



St Leonards Neighbourhood News.

Newsletter Ideas

Come and meet us at The Mount Radford pub,
27th March 7pm to 9pm.
Talk through your ideas for articles, content, competitions etc.

The Future of the Neighbourhood News.

The SLNA Neighbourhood News has been a regular feature of St Leonard's life for 44 years. Coming out every two months, it relies on volunteers both for its content and its distribution and on our advertisers to keep it financially viable. It has kept us informed of important campaigns and planning issues affecting the neighbourhood, reported on local events, suggested walks, given us information about some of our local history, buildings, flora and fauna, told us of the comings and goings of local shops and businesses, given accounts of residents travels, interests and adventures and kept us in touch with our local church.

Many residents tell us they appreciate the newsletter BUT... regular readers will know that sometimes the newsletter is full and sometimes it is a bit 'thin'. The content always reflects how much has been submitted to the editor in terms of articles and news. Our current editor, Norman Shiel, has steered the newsletter for 30 years this seems a good time to ask 'What do we want from the newsletter?' and 'How do we ensure it continues for another 44 years?'. Maybe you think its time has passed. Alternatively, if you want to see the paper newsletter continue and come through your letterbox rather than being 'clickable' on the web where you'll never actually find the time to read it, we need your input.

Gathering information and encouraging articles on, for example:-

- Shops and business news
- Events and clubs
- School news
- ECC and DCC news
- Nature Notes
- Charity News
- Recycling and for sale
- Puzzles and quiz
- Feature articles (e.g. 'I Like This Stuff' column where residents write about a hobby, a collection, a travel adventure)

If you are interested in anyway in getting involved in creating the newsletter - taking on a role, have ideas for the content, could write a regular column etc, etc, there will be a 'pop in and chat' session

at 7pm on 27th March, at The Mount Radford pub .

If you can't make the meeting but would like to get involved please email stleonardsnassoc@gmail.com.

Content Is there anything you would like to see in the newsletter that isn't mentioned above? Let us know. There is a response box on the SLNA website under newsletter. If you would like to go ahead now and write something for the newsletter, please do! Send it to the current editor at ilovelatinbaby@hotmail.com. If by some miracle we get a flood of articles we can start to build a bank of articles ready for future newsletters.

DO let us know your views and ideas. We want the newsletter to be reflective of our community and its values and interests. Other areas of Exeter are very jealous of our Neighbourhood News, printed and delivered door to door to 3200 houses in the area, we need to know what you want and we need your help to see it thrive.