



The Parish Council has received this message from the event organisers:

This is just a quick note regarding the Great Westons Ride, the challenge bike ride from Bristol to Weston-super-Mare via the Mendips & Somerset Levels, to provide you with advance notice of arrangements for this year's event.

The route goes through Long Ashton, Barrow Gurney, Winford, Chew Stoke, Compton Martin, Ubley, Blagdon, Cheddar, Rodney Stoke, Wedmore, Mark, Highbridge, Burnham, Uphill and Weston so, as you can see, the event passes either through or near your local community, and this year's Ride is scheduled to take place on **Sunday 19th July 2020**.

We always try to minimise any inconvenience that the Ride may cause by notifying as many people as possible in advance, and hopefully some people might also want to support - or even take part in – this major West Country challenge event. And with the majority of participants coming from the Bristol and Somerset area it's likely anyway that there will be people from your area already taking part.

So we'd like to ask if you could please spread the word as widely as possible within your community so that as many people as possible are aware that the event will be happening on Sunday 19th July 2020, and we'd be extremely grateful for any help that you can provide in this regard.

On the fundraising front over **£355,000** has now been raised by participants for charities and good causes since the Ride began, and at community level we're working closely with the Mendip Hills Rangers and also actively supporting and promoting the Mendip Hills Fund – it's a fantastic initiative for local communities, and it's a great way for us to say 'thank you' and put something back directly into the area.

I've attached an image that you may be able to circulate and/or display for information purposes, and if you could suggest or provide details of any other local channels that you think would enable us to communicate this message as widely as possible that would also be very much appreciated. We really would like as many people as possible in your community to know about this so that it doesn't come as a surprise on the day and so that they can plan their own activities accordingly.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, and hopefully all the local communities along the route will once again support and encourage the riders and help to make it another enjoyable and safe day for all concerned.