

LIFTING SUMMER

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Towns and villages where walkers are welcome

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Address to WaW Members

Here's another chance to see Baz Fewster, and those particularly attractive curtains, highlighting what the NEC has been up to and how you can help promote your town or village. [See link](#)

Included in the message is the sad news that it has been decided to postpone the Kington Annual Get-Together to 2021. New arrangements will have to be made for the AGM, with details to follow. It is proposed that the 2022 AGT will be held at Alton, Hampshire and all Regional Get-Togethers proposed for 2020 moved to 2021.

the suggestion to piggy-back events with September - Heritage Open Days and November - National Tree Week. Why not let us know your views.

Can you help with any of the new working groups within the NEC covering Finance, Membership, PR & Marketing, IT & Website, Mentoring & Themed Events?

Help us to help you publicise your town or village.

Website Regions

The regional divisions on the website have been changed and you may find that your town or village has been moved. Let us know what you think and can you spot any mistakes?

While you are on the website, please add an up to date photo. to your profile. Any problems with logging in or the upload, we can help.



Staycation

Whether or not you like the phrase, the 'staycation' is being spread through the press, in search of a story, as the lockdown throughout the UK is slowly lifted. Walkers and visitors are particularly looking for places that are "off the beaten track" or offer "peace and quiet" to enable them to feel safer.

The i-newspaper featured 'Where can I go on holiday?' Showcasing some of UK's best spots in search of solitude after lockdown, from Exmoor to Norfolk and Cumbria by Sarah Baxter, [see online](#). A number of our member's areas received a mention including Blue Flag beaches and crabbing at **Cromer**. The pièce de résistance was the recommendation for BoA Walkers Wheel by **Bradford-on-Avon**.

With Wales now open for visitors, promoting the Cambrian Mountains has stepped up to the challenge. Below, the fantastic night sky posted by **Bro Tregaron** on their [Facebook page](#). WaW members **Devil's Bridge**, **Llanwrtyd Wells**, **Llandovery**, and **Llandysul** are all in those spectacular Welsh mountains.

Have you booked your break yet? Why not visit friends in a Waw town or village.



This may be interesting

Andrew Bibby, Hebden Bridge has highlighted Gritstone authors' launch of **Countryside after Covid blog**. What will be the issues facing the English countryside after the loosening of the lockdown rules on 4th July? (England) [See website.](#)

Six webinars will take place online in July to give farmers across England the chance to discuss and share their views on the design of future farming policy through the new **Environmental Land Management Scheme**. Sharing views is also called for by 31st July. [see further information.](#)

A statement written on behalf of bodies including Scottish Natural Heritage and the University of Edinburgh has called on the nation to embrace recent positive societal impacts experienced during the pandemic including walking. [See news.](#)

It has been proposed that customers will be allowed to go inside pubs and restaurants in Wales from 3rd August, if all goes well.

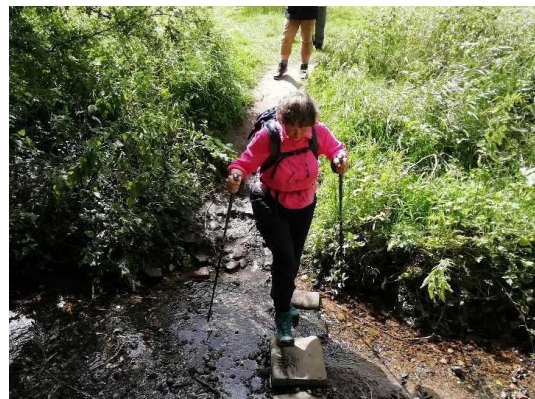


independent shops in our communities, Totally Locally has made a number of free resources available to download and display in our communities. **See their website.**

Totally Locally is a membership organisation. It hopes to bring vibrancy, a spirit of cooperation, and a better Independent High Street. Your local Chamber of Trade may well be interested in their various schemes for members like their Fiverfest.

Members' News

There are several ways that we can help to spread your news through the organisation and beyond - Through entering on the Website news using your login, emailing for the newsletter, or entering or tagging on twitter and our facebook page. **@WalkersareWelcome #WalkersrWelcome #Walkersarewelcome** Help us to help you.



Thank you to all of you that are sending in your first walks after lockdown which has been put on the

urging an increase in this amount. Others are still concentrating on walks for local people providing walk descriptions and leaflets. Thank you all and [see website news.](#)

See you next month - Ann Sandell secretary@walkersarewelcome.org.uk

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