals for the election of 110 councillors for Somerset Council to be held on the 5 May 2022. Elections will also be held for Somerton Town Council on the same day. We would like to encourage those people who are passionate about their community to stand for election. There will be a 'meet your councillors' event in the Brunel Centre on Saturday 12 March at 10am. This will be your chance to find out what is involved in being a councillor, the time commitment required and what councillors do in support of Somerton's residents. Please come along for an informal chat with your current councillors and to find out more.

Mike, our new team member

We would like to welcome Mike Risley to our team. He has joined us as our new Maintenance and Groundsman, taking up the position in February. Those of you who use the Edgar Hall may already have met him but I am sure others will see Mike around the town.

News from your town council

ABOUT LOCAL COUNCILS

A local council is a universal term for community, neighbourhood, parish and town councils. They are the first tier of local government and are statutory bodies. They serve electorates and are independently elected and raise their own precept (a form of council tax). There are 10,000 local councils in England with over 30% of the country parished and 100,000 councillors who serve in these local councils, with over £1b being invested into these communities every year.

Local councils work towards improving community well-being and providing better services. Their activities fall into three main categories: representing the local community; delivering services to meet local needs; striving to improve quality of life and community well-being.

Through an extensive range of discretionary powers local councils provide and maintain a variety of important and visible local services including allotments, bridleways, burial grounds, bus shelters, car parks, commons and open spaces, community transport schemes, community safety and crime reduction measures, events and festivals, footpaths, leisure and sports facilities, litter bins, public toilets, planning, street cleaning and lighting, tourism activities, traffic calming measures, village greens and youth projects.

CALLING ALL COMMUNITY HEROES



**YOUR LOCAL
COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!**
**MAKE A CHANGE
BECOME A COUNCILLOR**

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WHAT DO LOCAL COUNCILS DO?

Your local council has overall responsibility for the wellbeing of your local community. Their work falls into three main categories:

- Delivery of services;
- Improve quality of life for residents;
- Give communities a democratic voice.

BECOMING A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

As a local councillor you can become a voice for your community and make real change. Councillors are community leaders and represent the interests of the communities they serve.

Local councillors have three main responsibilities:

- Decision-making;
- Monitoring;
- Getting involved locally.

GETTING ELECTED

To stand for election to a local council you must be:

- a UK or Commonwealth citizen; or be a citizen of the Republic of Ireland; or be a citizen of another Member State of the European Union;
- at least 18 years old;
- an elector of the local council; or in the past 12 months occupied land or other premises in the area the local council serves (as owner or tenant); or work in the area the local council serves (as your principal or only place of work); or live within three miles of the local council boundary.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, CONTACT DEAN RUDDLE ON:

07976 556054 or
dean.ruddle@somertontown
www.nalc.gov.uk/elections

News from your town council

A little bit of magic comes to Somerton

Somerton Town Council are currently installing new play equipment at the Recreational Ground, Sille Le Guillaume Way, Somerton. The Magic Mountain installation is due to be completed March 2022.

Magic Mountain is an exciting control centre and a watchtower for courageous and agile magicians, from the age of three years upwards. With the highest point reaching over six metres it is also a stunning landmark. However, not only magic will take players to the top floor. Instead, everyone can practice their climbing skills in many ways to reach the intriguing 'Chambers' on multiple levels, and to enjoy the tube slide back down from the top. Magic Mountain consists of one balancing area, one bridge, five climbing areas, four roofs, one slide and eight towers.

With so much to see, try out and play on, we think this should supply hours of fun and excitement for everyone.



News from around town

Stitched up together

All of us at ACEarts would like to thank everyone of the 4,200 plus people who visited The Red Dress during its three week stay with us. Your patience, good nature and excitement really helped us in making the busiest time we have ever had such a pleasure to be a part of. Many of you travelled some distance to be here and we heard no complaints about waiting – inside or out; the overwhelming joy and “well worth the wait” comments as you departed further boosted our enthusiasm for this fantastic artwork.



We look forward to welcoming many of you back to Somerton for our Flock Together sessions or even just to pop in and say hello. Thank you again.

Somerton Market

We are pleased to announce the market will recommence on Friday 4 March 2022 and will continue on the first Friday of each month for the remainder of the year.



A guide to guiding

Were you, or someone in your family a member of Girlguiding at some point? Brownies and Guides so often conjure up images of cups of tea or learning to sew and, whenever anyone mentioned camping, damp nights under canvas.

Guiding has moved on from those days and although we cannot plan the weather, the activities are very much what the girls of today want and choose to do. Sailing, climbing, cookouts, science, fundraising, residentials, the list goes on.

Rainbows (5–7 years), Brownies (7–10 years), Guides (10–14 years) and Rangers (14–18 years) are running in Somerton and we welcome volunteers from the age of 14 upwards.

For more information on what we do in Girlguiding or joining us, visit girlguiding.org.uk.

Diving with the argonauts

Debby Mason is a printmaker whose recent work concentrates on her love of the sea. A qualified diver, she has met some of the subjects of her exhibition, 'Cetaceans, Crustaceans and other Curious Creatures' face to face, an experience which she says she feels privileged to have. Her exhibition runs at the Courthouse Gallery from 19 March until 23 April (Weds-Sat 10am-5pm). For more information visit courthousegallery.uk.



News from around town

Looking for volunteers

At the moment, Guide Dogs are looking for new volunteers in Somerton to join our established fundraising group, and ultimately help us continue to provide free services for the blind and partially sighted. Unfortunately, we've recently had several long term volunteers leave the groups due to various circumstances.

Our ambition is for a future where every person with sight loss has the confidence and support to live their lives to the full, and we will not rest until people who are blind and partially sighted can enjoy the same freedom of movement as everyone else. We cannot do this without our amazing volunteers.



You can find out more about what volunteering means, at guidedogs.org.uk. And if that inspires you, please do contact me, Pat Janecka, Volunteering Coordinator for Bristol, South Gloucestershire and Somerset, The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association. My mobile number is 07501 268200.



Somerton's big spring clean

There is a national campaign, The Great British Spring Clean, organised by Keep Britain Tidy that takes place every year, encouraging communities to take pride in their environment. Somerton has organised its Community Litter Pick for Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 March 2022, in association with Somerton Town Council, South Somerset District Council and Somerton's #2minutelitterpick volunteers.

It doesn't matter whether you are on your own or part of a group, can give a whole or half day, or can only spare an hour. You can make a difference by picking up plastic bottles, cans and general litter that ruins the beauty of our town and surrounding lanes.

We encourage working in pairs and aiming to cover as much of the town as possible. The litter is mainly on paths and pavements where you live, public footpaths and also in places where people like to congregate like the playing field, the play area and the car parks.

We will meet up on both days at the Parish rooms in the Market Place at 9.30am. We provide you with all the equipment, so why not come along and meet like-minded people who care about our environment?

To find out more about this event or #2minutelitterpick, contact Gregory and Rachel on 07811 491153 or email us at somerton.2minutelitterpick@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you.

News from around town



A night at the opera... or musical

Charity Theatre Trips has taken local folk to 262 major shows at Bristol Hippodrome since its launch in 2004, raising over £66,000 for local charities.

The coach starts at around 5.00pm in Curry Rivel picking up in Langport, Somerton, then Keinton Mandeville /Shepton Mallet or Street/Wells.

Shows are booked as soon as advertised, with payment usually due two months before the performance date.

To be added to the theatregoers' listing you can call Chris Cox on 01458 273085 or email him at CharityTheatreTrips@btinternet.com.

Full details of future trips can be found at CharityTheatreTrips.com.

Trips open for booking now are:

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| • Madam Butterfly | Saturday 2 April | £53 |
| • We Will Rock You | Wednesday 20 April | £45/£58 |
| • Mamma Mia | Monday 20 June | £49/£61 |
| • Les Miserables | Tuesday 19 July | £45/£58 |

Wicked plants hiding in plain sight

On 9 March Somerton Gardeners' Club will be hosting an amusing talk by garden designer and planting consultant, Marion Dale at 7.30pm at the Edgar Hall. This will be in the Conference Room which is upstairs, but a lift is available. (The blood donor team will be using the Main Hall at the same time.)



As well as talking about the commonly known offending plants, she will reveal the less well known 'bad guys' in our gardens, some of which are beautiful, but hide a wicked secret, and some poisonous plants which surprisingly can help us in our old age, and have even inspired poetry. Visitors are always welcome so do come and join us.

News from around town

The library is back in full swing

The scope of library community activities continues to grow. The list below shows what we offer, and details can be seen at somertonlibrary.com.



- The Chess Club operates on a Saturday morning – 10.00am to 12.00pm.
- A treasure hunt has been set up inside the library and has been refreshed (new theme is spring flowers) – primarily aimed at younger children some easier and some slightly more challenging questions.
- The Lego Club is thriving. Held on a Saturday morning – 10.30am to 11.30am, you can book places in the library.
- Story time has been reintroduced. This now takes place on a Thursday morning starting at 10.30am – more details are on the electronic noticeboards and website.
- We plan to start “Digital Drop in” sessions on Fridays, either in the last week of February or in March.

Monday	Closed all morning	Open 2.00pm to 5.00pm
Tuesday	Closed all day	
Wednesday	Open 10.00am to 1.00pm	Closed all afternoon
Thursday	Open 10.00am to 1.00pm	Open 2.00pm to 5.00pm
Friday	Open 10.00am to 1.00pm	Open 2.00pm to 5.00pm
Saturday	Open 10.00am to 1.00pm	Closed all afternoon

Dusting off the lockdowns



We are back. After a gap of two years, Somerton Group of Artists are delighted to welcome you once again to an Exhibition and Sale of Work.

You'll be able to enjoy a wide selection of paintings, both framed and unframed, as well as artists cards, with the opportunity to purchase an original piece from a local artist.

After enforced cancellations we are all very excited to once again be able to show the work we have been doing, both during the lockdowns and since. Entry is free, there is no obligation to buy, and we welcome everyone including families.

The dates for your diary are Tuesday 5 April to Saturday 9 April 2022 at the Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton TA11 7NB. The exhibition is open 10.00am to 4.00pm each day. See our poster on page 27.

In other news, our monthly meetings are also back on track. The next is 9 March with Margaret Micklewright demonstrating landscapes in ink and oils. Again at the Parish Rooms 7.30pm, visitors are welcome just £5 on the door to include a cup of tea or coffee. For more details go to somertonartists.co.uk or visit us on Facebook.

News from around town

The Bishop's bagman and the Beach'd Buoys

The Reverend Canon Brian Pearson is a busy man. He will be soon be sharing his experiences from his years working for the former Bishop of Bath and Wells, and later the 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury, Robert Runcie, with Somerton's u3a. Come along and enjoy a light-hearted and entertaining talk from the "Bishop's Bagman".

Previously, in February, he followed Steve Davis, a retired City of London River Policeman, in giving a talk to Somerton's WI about his worldwide experiences as an Archbishop's Bagman.



The members of the WI will soon be further entertained. On Tuesday 15 March listen for the sound of shanty singers coming from the Parish Rooms at 2.30pm. The Beach'd Buoys are coming from Weston-Super-Mare to entertain the WI. If you like a nautical song or two, why not come and join us? We enjoy welcoming visitors, friends old and new, as well as our regular members.

A fortnight of festival frolics

Such is the success of the annual Somerton Music & Arts Festival that the event has now been extended to cover two weeks in July, with a prelude event in the form of an art and photography exhibition to kick things off starting 28 May.

The festival fortnight itself comprises a wide range of events to be held across the town, with bands playing in the local hostelrys, talks, walks, musical recitals and various food and drink themed workshops.

The flagship of the festival however is Somerstock on Saturday July 9th, Somerton's own family-friendly music festival, which is shaping up to be a corker! As well as headline act The Hoosiers leading the charge of ten live bands providing continuous music all day, the festival offers a much wider array of food outlets, multiple bars, the return of the silent disco and entertainment for the children.

The organisers would like to clarify that the family fun day, which is now part of the Somerstock weekend, will take place the day after Somerstock on Sunday 10 July at the recreation ground and will be free to attend as usual. Fun-day activities will include the traditional blend of displays, family activities, food, bars, classic cars and live music, but bigger and better than before! All events are listed on somertonfestival.co.uk.



News from around town



Our buses are under threat

April 2022 was meant to augur a new era for our buses. It was the month when the £3 billion as part of Bus Back Better, National Strategy for Buses for England, could be used to improve bus services. People could be invited to abandon their cars and opt for the 'greener' option of going by bus on journeys to nearby towns and villages.

To improve buses across the county, Somerset had put in a bid for £163 million of Bus Back Better money. That was the sum of money Somerset

needed because Somerset bus services currently are the worst rated of any county in England. But the Bus Back Better fund has been over subscribed 8 times by all the bids from across England and so it's unknown how much money Somerset might get. But it's unlikely to get anything like what Somerset needs.

The two years of Covid, with endless warnings not to use buses, has seen bus passenger numbers down 40% on pre Covid levels. This has meant the Government has had to step in and subsidise bus services in order to keep them running. To fund this the Government has diverted more than half of the £3 billion pot allocated for transforming our bus services to just maintain our current bus services.

Worse still, the Government has still not said whether it will keep funding our existing bus services from April.

If it doesn't, then without this subsidy, bus services across the country (including here in Somerset) could "fall off the side of the cliff," as said by Wera Hobhouse, Bath MP. It's been estimated 30% of bus services would go. Some bus services could even disappear completely.

Without this Covid Bus Recovery Grant, a leading bus operator has said, "The bus sector is hurtling towards disaster."

So what can we do?

Could you please ... today ... send an email (it doesn't need to be long) to the Government Buses Minister demanding that the Covid-19 Bus Recovery Grant funding is continued beyond April. Send it to Baroness Vere of Norbiton (Buses Minister) at verec@parliament.uk. Also copy your email to your MP David Warburton (Somerton and Frome) at david.warburton.mp@parliament.uk and please send a copy to Somerset Bus Partnership, our email address is somersetbuspartnership@gmail.com.

Additionally, if you should speak to any of the candidates for the Somerset Unitary Council May elections, please ask them what their plans are to protect and improve our bus services here in Somerset. There's never been a time when our bus services in Somerset have been at so much risk. Thank you from the Somerset Bus Partnership Team.

Spotlight on The Bodyworks



Charlie Price, MBAcC Dip.Ac, is an experienced acupuncturist practising in Somerton. She spoke to Viaduct and explains how a few needles in the right place can help relieve pain and strengthen the immune system.

How does Acupuncture work?

It works by relieving pain and reducing inflammation by sending a signal through the nervous system to the brain which then releases natural painkillers. It also promotes blood flow by stimulating the body's ability to spontaneously repair injured tissues.

Where did you train to become an acupuncturist?

I did a 3-year degree level qualification in Traditional Chinese Medicine in Bristol. I qualified in 2000 and later that year I completed a 3-month clinical internship at a training hospital attached to Shanghai University in China.

What inspired you to study?

Well I had acupuncture for the first time myself when I was only 12 years old. I had a course of treatment after breaking my arm. I was desperate to try anything as I had limited mobility and a lot of pain for three years. Although I knew nothing about how it worked at the time, it improved the mobility and completely relieved the pain. It was then that I realised that you don't have to 'believe' in it or understand it for it to work!

What conditions do you treat?

As well as the usual aches and pains, I treat a broad range of conditions. I am registered and insured with the British Acupuncture Council. On their website, britishacupuncturecouncil.co.uk, you can find detailed information about what conditions it can treat. Not only does it strengthen the immune and nervous system, it also leaves my patients feeling healthier and happier as a result of the treatment.

Spotlight on The Bodyworks



How long have you worked in Somerton?

I have had my own private practice in Somerton for over 12 years. I have been practising at The Bodyworks Physio Clinic at Bancombe Business Park since July 2020 and, naturally, it's completely Covid 19 secure.

What do you love most about your job?

I just love being able to help people feel well. After 21 years of private practice and four years of working for the NHS as an acupuncturist, my passion continues to grow each year. I love keeping up to date with new techniques and advances in the field of acupuncture. Part of my job is to help my patients take care and control of their own health. Acupuncture is an effective treatment to maintain optimum health and helps our bodies function at their absolute best.

If you'd like to know more about acupuncture, take a look at Charlie Price's website at somertonacupuncture.co.uk. And you can call her on 07706 586783 if you're interested in how treatment might benefit you.

Have your say

Let's be there for each other

The Friendship Club is planning to start again on 14 April in Somerton Sports Club at 10.30am. Entry is 50p, a cup of tea is 20p and coffee is 30p. Biscuits are free as is a second cuppa. There's also a free prize draw and Bingo. So come and have a chat and a laugh. You do not need to be a member of Somerton Sports Club to join in the fun. Contact Mo Fletcher on 07718 920198 or 01458 274631 for more details.



Being neighbourly

Isolating at home? Need some urgent shopping or a prescription collected or parcel posted? Somerton Good Neighbour Volunteers are ready and able to help.

Our volunteers are happy to do a range of tasks to help Somerton residents. For anyone who is housebound we can collect shopping and prescriptions, arrange for weekly telephone chats, arrange a meet for a friendly talk or to go out for a coffee.

Transportation may be available for medical appointments for those who are housebound without family nearby. For further information please contact Lead Coordinator Annette Sparks on 01458 258947.

Enjoying the good times at Laburnum Drive

Our A.G.M was happily used to plan our Monthly Coach Trips and Events for 2022. It's going to be a busy year filled with good times. All are welcome to join in.

On Tuesday 8 March at 10.00am we have a Bring and Buy Sale. On Tuesday 15 March we're taking a coach to Salisbury, departing at 10.00am and the cost is £11.00 per person. And on Friday 25 March why not come along to our Lasagne Supper at 5.00pm. It's just £6.50 a head and there'll even be the local Ukulele Band to entertain us.

If you'd like to join our breakfasts, you'll find all booking lists in our Hall. We have you in mind with all our planning. If you'd like to know more, simply call 01458 272620.



Have your say



Our post office is going

A big thank you to Kim and her staff for the many years service they have provided for Somerton, in particular throughout the past two years of Covid. The Post Office will be closed from 31 March 2022.

We have been lucky to have had this facility for so long – the nearest Main Post Office for Driving Licences and Passports will now be Exeter, Dorchester or Bristol, although you can get a Driving Licence form and have passport photographs taken in South Petherton's Post Office.

We wish Kim and her family all the very best for their future.

Here's a tease...

This month's challenge from Peter Simmonds may seem easy. However, he's not asking where this is, instead he asks "What was the source of all those superb flat slabs making up the path to the church?"

The answer to last month's challenge is the gate of the Tudor Cottage in the Market Place. Well done if you got it right.



Let us pray

The 2022 Women's World Day of Prayer service will take place at St Michael's in Somerton on Friday 4 March beginning 2.00pm.

All are welcome to join us and hand sanitizer will be available and we respectfully ask all adults to wear a mask while on church premises.

The Red Cross need you

Langport Red Cross shop urgently needs some new volunteers to help out. We open from 10.00am to 12.00pm each morning except Sunday. Most volunteers do between once a month up to twice a week, so it need not be a huge commitment and we are very flexible. Do pop in one morning and give us the once over. Alternatively, you can contact Chris Cox, Group Leader on 01458 273085, 07963 689 699 or by email at cox.cj@btinternet.com.



Have your say

A healthy outlook

It would seem there are mixed feelings about the easing and removal of the Covid related restrictions with which we have become so familiar over the past two years. Some people have expressed relief at being able to re-engage with life as it was; others remain cautious and apprehensive, especially those who are in the 'vulnerable' category. What is still being urged is for us all to act responsibly and with consideration for others whose choices at this point may differ from our own.

What we have to accept is that Covid has not gone away and neither, in the foreseeable future – if ever – will it. However, we have been able to build up our defences, not least through the extensive vaccination programme, and the reduction in the number of serious cases, hospital admissions and fatalities has been heartening.

But what about our 'fighting back'. Is it possible to beat the virus? What we can say is that treatments – antiviral medication – have been developed to reduce the impact and severity of Covid-19 symptoms. The drugs that have emerged have all been thoroughly tested and passed as safe, so now the focus is on which symptoms can be targeted effectively, which patients benefit and in what ways.

Research projects are underway nationally and recently three 'hubs' in the South West (one being based in South Somerset) have been recruiting volunteers who, once taking the prescribed medication, keep a journal and are carefully monitored by follow-up interviews. Perhaps for some the image of 'medical research' is that of people in white coats, bent over laboratory microscopes and studying the contents of test-tubes. In fact, much of the research relies on members of the public providing information, their views and feedback on a wide range of topics and issues. There are many ways to contribute to this work and more information can be found by visiting the website of the National Institute for Health Research at nihr.ac.uk.



Local clubs and activities

If any of the details for the current list are incorrect or you would like to be added to the list, please email viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk.

GROUP	CONTACT NAME	MEETING PLACE	MEETING TIME	EMAIL/WEBSITE	TELEPHONE
AceArts Life Drawing	Book on website or in Old Town Hall	The Courthouse, West Street, Somerton	Wednesday 10.30-12.30	www.acearts.co.uk	
Ageing Well	Age UK somerset	Parish Rooms, booking required for a place	Monday, Thursday and Friday	ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk for details and to book a place	01823 345628
Archies Extra	Alex Judith	Sports Ground, Gassons Lane by MUGA	Thurs 7.30-9.30pm 11 to 18 year olds		01458 272047 01458 273079
Flexercise		Buttercross Surgery	Fridays 2.30-3.30pm		
Health Walks	Mo Fletcher	Somerton Library	First and third Thursday of the month 11.30am	fletcher080@btinternet.com	01458 274631
Marital Arts Self Defence	Dan Palmer	Village Hall, High Ham, Langport TA10 9DA	Weds 7.00-8.00pm Kids and Adults Thurs 5.00-6.00pm and 6.00-7.00pm Kids	info@realitymasd.co.uk	07484 849157
Mid Wessex Singers	Rowena	West Street Church Hall	Tuesday 7.15-9.00pm	info@midwessexsingers.co.uk www.midwessexsingers.co.uk	07829 803097
Rugby Club	Gary Saunders & Steve Bern under 18s & 15s	Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch	Tues and Thurs 7.00pm		07870 861731 07919 153205
Scottish Country Dancing	Anita Wilson	Long Sutton Village Hall	Thursday 7.30-9.30pm	anitaandjim22@gmail.com	01460 929983
Somerton Bridge Club	Joan Davies, Jim Dawson	West Street Church	Thursday 7.00pm	joandavies15@rocketmail.com	01458 272418 01458 251228
Somerton Carers		West Street Church Hall	Second Friday of the month 10.30am		01458 250603
Somerton and District Bowls Club		Sports Ground, Gassons Lane	Tuesday 5.45pm Friday 2.00pm		
Somerton Gardeners' Club	Pauline Saunders	Edgar Hall £2 for visitors	Second Wednesday of the month 7.30pm		01458 272769

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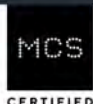
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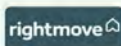
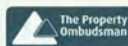
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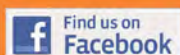
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