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Working for the Community

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Watchet Carnival is coming up over the weekend of 24th and 25th July. A free weekend with various activities, live music and great entertainment for all ages. There are a few more details on page 9.

Further ahead Watchet Summertime takes place during the third week in August, a week of fundraising events culminating in a fantastic firework display. Then on 12th and 13th September Watchet Forties Weekend takes place with many displays, events and entertainment reliving those times.

For anyone driving to Bristol or the airport be aware there are lots of roadworks at nine different locations so allow extra time for your journey.



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www.watchetadvertiser.com and

www.facebook.com/WatchetAdvertiser.com

Full business case for A38 major road network submitted to Government

The project includes works at nine locations along the A38 running between Barrow Street junction at Barrow Tanks and the Edithmead Roundabout.

Improvement works planned for one of the county's major transport arteries have taken an important step forward following the submission of the Full Business Case for the A38 Major Road Network project to the Department for Transport (DfT).

Developed and delivered in partnership with [North Somerset Council](#), the A38 Major Road Network looks to better connect communities by improving options for getting around - including by active and sustainable travel - whilst also addressing journey reliability times and road safety.

The project includes works at 9 locations along the A38 running between Barrow Street junction at Barrow Tanks and the Edithmead Roundabout (M5 J22).

Each upgrade is carefully designed to complement one another, future proofing the A38 to tackle the pressures that come with economic and population growth.

The DfT will now look at the final proposals and take a decision on the approval of funds needed to build the project.

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When your phone goes missing ...

Dear Readers,

There are few modern inconveniences that can create the feeling of panic as realising your phone is missing. One moment it is in your pocket, the next it has vanished into thin air. Before long, you are checking every room in the house, retracing your steps and wondering if it has been left in a shop, dropped in a car park, or simply slipped between the sofa cushions yet again.

The good news for most of us is that modern smartphones are much easier to find than they used to be provided a few settings have been enabled beforehand, which is what I will talk about today.

Firstly, iPhone. Easy to start with. Make sure 'Find my iPhone' is turned on. You can check this by opening Settings, tapping your name at the top, selecting 'Find My' and double checking this feature is enabled. If the phone goes missing you can log into your Apple account from another device and see its location on a map, make it play a loud sound, mark it as lost, or even erase it remotely if necessary. Using this last option is a last resort!

Android users have a similar feature called 'Find my Device'. This is usually enabled when you sign in with a Google account but it is worth checking. Open the Settings and look for 'Find my Device'. If your phone evaporates you can search for it online, ring it remotely, secure it or wipe the data if there is no hope of recovery. again this is only to be used as a last resort.

One tip (as I explained a few months ago) is adding emergency contact information to your lock screen. If an honest person finds your phone giving them a way to contact you can dramatically improve the chances of recovering your prized device. You would be surprised how many lost phones are returned simply because someone had an easy way to identify the owner.

The last option of remotely wiping your device is significant. There is generally no issue with using this but you must ensure cloud backups for photos and contacts, or even the full device is set up. Losing a phone is frustrating. Losing years of photographs at the same time is far worse. These days automatic backups mean that even if the device is never seen again, your memories and important information remains safe.

Obviously do not wait until the phone is missing to check these settings. Spend five minutes today making sure everything is enabled and working properly so that if you need it, you have it. To quote my wife 'my future self will thank me' and she is right.

Finally, statistics are unavailable but I suspect that half the time the lost phone is down the back of the sofa!

As always, any questions please send them to ICT@lyntonadvertiser.com

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With sincere gratitude we wish to express our thanks to all the writers, artists and friends who contributed to making our much-loved father's life so happy and fulfilled. He always talked so passionately about how much you all meant to him.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances outside our control, we were unable to celebrate his amazing life with you.

We feel very fortunate to have grown up enjoying his stories and humour and having our key milestones captured in his uniquely distinctive artwork.

He meant the world to us and is sadly missed ...

"The most important thing in the world is family and love"

Quote by John Wooden



A poster for Somerset Armed Forces Day. The top half features a photograph of soldiers in red ceremonial uniforms and camouflage. Above them is a Union Jack flag with the text 'SOMERSET ARMED FORCES DAY SHOW YOUR SUPPORT'. Below the photo, the text '2026 SOMERSET ARMED FORCES DAY' is displayed. A QR code is on the right. The bottom section describes the event as a free community event and lists activities: displays & stalls, live entertainment, and military vehicles. The date and time are 4 July 2026, 10 AM - 6 PM, at Vivary Park, Taunton. The website www.somersetarmedforcesday.com is at the bottom.

SOMERSET
ARMED FORCES DAY

Is a FREE community event to show your support for, and celebrate, the men and women who make up the Armed Forces and Emergency Services communities: from those still serving, their families, veterans and cadets.

- ✓ DISPLAYS & STALLS
- ✓ LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- ✓ MILITARY VEHICLES

4 JULY 2026
10 AM - 6 PM
Vivary Park, Taunton

www.somersetarmedforcesday.com



A poster for Mountain Rescue Exmoor. The top left features the Mountain Rescue Exmoor logo. The main text reads 'IN TROUBLE ON EXMOOR?' in large, bold letters. Below this, it says 'CALL 999 and ask for Police and then MOUNTAIN RESCUE'. The background is a photograph of a person in a red jacket and backpack standing on a hill. The bottom section contains a smartphone icon with '999' on it, followed by the text 'In an emergency, always call 999 and ask for Police and then MOUNTAIN RESCUE'. On the right, a mountain icon is next to the text 'WE'RE HERE TO HELP 24/7'.

MOUNTAIN RESCUE
EXMOOR

IN TROUBLE
ON EXMOOR?

CALL 999
and ask for
Police and then
MOUNTAIN RESCUE

In an emergency,
always call **999**
and ask for
Police and then
MOUNTAIN RESCUE

WE'RE HERE
TO HELP
24/7

Council Tax and Benefits system upgrade: what residents need to know

Somerset Council is continuing to upgrade its system for Council Tax, Benefits and Business Rates by merging its legacy district services into one, so there is one system for the whole of Somerset.

From 25 June the current Revenues and Welfare systems will be unavailable for several weeks, but the exact duration depends on progress.

The completion of this update will bring a new, improved customer portal and easier payment options but there will be some temporary disruption to services while the final stage of the changeover takes place.

The downtime may mean there is a temporary increase in outstanding work as the service continues to manage the move from older systems to the new system. During this period of downtime, some services will not be available. A plan is in place to manage this, and Somerset Council say they will work as quickly as possible to reduce any backlog and minimise the impact.

For more information go to <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/news/council-tax-and-benefits-system-upgrade-what-residents-need-to-know/>



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Friday August 28th - Monday August 31st, 2026

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST	SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST
2.00pm Opening	1.00 - 1.30 Watchet town band
2.15 - 3.30 Moor Jazz	2.15 - 3.30 Samphire
4.00 - 5.00 The Kingstons	4.00 - 5.15 Soul Trio
5.30 - 7.00 VooDoo Seven	5.45 - 7.00 Jorden Lyndsey
7.30 - 9.30 Filta	7.30 - 9.00 Irie Fire
10.00 - 12.00 Bloc Off the Wall + DJ Set	9.30 - 11.00 Jamestown Brothers

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SATURDAY 29TH & SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST: MUSIC

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Stagecoach Exmoor Buses Summer 2026

The timetables for this year's bus service between Ilfracombe and Minehead is at www.stagecoachbus.com

Operated by Stagecoach with support from Devon County Council and Somerset Council, there are separate bus services connecting at Lynmouth, from Minehead and Ilfracombe. The single fare is capped at £3 for each bus service.



WATCHET CARNIVAL

24th to 26th July 2026

Friday Evening 'Music & Song'
7 pm to 9 pm on The Esplanade.

Saturday 'Fiesta' 12 pm to 8.30 pm
in Watchet and on The Esplanade.

Sunday 'Fayre' 12 pm to 5 pm.
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A story competition to save the planet

One peel at a time.

Somerset Council, SUEZ and Biffa have teamed up to get everyone thinking about their environment. Children are invited to write a fun and engaging short story to encourage people to recycle their food waste.

Prizes include:- book tokens for the top six young authors. Plus a prize draw for a chance to win £200 for the library of one participating Somerset school.

The great Somerset food recycling adventure.
 A story competition to save the planet one peel at a time.

How to enter

Entrants must be aged 4 to 11. Write your story, a maximum of 599 words and email it to recycle@somerset.gov.uk by 14 September 2026 at 23:59. Or drop hand-written or printed copies to any of our Somerset libraries or post to Waste Services, Somerset Council, County Hall TA1 4DY by 14 September 2026.

Your school, parent or guardian should write: your name, your age, and their contact information, location, phone number or email address with your entry.

We can't wait to read your creative stories!
 Full T&Cs on the back or available at www.somerset.gov.uk/FoodCampaign

The great Somerset food recycling adventure

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Regal Comedy Night

Saturday 11 July, 7.30pm

Join us for a night of fun, laughter and something a little bit different for The Regal Theatre... The evening will feature a professional line up from the cream of the UK Comedy Circuit.

The New Jersey Boys

Friday 24 July, 7.30pm

Back by popular demand, the New Jersey Boys return for another unmissable evening featuring the music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons and much more.

Minehead & Exmoor Music Festival

Monday 27 July, 7.30pm

*Hebrides Overture, Felix Mendelssohn
Introduction & Allegro Op.47, Edward Elgar Cello
Concerto No.1 in A minor Op.33, Camille Saint-Saens (soloist: Maxim Calver) Adagio on Celtic
Melodies Op.56, Max Bruch (soloist: Maxim
Calver) Symphony No.99 in Eb major, Josef Haydn*

Minehead & Exmoor Music Festival

Wednesday 29 July, 7.30pm

*Overture Creatures of Prometheus, Ludwig van
Beethoven Flute Concerto, Aram Khachaturian
(soloist: Christopher Wyatt) D'un matin de
printemps, Lilli Boulanger Swan Lake Suite, Pyotr
Ilych Tchaikovsky*

Minehead & Exmoor Music Festival

Saturday 1 August, 7.30pm

*Buckaroo Holiday from Rodeo, Aaron Copland El
Amor Brujo, Manuel de Falla Symphony No.2
in E minor, Sergei Rachmaninov*

Tickets for all events may be booked in advance online at <https://regaltheatre.co.uk/whatson> or from the Box Office (Tel 01643 706430) between 9.30am and 12.00pm Monday - Saturday

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Matinee Monday 6 July at 2.30pm

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SCARLETT JOHANSSON, EMILY BEECHAM *The plot follows three sisters who return to their family home to attend the third wedding of their twice-widowed mother, each dealing with their own personal problems.* **15 96 minutes**

Saturday 4, Sunday 5 July at 2.30pm

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WHERE IS HEAVEN

Ged and Dave *spend 10 years filming off-grid residents in North Devon capturing their lives without mains electricity. They document diverse personalities philosophies and landscapes, set to Cosmo Sheldrake's music.* **96 minutes**

Friday 10 July for 7 days at 8.00pm

Matinee Monday 13 at 2.30pm

TUNER MLEO WOODALL, DUSTIN HOFFMAN

A talented piano tuner who suffers from hyperacsis discovers an unexpected aptitude for cracking safes. **15 107 minutes**

Friday 17 July for 7 days at 8.00pm

Matinee Monday 20 at 2.30pm

500 MILES BILL NIGHY, ROMAN GRIFFIN DAVIS

A grandfather on the west coast of Ireland is estranged from his grandchildren, Charlie and Finn, before they take it upon themselves to visit him. **12A 101 minutes**

Friday 24 July for 7 days at 8.00pm

Matinee Monday 27 July at 2.30pm

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RICHARD E. GRANT *Set in 18th Century England during pox outbreak and Jacobite uprising. Sir Chauncey and Lady Savage blindly pursue a better life. Their pursuit is filled with ironic decadence and bloodshed. A darkly satirical play on class and power.* **15 114 minutes**

Friday 31 July for 7 days at 2.30pm and 8.00pm

SUPERGIRL (2026)

MILLY ALCOCK, EMILY BEECHAM *Kara Zor-El aka Supergirl joins forces with an unlikely companion on an interstellar journey of vengeance and justice when an unexpected adversary strikes too close to home.* **12A 108 minutes**

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