



# Lois Weedon and Weston Newsletter

March/April 2021 – Spring Edition

## From the Editor



Well here we are again!! A year ago I was considering what to include in the forthcoming March edition and getting excited about all the year’s special anniversary events... and then everything was closed with the first lockdown with a brief respite in the Summer and then by the Autumn we were facing a second lock down. It all kind of blends into one for me. Life seemed to be continuing as we got used to the new “normal”; socially distanced as we pass each other with a friendly wave taking our somewhat regular exercise and experimenting of all the various methods of on-line shopping. Now as we approach the end of the second lockdown, and Covid numbers are coming down, maybe, just maybe life will return to something closer to what we had back in 2019 !!

So what do we have to report in this (overdue) edition: We have reports from the Parish Council, WI, Village Hall, Church Rector, Churchwarden, St Loys School and gardening tips from the Horticultural Society. And good news: events are being planned!! The Church is planning events in the summer. Plumpton Trust is also planning a Summer event. More details to follow.

If you recall, when I wrote the last “From the Editor” in January I said I believed that our community remained infection free. My thanks to Angie Gray for correcting me. She has kindly written an article about her own experiences working in the NHS and what happened to her and her family in 2020.

People moving: We’d like to farewell to Deborah and James Thurman and their family and welcome to Clive and Laura Johnson who moved into Autumn Cottage, Lois Weedon earlier this month.

I reported the sad news of Dougie Hatton who passed away earlier this year. A poem was read out at his funeral which I have reproduced in this edition with kind permission of his widow, Elsie.

If you are reading this as a printed hard copy, then you are in a select group of valued members of our community for whom I am happy to continue printing the newsletter. However, the majority of our community are now happy and willing to receive a “paperless” newsletter by email and so if you would also like to go “paperless” then just send me an email and I will stop trudging up your driveway to deliver. Also, if you know of anyone outside the Village who would like to receive the Newsletter then just let me have their details (email only).

As both Newsletter Editor and a Parish Councillor, I receive a regular stream of information from sources such as South Northants Council, Northamptonshire County Council, The Highways Department as well as companies and organisations advertising products and services. A lot of this material is irrelevant but a fair chunk of it will be of interest to the community. So along with the full editions every 2 months, there are regular updates, keeping everyone as informed as possible. If you would like to receive this information and you are not already on my “News for the Parish” distribution list then email me at [loisweedonpaul@gmail.com](mailto:loisweedonpaul@gmail.com) and I will add you to the list. For anyone who is active on Social Media, we also have a Facebook page for local news and chat.

The next edition of the newsletter will be in May 2021 (no May Day event this year, Im afraid) I would like all material for the next edition to be with me by **Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021.**

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## Dates for your Diary

(Yes we are starting to advertise events !!)

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| Wed., April 7   | <b>Lois Weedon &amp; Weston WI.</b> 7:30pm Zoom Meeting “The Mitford Sisters”. Details to follow           |
| Sat., June 26   | <b>Garden Party</b> in aid of the Church at Lois Weedon House courtesy of Sue Greenaway. Details to follow |
| Sun., June 27   | <b>Plumpton Summer Concert:</b> From noon till 3pm, Plumpton Churchyard. Details on Page 6                 |
| Sat., August 21 | <b>Barn Dance</b> with the Banana Band at the Warrens Farm. Details to follow                              |

## Oil Club - Update

Having raised this question in a previous Newsletter, I have done further research. Here are some options. I have no personal experience of any of these and, in the absence of any volunteer to coordinate locally, I recommend that you “browse”. Your feedback and views would be welcome

- 1) The Oil Club (<https://www.oil-club.co.uk>) - you simply put your postcode in and find the one local to you and join. Basically, the more people that place an order, the lower the price will be. You can order during the week and they will give you a price on a Sunday for payment that Sunday. Typically the minimum order is 500 litres.
- 2) Another alternative is [www.boilerjuice.com](http://www.boilerjuice.com). Apparently they can be about 2p per litre more expensive but not always and again they work on the more orders in one village the cheaper it gets.

## **Parish Council**

Here is a summary of the most recent Parish Council meeting held on **July 27<sup>th</sup>** held on-line & email due to Covid-19 restrictions. Full minutes of council meetings are posted on the Village Notice Boards and on the Parish Council website. If anyone would like more on any matter, please contact the Clerk, Ken Power.

**Finance Matters: Accounts** 2020/21 to-date and budget performance to date were reviewed and approved. These have been posted on the Village website and shared by email to those on the community email list.

**Interim Internal Audit:** The Council's financial activities are audited by an external auditor once per year in July and internally audited twice per year. The first interim audit in January was approved and accepted at this meeting.

**Budget and Precept** 2021/22: A proposed budget was presented and was approved. It was also agreed that the precept should be increased by £50.00 to £4800.00 in line with inflation. Similarly it was agreed that the Clerk's salary should be increased in line with inflation.

**Payments** were approved for EON (electricity supply and maintenance), 2Commune (website hosting, support and license), Clerk's salary and expenses.

**Planning Matters:** Two Planning Applications were presented – **Orchard House Weston** (tree work) – no response required; **29 High Street Weston** (demolition of existing barn and erection of two storey dwelling). The Parish Council formally objected to the application in December. Despite repeated efforts by the Council since then, and strong objections from numerous local residents, SNC has subsequently approved the application.

**Other matters:** It was agreed to appoint the Clerk, Kenneth Power, as police liaison representative for the Parish.

**Castle Mound Tree Survey:** After reviewing proposals from several applicants, it was agreed to accept the tender from Macintyre Trees Ltd and to ask them to carry out the survey.

**Correspondence:** Email received from local residents about parking in Grove Lane. A council representative will speak to those concerned to try to resolve the concerns. This has since been done.

**Date and time of next meeting:** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021 - held on-line & by email due to Covid-19 restrictions.

### **Appeal from the Clerk**

Once a year the Parish Council is required to check and review the condition of its "assets": including benches, bus shelters etc. One of the three picnic tables from the Millennium Field has gone missing. I know that, from time to time, in the past tables have been borrowed and returned. If anyone has borrowed a table and not yet returned it can you please let me know so that it can be accounted for on the council's asset register?

Thanks in advance for your help.

*Ken Power, Parish Clerk, Tel: 01327 860054 (E-mail: [wlwparishclerk@outlook.com](mailto:wlwparishclerk@outlook.com))*

### **Inappropriate disposal of Dog Poo**

The Parish Council was asked by the resident of Barlye Furlonge , High Street, Lois Weedon, to ask people walking their dogs on the public footpath by the side of his property to remember to close gates after them, and to take dog poo home with them rather than putting it in his rubbish bins. While the footpath is a public right of way, the land is part of Barlye Furlong land and it is unpleasant to encounter unexpected dog poo bags in their bins

It has also been noted that dog walkers have been letting their animal's poo on the foot paths between the villages or on the verges close to the footpaths or, in some cases, in fields occupied with young lambs. Please take the poo home and deposit in your own (black) bins.

Thank you

## In memory Dougie Hatton

Those stood outside in the Churchyard listening to the relay of Doug Hatton's funeral service last week were especially moved by a poem which his wife, Elsie, wanted to include in the service.

(Reproduced by kind permission)

*Let us give thanks for a bounty of people,  
for generous friends, with hearts and smiles as bright as their blossom,  
for funny friends who are as humorous as Brussels sprouts and as amazing as onions,  
and serious friends as unpretentious as leeks, as subtle as potatoes, as persistent as parsley, as delightful  
as dill, as endless as carrots,  
and who, like parsnips, can be counted on to see you through the winter.*

*For old friends, nodding like sunflowers in the evening time,  
and young friends coming on as fast as radishes,  
for loving friends, who wind around us like tendrils and hold us, despite our blights, wilts and withering,  
for relatives who grow like wildflowers and the wind too soon blows them away,  
may they forgive our cultivation and fondly remember where their roots are,  
and finally, for those now gone, like gardens past which have been harvested,  
but who fed us in their times so we may enjoy the fruits of their labours.*

## Lois Weedon & Weston Village Hall

Under the current Covid-19 restrictions, the Village Hall remains closed to hirers. It is regularly inspected and has been equipped with all the means to be Covid Safe. Our current plans are to reopen for hirers on **17<sup>th</sup> May** but at this time we are uncertain about the exact conditions under which we will be able to operate (numbers, spacing etc.).

Please note that as the hall is currently not in normal use, we have assumed that the refuse bins are not being used. Under normal conditions these are solely for hall users and hence we are NOT leaving them out for regular collection

We have been given an exemption for the hall to be used as a polling station for local elections on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Masks must be worn and please take your own writing implement to mark your ballot paper.

## Winners of Village Hall '100 Club' Lottery

| <b>Feb 2021</b>       |     | <b>Mar 2021</b>   |     |
|-----------------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| James Smith           | 7   | Sheila French     | 78  |
| Aaron McAuliffe       | 147 | Danielle Sheppard | 80  |
| Jeremy & Karen Wilcox | 48  | Susanna Sitwell   | 133 |
| Chris Seckington      | 84  | Diane Whittaker   | 121 |

## **LOIS WEEDON AND WESTON W.I.**

Our last meeting was held in March 2020 just before the Pandemic really hit.

A year ago, I, and expect most of you had never heard of the Zoom Application. However, things have changed and I now think we have all probably heard of it, if not used it to communicate with friends, family and all the groups and associations we belong to.

The WI Committee has, therefore, decided to 'bite the bullet' and see how many of our members will join a Zoom Meeting, thereby getting our W.I. into the 21st Century.

Our first Committee Meeting was earlier this month. Our April meeting is on Wednesday 7th April @ 7.30pm.

All our members will be sent a link, and if anyone else would like to join us, please ask for the link to be sent to you. (01327 261212). Our Speaker will be telling us about The Mitford Sisters.

The next Newsletter will report on the success or otherwise of this trial.

*Sue Taylor  
President Lois Weedon and Weston W.I.*

## News from the Rectory

Spring at last! Or at least it was for a few days until the cold and foggy days returned. It is lovely to see the spring flowers and hear the birds singing again. I really look forward to the dawn chorus each year – although it gets a little trying as it gets earlier each day! I do miss it though when the birds fall silent at the end of the breeding season.

In the church season we are fast approaching Holy Week and Easter and we are beginning to see the light dawn on a return to church for worship as the case numbers for Covid reduce and the numbers of people vaccinated grow. My fervent prayer, along with many others I am sure, is that this gradual emergence from lockdown is successful and we can return to a more open and sociable life. I am so looking forward to meeting people and getting better known in the village.

The plan at present is to remain online for services until Easter, and then if all goes well to return to church for Easter Sunday for a 9.30am Easter morning Holy Communion. This should then follow with regular services in church – the pattern will be published on our website and in Pews News. If this needs to change then we will let everyone know.

We are also planning some special online services leading up to Easter. On Mothering Sunday, in addition to our online Communion Service in the morning, we held an afternoon Family Service at 4pm via zoom. The zoom joining information for any of our online services is on the Pew News sheet, and also can be obtained from me.

Palm Sunday will also be online, as will services for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday – please look out for the zoom information and times in Pews News.

So as we continue through a rather gloomy March, hoping and praying for a better year ahead, please be sure that I am praying for you all, and looking forward to meeting you. By the way, the offer to go for a walk is still open – especially as the mud is beginning to dry!

### **A prayer remembering God is with us**

*Lord God, you are always with me.*

*You are with me in the day and in the night.*

*You are with me when I'm happy*

*and when I'm sad.*

*You are with me when I'm healthy*

*and when I am ill.*

*You are with me when I am peaceful*

*and when I am worried.*

*Help me to remember that you love me*

*and are with me in everything today.*

*Amen.*

God Bless,  
*Revd Diane Whittaker*



### **Astwell Benefice Group of Churches**

We might be in Lockdown but we are still very much here for you all.  
So if you need to talk to someone please do ring one of us.  
Hopefully in the not too distant future we will be able to actually visit you!

Rector: Diane Whittaker: 01327 226245

Reader: Paul Stothard: 01295 760816

Reader: Wiggy Smith: 01295 760953

### **Food Bank Vouchers**

Revd Diane can provide vouchers for Brackley and Towcester Food Banks for anyone in need in Helmdon, Lois Weedon, Weston, Radstone, Syresham, Wappenham, Whitfield and the surrounding area.

Please contact her for details

## Your Churchwarden and Broadbandwarden needs you!

Lois Weedon Church is struggling. Our income has been decimated and we have plans agreed for a Servery and Toilet which we can't afford.

There is a simple and pain-free way you can help and it will cost you nothing. Not even much of your time. Certainly less time than I've spent installing our unbeatable superfast broadband and trying to fix router problems with some of you. (sneaky coercion). All you have to do is abandon procrastination and click on the link below and follow the simple instructions. From that moment on every time you buy something on line a pop-up will appear asking to oblige the seller to donate to St Mary and St Peter Church Lois Weedon. You can still seek out the best deals and if the supplier is signed up to the scheme (and most are) the Church will receive a donation. You will earn us £5 just for signing up! And why not get your friends and family to join. Set a good example. And that includes all you homesick expatriates.

How can you refuse? If you need help I will be happy to call round, complete with full PPE, i.e. mask, (even though I've had my jab cos I'm OLD) and do it for you. I will enjoy popping in and having a catch up with you, one of the perks of my broadband visits. Now CLICK THIS LINK and click on 'Support this cause', dead easy.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystpeterlw/?invite=jyvwpq&referral-campaign=s2s>

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### St Loys Primary Academy



This week we welcomed back children to the second half of Spring term with the good news that, following the government's recent announcement, we would be able to open our doors to all children from 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Whilst St Loys has been open throughout this third lockdown for keyworker children, the staff and I are excited at the prospect of our whole school family being together again. We will still continue to operate in class bubbles but know how the children will benefit from being back in school with their peers.

Reflecting back over this most recent lockdown period, I repeatedly come to the conclusion that I am so thankful for what our St Loys community has achieved. I am thankful for each and every single member of staff who has selflessly given their time, care and dedication to support the children with the challenges of home learning; thankful for parents and grandparents who have supported their children's home learning, patiently and flexibly and I am hugely proud of *and* thankful for our wonderful children who have kept us smiling throughout and persevered when things have been difficult. Thank you. Thank you to everyone who has played their part.

*Psalm 107:1 "We are called to give thanks, not just in the good circumstances, but in all circumstances, for this is the will of God for you. This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it..."*

We shared a very special virtual worship service with Reverend Diane on Friday. Not only was it heart-warming to see so many families from our school community but our spirits were lifted and the reminder of hope and the new life that Spring brings, brought joy to us all.

We 'rejoice in hope'; in our times of great blessing and times of great difficulty, when we feel joy and when we feel sad. We look forward to brighter days but are grateful for unexpected blessings, wonderful moments in amongst difficult times, cherished time spent with loved ones.

In time, I look forward to strengthening the ties of our community, welcoming visitors into school once more. In the meantime, please do visit our St Loys Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/St.Loys/>) where we hope you will get a feel for the special bond that our St Loys family share.

Kathryn Crawford  
Head Teacher  
<https://stloys.co.uk/>

## Disturbing Damage at the School

Returning to full school opening last week following the half term break I carried out my usual pre-opening site check. In the park at the back of school I found:

- Empty beer bottles/drinks containers/cigarette packets under the play fort
- A child's broken tricycle which I believe was removed from our skip
- Two broken picnic benches - both of which had been dragged from the far end of the field and then appeared to have been jumped upon to flatten and break the wooden slats. (The most recent of these was less than a year old, donated to school by a grateful parent as a thank you gift.)

I have informed our parents of this in last week's newsletter but thought you should know as the field is shared with the village and particularly during lockdown has been used by older children and wider families. Thankfully I know incidents like this are rare in Lois Weedon but I thought you would want to know

*Kathryn Crawford  
Head Teacher*

## PLUMPTON SUMMER CONCERT Sunday 27th June

**The trustees of The St John the Baptist Heritage Trust at Plumpton, near Towcester, invite you to an opera picnic on Sunday 27th June from noon until 3pm to help raise funds for the church.**

As last year's concert was enjoyed so much by the people who attended, and as this year we are going to be released from lockdown in mid June we thought we would arrange a similar musical picnic. We do all hope that you can come and join us. As before we need to limit the numbers to around 100 so please book early so as not to be disappointed. This will be the first opportunity for us to be with so many friends who we have missed seeing over the past months.

We are so lucky that the celebrated The Two and a half Sopranos ( in fact four singers in all ) have again agreed to come to Plumpton to sing arias from your favorite operas whilst we enjoy a picnic lunch in the beautiful churchyard.

**Please could you give your support.**

The plan is that you come to Plumpton with your picnic and settle down to enjoy the music in the extensive churchyard. You will be entertained whilst you tuck into your food and enjoy your wine. The space is so large that social distancing, if still required can be observed. Please come with family and friends. We are asking for a contribution towards the upkeep of the church of £25 per head.

**If you can come please let me know by email as soon as possible. Do not send me money at that stage but rather let me know how many places you would like to reserve. I will then send you full details of the day and how to pay.**

**If you cannot come but would like to donate let me know this by email and I will let you know how you can donate.**

Looking forward to seeing you on the day

*James Miller  
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## Walking in Northamptonshire

Are you fed-up with doing the same old walks?

Walking in Northamptonshire [www.walkinginengland.co.uk/northants](http://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/northants) is the website for you!

With hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, contact details for all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place. There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find.

Walking in Northamptonshire (part of the Walking in England suite of websites ([www.walkinginengland.co.uk](http://www.walkinginengland.co.uk)) – one for each county in England) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy. So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

*John Harris*  
[www.walkinginengland.co.uk](http://www.walkinginengland.co.uk)  
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## **2020 - That was the year that wasn't! Or was it?**

### **Reflections on 2020, COVID and the NHS in my experience.**

So, for us, it started in Northern Italy February 2020. A short skiing break at the end of half-term. COVID in the news but, so far, largely ignored in the UK. Mandatory temperature scanning at Turin airport caused an eyebrow to be raised between Lorne and I. Do we need to worry? Glorious weekend of skiing, Italian cuisine and, most importantly, no news. I felt a bit fluey on the last day but skied on, getting the last runs in before our return to England. Felt a bit hot on the bus, but it was sunny. Bit of a cough, but it was that time of year! Turin airport on our return was quite alarming; people wearing masks all around us, temperature scans again (I passed despite feeling very feverish) and people very obviously avoiding sitting next to anyone they didn't know. UK airport arrival felt very reassuring normal and thought nothing more. Little did we know!!

Driving to Northampton General Hospital (NGH) the next morning, the news was very clear. Anyone who has recently travelled to Northern Italy with symptoms of fever and cough must self-isolate. I had a clinic of 20+ patients waiting for me – what was I to do? I managed to find someone at the end of a phone in HR at 8am and was instructed to go straight home. I spent the next fortnight at home, being avoided by my family. A few days in I was subject to the full early Covid NHS experience. An unmarked van at the door, enter man who then dressed up in full spacesuit in the hall, and tested me for Covid in my kitchen. I so hoped the neighbours hadn't seen – there would be panic in the village. On this occasion, I waited 2 days for my negative result. Had a horrible bout of 'flu' of another kind and an asthma attack, but thankfully not Covid, and eventually back to work. This was only early March! By this point the news was increasingly alarming and the UK went into lockdown a week or two later.

At NGH, during March and April, the strategic planning and mobilisation of available troops was unbelievably organised department to department. Clinics were rapidly changed to telephone consultations where possible and video-conferencing for everything the norm. Pointless meetings (at last) were cancelled and it was all hands on deck. We are hardly on the frontline in Haematology, but we saw our fair share of problems and, sadly, losses. 3 of 5 of my Consultants colleagues were off site with Covid or in isolation at one point, leaving 2 part-timers (including me) to man operations. I was unable to see patients in person, leaving 1 Consultant available hands on for at least 2 weeks. Extra on call weekends and running everyone's else's clinics by phone became the norm. The situation then settled down as the glorious Summer appeared. I am very proud that, as a team, we continued to deliver Haematology care and chemotherapy to all for whom it was needed, very much business as usual, with some staff literally delivering chemo to patient's homes on the way home from work to save them a trip. Often the atmosphere felt unbelievably positive and normal but, at times, really dark as the Covid numbers across the site increased with intensive care admissions rising rapidly. We all managed a Summer break, which was miraculous.

Fast forward to December 2020, a few life events ticked off in the Gray household. An eighteenth birthday in the garden with a newly acquired pizza oven (yay – to be recommended) followed by a Zoom party with friends (absolutely no beer left in the Gray household the following morning), A' levels (or should I say 'what A' levels?'), university applications and allocation of places, gap year (and hello to Hello Fresh, Banbury rather than the French ski resorts – so what's the problem?), 6<sup>th</sup> form visits, a sixteenth birthday (some alcohol left in the Gray household) and GCSEs to look forward to (or not!). I could go on (but I won't!). Whilst in the background, friends had quadruple bypass heart surgery, terminal cancer diagnosed and offspring with melanoma (skin cancer) diagnosed. Thankfully, all continue to do well. The sun shone long and strong during lockdown 1 making it bearable, at least for some. I am very aware that I speak from a position of privilege – I have a job, a roof over my head and food on my table. 2020 has been so much harder for others all around me. We have seen acts of kindness abound, from clapping NHS heroes on our doorsteps to foodbanks, volunteers to Covid test and vaccinate and dear Captain Tom. It has been humbling and easy to feel like you are not doing enough.

Lockdown 2 and Christmas to look forward to – a few days off work with the family. The house stocked up with goodies and extra games, as we were expecting a quiet one. All going well, when Connie and I almost simultaneously developed fevers on Christmas day. I had done my NGH mandatory home Covid test the day before but, on repeat on Christmas day, there were 2 lines and no, I was not pregnant! Covid positive on Christmas day, really! We then hunkered down into isolation for 10 days, played 'Where's Moldova' a lot and left all the delicious food for another time as one by one we became ill. Not terribly, just enough to ruin Christmas and New Year. A relief, in retrospect, as you can never be sure until you've gone through it, it seems. Neil, Wendy and Jake Lewis came to Barney's rescue and walked him daily and other friend's deliveries, when essentials went short, were so very appreciated.

So when I read in the last newsletter that Lois Weedon and Weston had so far escaped Covid, I felt I had to share. None of us has escaped Covid this year but, thankfully and only as far as I am aware, our community has been left relatively unscathed. I hope the worst is over. Best wishes to all for 2021.

*Angie Gray, Weston*



# Weston & Weedon Horticultural Society

## 15 for the garden



### Flowers

- Divide large clumps of snowdrops and winter aconites after flowering and replant to start new colonies
- Transplant deciduous shrubs growing in the wrong place, while they are dormant
- Pot up containers with hardy spring bedding, such as primroses, wallflowers and forget-me-nots
- Sprinkle slow-release fertiliser around the base of roses and other flowering shrubs
- Trim back ivy, Virginia creeper and other climbers if they have outgrown their space, before birds start nesting

### Fruit and veg

- Finish winter-pruning fruit trees and soft fruits, including apples, autumn raspberries and blackcurrants
- Feed fruit trees & bushes by sprinkling sulphate of potash fertiliser around the base to encourage fruiting
- Hunt out overwintering snails huddled in empty pots and hidden corners, to reduce populations
- Check old seed packets are worth keeping by sowing a few seeds on damp kitchen paper, to see if they germinate
- Prepare veg beds for sowing by weeding thoroughly, then cover with a thick layer of garden compost

### Garden maintenance

- Check fleece or other insulation is still in place around pots and borderline-tender plants
- Firm back down any plants that have been lifted by frost or loosened by wind-rock
- Make fat ball feeders and hang them among roses to attract blue tits, which will also forage for overwintering pests
- Clean and service mowers and garden power tools, so they're in good order for spring
- Spread a layer of well-rotted manure around roses and shrubs

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### Local business delivers to Lois Weedon

Green Machine Refill provides a home delivery service of loose dried foods and liquid refills (soaps, cleaners etc) to help people reduce their plastic waste to landfill. They plan to deliver to Lois Weedon every other Wednesday.

**Want to reduce your plastic waste?**

**Local zero-waste delivery service delivering loose dried foods & liquids to your doorstep**

**Food Products** (packed in paper bags or returnable containers):  
Pasta, Rice, Pulses, Cereal, Dried Fruit, Nuts, Flour, Sugar, Snacks

**Liquids Refills** (please supply bottles for doorstep fill):  
Soap, Body Wash, Shampoo, Conditioner, Washing up liquid, All purpose cleaner, Toilet cleaner, Laundry cleaner, Fabric conditioner

**Shop at [www.greenmachinerefill.co.uk](http://www.greenmachinerefill.co.uk)**