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5 July 2012

Dear Mrs Jones.

Application for Premises Licence – Bath Road Car Park. Melksham by Mr Mehmet Yilmaz
Application Reference: 12/00069/LAPRE

The above Premises Licence was considered at a Development Control meeting held on 2 July 2012. The Town Council objects to the application on the following grounds

Anti Social Behaviour Problems

The Town Council has received various complaints of anti social behaviour from users of King George V Play Area adjacent to this site over the years (**Please see enclosed various pieces of correspondence regarding this matter**). I also understand that local businesses have been affected by this issues and the local Neighbourhood Policing Team are also aware of these concerns.

The various youth groups that use King George V Play Area including Melksham Canoe Club (based at the Adventure Centre), Beanacre Cricket Club and Melksham United Football Club, have reported incidents of anti social behaviour and problems with vandalism.

The Town Council believes the location of the burger van will only serve to encourage youngsters to congregate even longer in the area, causing a nuisance to users of the park; local residents and businesses.

The Town Council believe the above problems are covered under all the Licensing Objectives ie: The prevention of harm to children; prevention of public nuisance; prevention of crime and disorder and public safety.

Litter Problems

The Town Council have received various complaints over the years regarding litter in this area (**Please see attached copies of the latest correspondence regarding this matter, which includes a letter from a group of children from King Park Primary School, adjacent to this site**).

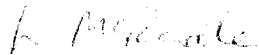
Complaints regarding litter have also included smashed bottles in the King George V Play Area, especially on the cricket pitch and football pitch.

The Town Council perceive that these sorts of problems will be exacerbated if people are able to buy refreshments outside normal business hours in the vicinity. Even if bins are located near to the burger van, Councillors are concerned that youngsters especially will wander into the park area and drop their litter where they stand with no consideration for other users.

Melksham Town Council believe the above objections again covers all 4 licensing objectives cited above.

I hope the above concerns are taken into account when considering the above application.

Yours sincerely



Lorraine McRandle
Committee Clerk

Points 35, 43
and 44 relate
to concerns.

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT MELKSHAM TOWN HALL
ON MONDAY 16 APRIL 2012**

Present:

Miss Pat Aves	Mr Chris Petty
Mr Simon Bridgford-Whittick	Mrs Terri Welch
Ms Sarah Cardy	Mrs Adrienne Westbrook
Mr Peter Dauncey	Mr Simon White
Mr Rod Eaton (Chairman)	Mrs Sheila Wilkinson
Mr Mark Griffiths	Mrs Pam Wiltshire
Mr Jon Hubbard	Mr Richard Wiltshire
Mr Vic Oakman	

Also in attendance: Steve Gray, Town Clerk; Jean Harris, Finance Officer;
Lorraine McRandle, Committee Clerk

2012

29. Apologies

No apologies were received.

30. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Adrienne Westbrook declared a non pecuniary interest in item 15: letter from a Miss Robertson, King Park Primary, regarding litter in King George V play area.

Councillors Jon Hubbard and Rod Eaton as directors of Selwood Housing declared an interest in item 13, regarding Wiltshire's Strategic Tenancy Policy.

31. Public Participation

No member of public wished to speak to an item at this stage.

(a) Matters Arising

Therefore there were no matters arising.

32. Questions. To receive any questions submitted by Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 21.

No questions were received by Councillors prior to the meeting.

33. Minutes (to approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meetings listed below)

(a) Development Control – 13 February 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Vic Oakman and seconded by Councillor Chris Petty.

(b) Town Council – 20 February 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Rod Eaton and seconded by Councillor Sarah Cardy with the following amendment:

Under item 10 – Minutes for Approval

Development Control – 23 January 2012

Amend to read ...*the above minutes were moved by Councillor Sarah Cardy and seconded by Councillor Vic Oakman.*

Matters Arising

Councillor Richard Wiltshire asked if the Campus Working Group could be reconvened in order to provide information for the Shadow Community Operations Board (“SCOB”) following recent press articles seeking input from interested parties. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Councillor Terri Welch, as Chair of the Campus Working Group, had been made aware of this request.

(c) Development Control – 5 March 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Sarah Cardy and seconded by Councillor Vic Oakman.

(d) Town Development - 12 March 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Pam Wiltshire and seconded by Councillor Richard Wiltshire.

Matters Arising

Item 23 – Traffic Problems on Countrywide Roundabout

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Wiltshire Highways are reviewing signage

the road markings in a bid to improve lane discipline at the Countrywide Roundabout.

It was asked whether confirmation had been received on when the eastern by-pass would be open. The meeting was informed to date no information had been received in this regard.

(e) Development Control - 19 March 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Sarah Cardy and seconded by Councillor Vic Oakman.

(f) Policy and Resources – 26 March 2012

The above minutes were moved by Councillor Richard Wiltshire and seconded by Councillor Terri Welch.


34. Mayor's Announcements

Councillor Eaton informed Town Council that this would be his last full meeting as Mayor and that he would produce his last report at the Annual Town Council meeting on 14 May 2012.

35. Police Report

Sgt Hobman, Acting Sector Head, attended the meeting to update the Town Council on his report which was circulated at the meeting. A new Sector Head had been appointed and would be starting shortly, therefore, Sgt Hobman would be reverting back to Sergeant of the Neighbourhood Policing Team in Melksham.

It was explained Wiltshire in general is suffering with an increase in thefts from motor vehicles and that members of the public should therefore lock their cars and make sure valuables were not left in sight.

 As regards concerns raised by members of the public at the increase in anti social behaviour in King George V park, particularly in the evening, the Town Council was advised that the Police have increased their presence in this area, and there will also be a multi agency approach to try and address this matter.

It was requested that people should be vigilant and report any instances of anti social behaviour and pass on any vehicle registrations of mopeds driving illegally in the park to the Neighbourhood Policing Team for action.

36. Community Defibrillator Scheme.

Miss Mel Scott had produced a report (**copy enclosed**) requesting the Town Council's support for a prospective community defibrillator scheme. This would entail the defibrillators being placed on the Town Council's asset register and would necessitate an additional premium (£174.78) to provide insurance cover for the equipment within the Council's current policy.

RESOLVED: To agree to adopt the defibrillator scheme as described within the report.

37. Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge – Foresters Park.

It was agreed to dedicate Foresters Park, in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, for use as a public playing field and recreation ground to be known as "Queen Elizabeth Field Foresters Park" and to sign the Deed of Dedication accordingly.

The Deputy Town Clerk had produced a report suggesting that consideration should be given to holding a "Field Day" to commemorate the event on 16 June 2012. Based on assumptions detailed in the report, the indicative cost to the Town Council would be approximately £158.

The Town Council thanked all those involved in bringing this proposal to fruition, especially local resident Ms Rita Watson.

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- To ratify the Deed of Dedication to dedicate Foresters Park, in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, for use as a public playing field and recreation ground to be known as "Queen Elizabeth Field Foresters Park".
- To write to Ms Watson thanking her for her inspiration and enthusiasm in suggesting and promoting this initiative.
- To liaise with local residents and, subject to their agreement and involvement, to hold a "field day" to commemorate the event.

38. Melksham Oak Community School interaction and engagement.

Following the Town Council's attempts to promote opportunities for engagement and interaction with Melksham Oak School, Mr Owen Vince, Assistant Head Teacher,

had suggested that 5 students from the School Council, representing key stages, would meet with Town Council representatives to take this initiative forward.

RESOLVED: That an initial meeting should be arranged as suggested at which the Town Council would be represented by Councillors Cardy; Hubbard; Welch and Richard Wiltshire.

39. Jubilee Commemorative Tree.

The Deputy Town Clerk had produced a report in relation to a suitable tree and prospective location to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012.

Standing orders were suspended to allow Mr Ian Cardy, Town Council Tree Warden, to speak to this item.

Mr Cardy raised concerns at the type of tree being proposed, as well as the location. Mr Cardy suggested that the tree should be of a native variety; located in the grounds of Melksham House where it would be less susceptible to vandalism; and should be planted in November given the current drought conditions.

Standing orders were reinstated.

RESOLVED: To explore the implications of planting of a native tree (for example Oak or Hornbeam) to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, but to leave the decision on the exact location until later in the year when the weather would be more favourable for planting, and the plans for Melksham House may be known.

40. National Waterways Trailboat Festival.

John Laverick, Chairman – Wilts & Berks Canal Trust had written to the Town Council concerning the possibility of Melksham hosting the National Waterways Trailboat Festival in 2014.

RESOLVED: To welcome this event.

41. Wiltshire's Strategic Tenancy Policy.

This item had been placed on the agenda to consider whether the Town Council wished to respond to Wiltshire Council's draft Strategic Tenancy Policy consultation exercise.

Councillors Jon Hubbard and Rod Eaton declared an interest in this item as Directors of Selwood Housing.

RESOLVED: That Councillors should respond to this document on an individual basis if they wished to do so.

42. Rubbish on verges and footpaths.

Mr P Carter, Mobile Home Park had written in relation to rubbish along verges, especially the A350.

Whilst recognising the frustration of Mr Carter, members of the Town Council noted that several litter picks have taken place in the locations described and that whilst it may seem that litter has not been cleared for some years, the speed with which it builds up means that remedial steps taken to clear litter are often quickly negated.

In this vein Councillors recognised that the failure to clean up rubbish is merely a symptom of the problem and that the true cause is the anti social behaviour of those that thoughtlessly and irresponsibly discard their rubbish and litter in the first instance.

Councillor Roy While had also written in response to Mr Carter's concerns; stating he had met with representatives of Wiltshire Council regarding the cutting back of verges and the removal of litter, and had been informed this will be undertaken shortly with the cutting back of the hedges in the first instances.

RESOLVED: To write to Mr Carter in the terms described above stating that the relevant authorities would be requested to take remedial steps to address the problem; and that the Town Council would seek the reintroduction of a national anti litter campaign and a local focus to publicise the fact that it is everyone's responsibility to prevent litter and thereby to make our town look good and improve the quality of life that we should all be able to enjoy

 **43. Rubbish in King George V Park.**

Miss H Robertson and children of Kings Park Primary School had written in relation to the amount of rubbish in the King George V play area.

It was noted that several litter picks have taken place in this area, unfortunately due to people's anti social behaviour in dropping litter in the first instance, it is difficult for the litter picking teams to keep up with the amount of litter being discarded.

Councillor Terri Welch explained there will be another litter pick on Wednesday 9 May at 6pm which everyone is welcome to join.

Councillor Jon Hubbard informed the meeting that the Youth Advisory Group is currently producing a video to take around all schools regarding the issue of littering and how it impacts on society.

Councillor Pat Aves asked if local children could be involved in an art project to raise awareness of the problem of litter.

(c) To receive a report from Councillor Pam Wiltshire following the "Town Team" meeting held on 11 April 2012

Councillor Pam Wiltshire updated the Town Council on a constructive first Town Team meeting. Various people have come forward to be on the working group, including local traders, councillors and Chamber of Commerce.

Standing Orders were suspended to allow Mr Bruce Petty to speak to this item.

Mr Petty asked way Melksham Town Council had not applied for funding to improve the town through the Mary Portas Report.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

Councillors explained that Town Councils are unable to apply for funding only 'Town Teams' and unfortunately the Town Team was not yet in a position to apply for funding.

46. Correspondence Received:

(a) Email correspondence received from Ms R Aling following the Town Council's resolution that there would be little to be gained from undertaking a further speed survey in Church Lane at present.

An email had been received from Ms R Aling expressing her concern at the Town Council's view that there would be little to be gained from undertaking a further speed survey in Church Lane at the current time.

RESOLVED: To note the comments made by Ms Aling.

47. Finance

(a) Payments for approval

A list of payments was circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To approve the list of payments.

(b) List of Payments since last Town Council Meeting

A List of Payments since the last meeting was circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To note the List of Payments.

Stephen Gray

Subject: FW: Melksham Adventure Centre /Melksham Park

From: Terri Welch [<mailto:terriwelch@visit-melksham.com>]
Sent: 10 April 2012 10:46
To: Lorraine McRandle
Subject: Fw: Melksham Adventure Centre /Melksham Park

Can you bring this to Steve's attention please, it seems to be an ongoing problem.

Terri

----- Original Message -----

From: Jon Finch

To: Fulbrook-Smith, Kane ; Ward, Tom ; Hobman, David

Cc: Kevin Bowerbank ; Terri Welch ; Petty, Stephen ; Abbi.Gutierrez@wiltshire.gov.uk ; Steve & Amanda Slade

Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2012 10:25 AM

Subject: Melksham Adventure Centre /Melksham Park

Gents

Something needs to happen about the continued damage, theft, ASB, intimidation, Driving of Cars & M cycles on the park. There has been a continuation of problems over the past few weeks with all the usual problems but they are occurring more & more regularly. People are saying they are fed up with reporting incidents as there is no action taken or the time to get a response means the people causing the problem have moved on. I reported an incident just after 13.00 on Monday & asked if someone could meet me at the Adventure Centre about 16.30 I was told that would not be possible. So I then again tidied all the damage & litter thrown stones away as they would have been used to cause more damage last night, luckily it rained.

Can the park/adventure centre go back onto a priority listing to show that the behavior will not be tolerated & people brought to task over the offences they have committed? The hard work that many people are putting in to make the area more attractive, usable and safer are being targeted & destroyed without any thought for the hard work that people are putting in. We had the focus last summer but this never really stopped the problem as it was cut short when the problem died down because of the weather/end of the holidays/focus from the police etc. We all said it would start again. And it has.

I know it's a park where people should go to enjoy themselves but this kind of behavior & damage is not enjoyment. It's also not because "they" have nothing to do.

Thoughts Please???

Jon Finch

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Get Area Board Issue

Submitted	31/03/2012 19:32
Reference No	2272
Issue Summary	ASB at Cricket Club, king george V playing fields
Issue	The cricket club based at the Pavilion in the Park held a registration evening on Friday 30th (evening). When we arrived we found lots of broken beer bottles smashed all around the building, in the grass & over the adjacent Tennis court. This is a public park & playing field where junior sports team play. It is quickly becoming unsafe to use
Latest Update	
Issue Location	Melksham
Electoral Division	Melksham Central
Issue Duration	regularly during spring/summer months
Who is Affected	General Public, children, Cricket Club, Football Club
What has been done so far	Reported to the Police, Town & County councilors

What would resolve issue	More police foot patrols, possibly no drink zone imposed
Who needs to come together	Police, Town Council
Classification	Highways Transport Car Parking and Rights of Way
In touch with Councillor	Yes
Sub Classification	Highways
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Current Status	in progress

Contact details

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From: Fulbrook-Smith, Kane [mailto:Kane.Fulbrook-Smith@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk]

Sent: 31 May 2011 07:36

To: footner andy; Pugh, Christopher; Huntley, Debbie

Cc: Ward, Tom; John Crook; Green, Rowena; Lorraine Lugg

Subject: RE: King George V Playing Fields

Hi Andy,

I am sorry you have had to experience this behaviour from the young people of Melksham and the embarrassment this caused whilst on a walk around with an out of area visiting team member. I certainly agree it does not give the right impression of Melksham and neither you, visitors or local residents of Melksham should be subjected to this sort of ASB.

I am on evenings this Friday and I will attend the Pavilion and speak with you and any parents/club members etc to discuss the concerns and come up with some action plan.

In the meantime I will circulate this e-mail to Melksham Town NPT Officers and speak with Lorraine LUGG from Canberra with regards to Street Based Youth Workers being more visible and active during the early part of the evenings in the park area.

Chris/Debbie

Please can you both make sure that foot patrols are carried out and *OCC 54110035566* is up dated with

times/results etc.

Regards

Kane

From: footner andy [mailto:andyfootner@blueyonder.co.uk]
Sent: 30 May 2011 15:07
To: Fulbrook-Smith, Kane
Cc: Melksham News; John Crook
Subject: King George V Playing Fields

Kane,

I am writing to express our clubs concern at the continued problems in the Park with what can only be described as Under age drinking.

On Friday 27th May Beanacre Cricket Club hosted a match against a touring side from Dover. On several occasions I am embarrassed to say I had to apologise for the behaviour of the Youth of Melksham.

There were three groups of between 10 -20 youngsters, 1 by the Zip wire, 1 by the teen shelter & 1 on the steps of the Adventure centre. I can't be sure all were under 18, but the majority were.

On two occasions there was the sound of breaking glass coming from the group by the bench opposite the zip wire. Also well walking around the boundary with a member of the Dover side this group appeared to be verbally abusing a man who was down by the bridge over the brook.

The group by the teen shelter were also breaking bottles & a couple of young girls kept deliberately wandering onto the outfield to cause a disturbance. I must admit it is unusual for kids around the teen shelter to cause any problems

The group by the adventure centre started off as now problem, but as the evening wore on they came up onto the grass & started throwing bottles around, which didn't break.

I read with interest a couple of weeks ago (in the Wiltshire times) that Melksham Police were stepping up Patrols in the park & confiscating alcohol off underage drinkers. I was at the park from 4.30pm till approx 9pm & didn't see one Officer.

I also notice that the Tennis court is again covered with broken glass & the fence that was only erected last summer around these courts have already been damaged.

Can I suggest that when these Patrols do start your Officers don't just drive down to the adventure centre & turn round, but maybe park by the riverside centre & walk along by the river to the back of the adventure centre.

I didn't phone these incidents in because the last time I phoned the 0800 number I was on hold for 8 minutes & I didn't consider this a 999 mater.

This has been an ongoing matter for several years, indeed your predecessor Kevin Harmsworth & I sent a letter to Town Council suggesting a no alcohol zone.

It is a shame such a beautiful asset to what many consider to be a town in decline is being destroyed by the actions of a few mindless morons & even worse it appears nobody in authority appears to be worried.

John - Would it be possible to pass this on to the Town Council & let them know I would be happy to meet with them on a Friday evening from 7pm at the Pavilion, where they can witness what is happening for themselves & talk to the parents of our Youth Members

Andy Footner

Secretary

Beanacre CC

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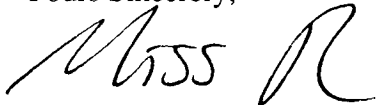
Kings Park Primary School
Lowbourn
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SN12 7ED

Friday 30th March 2012

Dear Mayor Eaton

My name is Holly Robertson and I am a year 5/6 teacher at Kings Park Primary School. The children in my class are very upset about the amount of rubbish in King George's Park and how it impacts our school. As a whole class, they have written the enclosed letter, sharing their feelings about the situation. Please read it and send a response. The children are very passionate about this issue and want to see it being addressed.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Miss R". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'R'.

Miss Holly Robertson

Kings Park Primary School
Lowbourne
Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 7ED
Tuesday 13th March 2012

Mayor Eaton
Melksham Town Council
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Dear Mr. Rob Eaton

I am writing this letter because I am disgusted with the littering surrounding our eco-friendly primary school.

We don't want litter around our school because it will kill the local wildlife. If it is not cleaned up, the swans will eat the rubbish, choke and die. As you know, swans are protected animals and it would look bad for Melksham if a swan died. There is also oil cans in the river, which will pollute the water and poison the fish and smother birds in oil.

Secondly, we want the litter cleared away because it is a real eye-saw. If it was cleaner, we could go on nature walks and study the wildlife. Would you want to go to school where theres litter everywhere? The mess makes you (the Town Council) look bad for not keeping a primary school safe and clean.

Finally, the rubbish is incredibly dangerous for children to be learning around due to the appalling amount of decaying waste. If it is not cleaned up, a child is going to stand or fall on it and be severally injured and have a high risk of infection. There are medical gloves and dog mess which will carry a lot of diease. We cannot go next to the fence to collect our school equipment if it accidently goes over, due to the potential hazzard. If this carries on. The amount of waste will build up and will invade our school grounds, putting children at risk. Would you want your children to go to a school, potentially that unsafe?

Therefore, you should make sure the Town Council tidies up this disgraceful mess in order to keep our children and wildlife safe.

We are thinking about creating a petition for parents, stating their disapproval of the Town Councils laziness. I hope you understand how we feel.

Sincerely

Molly G

Miles Clements

Sophie Be

Sycamore Class Tom

Sam P. Toby T

Drew W

Daisy Walker

Callum G

Sophie Broom

Harriet

George N

Scott T

Ellis McN

Danny Wilcomb

Tyler P

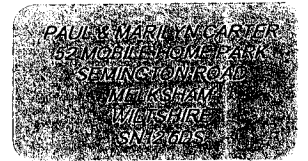
Millie

Elize B

Jacque

Lauren W

MR. STEVE GRAY,
TOWN CLERK,
MERKSHAM TOWN COUNCIL,
TOWN HALL,
MERKSHAM.



12/4/2012
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DEAR MR. GRAY,

I WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY 16TH APRIL DUE TO WORK.

HAD I BEEN ABLE TO ATTEND I WOULD HAVE DRAWN YOUR ATTENTION TO MY LETTER REGARDING LITTER ON THE PATHS AND HIGHWAY VERGES AROUND MERKSHAM PRESENTED TO YOU AT THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY 2ND APRIL.

ONE EXAMPLE WOULD BE CAMPTON WAY AND THE THE BROOK WITH ITS EMBANKMENTS RUNNING THROUGH TO THE BRIDGE AT WINDSOR AVE AND LONGFORD ROAD!

ANOTHER WOULD BE THE MILLENIUM BRIDGES BY THE ADVENTURE CENTRE, LOOK OVER THE RIGHT SIDE AS YOU WALK TOWARDS THE RIVER!

IT IS CLEAR FROM THE AMOUNTS OF RUBBISH AT BOTH EXAMPLES THEY HAVE NOT BEEN CLEARED FOR SOME YEARS.

I WOULD ASK THAT YOU PUT PRESSURE ON THE WILTSHIRE COUNCIL TO DO MORE ON LITTER PICKING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

Yours faithfully
Steve Carter

Melksham News no 551

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FROM: Fritz Schuff

Friday, 27 April 2012, 17:50

TO: marian.escott@btinternet.com

Hi Marian,

We read your letter at the Melksham News. We too are totally upset about the littering in Melksham. We are German pensioners and decided to find our new home in Melksham to be close to our daughter. She is married in Seend Cleve with a 9-month baby girl.

Walking our granddaughter and coming from Woodcombe, we are passing along Forrest Rd and then the way down to the river Avon and from there all the way to High Street. It is a shame what this area looks like. Worst of all are areas close to a convenient store, kindergarten and the skater place next to the river. And the riverbank next to the Avon bridge Bath Rd.

Whenever I have visitors from the continent, I make sure that we do not walk into the town.

In case I can do anything to support you getting Melksham a cleaner pace I am with you. I do not mind picking up the garbage myself, as long I am not the only one.

Best regards

Fritz Schuff

22 Woodcombe

Melksham

Reply to Fritz Schuff

[REDACTED]

litter in Melksham

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FROM: Alison Bishop

Thursday, 26 April 2012, 17:47

TO: marian.escott@btinternet.com

Dear Marian,

Ref. your letter to the Melksham Independent. I have to say that although we have not lived here long, we have been quite shocked by the amount of litter in the town and around the river and although I try picking as much as I can, it's not much fun on your own! Please let me know if you have any support as I would be happy to help.

Yours Alison Bishop

Reply to Alison Bishop

