

Westbury Town Council

Area Board Report

The biggest and loudest event that has happened since my last report was, of course, the demolition of the chimney at the cement works. It came down, on time, on the morning of 18th September. The event drew a huge crowd, many people coming from far afield, to witness it amid mixed emotions. Nine-year old Lily Sargent had the honour of pressing the plunger having won a competition organised by Tarmac.

The Town Council are currently in negotiations with Wiltshire Council to take over responsibility for the ten Children's Play Areas in the town. The alternative would be to see them being closed one by one when Wiltshire Council deemed them unsafe. (Wiltshire Council claim not to have any money for repairs/replacement equipment.)

Westbury Town Council have taken out new 3 year contracts for maintenance of the CCTV cameras in the town and for cleaning of the Public Conveniences recently taken over by the Council. Records show that over 8,000 visits were made to the conveniences in August alone!

The Town Council have received a lot of positive feedback about the activities of Andrew Thomas, our new Town Caretaker. If there are any jobs that you think need doing then please contact the Town Council on 01373 822232.

Finally I would like to remind everyone of Christmas in Westbury which this year starts on Saturday 3rd December with a Christmas Fayre starting at 10:00 am and the Lights Switch-on at 6:30 pm.

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Mayor of Westbury