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ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORT WEST SOMERSET

Like most businesses Atwest is feeling the effects of the recession and with ever increasing costs such as fuel our expenses have gone up. Since April, when the concession dropped from 100% to 50% we have seen Travel Club and group bookings fall by 40%.

With expenditure rising and revenue falling Atwest has to start making its own cuts and this rather lean newsletter has taken less time to put together and was cheaper to print. We can make lots of savings such as this but we also need to attract new work so we're sending it to more of our registered passengers in the hope of attracting new people to the Travel Club. We will do our best to offer good value trips and work hard to promote all our services but please help to spread the word about all that we do!

Thank you!

ROOM HIRE

Now we've moved into our new office we are ready to start letting the meeting room for small groups - in fact we have already had two groups in, with more bookings in the next few weeks.

The room can seat up to 15 people and tea and coffee can be provided. It can be used for meetings, social activities and so on.

And don't forget we can help with transport.

Phone **01643 709701** for more details.

MINEHEAD COMMUNITY CARS

*Do you have difficulty using public transport?

*Do you need transport for an appointment?

*Do you need help from an understanding driver?

We can take you to the **doctor, optician, hospital** (even Musgrove, Bristol or Exeter). We can take you to meetings, the hairdresser or shopping if you wish.

The driver will pick you up from home, wait if necessary and bring you back.

Phone **01643 709701** for more details.

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DECEMBER'S TRAVEL CLUB TRIPS

Monday 5th December



TAUNTON or MONKTON ELM GARDEN CENTRE £4 per seat



Whether it's last minute bits for Christmas, some indulgent treats for yourself, or even just some window shopping one of these venues should fulfil your needs!

Friday 9th December



CHRISTMAS LUNCH at CRICKETER FARM (£10 per head) £3 per seat



The Stowey Court Farm Shop at Cricketer Farm, Nether Stowey is laying on a full Christmas lunch - turkey and all the trimmings, Christmas pudding, and coffee and mince pies. The cafe will be decorated and Christmas music will help you to get into the mood!

PLEASE BOOK BY 24TH NOVEMBER SO WE CAN CONFIRM OUR BOOKING.

Friday 16th December



BARNSTAPLE (arrive 11.30am, depart 3.00pm) £7.00 per seat



The final chance to visit the Pannier Market this year, and with lots of other shops to explore I defy you not to buy something!

Merry Christmas from
everyone at Atwest



There is no fixed booking day for any of these trips so please book on **01643 709701** as soon as you would like once you have seen the newsletter.

JANUARY'S TRAVEL CLUB TRIPS

Wednesday 11th January

CLARKS VILLAGE £6 per seat



Well, it's all over, the tree is down, the presents stashed away and the waistline groaning. So it must be time for the sales!

Thursday 19th January

LUNCH AT THE TOP SHIP, PORLOCK £2.50 per seat



Despite living in Porlock I've never eaten here but it always smells and looks absolutely yummy - I might have to join you!

Friday 27th January

AFTERNOON TEA at the CASTLE OF COMFORT £3 per seat



Following a lovely drive through Blue Anchor, Watchet, Doniford and on towards Bridgwater you will receive a very warm welcome (and delicious tea) at this delightful hotel.