



## Welcome Pack For New Residents In Priston

A very warm welcome to Priston and we hope that you will soon settle into the village and will have the chance personally to meet your neighbours and fellow "Pristonians".

This is an extremely friendly and sociable village; please see overleaf for details of all the activities that exist should you wish to be involved. Lots more information is available on the village website, [www.priston.org.uk](http://www.priston.org.uk).

However, in the meantime this pack is designed to help you with any practical questions you might have on your arrival. Depending on where you live, please contact any of the following who will be able to answer any questions, or point you in the right direction:

Fiona Hassard, Rozel  
Claire Lawton, 5 Summer Lea  
Louise Callan, Long Barn

**Website: [www.priston.org.uk](http://www.priston.org.uk)**

## Local Shops

Large Sainsburys at Frome Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 5RF 01225 498600 Open 7am to 10pm  
Small Co-op at Marksbury (also a garage) BA2 9HN 470202 01761 479610. Open 7am 10pm  
Small Co-op at Timsbury BA2 0JH 01761 470202. Open 6am to 9pm  
McColls Newsagents in Timsbury which also does paper deliveries.  
(All the above have ATMs)  
Meat delivery (every Thursday): Newton Farm Foods, Kirsty Gay  
W Millard – Butcher in Peasedown St John

## Public Services

### **Rubbish and Recycling: (Collection Day is Tuesday)**

This service is operated weekly by Bath & North East Somerset Council, our local unitary authority.  
Council Connect: 01225 394041 or [councilconnect@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:councilconnect@bathnes.gov.uk)

Rubbish: Please put in bags on the road on a Monday evening for approximately 7.00 am collection on the following day.

Recycling: The Council collect most recycling including paper, cardboard, glass, plastic. See website for further details. The recycling is generally collected around midday every Tuesday. Please bring all bins and recycling boxes back off the pavement or road after collections.

Garden Waste: The Council supplies green wheelie bins for garden waste which are collected every two weeks. Apply to BANES for a bin (annual charge applies).

Bonfires: Please be considerate when lighting garden bonfires and limit this to late afternoon, not burning damp green garden waste.

### **Recycling Centres**

Managed by Bath & New East Somerset Council and are open weekdays 8.45 to 4.15pm, Saturday 9.00 to 3.45pm, Sunday 9.00 to 1.00pm. A permit is required to use the recycling centres.

Pixash Lane, Keynsham BS31 1TP  
Midland Road, Bath BA1 3AT  
Wheelers Hill, Old Welton, Midsomer Norton BA3 2AA

### **Mobile Library**

The mobile library visits Priston every other week on Thursdays from 10.35 – 10.55 am.

### **Schools**

The local catchment schools are Marksbury C of E Primary School, Wellsway School, Keynsham (secondary). Buses are provided for the children from outside the Village Hall.

### **Public Transport**

A bus service runs from the village hall to Bath and back again on weekdays. Please see the timetable at the bus stop for up-to-date running information. Elderly residents may also make use of the Midsomer Norton Dial-a-Ride service: Contact 01761 417504.

### **Heating Oil**

Priston operates a private, free, bulk buying syndicate for the purchase of heating oil. Please contact Peter Brooks for more details on 01761 470589.

## Health

### Doctor's Surgery

St Mary's, Timsbury: 01761 470 880. There are alternative surgeries available in Bath.

### NHS Dentists

Peasedown St John: 01761 439191

There are further NHS dentists in Keynsham and also several private dentists in Bath.

### Defibrillators

There are two defibrillators in Priston for use in case of severe heart attacks, one at the village hall and the other at Willow Barn. Many villagers are trained in how to use them. Contact John Wilkinson on 01761 470773 for a list of trained users or if you would like to take part in future training yourself.

### Hospitals

The nearest A&E is at the Royal United Hospital in Weston, Bath. There is also a minor injuries unit at Paulton Hospital.

## Communication

### Broadband

In addition to BT, Priston has ultra-fast "fibre to the home" broadband (and phone lines available) contact TrueSpeed Communications Ltd on 01225 300370.

### Website

We have a village website, [www.priston.org.uk](http://www.priston.org.uk) which is regularly updated with upcoming events and reports on local activities. Please contact Richard Bottle with any information you would like to appear on the site. We also have a Facebook page for village information.

### Village Newsletter

*The Link* is published every month with news and information for Priston, Nailwell and Inglesbatch. Cost £6 pa. Contact Aylet Anderson, Editor on 01761 470339 to subscribe or to contribute articles.

### Post Offices

The closest post offices are located in McColls in Timsbury, Peasedown St John and Combe Down.

## Activities

### Village Hall

The village hall is available to hire for all private functions, including weddings and parties. Contact Myrna Ostgaard, bookings manager on 479058 for further information.

### Cafes

There is a weekly café run by volunteers on most Saturday mornings in Priston Village Hall. There are also commercial cafes in Timsbury (Connies) and Newton St Loe (at the Farm Shop).

### Bell Ringing

The bell ringing group meets on Tuesday evenings. New members always welcome. Please contact Jill Wilkinson on 470773 for further information.

### **Book Club**

The book club meets on the first Thursday of the month at 8.30 pm in the Ring of Bells. A wide range of books are read and all are welcome. Contact Penny Rogers on 01761 470589.

### **Cricket Club**

Priston has a vibrant and active 'village' cricket club. The pitch is located behind the church and all residents are welcome to join either as players or social members. Contact David Hassard on 01761 751338.

### **Football**

All ages welcome to come along and play football on Sunday evenings. Contact David Hassard for further information.

### **Gardening Club**

The gardening Club meets monthly in various gardens around Priston to discuss horticultural issues (with tea and cake). Contact Michele Cameron.

### **Churches**

St Andrew and St Luke, C of E (Priston). Contact Rev Martin Blewitt 01761 472448  
St Joseph Catholic (Peasedown). Contact Mrs Michaela LARBALSTIER 01761 420809

### **Leisure Centres and Sports**

A number of different sports activities take place in the village hall including circuit training and Pilates. There are swimming pools and sports facilities at leisure centres in central Bath and Keynsham. Writhlington Sports Centre also has extensive sports facilities. There is an outdoor cycle track and sports pitches at Odd Down Park.

### **Annual Village Activities**

Priston has an active calendar of social activities run by different groups in the village. The year starts with a Duck Race on New Year's Day, followed by Wassailing, The Village Social, May Day (annual fete), Cricket Club quiz, Pantomime, Boules Tournament, Flower Festival, Music Festival, Safari Supper and a Candlelit Christmas procession and carol service.

(Please note that this is a representative list and may be subject to change.)

## **Parish Council**

The Parish Council is responsible for planning, highways, footpaths and the defibrillators. Contact: [parishclerk@priston.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@priston.org.uk) for any issue you may wish to discuss.