

DIGGING A WELL

The water is never far below the surface at Cripsey, so digging a well is not too difficult. A depth of five feet will be sufficient. Be sure to have someone with you. Don't try digging on your own in case you get stuck.

Most people at Cripsey have lined their wells with two 50 gallon drums. Or you could do it in the traditional way with dry laid house bricks. If you use drums leave the base in the bottom drum and punch holes in the base and around the sides up to about 6 inches. Put gravel in the bottom to prevent silting up.

It is important that the sides of the well are raised and that your well has a cover which cannot be removed by children.

For further advice see John on plot 46 or email sivelljohn@googlemail.com