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**Cllr community catch up/surgery sessions.**

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**Niton:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 10.30 – 11.30am, Exchange  
**Chale Pantry:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 12.30-1.30pm, Village Hall

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**Island Transport Plan** - The twelve-week public consultation on Isle of Wight Council's draft Island Transport Plan (ITP) has been launched today.

The document outlines the Island's transport priorities from 2025 to 2040. The plan highlights: supporting healthier communities through safer travel options, a transport network that reduces environmental impact and the importance of adapting to climate change.

The closing date for public comment is November 24. Further details of the Island Transport Plan including the online consultation survey can be found here: [Consultations on Island transport](#)

**Winter Fuel Payments** – There are a high number of reports from residents who have been contacted by someone purporting to be gathering information to enable them to receive a Winter Fuel Payment. There is no need for you to provide any information - the payment is automatic - the DWP know if you are eligible or not based on their records, for more information please read: <https://www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment>

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***The Local Council Tax Support (LCTS) scheme consultation is now live from 8 September 2025.***

*It's the time of year again when we must consider the impacts of the scheme and the options going forward on the Island. I am therefore writing to advise that the consultation for the scheme is live from 8 September 2025 and will close on 3 November 2025. The council's website will be open for all to have their say.*

*Residents can take part online [www.iow.gov.uk/LCTSconsultation](http://www.iow.gov.uk/LCTSconsultation) from the 8 September 2025. A paper copy, large print or easy read version can be requested of the survey by calling the service on 01983 823950 and printed for anyone who expressly requests this. Paper versions of the survey will also be available at help centres and libraries from week commencing 22 September 2025 if customers wish to pick one up from there.*