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Recycling Update

New Rules and guidelines: Recycling Engagement Officer Jasmine Patterson will visit Lesbury Village Hall for a public talk to explain about what can and can't be recycled - all welcome.

Meeting: 6pm on Tuesday 29/9/26

Glass bins: new glass only bins will be supplied later this autumn. Until then please try and take your glass items to the recycling centre in Alnwick.

You will also receive a new set of written guidelines in due course.

Neighbourhood Watch: Volunteers Needed

Over the years, running a NW scheme has helped reduce crime in many communities. There are local groups for Lesbury and Bilton. They rely on volunteers and can always do with a few more. This can be as simple as a sign in your window or being part of a "WhatsApp" group to report anything that concerns you.

Find out more at <https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/find-your-local-nw>

Or get in touch with one of the Parish Councillors.

Digital Switchover: Landline Telephones

This is a reminder that "normal" telephone landlines will no longer work from January.

Do not worry, support is available from your telephone company.

If you have not done so already, get in touch with them and don't leave it to the last minute.

More details can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/moving-landlines-to-digital-technologies>

Alnwick Medical Centre Update

As vaccination season is upon us, now is the time to start booking yourself in if you qualify.

There is a change to the parking at the centre with a new system that requires you to enter your registration so be prepared.

It has been introduced to try and improve availability of spaces for those who need it. Full details are available online and onsite.

Bus Survey

Another reminder: The North East bus survey closes very soon. Have your say on future policy here:

<https://www.northeast-ca.gov.uk/consultations/haveyoursay>

Hedges: Safety comes first please

September 1st was the official date to start cutting hedges again so please prioritise any that impact other people - but please take responsibility at any time of the year if it is affecting the safe use of footpaths.

Safety comes above any other guidelines and you must keep an eye on this.

If you are concerned about a particular section or and if it is your hedge and are not sure what to do - please get in touch.

Highways and byways: getting things fixed

In the next issue we will look in more detail about who is responsible for what but for now if you see a pothole, damaged road sign or other safety issue please report it on <https://www.fixmystreet.com/>

Lesbury Art Group October Exhibition

Lesbury Art Group is holding its Autumn, weekend exhibition, the second in 2026.

The group has an established reputation for quality and variation in its exhibition content. As well as original paintings, in a variety of media, there are also prints and cards often with a local theme. Recent Lesbury exhibitions raised over £1,500 for The Northumberland Hospice via the 'Big Give' scheme and the group are again supporting this worthwhile cause. There will be a separate raffle and refreshments available on each day and exhibition entry is free.

Lesbury Village Hall hosts the event on **Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th of October from 10:30am-3:30pm.**"

Lesbury Community Shop: Apple Pressing

The annual apple pressing day is to be held again at Lesbury Community Shop
Saturday 3rd October 10.00am until 1.00pm.

Plus the Community shop is holding it's 2nd Christmas Fair in the Village Hall.

Free entrance, plus tea/coffee and cakes being served.

Saturday 14th November from 10.00am until 1.00pm.

Village Hall

With the 7 yearly repaint in August done and thorough tidy up (thank you to all the volunteers), the Village Hall is back and is another great resource we share.

Highlights Touring Theatre are visiting in November. It is a theatre performance called Rogues' Gallery, which combines satire, social history with humour and music. Tickets are available in the Community shop or through HIGHLIGHTS WEBSITE.

Sunday 15th November starting at 7.00pm.

The film Grease is being screened in the village hall. It is a sing-along-version, with attendees being encouraged to dress up to enjoy the full experience. Tickets cost £10 and all the money raised will be donated to Lesbury Community Shop.

Sunday 1st November starting at 7.00pm

To host your own event or for more details on existing regular activities go to: lesburyvillagehall.co.uk

Chris, Lynda and the team welcome you to the The Coach Inn

Having a great local pub is envied by many villages who have lost theirs so let's support the new team in charge.

Opening hours are now: Tues 3pm-10pm; Wed-Fri: 12pm-11pm; Sat: 10.30-11pm; Sun: 12pm-10pm.

Meals: Tues: 4pm-8pm; Wed-Sat: 12pm-8pm; Sunday Lunch: 12pm-4pm.

Onion Club Show and Judging: 26th Sept at 2pm. Hospice Care Hamper Draw on Sunday so get your tickets before then!

Next time:

We are looking at expanding the newsletter to include more local information that is useful to residents on a regular basis. This could include reminders on who is responsible for what local services and how to contact them. Do get in touch with ideas, events and suggestions for future editions.

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