Welcome to, what I hope will be, the first of many 'Huw's Muse' articles. I want to share with you some of the interesting things that surround us in this country parish of ours.

Firstly, I'd like to highlight an area that I suspect many villagers are not aware of, which is the small parish woodlands out on the Westerleigh Road the other side of the motorway. This area is now about 30 years old and has matured into a diverse area of plants, trees and wildlife.

Last Autumn I put up a couple of bird boxes and was delighted this spring when they were used by two blue tit families. I intend to put further boxes up for birds but also bat and bee houses. I'll keep you posted with progress reports.

There are always some wild flowers on show and, at the moment, you can see Oxeye daisies and Common Spotted Orchids (see photo's below).

So, if you fancy stretching your legs sometime go and have a wander but be mindful of the delicate environment.

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