



Somerset Geology Group meeting - Wed 11 Oct 2017, 10am – 4pm
Open Meeting from 11 am onwards (coffee 10.45am-11am)
Somerset Earth Science Centre, Stoke St Michael, Radstock, Somerset BA3 5JU

The next meeting of our Somerset Geology Group (SGG) will be on Wed 11 Oct 2017 and hosted by the Mendips-based Somerset Earth Science Centre (SESC). We will start at 10am with a 'business' meeting for SGG members - see attached proposed mission and terms of reference, developed further to action agreed at our meeting in May, for discussion and potential adoption.

Then from 11am (when we may be joined by others participating in the Mendips Rocks! Festival) there will be a brief introduction to our project with Somerset Environmental Record Centre (SERC) to review Somerset's Local Geological Sites (LGSs), with a chance to hear about progress over the summer on Exmoor and the methodology for desk and site survey that we have been developing and piloting. We will have a picnic lunch at the centre and in the afternoon a site visit to Tedbury Camp LGS led by Adel Avery of SESC and Alan Holiday (chairman of DIGs, our equivalent group in Dorset), when there will also be a chance to try your hand at completing different sections of our form for gathering information on the four LGS criteria: geology, historic interest, educational use and 'aesthetic' and monitoring the site's condition.

Please email Garry Dawson at Somersetgeology@gmail.com if you plan to come so that we have an idea of numbers. See <http://www.earthsciencecentre.org.uk/finding-us> for directions.

Agenda

10 am – 10.45 SGG 'business' meeting

- Report back on actions agreed at our May 2017 meeting, discussion and potential adoption of proposed mission and terms of reference
- Potential volunteer roles emerging
- Brief exchange of information on any new geo-diversity activity members are involved with.

Coffee from 10.45am

11 am - main open meeting

- Welcome and introduction to our project to **Review Somerset's Local Geological Sites**
- Progress over the summer with the first phase of desk and site surveys on Exmoor
- An introduction to our methodology for desk and site survey and site form
- Discussion and arrangements for the afternoon site visit

1- 2 pm: Picnic lunch - please bring a picnic

2 – 4 pm: Site visit to Tedbury Camp Quarry LGS – c 7 miles from SESC (max numbers 30)

Looking forward to seeing you! Wendy Lutley, Coordinator

SGG works in partnership with Somerset Wildlife Trust and SERC; for more information visit <http://wp.somerc.co.uk/specialist-groups/somerset-geology-group/>. We are a member of GeoConservationUK, the Association of UK groups, whose mission is to: 'encourage the appreciation, conservation and promotion of local/regional geological sites for education and public benefit'. Our thanks to the Somerset Earth Science Centre for hosting this meeting. The Mendips Rocks! Festival 2017 runs from 30 Sept to 31 Oct. See <http://www.mendiphillsaonb.org.uk/our-work/mendip-rocks/> for the full programme, which is supported by The Geological Society as part of Earth Science Week.