

The Littleton Link



September 2026

Dear All

Welcome to the September edition of The Littleton Link.

Did you see the Solar Eclipse during August? From our garden, and with the aid of eclipse glasses that we were given, we had a really good view. It was amazing how quickly the moon moved over, making the sun look almost like the first and last quarters of our normal view of the moon. A Lunar Eclipse was also supposed to be visible from the UK at the end of August, although the weather might have been a factor to your viewing as well as the time – very early in the morning when most people are sound asleep in bed.

Within the pages this month, there are updates from our regular contributors and plenty of dates for your diary, from coffee mornings to quiz nights and volunteering opportunities too. 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 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
Tues 22 Sep	Mobile Library	10:40 to 11:15	various
Wed 23 Sept	Churchyard Tidy-up	10 to 12 noon	St Nicholas Church
Sat 26 Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning	10:30 to 12 noon	Village Hall
Sun 4 Oct	Pet Blessing Service	3 pm	St Nicholas Church
Wed 7 Oct	Wednesday Club	2 to 4 pm	Village Hall
Sat 10 Oct	Churchyard Tidy-up	9:30 to 12 noon	St Michaels Church
Sat 14 Nov	Quiz Night	7:30 pm start	Offenham RBL Club
Sat 28 Nov	Christmas Gift & Craft Fayre	11 to 3:30 pm	Village Hall

Deadline for entries for October edition is Fri-18-SEPT

SOUTH LITTLETON PARISH COUNCIL



ROAD WORKS – Wales & West Utilities are currently replacing the Gas Mains throughout the district. This will periodically affect all road users in The Littletons as the works are being done.

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

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



Results from the recent parish questionnaire will be on display in the Village Hall on Saturday 5th September from 10:00 a.m. till 12 noon.

All parishioners are welcome to attend.

The session will be an opportunity to speak with members of the NP steering group and to let us know your views on the proposed NP, your thoughts regarding the two villages and the wider parish and what your thoughts for the future may be.

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

We hope to see you there.



**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**

Tickets: £15

*There will be a cash bar
and a hot supper*

BOOK NOW!

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

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning

and you're
invited



Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Place: The Littletons Village Hall

Date: Saturday 26th September 2026

Time: from 10:30 am until 12 noon

Contact: Ken on 07810 456890

**Donations of Cakes and Raffle Prizes most welcome.
Please contact Ken if you can help.**

Together, we can make a difference. Your cup of coffee is more than a drink – its hope, comfort and support for those who need it most. Join us for an uplifting morning of delicious cakes, laughter and giving back.

Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (201017), Scotland (SC639907) and the Isle of Man (804). Also operating in Northern Ireland.



**St Nicholas Churchyard Needs Your Help -
Wednesday 23 September 10:00 to 12:00**

Come and join our Working Party to cut down briars, ivy and to tidy graves that are obviously not being attended to. Appropriate footwear to be worn and gardening gloves. If possible bring secateurs, pruners, small saws and bags to put the rubbish in (power tools not necessary). Not just for the people who've got loved ones lying here, the Working Party needs more members to help keep on top of things. So if you're after a bit of a workout come along and keep us company. We look forward to meeting you.



Residents of **North & Middle Littleton** have been given permission and funding from the Parish Council to set up a new **Neighbourhood Watch Scheme**.

Our application is currently awaiting approval but in the meantime we have set up a new Neighbourhood Watch WhatsApp Group.



We will use this group to keep everyone updated on the new NW Scheme, give details on how to join once it goes live and distribute any relevant information.

If you would like to join the WhatsApp Group please use the following link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/BoW2uCseQXKJp0PBELTEOS?s=cl&p=i&ilr=0>



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FOOD BANK COLLECTION

The LITTLETONS WI will be holding their annual food bank collection in November, in aid of Caring Hands in Evesham. The food bank are pleased to collect any non-perishable food items, particularly:

Tinned goods – vegetables (especially potatoes), tomatoes (plum or chopped), fruit, rice pudding, fish (tuna, sardines, etc), meals in a tin (ravioli, meat balls, stews, hot dogs), meats (ham, chopped ham, pork, corned beef)

Cupboard goods - Instant mashed potato, jams, marmalade, rice, cereals, long-life milk, pasta sauce

Toiletries - deodorant, bubble bath, toothbrushes, toilet rolls, toothpaste

With Christmas approaching Caring Hands are hoping we will also add a few 'goodies'. This could be in the form of any of the following: selection boxes, tubs of chocolates (Celebrations, etc), Christmas pudding, chocolate log, nuts, chocolate orange, mint chocolates, mince pies, cheese/Ritz crackers, Pringles/crisps, pickles (onions, beetroot, etc), tinned ham/salmon (ideally food items should be dated later than 25/12/26)

If anyone throughout the villages would like to donate to this worthwhile collection donations can be dropped off in the boxes available at **The Ivy Inn** or **Village Hall** during **September & October** or in to the boxes in the porch at **NUTHURST, SCHOOL LANE, MIDDLE LITTLETON** or **the LITTLETONS VILLAGE HALL** between Sunday 1 and Monday 9 November.

Thank you

ANOTHER FIRST RECORD! 🐛



This fabulous caterpillar is that of the Eyed Hawk-moth (*Smerinthus ocellata*) 😊 It was spotted by Gary at North Littleton Community Orchard, inside the guard of one of our apple trees, which is one of the food plants of this caterpillar 😊 The adults have a wingspan of up to 80mm, and this caterpillar was around the same size as Gary's index finger! 😲 Although they look very similar to the caterpillars of the Poplar Hawk-moth (*Laothoe populi*), they can be distinguished by the fact that the Eyed Hawk-moth has a blueish spike at its rear 😊



For more information and to help us to continue our work get in touch:

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Phone: 07794 835 953

Website: <https://valetrust.weebly.com/>

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St Michael's Church South Littleton



Help needed with Church Yard tidy

Also

**To help biodiversity bring the
children to fill the Bug Hotel and
Hedgehog Winter Home**

Saturday 10th October

9:30 to 12 noon

! Free drinks and cake!

ALL WELCOME



**Open weekends continue each Saturday and Sunday throughout
September**

**Visit our website for more information:
www.thefarmanimalsanctuary.co.uk**

**A date for your diary:
Littletons Village Hall Christmas Gift & Craft Fair
Saturday 28 November
(11 to 3:30pm)**



To book a table call Shosh on 01386 832073

NORTH & MIDDLE LITTLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Items discussed at August 2026 meeting

Neighbourhood Plan/Village Survey: This is progressing. There is to be a 'Drop In' Session on **Saturday 5 September** for parishioners to view what it is proposed to include in the plan.

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

Parking in School Lane: This continuing problem with vehicles being parked on the roadside is causing serious problems with traffic using the highway. Drivers are requested to respect residents private driveways when using School Lane.

Hedges: There are still some overgrown hedges causing problems where they are encroaching on the footpaths and highways. Residents are requested to cut back the 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: A parishioner has volunteered to co-ordinate this scheme. Application has been made to form the team. Upon acceptance details will be available on how to become a member. Although having the support of the Parish Council, this will be overseen by parishioners.

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 16 September 2026 at 7pm in the Village Hall.**

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!



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

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EVESHAM TREE OF LIGHT 2026

This Christmas the Evesham Tree of Light will once more be lit as a beacon of love and remembrance. Since 1999 this fund raising project has enabled people to remember their loved ones whilst donating to charity.

Rotary in the Vale is stepping forward to ensure that this tradition continues.

The names of your remembered loved ones will be published on our website, in the Evesham Journal and in the book of remembrance in Evesham Library



To donate and remember your loved ones
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LITTLETON WEDNESDAY CLUB

For our August meeting we had Carvery delivered by the Round of Gras. Who doesn't like a nice roast dinner in the middle of a hot summer? To be fair, when we first mooted the idea it was back in January and everything was very well cooked to the delight of all members present. The Round of Gras are very good to us and we always get an excellent meal. Marion then produced another one of her vast collection of quizzes and we finished off the afternoon with tea and Lemon Drizzle Cake.

Future meetings:

September 2 A visit from Teams4U to collect our Shoebox contributions

October 7 Harvest

November 4 Our birthday

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:

Mary or Graham 01386 830273 or Marion Brighton 01905 909125

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Sept Film Night





Saturday 26th Sept
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www.honeybournevillagehall.org

Nearly two decades after the original film, *The Devil Wears Prada 2* explores the modern fashion and media world. **Miranda Priestly** (Meryl Streep) is at the tail end of her career, facing the challenges of a declining print industry and the rise of digital media. She must contend with **Emily Charlton** (Emily Blunt), her former assistant, who has become a high-powered executive controlling advertising dollars crucial to Runway's survival. **Andy Sachs** (Anne Hathaway) returns to Runway as the **Features Editor**, re-entering the high-pressure fashion environment to help Miranda navigate a scandal threatening the magazine.

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Offenham Cricket Club Celebrates a Thriving Season and 165 Years of Cricket

As the cricket season enters its final stages, Offenham Cricket Club is delighted to reflect on another busy, mostly successful, and thoroughly enjoyable year. This season has been particularly special as we celebrate our 165th anniversary—a milestone



marked with the support and involvement of many local teams, touring sides, local businesses, the church, and numerous children. Cricket has truly been at the heart of all our celebrations.



Our Chairman, Andrew Harrison, has compiled a fascinating booklet detailing the club's 165 year history. If you would like to purchase a copy, please contact Andrew directly (details below).

We've been very fortunate with the weather this year, with no match cancellations so far—possibly a first! Our Senior team has played 16 matches, winning 12, tying 1, and losing 3, which is an excellent record for a rural village cricket club.

One of the season's highlights was hosting the Transport for London touring side, the London Dinosaurs, in a match attended by our local MP, Nigel Huddleston. We're also excited to be welcoming a Welsh touring team from Cardiff in early September.



Local MP Nigel Huddleston with players from the London Dinos and Offenham Cricket Club

The Senior team continues to attract players from across the Littletons and Offenham. With over 20 members, including Women, the squad's depth and competitiveness continue to grow.

Our thriving junior section held another successful eight-week coaching camp, attracting over 30 boys and girls. Thanks to the good weather, we were able to arrange two junior matches against local opposition, giving the youngsters valuable match experience to put their new skills into practice.



This season, we provided a taster session of cricket for the women of the surrounding villages with the first session attracting over 18 enthusiastic ladies. A match against the Lenches Women's team is already planned. If you're interested in joining this exciting new team, please get in touch!

The club continues to invest in its facilities, having installed a new patio and cricket ground signage this season. These improvements were funded through generous support from local organisations and

businesses. Our heartfelt thanks go to everyone who has contributed and these are listed below.

Our next fundraising event is a Quiz Night on **Saturday 14th November** at Offenham Royal British Legion Club. Full details can be found elsewhere in this publication. All teams are very welcome!



With just four matches remaining this season, we wish the club continued success before taking a short break to enjoy other sports and activities. Indoor training nets will resume in early 2027 as we prepare for another exciting season.

Offenham Cricket Club welcomes players of all ages and abilities—men, women, boys, and girls. If you're interested in playing or supporting the club, please do get in touch.

Thanks to all our wonderful supporters:

Offenham Parish Council, Worcestershire Community Cricket, Hannah Robson (District Councillor), Co-op Store Community Award, The Heart and Soul, Brew Bear Coffee Shop, Offenham Shop and Post Office, Millvale Ltd, DM Tranter, Warners of Gloucestershire, Jet Plant Hire Ltd, Henson Plant Hire Ltd, Raymond Pickford, Grimshaws, and NatWest Bank Plc.

Club Contact Details

Chairman: Andrew Harrison  Email: akharrison63@gmail.com
Secretary: Gordon Smith  Email: gordondsmith@btinternet.com
Treasurer: Richard Herborn  Email: r.herborn@lombard.co.uk

Wychavon District Council

Seek your views on Dog Poo



🐘 Let's talk about the elephant in the room... Or should that be the dog in the park? 🐱 Dog fouling is one of the issues we hear about most, so we're asking a simple question: 👉 Should there be stronger powers to tackle dog fouling in Wychavon?

Whether you're a dog owner, a walker, a parent, or just someone who'd rather not spend their morning playing "guess what I stepped in", we'd love to hear your views.

Take our quick survey and have your say 👉

🔗 <https://bit.ly/4yT3ZmB>

Mobile Library

The mobile library service normally visits the Littletons on the **4th Tuesday** of the month. The next scheduled visit will be on **22 September** 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



Enquiries about this service should be made by contacting: TEL: 01905 822722 or emailing

mobilelibraries@worcestershires.gov.uk



THE **IVY** INN
NORTH LITTLETON

Sunday 20th September
at 7:00 start

THE IVY INN

Simon's

**QUIZ
NIGHT**

ARROW LANE, NORTH LITTLETON
WR11 8EF

MAXIMUM TEAMS OF 6 (£3 PER PERSON)

BOOK YOUR TABLE

Cont. 07487566236, 07477560848
theyellowinn@yahoo.com

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.

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.

Bring your pet or soft toy along to the

PET BLESSING SERVICE 

St Nicholas Church, North & Middle Littleton

 Sunday 4th October 3pm

Whether its a dog, cat, rabbit, other animal or soft toy you keep for companionship, bring it to church to receive a blessing.

 We'll also walk across to The Farm Animal Sanctuary to bless the animals there. 

Refreshments will be available in the church after the service



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BADSEY CHURCH

1 October 2026

From 10 am to 12



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that bees and butterflies can
perch and safely drink too.

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

Picture credit: M PARTRIDGE & BHPS

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
Friday: Available for booking up to 5:30pm / Pilates from 5:50pm
Weekends: Available for booking

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Priest in Charge:

Rev'd Jo Fielding 07561 823135 or 01386 339669 - to discuss baptisms, weddings, funerals and any pastoral matter.

You can also contact Benefice Administrator: Faith Hobbs eastvaleavon.churches@gmail.com

Churchwardens:

Sue Jinks 01386 831533; Rob Johnson 01386 831504 - for general enquiries

September & October services

All welcome!

Sunday 13th September - Morning Praise 9.30 am

Sunday 27th September - Patronal Festival 11am All Age
Communion Service

Sunday 11th October - Harvest Festival 11am

Sunday 25th October - Morning Praise 9.30 am

Supporting our School Open The Book

September - it's that time of year - tabards washed, props repaired....the story-telling team is ready to bring our weekly 'Open the Book' back into our wonderful Littletons C.E. First School. We bring Bible stories to the children in a lively, informative way using drama, mime, props and costume. The children love joining in and being part of the fun!

Thank you
to everyone who
supports our church
by putting their
change in the tin in
the shop! It's really
appreciated!



Our sister church, St Nicholas, Middle Littleton only has occasional services, but is open every day, and available for Weddings, Funerals and Baptisms.

Hi everyone

One of the unexpected things I had to learn to do when I came to live here nearly 3 years ago, was how to prune an apple tree, as we have 3 in the vicarage garden here in Badsey – including a large Bramley in the back garden - definitely in need of some TLC. I asked around for some local advice, and watched some videos on YouTube (how did we ever learn stuff before it was invented if we had no one to ask?) but even knowing what needed to be done wasn't enough. I quickly realised that making a good job of the pruning would need two of us; one up the ladder doing the actual work – and the other standing a distance away, seeing the whole tree as opposed to being up close in the tangle and confusion of the branches. You need a sense of proportion – an ability and willingness to stand back and see what matters – and what can be cut away.

And of course that goes for our lives, as much as it does for pruning a tree or a bush. It can be a useful thing to think about – to take stock and re-evaluate what is going on in our lives every now and then, so that we can hold onto a sense of what *really* matters – and what doesn't. And when we can stop and think again, getting that better sense of proportion can throw up some surprising answers, and sometimes jolt us into a change of direction – large or small. Jesus had quite a bit to say about the dangers of getting things out of proportion, warning his followers about the people who became overly focussed on the small stuff and as a result lost sight of the bigger picture which could be summed up as “Love God, and love your neighbour as yourself – everything else is detail”

I was able to have a few days away on holiday last month – and it gave me some much-needed time and space to think over the last year;

what has gone well? What needs a re-think? What about the year ahead? What could we do more that will enable people to feel welcomed and listened to? What are the things that I do that really matter – and can I do more of them?

How is your sense of proportion? Have you found yourself needing to step back and re-think your priorities, to change your ideas about what really matters for you – either because you chose to or because you had to make some changes? As the heat of Summer fades and our children or grandchildren return to school or college for a new year, this is as good a time as any to take up the invitation: take a step back, look at your life, ask what is good, what really matters to you above other things – regain that valuable sense of proportion, so that you can feel good about the answers that you come up with. If you are happy with them – all well and good. And if not, and you need someone to help you stand back and look clearly and honestly, I or anyone else in our churches would be happy to listen with you. God bless you in your exploring!

Rev Jo Fielding

From the Parish Registers – July 2026

Baptisms	
South Littleton	Poppy and Noah Bennett Freddie McGee
Weddings	
Offenham	Rhianon Taylor and Matthew Foxall
Funerals or committal of ashes	
Badsey	Judy Sparrow
Cleeve Prior	Christine Barker



St James Church, Badsey

BIG QUIZ *Night*



Please come and support our quiz night!

All proceeds go to Badsey Church.

Raffle and cash prize for the winners!

**Friday 25th September
Starts at 19:30
£5pp, max teams of 6**

Badsey Community and Sports Club

Brewers Ln, Evesham WR11 7EU



**Tickets in advance from Alex & Penny Christison
or Anne McCombie on 01386 640801
or email annemccombie@yahoo.co.uk**



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
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Help us create opportunities and build brighter futures.



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- ⚓ Join a fun & rewarding team!



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We're still looking to fill our ranks with new and eager volunteers for our instructional team and our unit management team.

All training is provided as long as you can pass a DBS check and are keen to see young people learn new skills and gain confidence.



2026/27 SEASON

LITTLETON FC

FIXTURES

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TUESDAY 1 SEP		Pershore Town 88 Dev	🕒 7:45PM 📍 FIVE ACRES
SATURDAY 5 SEP		Ludlow Town FC Res	🕒 2:30PM 📍 FIVE ACRES
SATURDAY 12 SEP		Welland First	🕒 1:30PM 📍 DYSON PERRINS C OF E ACADEMY
FRIDAY 25 SEP		Worc's United FC First	🕒 7:45PM 📍 MALVERN TOWN FC LANGLAND STADIUM

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All fixtures subject to change so keep an eye on social media

Boys and girls youth teams are also playing this season under the umbrella of Littleton FC. Their home fixtures will be played at Blackminster Middle School on Saturday mornings. In addition we also have a reserve team playing at Littleton FC.

LET'S TALK ABOUT WASTE

🌱♻️ Turn Your Kitchen Scraps into Garden Gold! ♻️🌱

Did you know that home composting is one of the easiest ways to reduce waste, save money, and give your garden a natural boost?



35% Food Waste

69% was avoidable food waste
and 43% was still in its packaging

**11% could be recycled
in your green bin**

**9% could be recycled at your
Household Recycling Centre**

6% Garden Waste

**39%
Non-recyclable
materials**



From fruit peelings and tea bags to grass cuttings and fallen leaves, composting turns everyday waste into nutrient-rich compost that your plants will love! 🍌🍅

Even better, Wychavon residents can get their hands on cut-price compost bins and Green Johanna composters to help get started or take their composting to the next level. 🧰

- ✅ Reduce the amount of waste in your bin
- ✅ Create free compost for your garden
- ✅ Help the environment by cutting carbon emissions
- ✅ Save money with exclusive resident discounts

Whether you're a composting newbie or a seasoned gardener, there's a composting solution to suit your space and lifestyle. 🌱👉

Find out more and order yours today at <https://bit.ly/4iMnBjS>



**Offenham Cricket Club
presents**

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 14 November 2026

**Venue: Offenham Royal British Legion Club
Time: 7:30pm until 10:30pm
(Bar opens at 7:00pm)**

Trophy, Bar, Fun, Raffle

£5 per head

To book a team (max 6 people per team)

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FIRE SAFETY: As you know, we're experiencing a very dry spell. We will need a lot of rain for vegetation to recover, 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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Complete your **FREE** online Home Fire Safety Check now!
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SCAN ME

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.

Take a look at the useful tips from HWFR too, and complete your **FREE** online Home Fire Safety Check at www.safelincs.co.uk/hfsc

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