

TWIGWORTH NEWS

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Twigworth Parish Council Website

Have you visited our website yet?

www.twigworthparishcouncil.wordpress.com/

Find out what's going in our community, there are many items of interest.

Next Parish Council Meeting - July

The next meeting of the Twigworth Parish Council will take place on:

Thursday 6th July at 19:00 - 21:00



As always, members of the public are welcome to attend

Have your say!

Are you a long time resident or new to the area; do you have any questions about living in Twigworth?

We would like to hear from you!

E-Mail contact:
twigworthparishcouncil@gmail.com

Open invite from Borough Councillors

One of our pledges as a new administration is that we want to be as open as possible with communities and listen to constituents concerns and ideas.

As part of this, Cllr Paul Ockleton and Cllr Sarah Hands are in the process of securing venues for regular councillor surgeries in all three parishes and would like to hold walkabouts throughout the year.

The Twigworth Walkabout will be held on Saturday 10th June @ 11:00

Paul and Sarah will also be joined by some of your local Parish Councillors too.

We already have a list of places to visit given to us by several members of the public.

If you can't join us and would like to add an area/road to our list, please send us an email.

Community WALKABOUT

Join Borough Councillors Sarah Hands and Paul Ockleton for a walk around the local area.

This is a great way to show us any areas of concern and to talk about what you think the area would benefit from.

LONGFORD

SAT 27th MAY
@11am
Meeting point:
Local Centre GL2 9DH
Outside Janes Pantry

INNSWORTH

SUN 4th JUNE
@11am
Meeting point:
Costcutter
GL3 1ET

TWIGWORTH

SAT 10th JUNE
@11am
Meeting point:
Local Centre GL2 9SB
Outside Janes Pantry

Whilst on the walkabout please be aware of the safety of yourself and of those around you. Keep roads and entrances to homes/business' clear.



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The Cotswold Chippy

Looking for a local Fish & Chip Shop in Twigworth?

The nearest ones are located at Longlevens, Innsworth and Churchdown but we do have the next best thing!

The Cotswold Chippy van visits Orchard Park on the first Monday every month from 17:00 - 19:00



"We pride ourselves on serving the best Fish and Chips in the Cotswolds.

As well as our regular local service for the villages of the Cotswolds"

Twigworth Post Boxes

Looking for a post box to post that letter?

There are two Post Boxes in Twigworth, one at Orchard Park and another at the bus stop lay-by on the A38 (see below)



New Housing Developments

Some of the issues that we hear about from residents on the new developments, include:

- * Concern over the traffic speed along the A38 through the village, with lack of safe crossing points
- * Twigworth Green Bus Stop and Shelter
- * Irresponsible parking by some car owners
- * Loose and noisy manhole covers
- * Incorrect or damaged street signs
- * No Play Areas for the children
- * Lack of Dog Waste bins
- * Noisy neighbours
- * Flooding footpaths in bad weather
- * Lack of regular estate maintenance
- * What is the future use for the Sales office?

If you are experiencing problems where you live or are concerned about something in particular, please contact us to see if we can help you.

National Neighbourhood Watch Week, Volunteers Week and Bike Week.

It's National Neighbourhood Watch Week, Volunteers Week and Bike Week.

To celebrate these events we will be spending some time within our County giving you an opportunity to sign up for Neighbourhood Watch in your area, or just refresh the scheme that you already have running, meet some of our wonderful Volunteers and FREE bike marking, registering your bikes on the national bike register.

Monday 5th June 10am – 12:30 at Dobbies Garden Centre, Tewkesbury

Thursday 8th June 10am – 14:00 at Gloucester Docks





Clearing up after your dog

Dog mess is unsightly and the parasites from unwormed dogs can harm farm animals and children.

Clear up after your dog where required to do so by law (parks, streets, playing fields etc) and please consider clearing up after your dog in the wider countryside, either by bagging it up and taking it home, or by flicking it into the hedgerow. Otherwise bag it up until you can deposit it away from livestock and rights of way. Please **DO NOT** throw the bag in the hedge or hang it on a tree.

For your dog's good health, please remember to worm it regularly.

More information may be found at the following links:

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/enjoying/countrysidecode/keepdogs.aspx>

<http://www.ramblers.org.uk/info/practical/safety.htm#Dogs%20and%20bulls>


<http://www.hse.gov.uk/agriculture/articles/cattle-public-access.htm>

<http://www.nfuonline.com>

<http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=72>

The production of this leaflet was supported by the Gloucestershire Local Access Forum, an advisory body comprising representatives of walkers and riders as well as landowners and farmers.

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Walking your dog in the countryside

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Health & wellbeing

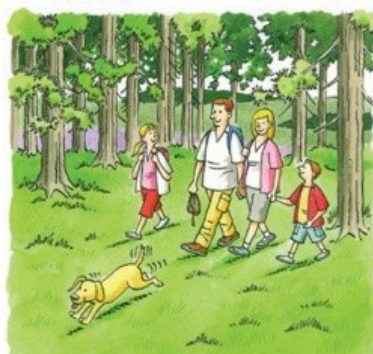
Research has shown that walking for just 30 minutes every day gives you more energy, helps reduce stress, can lower blood pressure and helps keep your heart in good order.

Your dog will enjoy the adventure too but there are a few simple guidelines which will help keep you safe and make sure you enjoy walking your dog in the countryside.

The countryside is a great place to exercise dogs, but it's every owner's duty to make sure their dog is not a danger or nuisance to farm animals, wildlife or other people.

It is worth remembering that the countryside is working land and the place where farmers earn their living, sometimes by grazing cattle and sheep.

By law, you must control your dog so that it does not disturb or scare farm animals or wildlife.



Dogs and livestock

We recommend that you keep your dog(s) on short leads (not more than 2 metres) and keep as much room between you and livestock as possible. The dog should stay on the path with you and not wander in the field.

Sheep

Sheep are easily frightened and will usually run away, which can elicit the chase instinct in many dogs. Even well behaved dogs can then turn into a predator. Furthermore, pregnant ewes can abort their lambs when frightened.

Cattle

Cows can be inquisitive, and if they have calves with them they may be suspicious and perceive you as a threat – especially if you have a dog with you. Keep your dog on a short lead of less than 2m and if possible, between two people if you are walking with someone else.

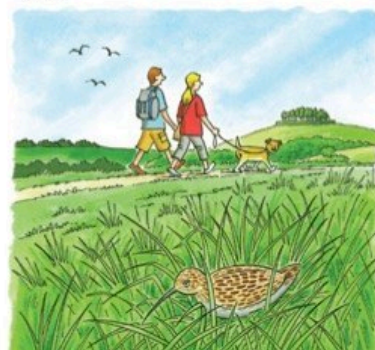
If cattle do start showing an unusual interest, for example, they are following close behind, try to veer towards the closest field boundary (hedge, fence, wall etc) and continue towards your exit.

If the cattle surround you and start acting aggressively (pushing towards you, lowering their heads or attempting to butt you, pawing the ground or jostling), you will then be able to release your dog through or over the boundary, to safety (although be aware of what is on the other side of the boundary).

Once your dog is away from the cattle, you may find they lose interest. However, if are still being threatened, you will be in a better position to protect yourself and leave the field if you need to. Try not to panic and never run.

If you can, let the farmer know about any problems you have encountered so that he can take remedial action to prevent similar occurrences.

And of course always leave gates as you find them.



The Countryside Code



Follow advice and local signs

The arrows show the legal and recorded rights of way for different user groups

Footpath



Bridleway



Restricted Byway



Byway open to all traffic



Permissive Path

Follow advice on local signs as landowners voluntarily provide access to these paths and choose who can use them. Some open access areas are also made available in the same way.



National Trail

National Trails are created for walking, with horse-riding and cycling possible on some trails or trail sections.
www.nationaltrail.co.uk



Open Access

You can walk and explore away from paths.
www.openaccess.naturalengland.org.uk

For further information visit www.countryside-code.org.uk

Countryside Living

The Countryside Code



Your guide to enjoying parks and waterways, coast and countryside

Respect everyone

- be considerate to those living in, working in and enjoying the countryside
- leave gates and property as you find them
- do not block access to gateways or driveways when parking
- be nice, say hello, share the space
- follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available

Protect the environment

- take your litter home - leave no trace of your visit
- do not light fires and only have BBQs where signs say you can
- always keep dogs under control and in sight
- dog poo - bag it and bin it in any public waste bin or take it home
- care for nature - do not cause damage or disturbance

Enjoy the outdoors

- check your route and local conditions
- plan your adventure - know what to expect and what you can do
- enjoy your visit, have fun, make a memory

www.countryside-code.org.uk



Ironbridge Road - Bus Stop

There has been a lot of speculation about the proposed bus stop at Ironbridge Road, Twigworth Green



The good news is that funding for the Ironbridge Road Bus stop shelter at Twigworth Green has apparently been approved.

Unfortunately, until the road is adopted by the Gloucestershire Highways the responsibility for the road and the lay-by, remains with the Housing Developers.

Once the roads have been adopted, the bus shelter can be installed, with appropriate bus stop signage and road markings added.

Views around Twigworth

