

SOMERTON VIADUCT

September 2024

Town Council

Welcome,

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Welcome to your September edition of the Somerton Viaduct. During August, the Somerton Gardeners Club Annual Flower Show was held at Edgar Hall on 17th August 2024. This year the entries exceeded 500 which is a record and a marvellous achievement for the Committee and all who engage with preparation of the event. There was an excellent attendance from the public

on the day, where refreshments were also available. Councillors Martyn George and Amanda Worsdale presented the awards for the 4 categories of the best Gardens Section: Pollinator Friendly, Traditional, New Build and Gravel and Pot.

The Winners received a Trophy, Overt Locke Voucher plus a Certificate. The runners up each received a certificate. Well done to all our residents who have made there front gardens look absolutely fabulous for us all to enjoy.

Important update on the Town Car Park - the Car Park will be closed on 15th September 2024. This is to enable us to proceed with relining the Car Park. Please see further detail on page 4.

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All articles for inclusion in the October edition must be received by 10th September 2024 by emailing viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk

Town Council

Council Meetings	Date	Time
Full Council (Planning if required at 18:30)	10th September 2024	19:00
Promotion and Communication Committee	17th September 2024	19:00
Land & Property Committee (Planning if required 18:30)	24th September 2024	19:00

All Council Meetings are held at Edgar Hall

Agendas can be found on the Council noticeboard by Grays at Home in Cox's yard car park and at somertontowncouncil.gov.uk

Below are images taken by Cllr Flowers of a selection of the gardens and of the winners holding trophies and certificates



Unveiling the late Dean Ruddell Commemorative Bench

On Saturday 14th September, the commemorative bench for the late Dean Ruddell will be unveiled at 12 noon at Brunel Shopping Precinct. Please join the family and councillors to remember our friend and colleague 'Mr Somerton'.

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Cox's Yard and Brunel Car Park Closure: Sunday 15th September

Please be advised that the Cox's Yard and Brunel Car Parks will be closed on Sunday 15th September to enable white lining works to be carried out. Residents and visitors are encouraged to use the Paddock House car park instead on this day.

Signage and bollards will be put out, and no cars are to be parked or left in the main car park areas.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your cooperation whilst we remark to make the Car Park more user friendly for our residents and visitors.

Calling all Businesses and homes to Save your Copy Paper Boxes

Prickles Hedgehog Rescue would be grateful to receive empty 5 ream boxes of copy paper, complete with lids, as they are an ideal resource used to transport hedgehogs back to their finders. Please contact 07806 744772 for more information and to donate.

Digital Noticeboards

Somerton Town Council maintains two digital noticeboards in the Town, they are used to share awareness of upcoming events and publicise important news to the community. Located directly outside the Parish Rooms, and the other positioned next to the public toilets in the car park (located near the library). You can also access the digital noticeboard online, by visiting noticeboards.somertontowncouncil.gov.uk. If you are interested in advertising your event for October, please contact viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk by no later than 20th September.

Paddock House Long-Stay Car Park

Somerton Town Council has been in communication with Somerset Council's parking department to ascertain whether they are continuing to enforce charges in Paddock House Long-Stay car park

Somerset Council have now removed signage relating to parking charges which previously raised some confusion amongst visitors, and the long-stay parking fees within this car park have been suspended to allow visitors to stay and enjoy everything Somerton has to offer.

Somerton Cinema Society

Monthly film screenings from the Cinema Society will be recommencing from Saturday 14th September in the Parish Rooms. The film choice and time of screenings will be announced closer to the time. Keep an eye on the next issue of the Viaduct, and the Town Council's media platforms for further news.

Town Council

Introducing changes to the Town Council Website

Changes have been made to the Town Council's website to help us better communicate with our community. We have added a number of new pages for you.

Events - we are going to add detail and images of council run or supported events to keep you abreast of the events we host. Such as the Coronation of King Charles III, Christmas at Edgar Hall 2023, Somerton Community Awards 2024, D-Day 80th Anniversary Commemorative Weekend and the Somerton Gardeners Annual Show 2024. We will build on this area as each event takes place. Look out for up and coming events such as the Christmas Lights Switch on due to take place on 1st December 2024 3pm - 7pm, where there will be food and entertainment for you all to enjoy.

Council Assets - this page has received an overhaul and you can now find more information on the assets the town council are responsible for. This page is available at somertontowncouncil.gov.uk/assets

Reporting Problems - this page has also received an overhaul and you can now find a list of itemised areas of concern and how to report these matters, ensuring they reach the appropriate body who is able to deal with them. This page is available at somertontowncouncil.gov.uk/reporting-problems

Clerks Office - Somerton Town Council work hard to engage with the community and to resolve any concerns which you bring to our attention. We are a collaborative team and do all we can to support the community we work for. A new page has been added to the Town Council Website titled 'Clerks Office'. The aim of this page is to inform the community about the roles we each cover and to enable you to put faces to our names and voices.

You will also find information on the staff working days and office opening hours, as well as contact details should you require any assistance.

This page is available at somertontowncouncil.gov.uk/clerks-office

We are here to support our residents

If residents have any comments or questions regarding anything within the magazine, or questions in general, please direct them to your editor by emailing viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk. Or by contacting your Clerk's office by calling 01458 272236, by emailing office@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk or deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk.

Please note that the office staff work part time hours, and the office opening times are **09:00 to 12.00 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday**. We endeavour to respond as promptly as possible.

About Town

Somerton Cary Community Shed

The shedders will soon be selling their wares on a stall outside the Co-op. Commencing 12th October, they will be there for you to talk to about joining the Community Shed or to

purchase some of the lovely woodwork and crafts they have been making. They will be there twice a month on the second and fourth Saturday of each month.



Please come along and see what is going on. Located at Wild Meadow Farm, Park Lane, TA11 6JA. Open Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00 to 13:00 and some Saturdays too. Please contact Mo Fletcher 07718 920198, Gary Maughan 07734 705995 or Bill Murray 07717 626568 for further information. We look forward to welcoming and meeting you soon!

Somerton Group of Artists 2024 Art Exhibition and Sale of Works

Tuesday 3rd- Friday 6th September (10am-4pm) Saturday 7th (10am-3pm)

At The Parish Rooms, Somerton TA11 7LZ. Free admission.

Wednesday 11 September 7:30pm - our next meeting, Owen Williams will be giving a talk and demonstration on "Painting in the Negative Space". Owen is an Artist and Illustrator. He gets his inspiration from the Devon countryside, from the fields and hedgerows and the stunning coastal walks.

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**THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE
ENDS ON SATURDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER**



SOMERTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY
in association with

SOMERTON COMPUTING

Offer a Digital Drop-in Session in the Library
every Thursday between 1130 and 1300
No booking required – first come, first served

FREE digital drop in

HELP SUPPORT
Digital Drop In Sessions

Somerton Town Council

Town Trail - New Map Available

New town trail and map now available free in the library. Explore Somerton and its historic buildings!

Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Support Group

Starting from Thursday 22nd August, there will be a free support group held every other Thursday for those experiencing Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain at The Globe in Somerton from 12:15pm until 1:15pm. Please come along for a coffee and a chat, and we can support each other. Please ask the staff for 'Tracy' upon arrival.

St Michael's Church

Somerton Church was full on Thursday 25th July of those who wished to welcome Rev Judith Swan as she was licensed as Priest-in-charge of Somerton, Kingsdon, The Charltons, Long Sutton and Pitney. The service was conducted by the Bishop of Bath and Wells, in the presence of representatives of all other churches in the area. Judith is looking forward to meeting you all and working in the local area to build community spirit and support your important family occasions (christenings, weddings and funerals).



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Somerton Merry Widows

Somerton Merry Widows now meet in Alfredo's on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 10.30am.

On September 3rd we're having a talk from Abbi, Librarian in Somerton so come and hear what they have to offer, it's not just about books !

We'll meet for coffee and catch-up on 17th

Do join us for a warm and sympathetic welcome with lots of laughter. More details from Dru 07799 262047 or perrydruscilla@gmail.com

Laburnum Drive Committee – September 2024

Tuesday 3rd at 10 am. Your favourite, Bacon Butties morning.

Tuesday 10th - Macmillan Coffee morning, fresh Scones. Please help by donating £4pp.

Tuesday 17th Coach to Lyme Regis – Departing at 10 am. £11.

Friday 27th. 5-7pm - Harvest Festival Supper, Quiche and Salad, £6. Guest speaker Mr. Davis.

Thursdays, Bingo at 2 pm.

Mo's MacMillan Coffee Morning

Come and help MacMillan Cancer Support at Somerton Sports Club on Thursday 26th September 10.30am - 12.30 pm. Please bring a cake or cookies if you can.

See you there. Mo Fletcher and Friends

Wessex House

Bingo Evening on 12th September Doors open 6.30pm Eyes Down 7pm. We will also be drawing our summer raffle after the Bingo. All money raised will be going towards a 40" Table Tablet for our residents, this is a wonderful piece of equipment which gives stimulation and entertainment to our residents. Please come and join us and have a fun evening. Refreshments will be served.

Somerton Speed Watch

Speed watch have been active over the last few months. Many residents appreciate our presence on the roads and regularly thank us for doing so. Several residents have approached us about individual problems regarding anti-social driving and speeding but you can make a complaint directly to Avon and Somerset Police on their website. Please keep the town as safe as you can by watching your speed.

If anyone is interested in joining Speed Watch we would be pleased to hear from you. Contact David Cundle on 01458 897224.

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Buses

Please be aware that the Bus timetables are changing from 1st September. If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the new timetable, please email martynandsue@hotmail.com with "Bus Times" in the subject line and you will be added to the list and automatically receive a copy whenever the timetable is updated.

The 77 Yeovil to Wells service is being replaced by a new 376 service which will run roughly hourly from Yeovil via Somerton to Wells and on to Bristol. Printed copies of the new times are available in the library for which we invite a donation to the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.

The Somerset Bus Partnership will be holding a "Bus Stall" outside the library on Saturday August 31st from 10am to 12noon, come and chat about bus times, bus routes or anything else to do with buses!

Mid Wessex Singers

After the very successful Spring Concert marking our 25th Anniversary, the Mid Wessex Singers will start our Tuesday evening rehearsals (7pm for a prompt 7.15pm start) for our seasonal festive programme at West Street Church Hall, Somerton (TA11 7PR), on Tuesday 3rd September. There is free parking close by.

All adult singers who love to sing, with or without choral experience, are welcome. We do not audition. The ability to read music is helpful but not essential as rehearsal tracks are made available. We are a friendly bunch, so if you are new to the area and looking to meet people who share your interest in music, why not come along. For those who just like to listen, the Christmas Concert date for your diary is the evening of Wednesday 18th December at St Michael and All Angels Church in Somerton - further details nearer the time. For more information visit www.midwessexsingers.co.uk or contact our Secretary, Sheena, on 07768 704883.

Somerton History Society

Carnival time will soon be upon us, so if you would like to see how modern Somerset carnivals compare with the early carnivals then come along on Thursday 26th September to the meeting of the Somerton History Society when John Dando will be talking about and showing films of the early carnivals. The meeting is held in the Parish Rooms and starts at 7.30pm, although doors open at 7.00pm for refreshments. Members come for free, but guests are welcome at a cost of £4.00 per person. For more details contact j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk

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No 1 West Street

'AFTER ALL' Stitched Textiles Exhibition by HEPTAD. Open Tuesday 10th to Sat 21st September 10am – 4.30pm, & Sunday 22nd September 10am – 2pm Info: 07968050526

Val Sangwine, Ann Fry and Lesley Cruickshank, three local artists, are holding another exhibition at 1 West Street, Somerton from 30th September to 6th October. Open daily from 10 – 4.30pm. Each artist has a different style – vivid landscapes in oils, beautiful still lifes in watercolour, and striking abstracts in oils. Something for every space, taste and pocket. The exhibition will include cards and unframed works. There will also be watercolour taster sessions for beginners - £17 for a 2 hour session including cake and coffee. For further information call 07470 043356 or 07989 437964.

Do visit us to chat, browse, or buy!

Top Queen tribute act 'The Bohemians' to play Somerton

St Michaels and All Angels Church will be rocking to the sounds of Queen on October 3rd with the top tribute act The Bohemians bringing their authentic Queen experience to Somerton. The Bohemians billed as 'the world's most exciting Queen tribute' take you on a high-energy roller-coaster ride of a concert. Right from the start, the audience will be gripped by the band's representation of Queen's legendary Wembley '86 performance. Featuring all the iconic hits, The Bohemians audiovisual re-enactment of the world's most popular rock band of all time is sure to leave Queen fans in rhapsody. The concert starts at 7:30pm, with doors opening at 6.45pm when the fully licenced bar will be open before the music begins and during the interval.

An addition the Somerton Music & Arts Festival which brings music, culture and art to the town of Somerton every summer, the Bohemians follow the barn-storming success of Fleetwood Bac who performed at the church in July and had fans of the original band dancing in the aisles.

More information and tickets from www.somertonartsfestival.co.uk/events/the-bohemians

Somerton Dramatic Society

Auditions for this years pantomime, Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs.

A workshop Meet & Greet will be held in the Parish Rooms Sunday 8th September 10am to 12pm, then auditions on Tuesday 10th September 2024 7-9pm and Sunday 15th September 2024 10am - 12pm. No need to book just turn up!

Have your say....

August News

INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM SOMERSET
WILDLIFE TRUST



Scan Me!



Butterflies and bees are on the wing and flowers are blooming. This month, keep your eyes peeled for common house martins, young stoats, bell heather, common carder bees, chalkhill blues and gulls.

WILDER 2024 TOGETHER FOR NATURE

On Saturday 12th October, from 11am - 3:30pm, a celebratory event for individuals and communities across Somerset who want to create a wilder future will be taking place at Edgar Hall, Somerton.

Scan the QR code to book your tickets online -



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Somerset Wildlife Trust aims to make volunteering a welcoming and rewarding experience, and support all volunteers with training and recognition.

Find out more -

<https://www.somersetwildlife.org/volunteering-opportunities>

WILDER ALLOTMENT AWARDS

By adding wildlife friendly plants you can create a mini-ecosystem. Practise environmentally friendly actions and apply for your plaque today!

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Win a private guided tour at Westhay Moor National Reserve by submitting your photo by the 1st September 2024.

This year, the theme is 'Capturing Somerset'.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Walking talks at Horner,
- Family nature days in Bridgwater
- Night surveys for the Big Bat Count.

Spotlight

Wessex Country Market

Saturday mornings 9:00 – 12:00 in The Unicorn skittle alley, you will find the Wessex Country Market. If you have never been then you are missing a treat!

The Wessex Country Market developed from the WI market and is now a limited company and has to adhere to all the rules and regulations of other food suppliers along with a few more, due to Natasha's Law. You will find beautiful homemade cakes, savouries, jams and pickles with full lists of ingredients, and those ingredients have been sourced as locally as possible, home-grown produce has been made into beautiful preserves alongside local honey too!

Other local produce includes meat, vegetables, cheese, butter and eggs, not only are these items locally sourced and food miles are so low, but you can also chat to the growers and producers. Who doesn't like the chance to shop all homemade, locally sourced and not a worldwide conglomerate in sight? You can also place advance orders to collect the following week.

Wessex Country Market has been in existence as it is since 1982. Christine Ward is the market manager, and Marlene Gibbs is the treasurer/secretary, but the country market runs as a group with decisions being made collectively. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Christine on 07971 079391, she would be happy to tell you all about the group and how to become part of the country market.

Alongside the grocery items, there are many crafts and talented makers. Sellers have all sorts to offer, handmade jewellery, felted animals, children's clothing, sheepskin rugs, turned wood goods, quilts and much more.

Wessex Country Market boasts 30 suppliers on the books, and the crafters tend to rotate so if you go one week, the next week will offer a different selection to browse.

One of the local sellers is Jo Frith MBE who is an Olympic gold medallist from Rio 2016, she sells stunning watercolours and if you have ever considered having your pet immortalised she would be someone to consider.

Chris and Kayleigh who run The Unicorn are passionate about supporting Wessex Country Market and to preserve the opportunity for the residents of Somerton to shop locally for their goods.

So, if you are keen on shopping locally, keeping food miles to a minimum and living as sustainably as possible why not visit The Wessex Market on a Saturday morning.

Events and Clubs September 2024

If you would like your event to be included in the October 2024 edition, please contact viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk by 10th September 2024

When	Who and Where	Contact
Sunday	Life Church at Edgar Hall. 10:30 to 12:00	Conrad Lucas - 07891665938 E: conrad@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk E: admin@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk .
	Somerton Saxons U6 Rugby at Gassons Lane - Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch. 9:30 to 11:00	Dan Dury - 07970 770946
	St Michael's Church Service 11:00	Parish Assistant 01458 273499 or 07483 137623 somerton.benefice@gmail.com
	Girls Cluster Rugby U12+.	Dan Dury - 07970 770946 Keiron Wilce 07419 995866
Monday	Tot's Life at Edgar Hall 9:30 to 11:00	Kerryanne Lucas - 07715 926923 E: kerryanne.lucas@btinternet.com
	Somerton Cary Community Shed 9:30 to 13:00 at Wild Meadow Farm, TA11 6JA	Mo Fletcher 07718 920198 Bill Murray 07717 626568 Gary Maughan 07734 705995
	Yoga Classes in the Parish Rooms. 11:30 to 12:30	Sue Knight 07854 641950 E: itssue@mail.com
	Cubs Ages 8 – 10 .5 years 18:00 – 19:30	Somerton Scout Hall
	Pilates - Inhale to Prepare at Edgar Hall. 18:00 to 19:00	Gill Hampson 07526 534889 E: gill-hampson6@gmail.com
Tuesday	Gentle Pilates with Age UK Somerset in the Parish Rooms 10:30 to 11:30	Age UK Somerset 01823 345624 E: ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk
	Gentle exercise class to music, 11:30-12:30, Parish Rooms	Charlotte on 07764 301304 or charlotte19313@gmail.com £6.50 per class no need to book
	Women's Institute (WI) in the Parish Rooms. 14:30 - Third Tuesday of the month only	Sue Long and 01458 274038 and Ray Loveall 01458 272095
	Squirrels Ages 4-6 years 16:30 – 17:30 Somerton Scout Hall	Fiona E: info@somertonscoutgroup.org.uk

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When	Who and Where	Contact
Tuesday Cont..	Somerton and District Bowls Club at Sports Ground, Gassons Lane. 17:45	Peter Jones 01458 224212 W: somertonbowlsclub.co.uk
	Somerton Runners at the Recreational Ground - hardstanding. 18:00	Keith Brackstone - 07999 511366 E: coachkeith53@gmail.com
	Men's over 18s Rugby Club Gassons Lane. Elrian Williams Memorial Pitch. 19:00	Gary Saunders 07870 861731 Chris Burrows 07957 091627
	Scouts Ages 10.5 to 14 years - 19:00 - 20:30	Somerton Scout Hall
	Mid Wessex Singers at West Street Church Hall. 19:00 to 21:00	Sheena Smith 07768 704833 E: info@midwessexsingers.co.uk
Wednesday	Meditation & Mindfulness at the Parish Rooms. 9:25 to 10:30	07803 497496 E: brotherytonten@gmail.com
	Somerton Cary Community Shed 9:30 to 13:00 at Wild Meadow Farm, TA11 6JA	Mo Fletcher 07718 920198 Bill Murray 07717 626568 Gary Maughan 07734 705995
	St Michael's Church Service 10:00	Parish Assistant email somerton.benefice@gmail.com
	In Line We Dance 10:00 to 12:00 at Edgar Hall	Mat on 07548 601518 info@inlinewedance.co.uk
	Create and Connect at ACEarts 10:30 to 12:20	Nina Gromw-Lewis 01458 273008 E: hello@acearts.co.uk W: acearts.co.uk
	Knit and Natter 10:30 to 12:00 - First and Third Wednesday of the month only	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Somerton Probus Club at the Sports Club. 11:30 - Last Wednesday of the month only	Barrie Davies 07811 770061 E: barrie.davies@btinternet.com
	Beavers Ages 6-8 years 17:00 to 18:15 Somerton Scout Hall	Fiona E: info@somertonscoutgroup.org.uk
	Somerton Group of Artists at the Parish Rooms. 19:30 - Second Wednesday of the month only	Mandy McAllen E: mandymcallen1@gmail.com Free to members or £5 to visitors

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Wednesday Cont..	Somerton Gardeners Club 19.30 at St Cleers Chapel - Second Wednesday of the month only	Annette Sparks 01458 258947 annettes2853@gmail.com somertongc.com £3 for visitors
	Somerton Saxons Rugby Club at Gassons Lane - Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch. 19:00 to 20:30	Dan Dury 07970 770946 Julia Holland 07934 641544 U9s (yr 4), U10s (yr 5), & U11s (yr 6)
Thursday	In Line We Dance 10:00 to 12:00 at Edgar Hall	Mat on 07548 601518 info@inlinewedance.co.uk
	Drawing for all at ACEarts 10:30 to 12:30	Nina Gromw-Lewis 01458 273008 E: hello@acearts.co.uk W: acearts.co.uk
	Story Time from 10:30 to 11:00	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Friendship Club at the Sports Club. 10:30 - Second Thursday of the Month only	Mo Fletcher 01458 274631 E: fletcher080@btinternet.com
	Health Walks Somerton Library 11:30 - First and Third Thursday of the Month only	Mo Fletcher 01458 274631 E: fletcher080@btinternet.com
	Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Support Group 12:15 to 13:15 at The Globe - Fortnightly from 22/8/24	Ask The Globe staff for 'Tracy' upon arrival.
	Girls Rugby Club (10-16 yrs) at Gassons Lane - 18:00 to 19:30	E: crc@somertonrfc.co.uk
	Wessex Junior Youth Club at the Wessex Rooms. 18:00 to 19:30	Clive and Sara Dyer 01458 273655 or 07970180608 E: sarad53@hotmail.com
	Somerton Bridge Club at West Street Church. 19:00	Joan Davies & Jim Dawon 01458 272418 & 251228 E: joandavies15@rocketmail
	Rugby Club - Men's over 18s at Gassons Lane - 19:00	Gary Saunders 07870 861731 Chris Burrows 07957 091627
	Archies Xtra (11-18 Yrs) Sports Ground beside MUGA 19:30-21:00	Alex and Judith 01458 272047 and 01458 273079
	Somerton History Society at the Parish Rooms. 19:30 - Fourth Thursday of the Month only	Joan Banbury E: j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk

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When	Who and Where	Contact
Friday	U3A Members – Edgar Hall 10:00 - 12:00 last Friday of the month only	Annette Sparks on 01458 258947
	Strong & Steady with Age UK Somerset at the Parish Rooms - Please contact Age UK for referral	To self refer call 01823 345614 E: fallsprevention@ageuksomerset.org.uk
	In Stitches at ACEarts. 10:30 to 12:30	Nina Gromw-Lewis 01458 273008 E: hello@acearts.co.uk W: acearts.co.uk
	Somerton and District Bowls Club at Sports Ground, Gassons Lane. 14:00	Peter Jones 01458 224212 W: somertonbowlsclub.co.uk
	Strictly Jive at Edgar Hall 19:45 to 00:30 - First Friday of the month only	Roy Wary 07811 018284 E: roywary42@gmail.com FaceBook - Strictly Jive
Saturday	The Langport Cycle Club 9:00 The Bridge Cafe in Langport	07775 670546 E: tvb@btinternet.com W: langportcycleclub.com
	Wessex Country Market 9:00 to 12:00 Skittle Alley of the Unicorn Hotel	Christine Ward, 07971079391, E: christineward747@hotmail.com
	St Michael's Monthly Coffee Morning 10:00 to 12:00	Parish Assistant please email somerton.benefice@gmail.com
	Board Games including Chess 10:00 to 12:00	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Lego challenge 10:30 to 12:00 - First Saturday of the month only	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Somerton Cinema Society 17:00 Parish Rooms. 14th September.	Tickets available from Cobbs Wholefoods. £6.00 cash only.

Up and Coming Event...

Somerton Town Council are in the process of organising the annual Christmas Light Switch on event which will be held on Sunday 1st December, one famous jolly red-faced man is already lined up and there will be many other attractions and stalls. If you are interested in being part of this event please contact amanda.worsdale@somertontown-council.co.uk, we are looking for local crafts, producers, and talent to help showcase our beautiful town and kick start the festive season with this family friendly event.



Somerton Viaduct Survey

SCAN ME!



Somerton Town Council have designed this survey to establish community opinions on receiving the monthly Somerton Viaduct.

If you would like to participate, please fill out this page (or scan the QR code to complete online) and return via email to viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk or via post to Edgar Hall, 8 Cary Court, Somerton Business Park, TA11 6SB.

1. How useful do you find the Somerton Viaduct?

- ☐ Extremely ☐ Neutral ☐ Not at all
☐ Somewhat ☐ Not very

Justification:

2. Which content in the magazine do you pay the most attention to? (Please check all which apply)

- ☐ Town Council ☐ Have your Say ☐ Events and Clubs
☐ About Town ☐ Advertising

3. Would you like to keep receiving the monthly Somerton Viaduct?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. Which method of community communication do you prefer? (Please check all which apply)

- ☐ Social Media ☐ Public Meeting ☐ Website
☐ Press Release ☐ Viaduct ☐ Email
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We encourage you to submit any further comments.



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The check is completed by a healthcare professional and usually takes around 20 – 30 minutes to complete. The check usually involves taking the following measurements;

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You will also be asked questions surrounding the following;

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Results and methods used to reduce risks are discussed during the appointment.

If you have not been invited but think you are eligible, contact your GP surgery to find out if they offer NHS Health Checks. Some pharmacies also offer NHS Health Checks.

Information for this poster has been adapted from <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/nhs-health-check/>

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