

# FOCUS

*On Peasedown St John, Carlingcott & Braysdown*

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## Confusion? What confusion?

Wellow Mead is a notorious hot spot for speeding drivers, making turning off a hazardous business, even if drivers know where they're going. When they don't, impatient followers along this soon to be much busier road make searching for the right house number even more stressful.

As part of the solution, Cllr Sarah Bevan met up with residents and case officers to discuss the best way forward.

Sarah said: **"During the local election campaign, residents of these cul de sacs made it clear to me that what they want, and need, is clearly marked street plates so visitors and deliverers to their homes know exactly when to turn right off Wellow Mead. I'm pleased to be able to facilitate their wishes, and that our council staff are experienced and efficient enough to get the necessary plates made in such a timely manner."**

Sarah has also requested clear and repeated speed signs along both this road and Wellow Lane, as the 95 home development further along will present more considerations for traffic management when completed.



*Happy: Local residents with Sarah next to one of the new signs.*

### New era, new balls for Peasedown Athletic Football Club

£630 has been given to our local football team to pay for new team tops and new balls as the team and its club enter a new phase in its long history. The funding was awarded recently from Cllr Sarah Bevan's Initiative Funding.

*Photo shows members of the club at their recent celebration event when the Charter was present by Somerset FA Chairman Francis Hillier.*



### Four more happy families



Four families in Frederick Avenue have received good news, from Somer Community Housing Trust.

After waiting several years for gas central heating to be installed in their homes, Cllr Nathan Hartley (above) has persuaded the Social Landlord to bring the installation work forward to next year. Nathan said: "I'm pleased that Somer have listened to these families, and are prepared to alter their programme of works for the health and wellbeing of local residents."



You can now follow B&NES Council's Deputy Leader on the move, by following him on Twitter. Cllr Nathan Hartley posts daily updates on his twitter feed of his activities around Peasedown St John and the rest of Bath and North East Somerset. To keep in touch follow @nathanpsj

*Everyone knows someone who's been helped by Sarah and Nathan*

## Drivers' visibility increased thanks to Council



Drivers living in Peasedown St John can now exit a well used junction more safely thanks to action taken by Lib Dem run B&NES Council.

Orchard Way, which serves as the main thoroughfare to over 1,000 houses in the village, exits onto the busy A367 by-pass. For a number of years the Bath-bound exit has been overshadowed by more than 4 metres of excessive hedgerow growth.

Local Councillor, Nathan Hartley, said: **"Many residents approached me recently asking if the hedgerow could be cut back so they could more easily leave the village.**

**I raised residents' concerns with the Traffic and Safety department, and persuaded them to spend the £1,200 that was needed for the work to be done to cut away 4 metres of excessive growth. The contractors have done a fantastic job."**

Residents who'd like to report any other overhanging hedgerows can contact Council Connect on 01225 394041 or email [council\\_connect@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:council_connect@bathnes.gov.uk)

## Plea to impatient drivers



As children start the new school term, anxiety has mounted for one family. Last term, as Tammy Kelson's small daughters set out via their back door in Braysdown Lane to go to school, impatience got the better of several motorists 'trapped' behind the waste collection lorry.

Instead of waiting until it was safe to overtake, the

drivers made a dash for freedom along a private slip way along the backdoors of a row of terraced homes, nearly knocking down two small children and the family dog.

Tammy Kelson said: **"I was shocked and the girls were scared - a few seconds either way and I dread to think what would have happened."**

She contacted Cllr Sarah Bevan, who contacted the police and council officers to alert them to the growing problem. She said: **"The family had a narrow escape. It is truly unbelievable that drivers think this kind of behaviour is worth shaving a few seconds off their journey time.**

**I urge anyone witnessing this type of driving to take the registration plate details and report them to me - our police officers can then take immediate action."**

## Peasedown Community News

Hundreds of residents now receive Sarah and Nathans' e-news update every month. It includes news stories from all over the village, keeping residents informed on a regular basis. If you'd like to receive monthly email updates contact Nathan.

## Young people get creative over the summer



Young people from Peasedown Youth Centre have been working with a specialist mural artist to transform an old metal storage container (20ft x 12ft wide) into a large piece of community art, with a farmyard design painted on two sides, at the Community Farm.

The design has been created by young people and the artist as part of a three-day art workshop staged by B&NES Council, during the summer holidays.

The three-day activity was funded as part of Cllr Hartley's Councillor Initiative Funding for 2011/12.

*Can we help?* **Your local Lib Dem team**

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