

# TWERTON AND WHITEWAY



WINTER 2024/25

## Community Network Newsletter

Well Happy New Year! After a busy and joyful festive season across Twerton and Whiteway, 2025 promises to get off to an exciting start with plenty of new things kicking off in January.

'**Blooming Whiteway**' are launching a group with a climate focus called '**Overgrown**' for gardeners to get together and help our area blossom. **Seated Dance** is coming to Southside Hub with the first two weeks free, and **Twerton Infants** and **Little Lost Robots** are searching for people to help transform a classroom into '**The Roost**' - a creative wellbeing space. Volunteers will learn design skills alongside professional artists -contact [ruby@lostrobot.org](mailto:ruby@lostrobot.org) to get involved.

It was wonderful to see locals being so generous in spreading Christmas joy, especially with the absence this year of the beloved Santa Float. **MoreTreesBANES** (based at the back of Redland Park) invited locals to a free wreath-making/crafts day, **Oldfield School** held community carols in the football club carpark, Santa handed out presents at **Bath City Farm's** Winter Fair, and the Christmas lights going up around our neighbourhoods were something to behold.

It would be great to see you at our **get together on Saturday 25th January**, when we'll be dishing up breakfast at **Southdown Methodist Centre** (details below). We're hoping to hear people's memories and thoughts about the weekly market that used to run at **Twerton Park**, as there seems to be a lot of interest in reviving it.

You can always message us (Kate and Sally, the Network Coordinators) on [hello@twertonandwhiteway.org](mailto:hello@twertonandwhiteway.org) or **07398 589680 / 07961 869970**.



### Dates for your diary



- 9 Jan** **Man Down (Male mental health talking meeting)** Fortnightly, Thursdays 7pm at Twerton Village Hall
- 10 Jan** **Seated Dance** 11am-12pm at Southside Community Centre (& then weekly)
- 15 Jan** **'Let's Talk About It [Funerals]' coffee morning** 10am - 2pm Southside Community Centre
- 18 Jan** **'Overgrown' (Blooming Whiteway's gardening club) launch** 2-4pm at Bath City Farm
- 25 Jan** **Twerton & Whiteway Big Breakfast** 10am - 12.30pm Southdown Methodist Church
- 6/7 Feb** **Community Organising Training** [see other side for detail] Roseberry Road Studios BA2 3DX

### TWERTON & WHITEWAY BIG BREAKFAST

10AM - 1PM  
SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY



Hear and share local updates and ideas for our area while enjoying a free brekkie

SOUTHDOWN METHODIST CHURCH CENTRE

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## You're needed for Community Organisers Training!

Calling all of you community people out there who help your neighbours, run after school clubs, pick up litter in your street or offer a listening ear to other, and those of you who would like to get involved more!

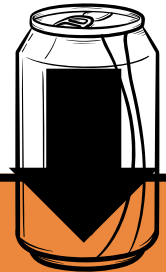
On Thursday and Friday **6th/7th February** we're running a free 'Community Organising' training at Roseberry Road Studios (BA2 3DX - on the river just beyond the Unite student block) - see map below.

There's space for 30 people, and the training should help us feel confident uniting as a community to build on what's great about our area. We'll learn some useful tips and ideas for making positive change and standing up for what our community needs.

Lunch is provided on both days and support is available for transport/ childcare/access requirements.

Contact us (Kate and Sally) to register:

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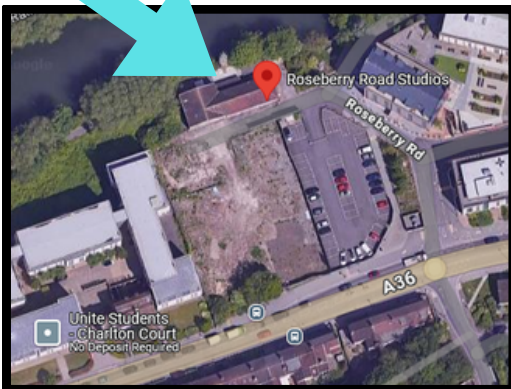
## Whiteway Cans

The good folks of the Whiteway Community Association (WCA) collect empty drink cans which are converted into cash to benefit the community (e.g. the goal post nets on Whiteway Green and the Memorial Garden bench).

The cans must be **aluminium only, bagged up** and crushed if possible.

You can drop them in the jumbo bag in the collection bay on Roseworn Close - opposite the skate ramp (take 2nd turning right in Roseworn Close and the bay is in the left corner), or drop off at 180 or 277 Haycombe Drive.

You can also request a collection via the WCA Facebook group or [whitewaycommunityassociation@gmail.com](mailto:whitewaycommunityassociation@gmail.com)



## Rach's Cafe



Big congratulations to local legend Rachel Wiles who is bringing more life to Mount Road by opening a new cafe!

Breakfasts start from £6.50 and you can eat in or takeaway.



Anyone who visited the community cafe at Southside will know and love Rach, so let's show our support and make sure this new local business is a big success.

*Thank you!*

## So long Nathan!



A heartfelt thank you and goodbye-for-now to Nathan who is stepping down from running Rose Cottage after years of service to the community.

He is taking up a new role in Keynsham and Mike Smith will be filling his shoes. Make sure you pay Mike and the brilliant Rose Cottage team a visit and show your support with the changes!