

Are you interested in being a Councillor?

The elections for Westfield Parish Council take place on Thursday 7th May 2015 and now is a really good time to think about whether this might be for you? If you have an interest in serving the community in which you live or work, improving your local environment and taking part in what becomes really rewarding work, please contact either the Chairman of the Council, Cllr Geoff Fuller on 07540 998603, contact the Parish Clerk, Lesley Welch on 01761 410669 (Monday to Thursday mornings) or e mail lesley.welch@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk.

It is not necessary to be qualified in any particular area and, to a great extent, the time you put into this is up to you. It is important only that, as a local person, you have the desire to represent and improve our community.

We would be delighted to talk to you about the work involved, the support for new Councillors, the time commitment, and how to go about becoming a Councillor. Why not also look at our website www.westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk where you will find more information about being a Councillor

FLOWERS IN PUBLIC PLACES

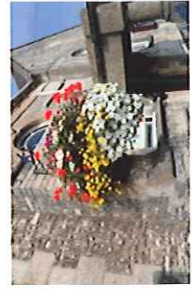
COULD YOU CREATE THE PERFECT FLOWER DISPLAY FOR WESTFIELD?

Westfield Parish Council is looking for a stunning, well maintained flower display this summer, one which will make an impact in the local community. The Parish Council has budgeted accordingly, as it sees this as a high priority for the Parish.

The successful contractor will be appointed not simply on the basis of value for money but also, very importantly, for their ability and drive to produce a really amazing flower display for Westfield this year.

The specification includes 15 hanging baskets, two coal tub planters, two hanging basket trees and raised flowerbeds. It would be helpful for all people tendering for this contract to know that our maximum annual budget is **£5,500**.

For more information please look at the website www.westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk or contact the Parish Clerk at Westfield Parish Council on 01761 410669 or council@westfieldparishcouncil.co.uk or write to us at The Oval Office, Cobblers Way, Westfield BA3 3BX. The deadline for tenders is 9am on 23rd February 2015.



A Neighbourhood Plan for Westfield?

The Parish Council has recently been considering the advantages of undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan for Westfield.

The Parish Council would like to promote the identity of Westfield as a Parish in its own right, with its own history, needs and aspirations.

The 2011 Census shows that Westfield has its own unique demographic profile. In previous years Westfield has been swallowed up within the larger Norton Radstock Town Council and has missed the opportunity to identify its own needs, and it has suffered from a lack of investment in its infrastructure. A Neighbourhood Plan to lay the foundations for the future looks like a very positive way forward.

Would you be interested in taking part in working on the Neighbourhood Plan? The process is fairly structured with 6 weekly meetings facilitated by a BANES Planning Officer to make sure the Plan progresses. For more information please talk to the Chair of the Council, Geoff Fuller on 07540 998603 or the Parish Clerk, Lesley Welch on 01761410669

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Parish Council Freezes Hire Rates

The Football pitches at Westhill and Norton Hill are well used by teams in the area. We are very pleased to announce that the cost of hiring these pitches will remain the same in 2015-16 as they were in 2014-15. See our website for details.

Please contact us if you would like to hire the pitches at any time.

At Norton Hill there are also the tennis court, petanque court, table tennis table and basketball pitch all free of charge. All we ask is that you respect them and the people who live nearby when using them.



B&NES Chief Executive runs for local charity in Bath Half

Jo Farrar, the Chief Executive for Bath & North East Somerset Council has pledged to run the 2015 Bath Half Marathon on 1st March 2015 in aid of a SWALLOW. Jo says "I saw first-hand the work that SWALLOW does in the local area by becoming involved in the Council's Community Volunteering scheme. I know that taking part in the half marathon will help them continue to grow and develop. I am delighted that the money I raise will make a real difference to vulnerable people in Bath and North East Somerset."

If you would like to sponsor Jo, please go to JustGiving website - <http://www.justgiving.com/owner-email/pleasesponsorJoFarra2>

New Play equipment for Westhill Road.

Halsall Construction has installed and handed over new play equipment to Westfield Parish Council for the children's play area at Westhill Road. The new clatter bridge has been installed alongside the existing play equipment.

