

Saturday 10 July (three two-hour walks)

Wild food walks along the River Stour

Walk with an experienced forager and conservationist, looking for wild things to eat. Gain the confidence to pick tasty medicinal herbs, salad green and flowers. Booking is essential as places are limited to eight per walk. Cost is £5 per person (under 10s free).

Venue and times to be confirmed when booking.

Call Lucie Cowles, the Natural Path on 07903 587376.

Saturday 10 July, 9am-12.30pm

Pavement pictures in Blandford

Draw a picture in chalk on a paving slab of something or somewhere beautiful in Dorset. Bring a picture along or just go from memory.

Meet next to Blandford Church, in front of Bastard Bros memorial.

Details from Geoff of Cinnabar Eco- creative, on 07925 175872.

Saturday 10 July, 9.30am-4.30pm

Greenfire open day, Sturminster Newton

The showroom will be open to promote alternative eco- energy and heating solutions.

Stalbridge Lane, Sturminster Newton, DT10 2JQ.

Call 01258 425400 for details.

Monday 5 to Saturday 10 July, 10am-4pm

Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Charity Shop

The shop will be open all week with special offers, promoting re-use and recycling.

Barnack Walk, Blandford Forum.

Call 01258 450095 for details.

Monday 5 to Saturday 10 July

'Spot the Green' competition in Blandford shops

Look for the green spot on the ecologically sound item in the window.

Entry forms available from Set Fair 4 Trade, 22 Salisbury Street, Blandford.

The DT11 Forum Community Partnership

works with local communities in Blandford and surrounding villages and parishes.

Our vision is to create a thriving, vibrant and environmentally sustainable future for the town and villages of the DT11 Forum area, set in accessible and well-managed countryside.



Call in to see us at

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**Green
Week**

**From Sunday 4 to
Saturday 10 July 2010**

**A week of walks, talks,
presentations, arts activities
and other events in and around
Blandford, to raise awareness
and promote sustainable living**

All events are free unless otherwise stated

Sunday 4 July, 10am-4pm

Open day at Goldhill Organic Farm

Walks at 10am, 12pm and 2pm, and treasure hunts.

For adults, teenagers and children.

Goldhill Farm, Child Okeford, DT11 8HD.

Call 01258 861413 for details.

Sunday 4 July, 2-5pm

Something for Nothing: Family art event

Design and create bags, cards and notebooks from recycled envelopes. Please bring old envelopes – the bigger the better. Suitable for primary school aged children (up to two per adult, and not unaccompanied).

Adult Learning Centre, Black Lane, Blandford

DT11 8SW.

Call 0800 262648 to book or 01747 834169 for details.

Sunday 4 July, 3-4.30pm

Walk on Ringmoor and Turnworth Down

Join us to see how managing the downs with grazing has encouraged more wildlife. No dogs please.

Meet at Turnworth Down, between Turnworth and Okeford Fitzpaine, north side of Bulbarrow Hill.

Booking essential – call the Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty on 01305 228239

Monday 5 July, 4-6.30pm

Farm walk at Travellers Rest Farm

Go on a trailer ride, and stop to walk in cool woodland and flowery downland.

Travellers Rest Farm, near Durweston

Booking essential – call Natural England on 0300 060 1700.

Tuesday 6 July, 2-4.30pm

Walk on Hambledon Hill

Explore Hambledon Hill National Nature Reserve. See spectacular views over five counties, numerous wildflowers and butterflies, and Neolithic and Iron Age earthworks. Buses leave Blandford (East St) at 1:27pm and return at 4.51pm.

Meet outside the church in Child Okeford.

Call Ian Nicol of Natural England on 01202 841026 for details.

Wednesday 7 July, 6.30-7.30pm

Herb walk at Ringmoor near Turnworth

Identify herbs and learn about their uses.

Meeting place to be confirmed when booking.

Cost £1 and booking is essential. Call Luzia from Herbal Practice on 01258 456223 or email info@luzia.co.uk.

Wednesday 7 July, 7-9pm

Walk along the Trailway from Blandford

Discover the history of the Somerset and Dorset railway near Blandford on a two hour, mainly flat walk.

Meet Langton Rd car park, Blandford (Somerfields).

For details call Nicci Brown of the Blandford Railway Arches and Heritage Trail Group on 01258 459601.

Thursday 8 July, 11am

Butterfly Walk on Milldown, Blandford

Join us to look for beautiful butterflies on Milldown.

Families and children welcome. Bring a packed lunch if you want to stay longer. No need to book.

Meet at Milldown carpark, Blandford.

Call Butterfly Conservation on 01258 880524 for details.

Thursday 8 July, 6 for 6.30pm

Sowing Seeds Local Action Group meeting

Locally led funding programme, free refreshments.

Crown Hotel, Blandford, DT11 7AJ

Call Sarah Dyke on 07826 907361 for details.

Thursday 8 July, 7-8pm

A pictorial presentation of North Dorset

Images of the Trailway, local beauty spots and wildlife, by a photographer and Dorset Otter Group warden.

The Ark, St Nicholas Primary School, Station Road, Child Okeford, DT11 8EL.

For more details call Graham Rains on 01258 860216.

Thursday 8 July, 7-9pm

Talk on community health and wellbeing

Hear how the Transition Towns movement and local practitioners work together to care for communities.

The Parish Centre, Market Place, Blandford.

No need to book but call Lori Hillman of Sturminster Newton Transition Town for details on 01258 817668.

Friday 9 July, 9am-12pm

Green Fair and farmers market

Visit both the DT11 Green Fair and farmers market.

Green Fair stallholders include companies offering renewable technologies like solar panels and wood pellet boilers, environmental and wildlife groups, and local businesses selling eco-products.

The Corn Exchange, Blandford.

For details call DT11 Forum on 01258 489998.

Friday 9 July, 9.30am-1pm

Dorset Towns Forum: public meeting on the environment

To include a short tour of Blandford and a visit to the green fair, presentations on environmental issues, the launch of a Green Map and the chance to network, while enjoying a locally sourced buffet.

The Parish Centre, Market Place, Blandford

For details call Billie-Lou Rental on 01305 215103 or email billie@dorset2.co.uk.

Friday 9 July, 7-8.30pm.

The Local Landscape: an evening walk from Spetisbury

A gentle two-mile walk taking in the natural history and history of Spetisbury Rings, with the option of a pub stop on the way back.

Meet at Spetisbury Primary School car park.

For details call Geoff Jones of Cinnabar Eco-creative on 07925 175872.

Friday 9 July, 6-9pm

Garden clean-up with the Winterborne Whitechurch Scouts

Help get the yard and stream at Whatcombe House ready for the creation of a wildflower area and garden. Volunteers are welcome to join cubs and their parents (please bring your own tools). Free refreshments provided.

Whatcombe House, Winterborne Whitechurch (follow the Scouts' signs).

Details from Alan Whale, 07932 159070.