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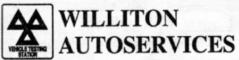


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	9.30am	Parish Communion
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Sun 15th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
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Sun 22nd	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	9.30am	Parish Communion
	4.30pm	TOAST at the Vicarage: Tea On A Sunday Together- for those who live alone
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Services: Sundays at 10.30 am - Please join us.

#### This month our preachers are:

Rev Tina MacDonald - Holy Communion 8th Pulpit Exchange - Deacon Vincent Woods

15th Mrs Margaret Lintern 22nd Rev Malcolm Hope 29th Mrs Connie Holmes

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■ Everybody who reads newspapers or watches the news on television has asked the same question at some time or other:

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Why do people have to behave so badly towards each other?

Why are there so many wars?

Why is there so much suffering in the world?

And when we ask these questions, we are simply doing what human beings have been doing for centuries: we are facing up to the problem of evil. It is a problem that none of us can avoid. We live in a world in which human beings seem to be capable of the greatest kindness and the most appalling cruelty.

If we are really honest, we face the problems in our own personal lives. We know what is right and yet we often end up doing what is wrong. We respect and admire generosity and self sacrifice, but we often act in very selfish ways.

Life is a strange puzzle and it forces us to ask serious questions about the existence and the origin of evil. There could be four different answers:

- 1) It will get better
- 2) It just seems bad
- 3) It's how things are
- 4) It does not make sense.

The answer lies in the Bible. All things that happen or have happened are recorded in the Bible.

Trust in the Lord your God with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3.5-6)

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For more information call Rebecca Edwards (Children & Families Worker, Alcombe Methodist Church) on 07548 706922

**FROM YOUR VILLAGE AGENT, IZZY SILVESTER**I am writing in beautiful sunshine and I do hope that this is set to continue. I remember this time last year when it was very hot and I learned that medication can get over-heated too. Liquids especially, can lose their effectiveness if left in a very hot place.

So can humans! Don't forget to keep drinking water as dehydration is an easy thing to fall victim to. Sometimes it makes you feel groggy and "headachy" as your body needs water to complete its everyday jobs such as thinking and digesting your meal. Left unattended, it can make you very ill.

At this point I send out my empathy to hav fever suffers. The pollen levels have been very high this year.

The sun seems also to have brought out a few suspicious looking people. I have received a few reports of strange people loitering in the area. If you are worried, don't hesitate to call 101. It is the quickest way to get hold of the PCSOs on duty, who will try to drive through and monitor suspicious situations. Gardens are packed with lovely summer equipment at the moment. Very tempting...

I think you might all be interested in a service called **Swan Advocacy**. Swan Advocacy supports and helps people who are concerned about their memory or have dementia, to complete a Living Well Plan. A Living Well Plan is a record of someone's past, present and future. It records past achievements and memories, identifies preferences that are important to someone today, and captures their hopes and wishes for the future. The plans include important information, what daily preferences a person has and what plans they would like to make for their future. Completing a Living Well Plan can:

- Encourage someone to plan for the future
- Help others involved in their care to understand them better
- Help others who are making decisions on someone's behalf.

Swan Advocacy has trained volunteers to support people to complete a Living Well Plan or people can complete it by themselves, in their own time. You can phone them on 03333 447928 or email somerset@swanadvocacy.org.uk. I can always make the referral for you so please ring if you need help.

I haven't been able to visit coffee mornings of late as I have been very busy attending to clients. If you would like help from a Village agent, Living Better Nurse, West Somerset advice bureau etc please remember you can drop in to one of our Talking cafés (Beach Hotel in Minehead every Monday morning and Williton Library morning of July 11<sup>th</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup>). It was great to catch up with many of you at the annual parish meetings that I have been to throughout May and hear about all the exciting social groups in our villages.

Not sure who to turn to? Village Agents are a charity that work with individuals and social groups to give confidential support and advice. We can enable people to be more independent in their home, manage personal finances, care for family members and advise on just about anything!

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**DOWN AT THE STATION**As I write we have just had the annual diesel weekend when this year we had five visiting heritage diesels from around the country come and visit. This also meant that there were many more visitors to the area and hopefully some spin off for the local economy. I'm sure many of the B & B's around the area benefit.

At the station all the flowers are now looking really good and we have additional hanging pouches on the fences which really are a show. Further down the platform we have a mini allotment bed which is coming on, ready for the special 40's weekend in September.

Fence painting continues and hopefully by the end of the month the long fence on Platform one should be finished. On the other platform of course, is the hedge!! This has seen a tremendous spurt of growth this past couple of weeks, so that will be the main target to sort out during the rest of June and early July. Never a dull moment!

From time to time I mention that we could always do with some additional help in the shop/refreshment room. Training would be given and of course, anyone coming to work at the station would need to understand that real trains run through.! Our home made fruit cake continues to receive many favourable comments. Why not come down and try some? Or a Styles or other ice creams!

John Parsons, Station Master

#### **→ OOD NEIGHBOURS**

The June meeting was well attended. We also welcomed two visitors. Birthday greetings were extended to two members with birthdays in June. After the business had been dealt with members were treated to a cream tea, which was thoroughly enjoyed and

proved to be a lively social hour. The raffle and auction followed.

Our outing at the end of May was to Rumwell Farm Shop. Members were able to browse around the shop and make purchases and then there followed a

lovely lunch followed by a bus trip. The next meeting will take place on 3rd July, when there will be a talk on "Dolls with a difference",

which should be very interesting. Why not come along to our lovely club and spend a pleasant afternoon with some very friendly people?

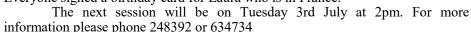
Our meetings start at 2.30pm and finish about 4pm. We meet at Danesborough View Common Room and we include tea and biscuits. We welcome both men and ladies. See you there!

All enquiries about the club to Jenny Berry on 01984 632616.

Jov Elgood

#### COBAL FRIENDS

This month's session started well with discussions on members' training and how to organise this. Five members arrived from Taunton with all their news. It is nice to know that all is well with them. Everyone signed a birthday card for Laura who is in France.



#### **TX**/ILLITON GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting will be on Monday 23rd July for a talk by Peter Holloway on "Fuchsia Species and unusual Hybrids". Visitors are always welcome (charge £2). We meet at Danesborough View Common Room, TA4 4SH. More information from Booking Secretary Dave Messenger on 01984-248412.

WILLITON MARKET
The market will be be The market will be held on Friday 20 July between 9 and 11.30 in the Parish Council Rooms, Killick Way. We sell fresh produce, flowers, eggs, preserves, jewellery, crafts, greetings cards and seasonal items. ST

#### THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED

Let to the generous lady who donated £50 to the Williton Window as she was moving house, and wishes to remain anonymous.

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#### bv SD

### PARKINSON'S "CHANGE ATTITUDES. FIND A CURE. JOIN US.

ASPS - WILLITON AND SURROUNDING AREA PARKINSON'S SUPPORT It was it lively group of over 30 people who met and shared tea and scones at St Audries Bay on the 7th June. There was lots of lively conversation and the afternoon went by in a blink. I think that it is fair to say that everyone had a delicious time!

We would like to thank Chanin & Thomas and in particular Donna for all her hard work in making our Bake Sale in early June such a success. Also thank you to everyone who bought some baking. Your support is really appreciated.

There is lots of good food to look forward to in July as we will be having our annual BBO. This takes place on 5th July at the home of one of our members. We have managed to hold this event in sunshine in the past and we hope that the weather will be kind to us once again. Our BBQ chef has been practising his skills and should be in good form.

We are taking a break in August as most people have plans for time away, family visiting or just relaxing in the summer sun - we hope.

There are plans afoot for some interesting future meetings and we already have a date for our Christmas lunch! How's that for organized! We continue to grow and there are new people at every meeting. Some are keen to talk about the affects of Parkinson's, while others just want to sit back and listen. It is up to the individual to handle the meetings in whatever way they care to. Some people say that they are afraid to come and see people who might be badly afflicted by Parkinson's, but after they arrive they see the people and not the disease. Parkinson's has not been able to take away our smiles and laughter, you hear lots of that at our meetings. The most important message is that you need never feel alone whether you come or not. We will do our best to keep everyone informed about new developments in Parkinson's.

Our next regular meeting will take place at the Danesborough View Common Room in Williton. This will be on Thursday 6th September with the exercises starting at 1:15 and the regular meeting starting at 2pm. The exercises are great fun and you really should not miss them. Please do your best to be on time for the exercises. There is a small room to wait in if you are just coming for the meeting. If you would like to find out more about our group, or wish to discuss Parkinson's and how it affects people you can reach me at 01984 631472 or email me at queenwasp@outlook.com.

Linda Bishop

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	2 - 3 pm	Age UK - Stay Strong	Danesborough View Common Room
	6-7pm	Pilates with Eleanor	Danesborough View Common Room
	7.15-8.15pm	Rutter	Booking essential 07342 238 723
	7.30 pm	Badminton	EMN Hall Monksilver (656496)
Tues	9.30-10.30am	Pilates with Nathan Pirt Pilates with Nathan Pirt	Watchet Community Centre
	6.15-7.15pm	Fliates with Nathan Fift	West Quantoxhead Village Hall Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271
Tues	9.30 - 10.30am	Mat and floor based your	The Salvation Army Hall Watchet
	11 - 12 am	Chair-based yoga	(level access and parking)
		More info from Julie	(
		Bolton 633665 or email	julieboltonyoga@gmail.com
Tues	10am-12.30pm	Children's Centre	West Somerset Advice Bureau
	5.45 pm	Brownies	Guide HQ
	7-11pm	War-games Club	Info: Williton Gamers 01984 639588
	9-10am	Pilates with Nathan Pirt	Bicknoller Village Hall
	10.30-11.30am	Cools a	Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271
	6-7.30pm	Cubs	Guide HQ
wea	7-10 pm	Railway Modellers	Rear of Washford Mill, Washford (info: 07773 892085)
	9-10am	Pilates with Nathan Pirt	West Quantoxhead Village Hall
	10.15-11.15am		Info: Nathan Pirt 07762 721 271
	9.30-11.30 am	St Peter's Church	Drop in for coffee and cake
Thur	10-11am	Free chair based	Williton Hospital (please ring
Thur	10.30 am	exercise KFA Movement	Shirley on 633529 for information) Danesborough View Common Room
	10.30-noon	Craft and Chat	_
	10.30-110011 10.30-12 noon	UK Online	Drop-in at Williton Library. Williton Library, Booking essential
			Guide HQ
	5.15-6.30 pm	Rainbows	•
Thur	6-7pm	Williton Youth Club	Memorial Ground See page 25 (Contact Andy 01643 703155)
Fri	9.30-10.30 am	Pilates with Eleanor	Williton Fire Station Community Room
and	10.45-11.45am	Rutter	Booking essential 07342 238 723
Fri	10.30-11am	Rhyme Time 0 - 4 years	Williton Library (term time only)
Fri	12 noon	Colin's "Walk and talk"	Meet Killick Way Car park
Fri			Bridge St. Range. Info 01984 632650
Fri	7.15-9pm	Guides (info from Martha	The Guide HQ, Market Street Car Park
	1	on 01984 248925)	in Watchet
Fri	7.30 pm	Bingo	Danesborough View Common Room
Fri	7 - 8.30 pm	Walking football	Danesfield School
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#### T PETER'S SCHOOL DIARY

This term seems to be flying by, the summer holidays are not too far away now. We still have lots of exciting activities to look forward to, so let's hope the sun keeps shining, especially for Sports Day! There is also our sponsored walk to Watchet and our year 3 camping trip and at the end of term activities for our leavers.

Earlier in the term Oak Class enjoyed spending time in the outside area whilst planting and observing runner beans and sunflower seeds. In the fine weather the children also had fun using the construction shed. There were many diverse creations - memorably a pirate ship and an X-ray machine big enough for children to climb inside for an X-ray! The class thoroughly enjoyed our Royal Wedding Big Day too.

Elm Class have had a fantastic time planting and following that, the children had great fun painting flowers back in the classroom. Soon it will be their trip to Bristol with Ash class, so the classes have been continuing their learning about Brunel.

Fir class have had an introduction to Shakespeare this half term. The children are immersing themselves in the play 'A Midsummer's Night Dream' as they will be teaming up with Year 4 to work towards an evening performance of the play for parents towards the end of July. The class are thoroughly enjoying getting to know the characters by choosing different parts of the play and acting them out and have also drawn some lovely pictures.

Yew class are enjoying their last half term at St Peter's First School and, as they continue to learn, it is also a time to celebrate the children's achievements and to reflect on their learning journey. The year 4 children and the choir recently took part in a singing festival, they sang at the Regal Theatre which was a great success. The class have also been over to Danesfield Middle School several times and taken part in a number of events such as athletics, where they met year 4 children from other local schools.

On Friday 8 June our Happy Stars nurture group had their sponsored bike ride raising money for the charity Mind. The children were inspired by Mr Darren Kneeshaw who rode from John O'Groats to Lands End in 7 days! Mr Kneeshaw came and rode with the group too. The sun shone and different classes came out to cheer them all on! Even a couple of parents joined in with their bikes. Altogether Happy Stars rode 3.42 miles and raised £167. It was a great effort so, well done to everyone who took part.

Finally, we now have some different activities in the playground at break and lunch times, so many children have been able to try something completely new, helping to maintain a positive, happy playground and learning new skills at the same time.



OMEN'S INSTITUTE It's hard to believe that we are now half-way through the year, isn't it? The ladies of the WI have enjoyed talks on a variety of subjects since January including 'The Life of a Lock Keeper', 'Shrouds of the Somme', 'A Secret Life' with one of our own members, and of course our 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party. There is an earlier deadline for the Williton Window this month, and our June meeting has still to take place, so you will have a double helping of news from the Williton WI next month!

In July we are looking forward to our meeting on Thursday 19th, when our speaker will be Mrs Pam Martin talking about "Somerset in Stitch". We meet at 2pm at Danesborough View Common Room and visitors and new members are always very welcome. Irene Draper, WI Member

#### **C** AY NO TO PLASTIC BAGS

As we all know, we need to stop using plastic bags which are killing wildlife, especially in the oceans where they are mistaken for food.

#### How can you help?

Are you part of a local sewing group or any group who cares about our environment, or perhaps just enjoys sewing? Then please help us reduce / stop the use of plastic bags by making reusable fabric bags from recycled material. One person is West Somerset making and distributing these bags has made 5,000 over the last four years and now needs help to gather more people or groups to regularly provide free fabric bags to village shops and other retail outlets.

#### Here's how

Morsbags (www.morsbags.com) are part of a national environmental campaign to provide an alternative to plastic bags that now cost 5p each. They provide information and support on how to get started.

If sewing is not your bag perhaps you have some material to donate? However you feel able to help, please phone Clare on 01984 641669 and HELP SAY NO TO PLASTIC BAGS!

Thank you.

#### **RECIPE FOR THE MONTH** by Shirley Dee

STRAWBERRY SYLLABUB

½ pt low alcohol rosé wine ½ teaspoon vanilla essence 2 oz (40 g) caster sugar Pink food colouring gel 9 oz (250 g) strawberries sliced or quartered 9 oz (250 g) double cream

Heat half the wine with the vanilla essence and half the sugar over a low heat. Once the sugar has dissolved bubble for one minute, then transfer to a heatproof bowl and leave to cool. An hour before serving, pour the syrup over the strawberries and leave to soak no longer than the hour. Meanwhile, mix the rest of the wine with the rest of the sugar and the cream and whip until it just holds its shape. Spoon the cream over the strawberries when ready to serve.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

from SD

### / ILLITON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

### To contact Williton Parish Council telephone the Clerk on 01984 633979 or email willitonpc@btconnect.com

One of the key roles of our council is covered by the Environment and Planning Committee. One of the things they do is make regular walks around the village to make sure our footpaths are kept clear and the seats are in good order.

Two Councillors, Elizabeth Peeks and Scott Burnett, along with two parishioners Myra and Ian Barratt have completed a course to enable them to paint our finger posts. We have seven within the parish, two in Williton, two on the way to Stream, one in Stream, one at Doniford and one at Five Bells. They have completed the surveys and are now liaising with Highways department before they can go and do the painting. If you are interested in joining them you will need to go on the course - please contact the Clerk on the above.

Quantock Foodbank Management Committee: this is a new role that the Parish Council is pleased to get involved with. Councillor Kim Pearson has taken this role on. We hope to have a drop off point soon within the Parish Office; and of course there will still be the drop off point at the District Council offices.

I am sure most of you have heard by now of GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) which we as a Council have to abide by. One of the things this means our Clerk has to do is to make sure that all your names and addresses are deleted from your correspondence before we, the Councillors, can see them. Please do not assume that your Councillor knows you have sent a letter. If you wish us to know that it was from you then you need to state that in your email or letter please.

We are still looking for one more Parish Councillor. We are a friendly team that work well together. You can get a lot of satisfaction out of becoming a Councillor so if you have been thinking about it please come and join us as we need you. Please contact the Clerk on the above.

By the time, you read this we will be half way through the year and have four events as a Council that we still are arranging in conjunction with other organisations and the schools. The Fete will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Armistice Day 11<sup>th</sup> November - this year is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of the First Word War, so it is a special year and a lot of work is being put into this. November will see the completion of the Pavilion and we will have an opening day for parishioners to look around (please keep an eye on Councillor Vaughan's Pavilion Project Updates). And in December we will have the Christmas Festival.

I will be at all these events and hope to see you there.

Councillor Diane Hooper

#### ■ I ILLITON PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE

We have now passed the halfway point in the construction programme and remain in budget and on schedule, The internal work has commenced and we are liaising with the contractor on the electrical installation plan, this includes the kitchen layout, hearing loop system, security, stage lighting and external lighting for the carpark and footpath. Recently we were able to take our first look inside the building, to view progress and obtain a better understanding of the floor layout and room sizes.

Although the building is key to the success of the pavilion project, the project extends beyond the building, it encompasses the development of more activities and events on the ground. Recently we have been approached by Somerset Sports Activity Partnership (SASP) about staging events, to encourage more people to take part in exercise and sports activities. The widening of the lane means that we are now able to consider hosting major events on the ground and later this year we will commence the initial work required to develop the Multi Use Games Area and seek funding opportunities.

The pavilion website is still a work in progress, we now have most of the information to include within the website but more work is needed in the layout, our new target date for completion is mid-July. We have been contacted by Minehead Eye over the use of the building by the youth club and we are in contact with our local football team, Williton Rockets, on their requirements for next season.

There will be a tent at the Village Fete where we will have details of the floor plans and site layout, there will also be booking information available along with somebody to answer any questions you may have relating to the building and other proposed developments. As a final note, we are still looking for a volunteer to tend the war memorial garden, this requires about one hour a month, just to tidy it up, if you are interested then drop in at the tent and let us know.

Councillor Bill Vaughan

#### **7** OLUNTEER WITH SIDE BY SIDE

V Side by Side is a new service being developed by the Alzheimer's Society. The aim of Side by Side is to help people with dementia who feel socially isolated and lonely, who find it difficult to get out and about and take part in everyday activities within their community.

We are looking for volunteers in **your area** to enable local people with dementia to remain engaged with their communities, to take up new interests and hobbies, to access activities or just keep doing the things that they love. What they do together is based entirely on what the person with dementia wants to do.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact: Joan Evans, Side by Side Co-ordinator 01458 251541or Debbie Payne, Volunteering Officer 07710 380 218 or email: volsdorsetsomerset@alzheimers.org.uk

MALL PRAYER

Please help those in power to recognise the necessity for public loos!



RIENDS OF WILLITON LIBRARY

The Talking Cafe, a drop-in advice centre, is held at the Library on the second Wednesday of each month, at 10.30.

Our other regular activities include: \*Computer courses\* (Mondays and Fridays 10.15-11.45) Help with your computer and accessing the internet. \*Book Club\* (last Monday of each month, 2.30-3.30) \*Code Club\* (for 9- to 11-year-olds, alternate Mondays 4-4.45. Booking essential) Learn computer programming. \*Verse and Worse\* (first Wednesday of each month, 10.30-11.30) Sit round a table and listen to or read poetry and prose. \*Talking Cafe\* (second Wednesday of each month, 10.30-1pm) Multi-agency drop-in advice centre. \*Family History\* (Wednesdays or Saturdays by appointment) Explore your family roots. \*Craft and

Chat\* (every Thursday, 10.30 to 12) Drop in for friendly conversation. \*Pins and Needles\* (first

Thursday of every month, 3 to 4) Sewing and embroidery help and advice. \*Loop the Loop\* (second Thursday of every month, 3.30-4) For children of six and over who would like to learn to knit and crochet. \*Rhyme Time\* (every Friday, 10.30 to 11) Song and boogie time for children 0yrs to 4yrs. \*Baked Bites\* (last Friday of every month, 3.30-4.30) Bake at home and bring it along to share over a cup of tea. \*Lego



Club\* (first Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30, for 6 to 12-year-olds, booking essential) \*Story and Craft Time\* (last Saturday of every month, 10.30-11.30. Booking essential) For four- to ten-year-olds.

The Library is open every day except Tuesday and Sunday in Killick Way. Phone 0300 123 2224. Website: librarieswest.org.uk

#### C OMERSET CARERS SERVICE

My name is Elaine Gardner and I am the Carers Agent for the West Somerset Area. If you regularly look after someone in a caring capacity, this may be a family member or a friend, then I can support you with advice and guidance. I can link you to groups and events in your area, help you to find practical help and to access any financial support for which you may be eligible.

Caring for a loved one is very rewarding but can become overwhelming and lonely at times and the support of a group of peers can be invaluable. Why not pop along to one of the Carers Support groups for a chat and a cup of tea? All carers are welcome, just turn up!

Our brand new Porlock Carers group is now running on the first Tuesday of every month between 10am-12pm at the Porlock Library (alongside the Talking Café)

Minehead group meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the new Hospital between 10.30am-12pm.

Dulverton group meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Exmoor Medical Centre between 2pm-3.30pm.

For further information please contact me on 07494 883 134, email me at elaine-carers@somersetrcc.org.uk or call 0800 3168600.

Elaine Gardner

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### MAY WEATHER

#### THE WALKS PAGE

We are always pleased to welcome new walkers on all walks, but please note that you participate in the walks entirely at your own risk. You do not have to live in Williton to join in these walks.

- \* Colin's "Walk, talk and pause to regain your breath" walks start every Friday at 12 noon by the Library in Killick Way. Wear suitable clothing and footwear and bring a picnic. For more information, ring Colin Broom on 632721.
- \* There will be **no Williton Walk** this month. Sorry. Elizabeth Peeks
- \* Williton Wanderers will meet at 10.30am on Saturday 14 July near Simonsbath for a **History and Mystery Walk**. Take the B3224 to Simonsbath, the turn left on the B3358 direction Challacombe. About three miles along this road, just past a concrete drive on the left is a big layby on the right, where we shall meet. If this is full there is another layby a bit further on. We shall go to Pinkery Pond, the Long Stone, Chapmans Barrows and Moles Chamber. About 7 miles, including some hills. Wear seasonal everything and bring a picnic. For more information ring Jenny on 01984 634899 or email willitonwindow@yahoo.co.uk
- \* West Quantoxhead Walking Group meets monthly on a Thursday for a leisurely local walk of 3 to 4 miles usually over fairly level ground. Optional pub lunch at the end of the walk. All walks are informal and at your own risk. Meet at West Quantoxhead Village Hall car park at 10am. The next walk is on 5th July. For further information please contact Dorothy 01984 248105.

WILLITON WALKS BOOK
A book of 9 circular walks around Williton by Jenny Gibson is on sale at Williton Post Office for £2.50. All proceeds from the books go to charity. Since the first edition in 2015 several hundred pounds have been shared between the Williton Window, Macmillan Cancer Support, St Margaret's Hospice and a children's cancer research institute. The current charity is the WASPS.

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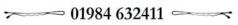
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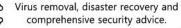
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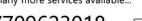


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