



# West Moors Town Council

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## 26<sup>th</sup> September litter pick.



## 13<sup>th</sup> November litter pick.



## Remembrance Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov.

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## Litter Picks:

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September and Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November

A huge THANK YOU to the 18 volunteers who gathered on Sunday 26th September and 19 on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November, for our bimonthly litter pick, which was attended by Councillors, families, couples, and individuals. A litter picking army with fluorescent jackets, gloves and litter pickers hit the streets of West Moors (from one end by Sturts Farm to the far end of Pinehurst Road and the flyover), coming across a wide variety and size of litter, which, although disappointing, was efficiently collected, culminating in over 12 bags of rubbish in September and 19 bags in November, with hidden corners and car parks included in their rounds.

Thank you to everyone who gave up their mornings to clean West Moors. The feedback and enthusiasm has been so positive from residents, it's great to see a community with such a supportive, can-do mentality. Next litter pick date to be confirmed nearer the time, but it will be in January 2022.

## Remembrance Day Parade 2021

Last year, for the first time in its near 100 year history, there was no choice but to cancel the Remembrance Day Parade.

Thankfully, the Armistice Day traditions were in full swing this year, and as expected, Station Road was lined with people as the parade marched from Riverside Road, through to the War Memorial on the Petwyn, where the service took place and wreaths were laid.

This year hundreds attended, with some commenting it was one of the biggest turnouts in recent years.

The Clerk sent her heartfelt thanks to everyone involved for all their help towards making the very special event run smoothly.

There were so many people to include; Churches Together, Ferndown Royal British Legion, the sound engineer, all the volunteers who assisted with the road closures, Bournemouth Marching Band, the Parade Marshals, the Bugler, the Volunteer First Aid Responder, Terraforma Maintenance and Cllr Rita Burke for calling out the wreath layers. Of course, everyone who attended.

West Moors Town Council do hope to see you all again next year



## Skate Park Launch Party Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

#NationalLottery -  
acknowledging  
National Lottery players'  
support.



TESCO  
Bags of Help

Scores of skaters turned out in West Moors, at the launch party on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October, to give our fantastic new skate park, the seal of approval.

The event was celebrated by nearly 200 people including families, young and older individuals/groups, residents/non-residents (It was amazing to hear how far some had come to try the new skate park), Council members, and park users of all ages and abilities.

The turnout was proof of how much this community resource is important to a variety of people. It was bound to be a hit, as there was extensive consultation before doing the refurbishment, to ensure the wishlist of many was catered for.

CANVAS who (with the help of the local skatepark user group) designed and built the skate park, entertained all, with music, competitions and West Moors Town Council generously sponsored lots of free pizza, provided by Pizza With Love.

Keeping the party energised was Golden Gate Coffee.

The tricks that some of the young ones were doing, were extremely impressive. The atmosphere was electrifying.

Thanks must again go, to all the funders who made West Moors new skatepark possible; The National Lottery Community Fund, Tesco bags for Help (Groundwork UK), Veolia Environmental Trust, Dorset Council Leisure Development Fund and West Moors Town Council themselves with their reserved funds.

Also, to Mr Russell Kerr, our local voluntary First Responder, for providing first aid cover, as he has done so for so many Council events.

Our thriving skate community has been enjoying the skatepark since 2003 when it was originally built. Now, with the sustainable new concrete replacement, we hope they enjoy it for many years to come.

## Plans for the Queens Jubilee 2022

Princess Elizabeth became monarch on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952, at the age of 25 years, after the death of her father, George VI.

The Platinum Jubilee marks 70 years of the Queen's reign. Queen Elizabeth is the first British monarch to mark this accolade, after being crowned in 1952 at Westminster Abbey. On this significant anniversary, celebrations will take place across the country and the Commonwealth.

An extended bank holiday, from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June, will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate this historic milestone.

West Moors Town Council have decided to include both the younger and the older generation in their celebrations, by hosting a rock painting initiative with the 3 local schools and providing party packs for each of the residents in each care home in West Moors.

All 551 (approximately) pupils will paint a tribute to the Queen with a Union Jack or similar. These painted stones will be laid on the Petwyn, by February 6<sup>th</sup>, when the Queen became monarch.

They will remain there until Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The Council will arrange for party boxes to be delivered to the care homes, so the residents can all take part in commemorating such a monumental occasion.

If you would like to organise your own Street Party to celebrate this event, lots of advice is available on our website [www.westmoors-tc.gov.uk](http://www.westmoors-tc.gov.uk)



## Grants awarded since September 2021

### St Anthony's Church

A grant of £1,000 was awarded to help purchase a defibrillator for the church and community use.



### Home Start South East Dorset

A grant of £1,600 was requested and awarded, to provide emotional support/friendship/practical help to disadvantaged families with young children who are struggling to cope with issues such as poor mental health, post-natal depression, disability, domestic abuse, bereavement, isolation, financial hardship, or inadequate housing.

The grant will fund targeted support to families living in West Moors provided by specially trained Home-Start volunteers.

It will help families to improve their mental wellbeing, improve parenting and coping skills, increase confidence, and help them to reconnect with their community and access local services.

## Apprentice Vocational Training Scheme

Since 2015, the Council have been awarding grants of £250 to assist with purchases of related tools and equipment.

We are pleased to say that we have a recipient for 2021/2022 – Ben Davis, 20.

Ben is in his final year of a 4 year apprenticeship with Ringwood Motor Company, where he will achieve Level 3 in Motor Mechanics.

The grant will help towards the cost of tools required to further his career.

West Moors Town Council wish Ben the best with his chosen vocation and his journey that follows.

There is a maximum of £1,000 per year available in this Apprentice Scheme and there is still time to apply for this grant. We would love to hear from you and help you on your way with your career. Whether it is for you or someone else, please contact the office, or download an application form and rules from [www.westmoors-tc.gov.uk](http://www.westmoors-tc.gov.uk)

## 'Poppies on the Petwyn' for Remembrance Day 2021

To commemorate Remembrance Day this year, Muriel Moore, Church Secretary and Elder, at St Martin's United Reformed Church, led the initiative for 'The Poppies on The Petwyn'. Beautiful poppies were knitted/crocheted and displayed on the Petwyn (inspired by a village called Pennington in 2019) on Saturday 6th November.

Contributions and support by:

West Moors Womens Institute, West Moors Towns Women's Guild, St. Mary's Church, Library Knit & Natter group, Golden Hands, individual residents of the West Moors and West Moors Scouts.

Muriel also thanked the Council for offering the Petwyn as the location for the display.

Red for remembrance, mauve to remember the animals and white for peace.

We think they look lovely, and thank them for their time in making and installing elsewhere in the town, as well as the Petwyn.



## Clean up after your pet

Dog faeces carry diseases as well as odours.  
PLEASE DO NOT USE OTHER PEOPLE'S BINS TO DEPOSIT DOG WASTE BAGS.  
PLEASE TAKE IT HOME.  
Follow the Doggy Doo code:  
[www.dorsetdogs.org.uk/wagipa/wdia/doggy-doo-code/](http://www.dorsetdogs.org.uk/wagipa/wdia/doggy-doo-code/)

**BIO-DEGRADABLE  
COMPOSTABLE DOG  
WASTE BAGS**

Sold in the Council office.

## You can be fined

Each authority follows the procedure and guidance, written under the Antisocial Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014

A Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £100 could be issued or up to £1,000 if it goes to a magistrates court.

## Report dog fouling

You can report dog fouling to Dorset Council via an online form.

[www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/environmental-health/dog-warden-service](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/environmental-health/dog-warden-service).

Tel: 01202 228770  
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