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# A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW MAYOR



**M**y fellow councillors have very kindly elected me to be the Mayor of Buckingham for the forthcoming year. I shall be supported by my daughter Leah, who will be my Mayoress. Members also elected Cllr Paul Hiron as Deputy Mayor, who will also be of great support.

Most recently I have been Deputy Mayor and Chairman of the Town Centre & Events Committee for the last year, from which I have sadly had to step down. I enjoyed the year and hope you will support all the events, as you very kindly did last year. However, I shall still facilitate the Bonfire & Firework display on the 31st October, as I have done for the last seven years and with the support of the BTC staff, Councillors, Air and Army cadets, I am sure we will have another successful and fun evening.

As your new Mayor I have a challenging year ahead to serve the town and the people of Buckingham. My chosen Mayor's Charities are The Buckingham & Winslow Citizens Advice Bureau, The League of Friends of Buckingham Hospital and Rays of Sunshine, a small charity that my daughter ran the London Marathon for last year.

I wish you all a great summer.

*Cllr. Andy Mahi*  
May 2015

# Your Buckingham Markets

## Meet some of your local traders – Part 1

During the summer months live music and Morris dancing outside the Old Gaol help add an extra liveliness to the town's markets. So this summer pay a visit to our regular market traders to say hello and pick up a bargain.



**Geoff Green**  
**Fruit and Veg**

**Trading Days:**

Tuesdays and Saturdays

**Time as a Trader:**

Over 30 Years

**Time at Buckingham:** 15 Years

**Top Selling Item:** The Veg! We sell more of that than the fruit usually. Our veg is British and high quality and we specialise in growers from the Evesham area.

**Best Buy:** This month our asparagus is a brilliant buy, it's fresh and local – grown just the other side of Banbury



**Viv Dindol**  
**Cards and Party Decorations**

**Trading Days:** Tuesdays

**Time as a Trader:** 38 Years

**Time at Buckingham:** 4 Years

**Top Selling Item:** Greetings Cards, mainly Birthday cards

**Best Buy:** Speciality Balloons. My wife is a balloon designer so you can order custom designed balloons to suit your occasion.



**Nigel Price**  
**Household Goods and Sundries**

**Trading Days:**

Tuesdays and Saturdays

**Time as a Trader:** 34 Years

**Time at Buckingham:** 32 Years

**Top Selling Item:** Caddy Sacks,

I sell 40-50 packs a day!

**Best Buy:** All of it of course! I don't sell anything that isn't a bargain!



**Andy Pelling**  
**Flowers and Plants**

**Trading Days:**

Tuesdays and Saturdays

**Time as a Trader:** 23 Years

**Time at Buckingham:** 23 Years

**Top Selling Item:** Geraniums and Fuchsias

**Best Buy:** Our flower bouquets are always good quality, however it really varies to something different every week!

The best way to find out is to come down and have a look.



**Lance Smith**  
**Fruit and Veg**

**Trading Days:** Tuesdays

**Time as a Trader:** 10 Years

**Time at Buckingham:** 6 Months

**Top Selling Item:** All of it!

People like a bit of everything when it comes to their fruit and veg!

**Best Buy:** During summer our English Strawberries! We have plenty of quality punnets from this month onwards.

### **Buckingham Street Market**

Every Tuesday and Saturday  
8am – 5pm

### **Buckingham Flea Market**

Every Saturday  
9am – 3pm

For information on the markets please contact Chris Robson, Deputy Town Clerk.



This is the 'house newsletter' of Buckingham Town Council. We have been developing its format over several years, and especially over the last four: tightening up production schedules, its content and the general 'feel' of the newsletter. We thought it would be helpful to publish our editorial guidelines.

- We favour pieces about Town Council activities: past and future. This includes articles about events, policy decisions, markets etc.
- On only very rare occasions do we publish articles from (say) the District or County Councils or other bodies. Usually only if there is space or it is a particularly important matter (such as trying to get more foster carers) do we do this.
- We do use these pages to promote organisations the Town Council supports both in cash and/or kind (such as the recipients of our grants).
- This newsletter is also for stimulating debate about matters in the town that could lead to your Town Council taking action (such as floating the idea of a public performance space in one of our parks).

- This is not the official record of the council's business: that is all contained in the minutes of the council and committee meetings available from the website.
- The lead time of the newsletter, means that it does not carry news as such: please watch our social media or the local newspaper for that more 'live' feed of information.
- Apart from the Mayor's Message, we do not print the names of authors since this is a corporate newsletter. The writers include both councillors and officers.
- We have decided not to carry advertising since a) we prefer to remain entirely independent of commercial interests and b) we don't have the space.
- For your information: each copy (in terms of typesetting, printing and distribution) costs less than 30 pence for it to arrive through your letterbox. This is a 34% reduction from the cost 4 years ago.
- We are always open to feedback on any of the pieces: Buckingham Town Council is **your** council and we listen to what you say.

## OUR NEW WEBSITE

Buckingham Town Council's website has been completely redesigned, making it easier to locate information and find what you are looking for.

You can find details of upcoming events and markets, updates on the neighbourhood plan, dates of committee meetings and the minutes and

agendas of the meetings. Read about our Youth Council, find details on how to apply for grants, discover the origins of the name Buckingham and much more.

Visit [www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk](http://www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk) and check it out.



## NEWSLETTER COVER COMPETITION

**How about this... Your very own photo or artwork on the FRONT cover of the next edition of Buckingham Town Matters.**

We are looking for cover images for our upcoming Autumn and Winter newsletters, so submit your Buckingham themed artwork or photograph and it could be on the cover of Buckingham Town Matters.

Open to all, but entrants must either be a resident of Buckingham or a student at a Buckingham School. Any entrants under the age of 18 must have their parents' consent. Further terms and conditions apply. Either post entries to us (address on the back inside page) or email them to [admin@buckingham-tc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@buckingham-tc.gov.uk)  
Closing date: Friday 10th July

The Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan is currently being considered by an Independent Examiner who will rule on the Plan at the end of June. If the recommendation is to proceed to a referendum this will likely be held in August or September. The Plan was submitted to AVDC on 10th March and public consultation was undertaken on this version of the Plan until the 23rd April.

Getting the Plan to this stage is only as a result of a fantastic effort by Town Councillors, Officials and Buckingham Residents, both societies and individuals, particularly the Buckingham Society. It is one of the most comprehensive plans yet submitted in the U.K. and regardless of the final outcome of the Referendum to be held, Buckingham should be very proud of this achievement. It is appropriate to mention previous Town Plan Officers, Sam Dix, who undertook the huge task of the Sustainability Appraisal and Scoping Report, which provided such an excellent base for the emerging Plan; and Prerana Parida, who did much at the start of preparing for the Plan itself.

The determination of the Town Council and residents to see this Plan submitted has meant that the regrettable delays caused by external factors; the halt to Neighbourhood Plans in general after a legal challenge brought by developers; and the withdrawal of consent to inclusion of some land by Radcliffe-cum-Chackmore Parish Council; have slowed the process but not dampened the enthusiasm.

Many residents made it known through consultation that more residential development was not wanted in the area, at least not without more employment



*Chris Wayman and Sheena McMurtrie (middle and right) hand the plan to Pam Gowen (left) for public display in the library*

opportunities. Not planning to take more homes based on the projected needs of the community, would only lead to opportunistic development in any area available. Central government policy requires positive planning for sustainable development, and the Buckingham Plan must be in conformity with this. This in turn is also not desired by many residents. The Plan will stand alongside AVDC Local Plan (including the emerging AVAP) in determining planning applications for the Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan Area – it is not merely an advisory document.

Work in relation to the Plan continues. Concerns expressed about roads and transport are being taken forward from the consultations to those responsible for preparing a Transport for Bucks strategy for the area. A Design and Access Guide for developers is also being undertaken to ensure that the positive characteristics of our historic market town are maintained.

# CONSERVATION – MAIDS MORETON AVENUE

The woodland footpath from Stratford Road to Highlands Road and Buckingham Primary School has a long history. On an 1833 map, it goes to Avenue Road, Maids Moreton, and the church. The large trees in the gardens of Villiers Close remain from this section of the walk. Avenue Road is so named after the avenue.



Ed Grimsdale has found that it was informally planted by Rev. Long (Hutton), Rector of Maids Moreton, around 1805, soon after the enclosure of that Parish. On hot afternoons, it became popular as a cool walk from Buckingham to Maids Moreton. It provided pleasant views through trees and hedges over fields to the then small town of Buckingham and up and down the Great Ouse Valley. The photograph shows an Edwardian lady seated on a bench near the top enjoying the view. It is now a wildlife

corridor for nature from the river to the open country to the north east.

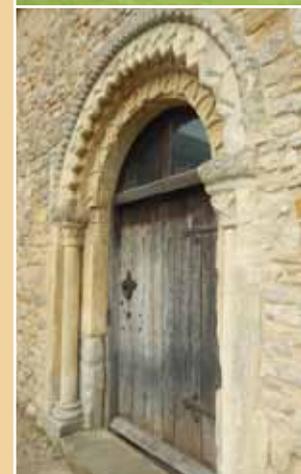
Avenue users will have noticed the recent changes to the path commissioned by Bucks CC, aiming to make the Avenue an all-weather route to the primary school. The money only covered a partial job, so work concentrated on the wettest spots. We hope the rest will be treated soon: time will hide the unnatural new edges.

# THE HIDDEN TREASURES OF BUCKINGHAM

In the two previous issues we offered you a list of some of the special places and features of Buckingham that we know and love. We had so many they could not all fit, so here is part 3:

- Within easy walking distance of the town centre, Chandos Park has a multi-use games area (MUGA), a children's playground, tennis and bowls clubs and provides the ideal setting for a picnic overlooking the River Great Ouse.
- Originally St John's Hospital, the Chantry Chapel on Market Hill is the oldest building in Buckingham, dating in parts from the 12th century. It was also home to The Royal Latin School for almost 400 years, before they moved to larger premises. The Chantry was passed to the National Trust in 1912 as one of their earliest properties and is now open to the public as a second-hand book and coffee shop.
- The base of our Market Cross, which anciently stood in the Horse Fair, and then for many years marked the site of the church door in the old churchyard, can now be seen in the Old Gaol Museum, where it was relocated for safety in 2000.
- A similarly lost and found Buckingham landmark is the notice quoting the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam: "I often wonder what the Vintners buy one half so precious as the goods they sell" over what used to be a wine merchant, now the RSPCA shop.
- When Edward VI died in 1553, Buckingham gave its support to Mary Tudor, who in return, on 17th January 1554, issued a royal charter that declared Buckingham a borough and granted a weekly market and an annual fair. This was then followed by another charter in 1684, from Charles II, who established our current market days and the two annual fairs that we still have today. A copy of the 1554 royal charter is located in the Council Chamber.
- The Radcliffe Centre on Church Street, built as a nonconformist church, now part of the University of Buckingham, is a venue for concerts and lectures. The building, which is wheelchair friendly, is named after local MP John Radcliffe and has been recently refurbished. Keep a look out for upcoming concerts and music events.

And what places or features have you discovered? Please let us know, and we will include them in Part 4. Thank you.



## OUR FRENCH AND GERMAN FRIENDS



While you may know that Buckingham is twinned with Mouvaux, did you also know that Buckingham has a

friendship agreement with Neukirchen-Vluyn, it being Mouvaux's German twin town? The Buckingham Twinning association was set up in 2002 and over the years they have developed links between schools, rambling groups, art (BAFA), music, sport, the list is endless and growing.

The objectives of the Association are to bring friendship and create a shared sense of community, to encourage the understanding of other peoples' way of life, to share knowledge and enthusiasm for the arts, sports and business and finally to experience

each other's history, culture and crafts. All of these objectives are so relevant in this global ever changing world.

This month they have welcomed fifty French teenagers, who spent time at The Royal Latin School and Akeley Wood, having corresponded during the year. So many friendships have been created during such trips, making all the effort of organising very worthwhile.

The next event will be the Boules tournament taking place on Bastille Day, 14th July 7.30pm at the Bull Ring in Buckingham. It is a fun and very well attended evening. All welcome, wine, barbecue, boules, a real French evening in Buckingham.

For more information please visit [www.buckinghamtwinning.org.uk/](http://www.buckinghamtwinning.org.uk/)

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## 3rd ANNUAL SPRING FAIR

Organised by Buckingham Town Council, Buckingham's 3rd annual Spring Fair was held on Sunday 19th April in the cattle pens. Amongst the 18 exhibitors were Men in Sheds who brought along some of the bird boxes and other items that they had made. The Master Composter was there to give



advice on composting and the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust were signing up new recruits and volunteers. A BBQ was provided by the Scouts who were fund raising for the new Scout hut.

## BUCKINGHAM ACTION GROUP – FREE BASKETBALL SESSIONS

In 2012, a multiagency group was set up to co-ordinate activities for young people in Buckingham. The group is made up of representatives from Buckingham Town Council, AVDC, BCC, Thames Valley Police, Project Street Life, Buckingham Youth Centre and the Buckingham NAG. The group initially focused on providing diversionary activities for young people at risk of causing anti-social behaviour and so over the past few years the group have secured funding to run a range of activities for young people aged 11 years and up over the summer holidays, which is where traditionally there is a spike in youth anti-social behaviour calls. Having reviewed the activities run in the past, the group are now looking at setting up recurring activities during term time as well as the school holidays to compliment the current youth offer in the town. Funding is currently being

sought to set up a **boxing club**, summer **basketball** sessions, **American Football** sessions and a **gaming league**. For more information about the group contact either the Town Council or the Communities team at AVDC on 01296 585301.

This summer, **free basketball** sessions for young people are returning to Buckingham. Starting **8th June**, one hour long turn up and play sessions will be taking place on Mondays for 12 weeks. The sessions will be taught by qualified coaches who will bring all the equipment needed. Young people aged 8 – 12 years can attend sessions at Chandos Park at 17.30 and young people aged 13 years upwards can attend sessions at Bourton Park at 18.45.

For more information visit [www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk](http://www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk)

## BUCKINGHAM IN BLOOM

Once again Buckingham will be looking for the best kept and most colourful gardens in Buckingham. If you take great pride in your garden or know someone who does why not enter them in the competition. There are garden vouchers for the winners as well as a cup for 1st place. The last two years have been won by Mr Wilkins of Meadow Gardens.



Entry forms are available in the Buckingham Library and the gardens will be judged in July.

## ROALD DAHL FESTIVAL WORKSHOP

This year AVDC have invited villages to take part in the annual Roald Dahl Festival which is held in Aylesbury town centre on the 4th July.

Buckingham Town Council will be holding a family workshop on **Saturday 13th June** in the Old Gaol from 10:30am so that participants can create a banner that they can then take to the festival to represent their town in the parade. A professional artist will work with the participants to make the banner based around the theme of 'The Twits'.

The workshop is free but places will be limited. Sign up at the Tourist Information Centre, The Old Gaol if you are interested.

## DOG SHOW

Following on from the success of last year's event it will be repeated in the paddock in Bourton



Park on **Sunday 12th July**. As well as a fun dog show, there will be information from organisations on dog behaviour and tips on how to keep your dog healthy and safe.

## PLAY AROUND THE PARISHES



Funded by Buckingham Town Council this ever popular event will be back in Chandos Park throughout

the summer holidays. There will be fun and games for children from 0-12 years. The event is free to all and will take place on **Thursday 30th July, Thursday 13th August** and **Thursday 27th August**.

## BANDJAM

**Sunday 30th August** is Bandjam. This free music event in the bull ring in Buckingham Town centre is organised by Sean Allen and sponsored by Buckingham Town Council. The event features local musicians and bands and attracts a large audience from Buckingham and the surrounding area.



# BUCKINGHAM FRINGE WEEK

**SATURDAY 13TH JUNE – SATURDAY 20TH JUNE**

This year's Fringe Week kicks off outside the Old Gaol at 10am on **Saturday 13th June** with jazz music from the **New Orleans Four**.

The 14th **Roald Dahl Festival Parade** will be taking place in Aylesbury Town Centre on the 4th July. A family workshop to design a banner for Buckingham will be held in the Old Gaol from 10:30am until 2:30pm on Saturday 13th June.



**Sunday 14th June** is the **Comedy Night** in the Old Town Hall, with **Shappi Khorsandi**.

**Monday 15th June** join Ed Grimdsdale for a tour of Buckingham and learn about some of the ghostly goings on.

**Tuesday 16th June** sees the ever popular **cream teas and music** at Villiers Hotel from 1pm – 4pm. The music will once again be provided by **The Keith Templeman Quartet**.

The **Oxford Fiddle Group** will be performing at the Radcliffe Centre during the evening. They will be performing songs and tunes mainly from England and Scotland but also from Ireland and the USA.



Photo © Brian Simonds

This year Buckingham School will be hosting the joint drama and arts **Youth Project** between The Buckingham School and The Royal Latin School and will take place on the evening of **Wednesday 17th June**.

If you love **Karaoke** pop along to the New Inn for some fun on the evening of **Thursday 18th June**.

**Friday 19th June** sees an evening of **Fieri Flamenco** in the Radcliffe Centre. There will be exquisite guitar solos and virtuoso duets with castanets.



Photo © Brian Simonds

**Saturday 20th June** is **Civic Day** which is hosted by the Buckingham Society. The presentation for the Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year awards, jointly organised by Buckingham Rotary and the Buckingham Society, will take place outside the Old Gaol.

Colin Saunders, well known amongst the young musicians and bands in Buckingham and the local area will be hosting a **free music event** in the Community Centre from noon till 11pm on **Saturday 20th June**. In tribute to the late drummer Tom Dewhurst, there will be a competition for Young Drummer of the Year.

For further details please see the Fringe brochure.

# VOLUNTEER APPEAL

*If you are a local organisation seeking volunteers and have a piece you would like to submit, please get in touch (contact details on the back inside page).*

**Buckingham Winslow & District CAB is seeking volunteer advisers.** Being a good listener, having an open mind and a non-judgemental approach to people, as well as the ability to work in a team, are perhaps the most essential requirements, as are being able to read and write English, use a computer and do basic maths. For more information please contact Gill Richards on 01280 816787.



## COMMUNITY CENTRE

What is Buckingham Community Centre? Who can use it? Who decides?

**Any resident of Buckingham town** is automatically a member of the Community Association. The Association – i.e. YOU – appoints **Trustees**, responsible for the day-to-day running. The Trustees in turn employ a bookings manager, caretakers and cleaning staff, and work together to ensure full use of the centre.

Two halls, the recent redecoration and a new sound system make the Centre an attractive

venue, while nearby parking and disabled facilities make it accessible to all.

A wide variety of private and town events happen here: craft fairs, parties, weddings, Mayor Making, the Annual Town Meeting, dances, music... the list goes on.

Could you be a trustee? They meet every other month, and occasionally help serve refreshments. Join the team and help this important facility to flourish.

Contact the Community Centre on 01280 823 584.

## 'DO IT ONLINE' WITH BCC

Buckinghamshire County Council want to make it as quick and easy as possible for residents to get in touch. So they've been working hard to improve their website and online services.

**You can do a whole range of things online with BCC:**

- Apply – Join the library, apply for a school place, Blue Badge or waste permit
- Book – Events or Adult Learning courses
- Report – Potholes or road problems, fly-tipping
- Buy – Copies of certificates, parking permits, school bus passes or pay an invoice
- Renew – Library books

Go to [www.buckscc.gov.uk/online](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/online) to see what you can do

# WHAT DID YOUR COUNCIL ACHIEVE IN 2014/15?

## Town Centre and Events Committee



The Committee, along with Council officers, has worked hard

this past year to provide residents and visitors with some wonderful events. We have continued to run our many annual events, including live music, comedy nights and two River Rinses; which attracted a record number of volunteers. In July, the Council successfully hosted a new 'Dog Awareness' event in Bourton Park, which it has received requests to repeat in 2015.



The Committee has overseen the renewal of pea lights in the Cattle Pens and secured 3 year fixed price contracts for the planters and hanging baskets, ensuring quality displays at long term reasonable costs.

Looking ahead the Committee will be seeking to secure a quality and best value contract for the renewal of the Christmas lights and host a series of new events during June's Fringe Week.

## Planning Committee

The Committee has had another busy and successful year, not only reviewing 147 planning applications but also coordinating the Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan (BNDP). The Committee's scope has steadily changed; one of the main reasons for this has been the reduced number of projects that need planning permission, so during 2014/15 one of the Committees major activities was the BNDP.

Buckingham was an early starter in the Neighbourhood Plan process, following some frustrating delays, outside of the Council's control; the Plan has now been completed and submitted to AVDC. It is now being reviewed by an independent examiner before moving to referendum.

Although enforcement is AVDC responsibility the Committee continues to inform them as to breaches, such as the closed riverside path at Candleford Court. The Committees representations also helped secure a new and improved bus shelter for the town.



## Environment Committee

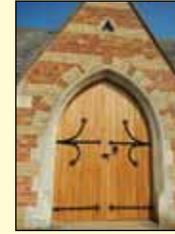
The Committee looks after protecting and improving the town and its environs.

In Bourton Park the long hoped for Trim Trail was installed in time for summer, and a new Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) was opened by our Mayor in August. The Committee also arranged for the replacement of old picnic benches and commissioned a pond survey which will lead to a long-term project for improvements.

In Chandos Park the replacement of the entry path was completed and the Committee reviewed arrangements with the tennis club and, as a result, obtained improved booking access by members of the public.

In the Cemetery, the Garden of Rest continues to mature nicely and the doors for both chapels have been renewed. While at the church the War Memorial was cleaned up and bollards installed.

Looking forward, plans to refresh the Ken Tagg Play Area are advanced and it is hoped AVDC will refurbish their skate park area.



## Resources Committee

The Resource committee's work is largely unseen, taking care of policies, personnel, Council budgets and keeping the precept to acceptable levels. During the past year the Committee has helped the Council ensure it has continued to provide a high quality of service to Buckingham's residents while avoiding a rise in Council Tax for the 5th year running.

The Committee has overseen the creation of a comprehensive Strategic Plan, which forms the basis of the Council's Business Plan. The Business Plan and all financial and policy documents can be found on the Council's website.

We will continue to strive to deliver a good service to the people of Buckingham and always welcome your thoughts on how we can deliver the quality of services you want.



## NEW TOWN COUNCILLORS

Due to boundary changes, there are now four wards in Buckingham, with eight councillors for Buckingham South, seven councillors for Buckingham North and one each for the new wards of Fishers Field and Highlands & Watchcroft – making a total of 17 councillors, the same as before.

Following the election, Buckingham Town Council now has a new councillor:

- Cllr. Mark Cole for Buckingham North is a Motorsport Commentator for Eurosport TV and a serving magistrate. He was previously Chairman of Thornborough Parish Council before moving on to Page Hill.

There are also currently two vacancies, one in Buckingham South and one in Highlands & Watchcroft. These will be filled by co-option. The decision will be made on the 8th June.

See the back inside page for a list of all of our Councillors.

More information on our new Councillors to follow in the next issue of BTM

# DOGS WELCOME, BUT...

With the boom in housing growth, an increase in dog ownership has also been noticeable and whilst we love owners who are responsible and considerate of others, there is a minority of owners who are not. Therefore we have put together this handy guide;

- when your dog poos pick it up; if a child falls or treads in the mess they can get seriously ill. A single gram can contain up to 3 million coliform bacteria, which causes cramps, diarrhoea, intestinal illness, kidney disorders and blindness. That's aside from the nasty smell following them around all day.
- if the dog bins are full, look for another bin, any other bin! Dog poo goes into landfill, so you can even take it home and put it with your household rubbish.
- dogs off the lead can cause anxiety to other people for a number of reasons; someone may have had a negative dog encounter. A child may be terrified by a dog bounding up to them. Owners of less friendly dogs may become stressed, which their dogs will pick up on, making things worse.

- if your dog is left alone for long periods, check with your neighbours that it isn't barking too much, as this can be as annoying as living next to a house with a drum kit in every room!
- **Unless otherwise stated by a Buckingham Town Council sign**, keep all dogs on a lead.

Although we don't have a regular Dog Warden, we are working on an initiative called 'Park Friends'. We hope to enlist people who are already in the parks (either walking dogs, exercising or taking children to the playgrounds) to be an extra set of eyes for us. Our Park Friends will be given free training – the role will be non-confrontational so you don't need to be built like a bouncer in a nightclub.

If you or anyone you know might be interested please contact Lee on 01280 816 426. This could be particularly good for anyone wanting to add to their CV whilst looking for work.

# BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Terry Bloomfield	01280 815 336	Cllr. Howard Mordue	01280 815 418
Cllr. Mark Cole	01280 816 005	Cllr. Ruth Newell	01280 815 229
Cllr. Mrs Geraldine Collins	01280 823 006	Cllr. Lisa O'Donoghue	01280 824 624
Cllr. Paddy Collins	01280 823 006	Cllr. Mike Smith	01280 822 215
Cllr. Jon Harvey	01280 812 711	Cllr. Christine Strain-Clark	01280 816 832
<b>Cllr. Paul Hiron</b> – Deputy Mayor	01280 812 072	Cllr. Robin Stuchbury	01280 824 285
Cllr. Derrick Isham	01280 813 770	Cllr. Martin Try	01280 816 202
<b>Cllr. Andy Mahi</b> – Mayor	01280 816 562		
Town Clerk – Mr Christopher Wayman			01280 816 426

## OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Buckingham Cemetery	01280 816 801
Buckinghamshire County Council	01296 395 000
Transport for Buckinghamshire	01296 382 416
Aylesbury Vale District Council	01296 58 58 58
Buckingham Winslow & District CAB	0344 245 1289
Buckingham Tourist Information Centre	01280 823 020
Buckingham Community Centre	01280 823 584
Thames Valley Police	101
NHS Urgent Care	111
Floodline	0345 988 1188
Samaritans	08457 90 90 90
ChildLine	0800 11 11

## YOUR VIEWS COUNT

Buckingham Town Matters is produced by Buckingham Town Council in order to provide you with a taste of what keeps Councillors and staff busy. But this is also an invitation for you to tell us what you think of what we do and what you think we should be doing. We are all working together to make Buckingham an even better place, so please let us know:

- what you think we should carry on doing
- what you think we should stop doing, or do less of
- what you think we should start doing, or do a lot more of

**Just a reminder...** all Town Council meetings are open to the public. You are invited to come along and give us your views.



You can email us at or just drop us a line at the address below. We look forward to hearing from you:

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**Email: [office@buckingham-tc.gov.uk](mailto:office@buckingham-tc.gov.uk)**

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# 2015 EVENTS DIARY



<b>JUNE</b>	Saturday 13th – Saturday 20th	Buckingham Fringe Week
<b>JULY</b>	Saturday 4th – Saturday 11th	Buckingham Summer Festival
	Sunday 12th	Dog Show
	Tuesday 14th	Bastille Day
	Thursday 30th	Play around the Parishes
<b>AUGUST</b>	Thursday 13th	Play around the Parishes
	Thursday 27th	Play around the Parishes
	Sunday 30th	BandJam
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Sunday 13th	River Rinse
<b>OCTOBER</b>	Saturday 3rd	Fairtrade Anniversary Event
	Sunday 4th	River Rinse
	Saturday 17th	Charter Fair
	Saturday 24th	Charter Fair
	Saturday 31st	Best Dressed Guy + Bonfire & Fireworks
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	Sunday 8th	Remembrance Parade
	Saturday 28th	Christmas Lights & Carols
<b>DECEMBER</b>	Saturday 12th	Christmas Parade Community Fair



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## Basketball Sessions

Mondays: 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th June,  
6th, 13th, 20th & 27th July,  
3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th August.