

The Littleton Link



August 2026

Dear All

Welcome to the August edition of The Littleton Link.

I don't know about you but to me it seems that this year is galloping along. Here we are back in the school summer holidays already. The next thing you know the shops will be advertising 'back to school' items, if they haven't already!

This year, August is eclipse month! As seen from the UK both the Sun and the Moon suffer large partial eclipses. Plus, on the night of 12/13 August it's the maximum of the Perseid Meteor Shower. Look out for shooting stars in the night skies.

If you spot anything interesting whilst you're out and about, or even in your own garden, do take a picture and consider sending it in for a future front cover.

Within the pages this month, there are updates from our regular contributors and plenty of dates for your diary. Just because it's summer holiday season doesn't mean there is nothing going on in the villages. Hopefully you'll find something to interest you and to get involved in.

Kind regards,
Mary

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Day & Date	Event	Time	Location
Wed 5 Aug	Wednesday Club	2 to 4 pm	Village Hall
Wed 19 Aug	N&M Littleton Parish Council meeting	7 pm	Village Hall
Sun 23 Aug	N&M Littleton Litter Pick	10 am	Village Hall
Tue 25 Aug	Mobile Library	10:40 to 11:15	various
Wed 2 Sept	Wednesday Club	2 to 4 pm	Village Hall
Sat 5 Sept	N&M Littleton Parish Council Drop-In	10 am to 12 noon	Village Hall
Sat 5 Sept	Summer Community BBQ	4pm to 7pm	Recreation Ground
Tue 8 Sept	Littletons WI	7 for 7:30 pm	Village Hall
Wed 16 Sept	N&M Littleton Parish Council meeting	7 pm	Village Hall
Thur 17 Sept	South Littleton Parish Council meeting	7:30 pm	Littleton Bowls Club
Fri 18 Sept	Littletons Tennis & Pickleball Club Race Night	7 pm	Pebworth Village Hall
Sat 26 Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning	10:30 to 12 noon	Village Hall

The Littleton Link is also available online at:

<https://www.southlittleton.org.uk/> &
https://www.northandmiddlelittleton-pc.gov.uk/Littleton_Link.aspx

Deadline for entries for September edition is Fri-21-AUG



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Sunday

12pm to 6pm

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FIRE SAFETY: As you know, we're experiencing a very dry spell, which means even small fires can spread much more easily than usual. If you're planning a bonfire or BBQ, please take extra care. A little care goes a long way in keeping our villages safe.

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If you're planning a bonfire:

🌿 Avoid hot, windy days – sparks travel fast.

👁️ Never leave it unattended.

🔧 Keep a bucket of water or hosepipe handy.

🏠 Light well away from houses, fences and hedges.

✅ Make sure it's completely out before you head inside.

And don't forget – smoke can drift and cause problems for neighbours, so please be considerate.

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FIXTURES

2026/27 SEASON



1	FRIDAY 07/08/26 19:45	LITTLETON FIRSTS		VS		WORCESTER UNITED FC FIRSTS	 FIVE ACRES	PREMIER DIVISION
2	SATURDAY 15/08/26 14:30	LITTLETON FIRSTS		VS		CLEE HILL UNITED FIRST	 FIVE ACRES	PREMIER DIVISION
3	SATURDAY 22/08/26 14:30	PERRYWOOD SATURDAY FIRSTS		VS		LITTLETON FIRSTS	 PERRYWOOD SATURDAY FIRSTS	PREMIER DIVISION
4	SATURDAY 29/08/26 14:30	LITTLETON FIRSTS		VS		KINGTON TOWN FIRST	 FIVE ACRES	PREMIER DIVISION
5	TUESDAY 01/09/26 19:45	LITTLETON FIRSTS		VS		PERSHORE TOWN 88 DEVELOPMENT	 FIVE ACRES	PREMIER DIVISION

NEW SEASON. SAME PASSION. COME ON LITTLETON!

 ONE CLUB

 ONE TEAM

 ONE GOAL

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Fixtures subject to change

TEAMS4U CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

During August Littletons Wednesday Club will be collecting items for their annual collection for the Teams4u Christmas Shoebox appeal

If you'd like to get involved these are the sort of things that are needed. More ideas are available from the Teams4u website:

<https://teams4u.com/shoebox-appeal/> Items should be new, however pre-loved items in good condition are acceptable.

What can go in a Shoebox?

For boys or girls: Toothbrush & toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, comb, soap & face cloth, stationery & paper, gloves, hat & scarf, new socks/underwear, a soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small ball, sweets (use by date from June), a photo and message from yourself.



For The Home box: Candles, cooking utensils, plastic containers, tea towels, washing up cloths, hairbrush, small toiletries, bowls & cups, small decoration, soap, clothes pegs, headscarves, new socks and underwear, jewellery, new makeup.

For anyone who would like to contribute something – be that a bar of soap or a tube of toothpaste (all donations are very welcome) - you can find a box just inside porch of The Ivy Inn when it is open (thanks to Jas for agreeing to help). Alternatively, use the contact number on page 16 if you'd like to deliver direct to us. Or pop into the Wednesday Club meeting on 02-September at 2pm.

LITTLETONS TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL CLUB

On Sunday 28th June the Littletons Tennis and Pickleball Club had our Grand Opening of our newly refurbished courts.

The club found 75% of the funding with the rest coming from a grant from Sports England.

It was a lovely sunny day, not as hot as recent days!

The event was well attended by everyone in the Littletons Community and many attendees tried out Pickleball as well as tennis.



Our local MP Nigel Huddleston and Councillor Hannah Robson came and supported the event and even had a go at Pickleball too!



North & Middle Littleton Parish Litter Pick on Sunday 23 August

A Community event – meet at The Littletons
Village Hall at 10am



Suitable footwear and
clothing to be worn. All
equipment will be
provided.



All parishioners interested in keeping their village clean
and tidy are invited to attend.

**A big 'thank you' and 'well done' to all those who
took part in the North & Middle Littleton Litter Pick
in June. Just look at
all those bags!**



The
pickers went along the
Cleeve Road from South
Littleton right the way along
to Red House Farm. Part of
the Pebworth Road to
Ullington crossroads. Arrow
Lane and over the
crossroads.

**We hope to see more
of you this month 😊**

SOUTH LITTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

As we head into the late summer months, it is wonderful to see so many residents making the most of our parks, footpaths and open spaces.

ENJOYING OUR PARKS TOGETHER

Our Recreation Ground and play areas are some of the most popular spaces in the village, particularly during the school holidays. We are fortunate to have such well-used facilities, and we would like to ask everyone to be mindful of others while visiting.

Whilst many of us love dogs, not everyone feels the same. Some people are frightened of dogs, while others have allergies or simply wish to enjoy the play area without dogs approaching them. Even the friendliest dog can be intimidating to a young child or someone who is nervous around animals.

We kindly ask all dog owners to keep dogs under close control, ensuring they do not run up to other visitors.

STAY VISIBLE: HIGH-VIS USAGE

With bright sunshine, changing light conditions and the evenings gradually drawing in, visibility on our roads can sometimes be surprisingly poor. Low sun, shaded lanes and fading light can make it difficult for motorists to spot cyclists and horse riders until they are much closer than expected.

If you cycle or ride around the village, please consider wearing high-vis clothing or accessories whenever possible. We also ask all motorists to remain patient and considerate, giving cyclists and horses plenty of space when passing.

CLERK RECRUITMENT

The Parish Council is continuing the recruitment process for a new Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

KEEP UP TO DATE

Don't forget to follow the South Littleton Parish Council Facebook page for the latest council news, community events, consultations and village updates.

SUMMER COMMUNITY BBQ

We are delighted to confirm that our Summer Community BBQ will take place on **Saturday 5 September from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.**

We hope to see as many of you there as possible and further details will be shared nearer the time.



NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Our next Parish Council meeting will take place on **Thursday 17 September at 7:30pm at The Littletons Bowls Club**. Residents are always welcome to attend.

South Littleton Parish Council

Chair: Shannon Cawood

Councillors: Sally Ashwin, Shannon Cawood, Debbie Jones, Roger Jones, Hannah Robson, Helen Quigley-York, Victoria Sevier, Tim Ward and David Wootten

THE BIG BUTTERFLY COUNT

Runs from Friday 17 July until Sunday 9 August 2026

A nationwide citizen science survey organised by Butterfly Conservation. It aims to track the numbers and species of butterflies and day-flying moths in the UK, providing crucial data on biodiversity and environmental health.

To take part simply spend 15 minutes counting the butterflies and day-flying moths you see. Participants can repeat counts in different locations or with different groups. You can do your count anywhere outdoors, including gardens, parks or out for a walk. Then simply log your results via the App or visit the website:

<https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org/> where you'll also find more information.



NORTH & MIDDLE LITTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Items discussed at July 2026 meeting

Neighbourhood Plan/Village Survey: This is progressing. There is to be a 'Drop In' Session on **Saturday 5 September**. Further information in a separate article in this Link.

Telephone Kiosk – Middle Littleton: Discussions are taking place regarding the future of this kiosk.

Parking in School Lane: This is a continuing problem with vehicles being parked on the roadside. Vehicle drivers are requested to respect the private driveways of residents when using School Lane.

HGV transport: Concern was again expressed regarding the number of large vehicles using Blakes Hill/Pebworth Road. This has been reported to Worcestershire County Council and we are still waiting for a response.

Fish & Anchor: Following an accident occurring on the bend by the Fish & Anchor a request has been made to Worcestershire County Council for the chevrons on the bend to be reinstated for safety reason. We are still waiting for a response.

Hedges: Residents who have hedges near footpaths or the roadside are requested, where possible, to cut back overhanging branches and brambles.

VA Signs: The data from these were discussed. Vehicles are still exceeding limits in the village. These are excessive and drivers are requested to reduce their speed when travelling through the parish.



Neighbourhood Watch: The formation of this was discussed. It was agreed to invite the Safer Neighbourhood Team to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss this. If you are interested please notify a Parish Councillor (see details below). Volunteers will be required for this scheme to materialise and further details of a meeting will be advertised in due course.

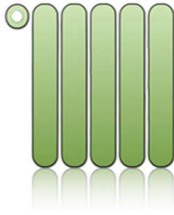
Street Lighting: As the parish is now part of the Worcestershire County Council lighting initiative, any street lighting issues can be reported direct to them. Either telephone 01905 763763 or the fault can be reported online via the county council website. The other alternative is to contact the clerk with the details of the fault and position of lamp.

Clerk: Marion Brighton clerk@northandmiddlelitleton-pc.gov.uk

Parish website: <https://www.northandmiddlelitleton-pc.gov.uk/>

Parish Councillors: James Haywood, Martin Burge, Ian Jones, Sandra Jackson, John Taylor, Marsha Wilkins and Paul Fernandez.

Next meeting scheduled for **Wednesday 19 August 2026 at 7pm in the Village Hall.**



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LITTLETON WEDNESDAY CLUB

For our July meeting we had Afternoon Tea! Everything you'd expect from a fancy afternoon tea out but prepared by Marion, Pam and Mary. Sandwiches followed by strawberries and cream and finished off with Lemon Drizzle Cake, Chocolate Cake and tea. Oh, and a quiz to help all the food go down. It was a fun afternoon full of chat and play.

Future meetings:

- August 5** Carvery Lunch from the Round of Gras (sitting down to eat at 1:30pm)
- September 2** A visit from Teams4U to collect our Shoebox contributions (see page 7 for details of items needed)

We're here for just 2 hours per month, on the first Wednesday, in the Village Hall from 2 to 4pm. We're here for anyone seeking a bit of company and a chat with someone different. We have no age restrictions on attendees and welcome both men and women to come in and take a look and join in. The 2pm start is emphasised to enable organised activities to be on time and we finish by 4pm so we can get home in the daylight and enjoy any evening activities.

We would like to express our thanks to the Parent & Toddler group who meet on a Wednesday morning for generously putting tables and chairs in place for us. It is really appreciated.

If you would like any further information, please contact us:

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LITTLETONS WI

Our July meeting was all about handbags. Our members were encouraged to arrive with their handbags full of items from the most useful e.g. tissues, combs, nail files to the most obscure.

With our President Fiona acting as caller Handbag Bingo began with much chatter in between and great hilarity. After four games, the last prize for the most obscure item brought to the game was an icon of St Francis and St Clare.

Delicious refreshments were then enjoyed by all. The competition this month was a handmade handbag with Amanda being the worthy winner.



In August there is no members meeting but some members are travelling to Pershore to partake of tea and cake at No 8.

September is an open meeting when anyone over age 18 is welcome to attend. Our speaker will be Simon Gulliver to talk about 'The Secret lives of Trees'. If you wish to attend the cost is £5 including refreshments after the talk. Please contact our secretary on littletonssec@wfwfwi.org.uk as we would appreciate knowing numbers in advance for seating and refreshments.



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**CONTACT
THE CLUB**



**LITTLETON F.C
WR11 8QL**

**North and Middle Littleton Parish Council
Neighbourhood Plan (NP)**



**North and Middle Littleton Parish Council will be holding a
'Drop-In' session at the Village Hall on Saturday 5th
September, from 10:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon.
All parishioners are invited.**

**The purpose of the session is to gain your views on the
proposed NP and your thoughts regarding the two villages, the
wider parish and more importantly what your views for the
future may be.**

**The session will be an opportunity to speak with members of
the NP steering group and to see the results of the recent
survey questionnaire.**

There will be tea, coffee, squash and biscuits provided.

We hope to see you there.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library service normally visits the Littletons on the 4th Tuesday of the month. The next scheduled visit will be on 25 August at the following times:

- 10:40 to 10:55 – North Littleton, The Ivy
- 11:00 to 11:15 – Middle Littleton, Village Hall
- No longer visiting South Littleton due to lack of use



Not just for adults the mobile library service also stocks children's books too.

During the school holidays children's reading can 'dip' if they don't have access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure. Taking place annually, the Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged from 4 to 11 years to keep reading during the summer holidays, and in turn helping them to maintain their reading skills and confidence.

Don't delay, visit a library today, or come and visit the mobile library to get started.

Enquiries about this service should be made by contacting: TEL: 01905 822722 or emailing mobilelibraries@worcestershireshire.gov.uk

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Place: The Littletons Village Hall

Date: Saturday 26th September 2026

Time: from 10:30 am until 12 noon

Contact: Ken on 07810 456890

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Working for
our community

Who are your local Neighbourhood Officers for the 'Rural North' area?



The Local Team

Your local Neighbourhood Police Officers are PC Alex Prentice, PC Shaquille Lakin and PC Eve Marshall. Your local Police Community Support Officers are PCSO Jasmine Hill and PCSO Lee Stirling. Please feel free to contact the team via email, eveshamrn.snt@westmercia.police.uk.

The team is known as the Evesham and Pershore Rural Safer Neighbourhood Team. The team have 2 Facebook pages, 'Evesham Police' and 'Pershore Police'. Please follow these to keep up to date with our activities and to see when our local drop in/engagement sessions are.

Speed Enforcement

TruCam has officially arrived in Evesham, Pershore and the surrounding villages. Your local Safer Neighbourhood Officers are now fully trained and equipped to use this speed enforcement device as part of ongoing efforts to keep our communities safe.

What you need to know:

TruCam is used to detect vehicles exceeding the speed limit

Offences are recorded digitally

Data is downloaded automatically

Anyone caught speeding will receive a ticket by post

Sign up to Neighbourhood Matters!

Drop-in sessions are held weekly around the patch. If you have anything you wish to discuss, please pop along to one of these sessions. These sessions are advertised on Neighbourhood Matters.

Neighbourhood Matters is a free service which allows you to receive updates regarding crime in your area and also allows you to message your local officer. Take a look at the website for further information: <https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>.

Please feel free to come to any session you see advertised, you do not have to live in the village to attend. If you know people who do not have access to the internet, please feel free to share the information. The more people who know about these drop-ins, the better!

Reporting Incidents

Please remember to report crime and any incidents via 999, 101 or on the West Mercia website. Please do not email/ring/text individual officers if a crime has happened, this needs to be reported officially through the correct channels.

Don't forget the wildlife this hot dry summer!



Check, clean and refill water sources for hedgehogs in your garden.

Add a few pebbles to the dish so that bees and butterflies can perch and safely drink too.

Also, if you've got space, provide clean water for visiting birds too.

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The British Hedgehog Preservation Society - Registered Charity Number 1164542



THE LITTLETONS VILLAGE HALL

School Lane, Middle Littleton, WR11 8LJ

Current regular bookings for the hall include:

- Monday: Table Tennis
Tuesday: Table Tennis / U3a Quilters on 2nd & 4th
Wednesday: Parents & Toddlers (term-time only) / Craft (evening)
Thursday: Craft / Table Tennis
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St. Michael's is part of the East Vale and Avon Benefice, (along with St Nicholas, Middle Littleton, and the churches in Badsey, Bretforton, Offenham and Cleeve Prior). This means that we all share a vicar, Jo, whose contact details are at the bottom of the page, along with those of your Church Wardens, Sue and Rob. If you want to find out more about St Michael's, or for general enquiries, please contact one of the churchwardens. If it's about baptisms, wedding or funerals, contact Jo, or our administrator, Faith.

NB St Nicholas, Middle Littleton does not have regular services, but is open every day, and available for Weddings, Funerals and Baptisms.

August & September services All welcome!

Sunday 23rd August - Eucharist at 10:00 am
Sunday 13th September - Morning Praise at 9:30 am
Sunday 27th September - Patronal Festival 11am All
Age Communion service
celebrating St Michael

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We have a few numbers available in our monthly

Hundred Club draw

You buy a number for a year at a cost of £25. Half the money is paid out in prizes each month, and half goes to the church.

For more information and a number, contact Rob Johnson (see below)

Contact details

Priest in Charge: Revd Jo Fielding 07561 823135 or 01386 339669

Churchwardens: Sue Jinks 01386 831533; Rob Johnson 01386 831504

Benefice Administrator: Faith Hobbs eastvaleavon.churches@gmail.com

Are you melting?

This has been a summer to remember - for good reasons as well as the other sort. Now the long school holiday is here, will there be yet another heatwave? We have all struggled with the high temperatures and developed our own solutions indoors and out.

When we needed water, we turned on the tap - and it made me wonder just how do those without taps manage to survive? Of course, heatwaves, floods and disasters have occurred throughout history - we just didn't know what happened elsewhere in our world - but now we do. Our TV screens show us, we see and hear how people are enduring in war zones, earthquake devastated cities, picturesque countryside, as well as huge stadiums with people cheering their football team on to win.

When my mother was widowed years ago, she never watched the news. What's the point? There's no-one to talk to about it, I just get upset, I can't do anything about any of it! It is easy to switch off from seeing and hearing The News but it flashes onto our phones, nevertheless.

We cannot change events across the world but we can make a difference in our small bit of it. The wife of a country parson began to do exactly that in 1876. Mary Sumner realised how hard it was for new mothers to feed and clothe their family so she invited a small group of mums to her home and showed them how to sew, to make clothes for the children. She showed them how to cook too, even with few ingredients. She told other parsons wives and they started doing similar small gatherings. Thus began the Mothers Union, now an international organisation which now welcomes all comers into their meetings.

Mary Sumner knew that God loved her and she wanted to serve him. She saw a need in her small part of God's world and, with God's guidance, did something about it.

This is how! Her prayer each day was this:-

All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee, and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live.

Being thankful for all the blessings we enjoy here in the UK, let's use this prayer as we start today, adding Amen (so be it).

May God bless us as we make this small beginning here in our benefice of East Vale and Avon.

Rev Mary Godin

From the Parish Registers – June 2026

Baptisms	
South Littleton	Emma Box Kieran Glibert
Weddings	
Badsey	Josie Aldwinckle and Aaron Jelfs
Funerals or committal of ashes	
Cleeve Prior	Patricia Perkins
South Littleton	William Hulme



LITTLETON SCOUT HUT

Long Hyde Road, South Littleton

Current regular activities include

Monday: **Scouts** 6:30 to 8 pm

Tuesday: **Cubs** 6:30 to 8 pm

Wednesday: **Beavers** 6 to 7:15 pm

If you're looking for a local venue with
kitchen facilities please email

littletonscoutenquiries@yahoo.com for availability and costs



The Boobage Support Group

Location: The Fleece, Bretforton, WR11 7JE
Date: The first Friday of every month
Time: 11am to 12:30pm
Group Leaders: Victoria & Penny
Email: vickylyndon60@gmail.com
pennyanne69@gmail.com

ST. JAMES CHURCH, BADSEY
EVERY MONDAY TERM TIME

8:45am - 11am

DROP IN



FREE CUPPA

TOYS ~ MUSIC ~ **BABY
CHANGING
FACILITIES**



**We are open
every weekend,
come along and
meet our rescue
animals**

No two days are the same at the Sanctuary.
Last month we welcomed this little guy.

He was brought to us by a livestock transporter who had taken some sheep to Scotland one Friday. After returning home, he started cleaning out the lorry, and he discovered this poor little fellow curled up in a corner. It was obvious he had been born during the trip down.

The transporter had given him colostrum, kept him warm, and fed him milk before he arrived with us.

Fortunately, despite his rough start, he's strong and definitely a fighter.

Let's give a warm
welcome to little
Peter





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Back in June Evesham Sea Cadets hosted a district boating weekend at their boat station with overnight camping. With cadets and staff from across the district (Tewkesbury, Worcester, Stroud, Ross-on-Wye and Monmouth), all went away with new boating qualifications.

If you're interested in volunteering this could be something you could get involved in in the future.

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PLEASE CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

At Scouts 1st Littletons, we really need some extra help at Cubs to join the team who bring all the great activities, games and skills for life to young people.



Going on adventures, learning new skills, helping others and having lots of fun with friends along the way!

cubs


Scouts
1st Littletons

If you have a young person who'd like to come along too, then they'd be made very welcome

Cubs are aged 8 to 10 ½ and meet on Tuesday's at 6:30 to 8 pm at The Scout HQ, Long Hyde Road, South Littleton, WR11 8TH.

Please get in touch to find out more about how you can help. We'd love to hear from you. Call us on 07774 667074 or email us at:

heretohelp@scoutshw.org.uk

Take a look on our website for more information:

<https://www.scoutshw.org.uk/>



**Friday 18th September
at the
Pebworth Village Hall**

Chapel Rd, Pebworth CV37 8XA



SCAN ME

**Doors open
at 7.00pm**

**First race
at 7.30pm**

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and a hot supper*

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Full details and tickets are available on-line at
<https://littletonstennisclub.square.site/>

LET'S TALK ABOUT WASTE

Residents are being urged to 'Foil In Love With Recycling' as part of a new campaign to remind households that Aluminium Foil can now be recycled in their **Green Bin**.

An estimated 11.2 million aluminium foil trays are used by households across the district every year, but many still end up in the black bin even though aluminium can be recycled again and again.

All types of aluminium foil can be recycled, including kitchen foil, takeaway trays, meat trays, pie cases and even yoghurt lids. Foil

should be reasonably clean – it doesn't have to be spotless – and scrunched into a ball before being put in your **green** bin. You

just need perform the 'scrunch' test to check whether something is foil. If an item holds its shape, then it can go in the **green** bin. If it springs back, put it in the black bin or check whether it can be recycled

through a supermarket soft plastics recycling scheme.

Don't forget you can also recycle other types of aluminium like empty aerosols and drink cans, items which are often currently overlooked.

You can find out more here: <https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/recycling>



A gardener's guide to Bird Nesting Season



Surrey
Wildlife Trust



Season runs from March-August, but
some birds nest earlier or later



Avoid cutting your shrubs, hedges
and trees during this time



All wild birds are protected by law,
including gulls, pigeons and crows



Birds may nest in trees, shrubs,
hedges, ivy, roofs and eaves

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