

Monthly

Snapshot

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- A £6,000 Community Grant from SSDC's Area North Committee has helped the Seavington villages install an access for all footpath across the playing field to the Village Hall, Community Shop and Cafe and play areas. The path was officially opened in a week-long celebration for the 40th anniversary of the village hall and the 5th anniversary of the community shop and café. Other recent ANC grants include help with new village signage at Curry Mallet to mark the village's Magna Carta connection.
- Summer Countryside events across SSDC owned sites have been fantastically received. The newly redesigned countryside website at www.southsomersetcountryside.com now has an online booking facility which has seen all the play schemes fully booked by many hundreds of children. A further three years of diverse activities planned for Yeovil Country Park as part of the Heritage Lottery Fund.
- The pest control service have just completed another busy summer period with dozens of wasps nest treatments. The wasp population had declined significantly in the last two years following two wet summers but they have since seemed to return to their usual numbers. This is good news for the Council as it means the pest control income level is back up to where it should be.

Latest headlines:

- Sue Mountstevens, Police & Crime Commissioner for Avon & Somerset recently met with members of the Zero Project Partnership when visiting Yeovil. The Zero Project aims to reduce alcohol related anti-social behaviour and binge drinking throughout South Somerset by providing night-time events where young people aged 13 to 17 can meet in a safe place, socialise and experience the atmosphere of a nightclub.
- During August thousands of people have enjoyed free fun packed Playdays in 13 communities right across South Somerset. The activities – which have been organised by the Community Health & Leisure Team – have not only kept young people enthralled but have also brought communities together through free play.
- After a recent unauthorised encampment by a group of travellers at Odcombe Recreation Ground, Streetscene Services attended the site to clean it. Six operatives quickly got to work to tidy the area and removed 25 bags of rubbish, human and animal excrement plus several gas cylinders. For more information, visit www.southsomerset.gov.uk/odcombeclean.