



Malmesbury & St Paul Without Residents' Association

Hon President: The Mayor of Malmesbury

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News Sheet

- Neighbourhood Forum** – The Prince's Foundation for the Built Environment is facilitating a neighbourhood planning exercise for the Malmesbury neighbourhood area, over three days. As you may know, Malmesbury Town Council, St Paul Without Parish Council and Brokenborough Parish Council, with support from Wiltshire Council, will be producing a Neighbourhood Plan, following a successful bid for funding. In order to open up the discussion to a wider audience, The Prince's Foundation team will also facilitate two public sessions. All members of the community are welcome to attend. The first public session will explain the process and enable the community to explain their concerns and thoughts on its future. The second session will provide an opportunity for The Prince's Foundation to present back the outcomes of the workshop. Everyone is welcome at both public sessions, which will be held on:
 - Monday 27th February 6.30 for 7pm at Malmesbury Secondary School Hall,
 - Thursday 1st March 6.30 for 7pm at Malmesbury Town Hall.
- Sainsbury's Supermarket application** – The Association, together with our Member of Parliament, Malmesbury Town Council and the Chamber of Commerce have decided to oppose this application for valid planning reasons. The most significant of these are that (a) it is premature in the light of our emerging Neighbourhood Plan, (b) the lack of evidence of need for a supermarket on this scale and (c) the potential damage to the commercial viability of our treasured High Street. Rather bizarrely the St Paul Without Parish Council voted to support the application largely for reasons wholly unrelated to the planning detail in the application.

There is still time to make your views count.

Our website www.malmesburyresidents.org.uk will tell you how.
- Other major applications** – The Association is now analysing and forming a view on the other two major applications to hit the town: Gleeson for 180+ houses at Filands and Waitrose for a food store behind the Silk Mills. Look out for our analysis on the website and email.
- Section 106 Contributions** – The results from the well-attended public consultation have now been collated and published. The most popular views were: (a) a fund to promote the High Street, (b) a fund to subsidise town parking charges and (c) a fund to provide for environmental improvements.
- Market Cross/Oxford Street** – Wiltshire Council propose to reinstate the "NO RIGHT TURN" text at The Market Cross/Oxford St junction Malmesbury in February.
- Household Waste** – This moves to a fortnightly collection in March.
- Street lighting** – The Area Board approved plans to reduce some street lighting between 23:00 and 05:00 hrs in White Lion Park and St Paul Without Parish.

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