

# Focus On Blackbrook, Halcon, Lambrook and Lane Online

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Issues covered: roads, pavements, social care, education, libraries, buses, hedges, etc

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## New Council Homes

We are making huge progress towards providing new affordable council homes for local people. The new flats in Laxton Road (pictured) are now being occupied and soon the former Oxford Inn site (pictured) will be redeveloped into council flats and houses. These will also be built to a zero-carbon standard to help bring down energy costs for tenants. There are also plans to redevelop Sneddon Grove (off Wheatley Crescent) into zero-carbon council homes as well as regenerate Leycroft Grove to improve the appearance of the street with better parking.



## Keep Our Community Tidy

An increase in people walking has led to more litter and overflowing bins. Somerset West and Taunton Council will be doing a big Spring Clean around Taunton to counter this. We are also aware of and dealing with increased litter locally. We ask you to please contact us if you spot any scruffy streets or spaces.

Covid permitting we will be repairing and replanting damaged brick planters around the Halcon estate when possible.

## Going Forward

We are proud that Liberal Democrat-led Somerset West and Taunton has great plans for the future. Examples include securing £14m to finally make a start on Firepool, allocating money to improve our car parks, committing to increase tree planting, and helping the future of local Link Centre by reversing the financial cut made in 2016 by the then Conservative-council.



The Government has said there will be elections in May but many of you are worried about voting during a pandemic! Why not become a postal voter to vote without any worries? Find out more at: [tdld.co.uk/become\\_a\\_postal\\_voter](http://tdld.co.uk/become_a_postal_voter)