



Buckingham TownMatters

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR



The autumn has been all about Buckingham's young people, seeing just how inspired our youngsters are when it comes to sport and community spiritedness.

I was already buzzing after the summer's University Medical School first-ever graduation ceremonies; the Peter Jones Entfest, at which budding young dragons showed their entrepreneurial skills (and congratulations to Bourton Meadow Academy on winning the best-designed app, for safeguarding); and The Buckingham School's Duke of Edinburgh Awards presentations – but not the gold, that would be a visit to Buckingham Palace for Tom Hardy.

Then Alexandra and I were fortunate enough to be invited to Action for Youth's Big Night Out at the Waterside, Aylesbury in September. This is an annual event which honours youth achievements across Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes, with more than 1000 young people present. I was doubly delighted that Edan Farr of YC2 (Buckingham & Winslow Young Carers) received the Outstanding Achievement Award for 2019 – doubly delighted, because YC2 is one of the Mayor's charities this year.

Edan was unable to be present receive his Outstanding Achievement Award, as he had already started his Army career with the Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers, so his parents Suzanne and Mark collected it on his behalf. But it didn't end there; once back from an exercise, Edan was then presented with the award by his Commanding Officer. We wish him a long and successful career.

'Edan represents all that is positive, good, kind, far-sighted and hopeful in young people today,' read the citation. 'As a YC2 member for the past 11 years, assisting his mother in looking after his sister Mollie-May, who has a chromosome disorder. He has also been a mentor for other young carers.'

The following night I was at The Buckingham School for their Sports Presentation Evening, when I shared the prize-giving with England Women's Rugby star Rochelle 'Rocky' Clark – the most capped of any English player, female or male, having represented her country 137 times and a member of the 2014 World Cup winning team.

Again, she inspired the Year 7-11 students to continue to strive, and never give up – 'you can be anything you want, you just have to work hard at it,' she told them. The range of sports in which Buckingham pupils have been involved is breath-taking – from football to equestrianism, from ice hockey to golf – and not a few of them made it to national level this year. Congratulations to them all.



Cllr. Mark Cole JP

**Mayor of Buckingham
September 2019**

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

A photography competition celebrating the beautiful town of Buckingham has been a huge success with hundreds of photographs being entered. It was very difficult to choose the 12 winners to be included in a calendar, but with a good range of images from all the seasons, it is a great addition to your wall. The calendar is currently selling well at the Tourist Information Centre in The Old Gaol for £5.50. Thank you to everyone that entered and well done to all the winners.

The cover of this newsletter is by Nina Stockill and featured in the calendar. Here are a few of the other winning entries:



Ricardo Herrera-Smith



Richard Rolfe



Jimmy Ennis

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN



At Full Council on the 15th July 2019 Members agreed to declare a climate emergency:

'Buckingham Town Council is taking the lead in recognising that we need to take actions locally to address climate change. We look forward to working with local groups, as well as reviewing our own operations to take immediate action, and also to plan for longer term changes.' said Cllr. Newell, Chair of Environment Committee.

This is an ambitious target – by declaring a Climate Emergency, Buckingham Town Council joins almost 324 local authorities throughout the UK that have committed to become carbon neutral by 2030 or shortly after.

The challenge now is to make sure this declaration is more than just words. We want this commitment to translate into real action that reduces carbon emissions at local level.

We are committed to becoming a more sustainable Town Council and encouraging local agencies and businesses to do all that

they can too. We believe this approach will help us:

- combat climate change
- increase our resilience to a changing climate
- continue to deliver high quality services to our community
- ensure that all our work benefits the town, the economy and the environment in the long-term.

Some exciting changes have happened already, like our new electric van!



CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

What are we currently doing?

We are working on our Climate Change Action Plan. Current work includes:

- We have changed one of our Greenspaces vehicles to an electric van with a charging point installed at the Council's depot.



- We are in the process of installing photovoltaic (solar) panels on the roofs of our two Community Centres.
- We are working to make recycling available at all our Town Council events – this year we sent bikes found in the River Great Ouse during River Rinses to The Bike Project for the first time. The Bike Project recycles and restores bikes and finds new homes for them with refugees.
- Plastic Free Buckingham information campaign to reduce single use plastics in the town.
- The Town Council committed to phase out single-use plastics from all Council run events, offices and encouraged Councillors and staff to use reusable water bottles and coffee takeaway cups.

- The Council is investigating ways of reducing the amount of paper used from their offices and all council run events. All minutes and agendas are available digitally and we continue to work towards becoming a paper free council.
- Initiated the #RefillBuckingham campaign, a scheme designed to enable people to refill their reusable water bottles for free. For more information about this excellent scheme, please go to: <http://www.refill.org.uk>
- We are arranging the installation of a public water bottle refill station in Chandos Park.
- Each year we allocate a section of land to be planted with wildflowers, in 2020 we aim to plant wildflowers along the river and bypass to reduce mowing and increase space for wildlife.

What can you do to help?

You can't change everything but that doesn't mean you can't change something. Small changes can make a big difference! For updates on our Climate Change plan follow, share and comment on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages @buckinghamtc

We are discussing climate change at each of our Council Committees and would be delighted to hear your ideas. Suggestions can be submitted to the Council to be considered at all meetings, which are open to the public.

EVENTS REVIEW EVENTS REVIEW

PLAY AROUND THE PARISHES



Play Around The Parishes held 3 sessions during the school summer holidays for children aged 0– 11yrs. Organised by AVDC and supported by Buckingham Town

Council these FREE sessions prove very popular every year. This year the 21st August session was arranged to coincide with the University of Buckingham Duck Race by the Pontio Group.

BASKETBALL

The Free **Turn Up And Play Basketball** sessions were back again for 6 weeks during the summer holidays.

Coach Jenner was pleased to report that over the 6 weeks dozens of youngsters attended, with many coming back each week.



BANDJAM

Organised by Bandjam and sponsored by Buckingham Town Council, this year's **Bandjam** was probably the warmest

that we have had with temperatures 32°C plus and performances from Malarky, 60's Jukebox, The Reformers, Wah Wah Club, Harvey Fowler, Reager, Krissy Matthews, 2 Tone All Stars and Dixie & Co. The event was opened by Deputy Mayor Cllr Geraldine Collins and The Town Crier.



BUCKINGHAM DOG SHOW

Organised by Buckingham Town Council, the **6th annual Dog Show** took place in the paddock in Bourton Park at the beginning of September. The event attracts dog owners not only from Buckingham, but from the surrounding villages. There were 8 different classes and the winner of each class went through to The Best In Show. This year's winner of The Best In Show was Poppy, a working cocker spaniel. Judging was done by Kimberly Cox of Kimberly Cox Dog Training and Liz Till from In The Dog 'Ouse Grooming. Sponsors of the event were Kimberly Cox Dog Training, The Vet Centre (Maids Moreton), Vets4Pets, Arden Grange, Woofs and Washes and Leaders Estate Agents.



RIVER RINSE

For decades the river rinse has been a feature of Buckingham. Buckingham Town Council

join forces with volunteers from the Stowe Sub Aqua Group to clean up a stretch of the River Great Ouse that flows through Buckingham. The year's **River Rinses** started in Cornwall's Meadow car park and went up as far as Fishers Field. Amongst the finds were

a bean bag chair, a seat, bicycles, children's scooter and a shopping trolley.



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BARD OF BUCKINGHAM

The first ever **Bard of Buckingham** was elected on the 2nd October. Read more about Dean and his Bardic duties on page 13.



CHARTER FAIR

The Charter Fair arrived in Buckingham for its two October events on the 12th October and was opened by Town Mayor Cllr Mark Cole JP. He was assisted by the Town Crier and the Bard of Buckingham. Town Council Volunteer marshalls co-ordinated a road closure to ensure the fair could arrive safely.



HALLOWEEN STAY & PLAY

Everyone enjoyed a little bit of half term madness at our **Halloween Stay & Play Party** held at Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre on Thursday 31st October between 10 am and 12 pm. Children were treated to a fun filled morning full of messy play including jelly, textured playdough and biscuit decorating. Monster face rock painting went down a storm as well as the Halloween sweet hunt. The morning finished off with a spooktacular mini disco. We want to thank everyone who came and partied, we are already looking forward to Halloween 2020.



BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS



The original date for the Bonfire and Fireworks had to be cancelled due to the Bourton Park paddock being waterlogged in heavy rain. After a quick reschedule the sky was lit up with an impressive fireworks display by Titanium Fireworks. The original wood donated for the bonfire by Lagan Homes and H.G. Timber was built up in the morning by the Town Council Green Spaces team. This year, we asked Titanium about their eco-credentials and were pleased to find out that they have already 'unilaterally signed up to carbon offsetting and have already offset 80 tonnes of CO₂ emissions.'

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE

The **Remembrance Day Parade** was held on Sunday 10th November. Organised by the Royal British Legion, the parade formed up along Market Hill and then marched up Castle Street to the war memorial in the grounds of St Peter and St Pauls Church. Traditionally, volunteers who help coordinate the event and the road closure are invited for refreshments afterwards.

BUSINESS SPECIAL

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN BUCKINGHAM

The Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan was made in 2015 with policies approved by the residents of Buckingham after wide consultation. It defines the boundaries of the Town Centre as well as the Primary and Secondary Shopping areas within. A Neighbourhood Development Plan cannot compel particular brands or shops to open in Buckingham, but it can seek to balance types of shops and businesses within these areas.

In terms of business and enterprise the Plan allocated a new area for industrial use, which has still to be developed. Does your business need larger premises; purpose-built facilities...?

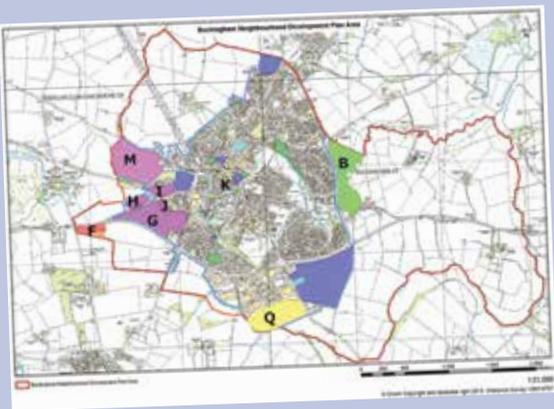
Buckingham Town Council is refreshing the Plan. The views of all businesses in the area are vital to understanding what will be needed in the future. Consultation will commence shortly, but if you have views about what your business needs to grow, please get in touch with the Town Plan Officer via townplan@buckingham-tc.gov.uk, please do not need to wait to be asked!

SOME POSSIBLE QUICK FIXES

Quite apart from refreshing the Neighbourhood Plan to help preserve our town from the worst developer excesses, the

Town Council's Economic Development Working Group has come up with the following potential 'quick fixes' to help improve local and visitor engagement:

- New on-street waste bins with separate sections for recyclable waste and general waste
- Street Market improvements –
 - Concentrating the Market stalls into a tighter group
 - Having matching stalls (perhaps gazebos) and 'signpost' flags
 - One-off special markets (eg a Cheese Market)
- Cleaning-up the bus stand
- Additional signage to the Cornwalls Meadow and Moreton Road public toilets
- Town maps near the Old Town Hall, Bridge Street and Well Street
- A notice by The Old Gaol giving details of the main events held during the year
- Greater diligence in removing out of date posters etc
- Greater promotion of The Old Gaol Museum and Tourist Information Centre
- Improved pedestrian access from Cornwalls Meadow bridge to the town centre without having to pass through the car park or on roads
- Advertising outside the town, including at Bicester Village, Stowe, on bus stops and the back of buses.



BUSINESS SPECIAL BUSINESS SPECIAL

HOW WE RELY ON OUR LOCAL TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Shop Buckingham (Traders' Association)

The historic market town of Buckingham offers a fascinating variety of shops with numerous independent small traders. This is a cheerful, friendly alternative to the normal chain stores that populate most towns, and the scramble that usually accompanies town centre shopping.



Around the town from Cornwall Place and Market Hill to the Hidden Quarter and quaintly narrow adjoining streets as well as on the outskirts, there

is a variety of shopping opportunities. As the town has grown so have these offerings as we now have a greater variety of cafés, restaurants, tea shops and take-aways to quench our thirsts and stave off the hunger!

Like most things there is always room for improvement. Shop Buckingham (Traders' Association) is a group of the town's traders who, supported by Buckingham Town Council, want to make a difference. Some changes are beyond our control; however, we are always looking for new ideas, comments on what you currently like about the town and suggestions for where we can improve the shopping experience.

Please contact the Tourist information Centre on TIC@buckingham-tc.gov.uk with any comments and any trader who is not yet a member of Shop Buckingham should contact Mary via traders@fincaelmonte.com

BUCKINGHAM COMMUNITY HERITAGE APP

The National Lottery Heritage Fund has given the Council a grant of



£10,000 for a Community Heritage App based in Buckingham. This exciting project has been initiated by the Economic Development Working Group with input from children and residents in the town and will be a fun interactive way to explore Buckingham and learn more about the town's history.

The project aims to help residents and visitors learn more about landmarks like the Old Gaol and Chantry Chapel; as well as the hidden history of Buckingham and the Royal Family, Doctor De'ath, leather boots for circus elephants and real life duck races. To unlock historic photographs and earn points users will have to race around the town, visiting real locations and spotting the evidence of Buckingham's historic past.

Thanks to work from local app developer Mark Vanstone, young people at both the Buckingham School and The Royal Latin School will be able to take part in the creation of the community app from market research, coding and testing to launch.

If you are interested in being involved with the development of the app – particularly in sharing historic pictures, video and stories with the team, we would love to hear from you. Input from local businesses is also very welcome! Please contact the Town Council office or email Louise Stubbs via office@buckingham-tc.gov.uk

BUSINESS SPECIAL

TOURISM IN BUCKINGHAM

Buckingham Town Council's Economic Development Working Group has been putting together a strategy to improve tourism in the town.



The growing importance of tourism within market towns is evident. It is important to focus on tourism as the visitor economy has become and will continue to be an important economic sector, particularly for rural areas. The tourism and hospitality sector employs a high proportion of local people and contributes a significant role in the local economy.

Buckingham has a diverse array of shopping, dining, heritage and accommodation to facilitate a high number of tourists. By strengthening Buckingham's offer and investing to broaden its appeal we will attract more visitors and make Buckingham's visitor economy more profitable and sustainable for the future.

Our aims include:

- Promotion and development of attractions within Buckingham
- Promotion of Buckingham as a base to visit the surrounding area
- Promotion of Buckingham as a walking and cycling destination
- Actively promote itself as a Georgian town with heritage and history
- Co-ordinated promotion of the town as a destination for independent shops and dining
- Preserve and enhance the beauty of the town
- Improve marketing and promotion, including online.
- Reach new markets
- Work with the University
- Make best use of our green spaces
- Continue encouraging sustainability and sale of Fairtrade products.

We are currently in talks with relevant organisations and partners to reach our goals, if you have any ideas or If you want to get involved, contact Emma (tourism supervisor) on 01280823020 or tic@buckingham-tc.gov.uk.



BUSINESS SPECIAL BUSINESS SPECIAL

LOCAL ENTERPRISE SCHEMES

Business instincts start early! We went out to all local schools and to youth groups to ask if they ran any projects that gave young people a chance to try out business skills.

George Grenville Academy let us know they have been running a Young Enterprise Scheme for five years; each year the children's efforts get more impressive! They start with a £2 stake (kindly donated by FROGGS, their PTA) and the project is launched each year by a local entrepreneur. They then have about 6 weeks in which to start and run a business, re-investing their profits; they also produce a full business report at the end of the project.

This year 26 children made over £1200 in profits, with a wide range of businesses being created: including cake making, car washing, personalised picture frames, bespoke calligraphy bookmarks and hand made bags. The children receive amazing support from their families and were extremely creative in how they market their products.

The Town Council runs its own local enterprise scheme; in February each year we start advertising for applicants who are keen to take on cutting grass in selected areas across the town. This is a great way for

people, young and old, to gain work experience and learn new skills.



UNIVERSITY OF BUCKINGHAM

Following its success in previous years, the University of Buckingham is working on a collaborative project with David Hall, a local Buckingham businessman from Cloudy Group IT, on the App-Prentice Challenge.

We will be working in six Buckinghamshire schools combining app building with entrepreneurship. Like the TV show, *The Apprentice*, 'candidates' compete in teams to complete tasks including building a mobile phone app. Last year, students were also tasked with vlogging their team's business rationale for designing, marketing and developing their App proof of concept.

In June 2019, around 1,000 young people attended the Peter Jones Foundation's EntFest hosted by the University of Buckingham, Buckingham Enterprise and Innovation Unit. The festival provided attendees with an opportunity to present their business ideas to each other – and to experienced and well-established entrepreneurs. The younger children put their wares (or ideas) on show in an outdoor market – complete with stalls. Meanwhile, older students were invited to take part in a Dragons' Den-style pitch competition.



Peter Jones with Buckingham-based Bourton Meadow Academy school pupils at EntFest 2019 at the University of Buckingham

INDUSTRIAL BUCKINGHAM: THE 'MALTED' MILK FACTORY

By Ed Grimsdale



In 1892, this factory moved to Buckingham. A great location: terra extra firma (the old 'Buckingham Marble' quarry); water from the Ouse; with its own railway sidings next to Buckingham Station, and 21 acres for healthy sports and expansion. It became Thew, Hooker and Gilbey. A real mouthful, so it was always: Hooker's.

Hooker's milk product business was cutting edge and experimental: Peptonised, Condensed, Bivouac Cocoa and Malted Milk Drinks. Hooker's finest period was WWI; his factory sent 21 male workers to the War and they all returned home. The War Office sent soldiers in France 15 tons a week of Hooker's Bivouac Cocoa Cubes and many boxes were despatched to British Prisoners of War. One grand-daughter of a wartime worker at the factory told me recently that the girls would write notes on the sticky side of the labels and at least one received a note back from a P.O.W. saying how cheering it had been to receive a message from a girl back in Blighty.

In the 1920s the factory was taken over by (Wilts) United Dairies. After, some of its innovations were exported to other factories run by the new owners. The Milk factory's buildings are now the University of Buckingham Chandos Road Buildings and its Bowls Club and sports' land are now part of Chandos Park.



PREVENTING BREAK-INS

Taking just a few steps can make a big difference in keeping your home safe from burglary. Here are some top tips from Thames Valley Police:

- Lock your doors and windows – every time you leave the house.
- Keep valuable items out of view, you could even use a home safe or safety deposit vault at a bank.
- Property mark valuables with your postcode using a UV marker pen. If your property is recovered by the police, the

police can then shine an Ultraviolet light on your items. You can also register your valuables for free using accredited property databases such as Immobilise.

- Use timer switches - timing your lights to come on in the evening if you aren't in.
- Give burglars nowhere to hide – keep fences low at the front of the house, with higher fences at the side and back, or defensive planting. Gravel drive ways will ensure you hear anyone approach the building. Ensure your shed/garage is locked and secure.

For further crime prevention advice you can visit:

www.thamesvalley.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residentialburglary

FUTURE EVENTS FUTURE EVENTS



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

Join us on the 30th November to see our brand new lights being switched on!

WINTER FAIR AT LACE HILL

Our **Winter Fair at Lace Hill** will be returning on Sunday 1st December, a jolly community event open to all and with something for everyone. Join us for a cheery afternoon at Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre. Local stall holders and businesses will be selling wonderful Christmas gifts, children's craft activities, festive refreshments and more! A small £1 fee applies per adult, children free.



CHRISTMAS PARADE



The **Christmas Parade** has a musicals theme this year! Organised by the Christmas Parade Committee and sponsored by the Town Council, on 14th December the road is closed by volunteers so that the parade of walking groups, floats and marching bands can make its way through the town centre and back to Chandos Road.

COMMUNITY FAIR

After a fantastic turn out last year, The **Community Fair** is back in the Community Centre after the Christmas Parade. The event gives local organisations and **charities** the chance to raise some money by selling items such as cards and last minute gifts. Delicious cakes will be served by the Inner Wheel.



PANCAKE RACE

Ready for some flipping fun? The **Pancake Races** are our traditional excuse to don aprons and race your neighbours. The Town Crier and Mayor get things started each year (and sometimes join in). If you would like to take part get your frying pan and apron ready and head over to the green outside St Peter and St Paul's Church on the 22nd February. There are 4 races with different categories for children, adults and team relays.



FOOD FAIR

The **Food Fair** line up is already looking fabulous! Start making room now for Saturday 29th February, when the Community Centre will be jam-packed full of delicious morsels to taste and buy, including cakes and spices. A line of food trucks will also be ready to serve up whatever you fancy. Already booked for 2020 are tasty vegan snacks. If you would like a stall call us now on 01280 816 426.



For more information on the Town Council events, go to www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk

BARD OF BUCKINGHAM

Buckingham has crowned its first Bard.

The first Buckingham Bardic Trial was held in the Cote, at the rear of the Woolpack pub, on Tuesday 1st October. Six competitors took part. Each gave two performances, one related to the theme “Buckingham” and one of their choice.

The audience voted using ballot papers, which resulted in a tie. This led to Buckingham’s first ‘Bard off’, where the two first placed Bards, Dean Jones and Cherry Coombe, each presented a third piece, followed by a second round of voting, with just two choices. The mayor, Councillor Mark Cole, was proud to announce the winner- Dean Jones. Also, Cherry Coombe, was hailed as the new Deputy Bard for being second place with her poem.

Buckingham’s Bardic Council has been formed. The Council will support the new Bard through the year and a day, perhaps even offering inspiration if their muse proves elusive. The Council will consist of local poets, storytellers and supporters. Anyone who would like to support the Bard or help develop the role would be very welcome.



Dean will now reign for a year. He will be invited to present original pieces at a range of events in the town, including the Christmas Light Switch on and The Fringe Festival.

Dean’s winning speech:

‘I’m both surprised and delighted to take on the role of First ‘Bard of Buckingham’. I would like to use this as an opportunity to bring the community together and give people in the town a voice.’

Here’s a small part of Dean’s amazing winning poem:

‘This is my attempt at a Buckingham 10k (marathon of a) poem



Buckingham 10k

*Once upon a time there was a child who liked to run
They’d run for hours and hours and hours and do it just for fun...*

*...They’d run to the concrete skate park, past the Town Hall and Three cups
They’d run up to Tesco’s Roundabout the one developers messed up*

*They’d run all along Badgers Way, along the beautiful canal
They’d sometimes feel quite lonely so found company with pals*

*Their running days turned into weeks and weeks turned into months
The years raced on and still they ran and they always came up trumps.’*

The full poem can be read on our website: www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/all-hail-the-bard-of-buckingham

COUNCILLORS WANTED:



Photograph © RH Chapman

COUNCILLOR NEWELL ON PERSONAL GOALS, CHILDREN AND BEING A COUNCILLOR

What inspired you to become a Councillor?

I was a keen environmentalist, I had studied Ecology and Environmental management and thought that being a Councillor would enable me to make a difference locally.

What goals did you have?

To serve Buckingham to the best of my ability especially improving and protecting our green spaces and facilities.

What skills and experience have you gained as a Councillor?

As a Councillor you realise all the excellent work done by so many in Buckingham, such as Citizens Advice and Buckingham Almshouses. As Mayor you have the wider opportunity to represent Buckingham further afield. I've even been to Westminster for the Speaker's reception after State Opening of Parliament.

Did you ever find it difficult to balance your other commitments with being a Councillor?

No, my employers have always been supportive and although it is very busy and could be overwhelming I found it was best to take it one day at a time. I worked full time until 2010 so being on maternity leave in my second year as Mayor made it easier; I could take baby with me rather than needing time off work for daytime events. It was also helpful to have such a supportive family.

How did you find other officials reacted to a baby joining you in meetings?

I remember baby Lara being greeted and recorded in the minutes of a meeting at the University, she was always welcomed, although she did slap the table a few times!

How important do you think it is that Councillors are representative of their local area?

It is important, we all work together to do our best for the Town. It would be great to increase diversity in the Council. You do need commitment, but it offers a wonderful opportunity to play your part.

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 opposite.
We look forward to hearing from you:

BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Mark Cole JP – Mayor	01280 816 005	Cllr. Howard Mordue	01280 815 418
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Cllr. Terry Bloomfield	01280 815 336	Cllr. Lisa O'Donoghue	01280 824 624
Cllr. Paddy Collins	01280 823 006	Cllr. Anthony Ralph	01280 813 710
Cllr. Margaret Gateley	01280 816 317	Cllr. Mike Smith	01280 822 215
Cllr. Jon Harvey	01280 812 711	Cllr. Christine Strain-Clark	01280 816 832
Cllr. Paul Hirons	01280 812 072	Cllr. Robin Stuchbury	01280 824 285
Cllr. Derrick Isham	01280 813 770	Cllr. Martin Try	01280 816 202
Cllr. Andy Mahi	01280 816 562	Mr Paul Hodson – Town Clerk	01280 816 426

USEFUL NUMBERS

Buckingham Town Council	01280 816 426	Domestic Violence Helpline	0808 2000 247
Buckingham Cemetery	01280 816 801	Thames Valley Police	101
Buckingham Shopmobility	07738 314 027	NHS Urgent Care	111
Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre	01280 812 872	National Power Cut Helpline	105
Buckingham Community Hall	01280 823 584	National Gas Helpline	0800 11 11
Buckingham Tourist Information Centre	01280 823 020	Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Buckinghamshire County Council	01296 395 000	Floodline	0345 988 1188
Transport for Buckinghamshire	01296 382 416	ChildLine	0800 111 999
Aylesbury Vale District Council	01296 585 858	Samaritans	01908 667 777
Citizens Advice Aylesbury Vale	0344 245 1289	StreetLink (rough sleeping)	0300 500 0914

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2019/20 EVENTS DIARY



Please find further details inside or online:

www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/town-matters/events/

2019

NOVEMBER	Christmas Lights Switch On	Sat 30th (6:30pm)	Town Centre
DECEMBER	Lace Hill Winter Fair	Sun 1st (2pm – 4pm)	Lace Hill Sports and Community Centre
	Christmas Parade	Sat 14th (10.45am)	Town Centre
	Community Fair	Sat 14th (11.30am)	Buckingham Community Centre

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FEBRUARY	Comedy Night	Sat 1st	Royal Latin School
	Pancake Race	Sat 22nd	Green outside St Peter and St Paul
	Food Fair	Sat 29th	Buckingham Community Centre
MARCH	Fairtrade Fortnight	Saturday 7th	Old Gaol
	Commonwealth Day Flag Raising	Mon 9th	Outside Council Chamber
	Annual Town Meeting	Wed 18th	Buckingham Community Centre
	Good Endings Fair	Sat 21st	Buckingham Community Centre
APRIL	Spring Fair	Sun 26th	Cattlepens

