



Buckingham TownMatters

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR



Being Mayor has increased my knowledge, understanding and appreciation of all the wonderful assets we have in our town.

First of all, it is a **B**eautiful place, with delightful public spaces, stunning buildings and gorgeous surrounding countryside. We have the **U**niversity, which brings much employment, ideas, cultural events like the literary festival and a wide range of wonderful students. Our **C**ommercial centre is thriving and buzzing with unique shops, bijou emporia and amazing service from all the shopworkers. Of course, we have our **K**notty problems like any town but we are fortunate to have many public service officials working hard with the local communities to resolve these.

Buckinghamshire is known for being a crucible of **I**nnovative businesses and our town is no exception: the industrial and residential areas are humming with fresh and growing businesses making a difference to the world. Buckingham is a town living in the **N**ow: whilst we have a lot of history, of course, our town is modern and progressive. We look forwards not backwards.

I am constantly amazed by the number of **G**roups, associations and clubs there are in the town: there really is something for everyone here. And if not, someone will have the gumption to create a new group or club.

Our town has a big **H**eart. Buckingham people help each other out and care for all: families, friends and strangers in so many ways. And we are so lucky to have some fantastic schools, which are daily inspiring young people to have **A**mbitions, hopes and dreams, and providing the educational wherewithal to achieve those.

Buckingham is full of delicious places to **M**unch, crunch, sip and slurp your way through hot beverages, scrumptious snacks and comforting, wholesome meals. The diversity on offer is amazing.

As your Mayor, it has been my great pleasure to find out more about all these assets and support them in whatever way I can. And the more that *all* of us can do to value, look after and nurture these precious features of our place the more wholesome our town can and will be. We are all part of making Buckingham an even better place for us all whether we live, work, study, visit or play here.

Cllr. Jon Harvey

January 2018

BEFORE WE WERE BUCKINGHAM ...

Our town was recorded in the Domesday Book (AD 1086), together with the now absorbed areas of Bourton and Prebend End. Councillor Robin Stuchbury is one of those rare people that can trace his family roots back to about this time. But there is evidence that 'Buckingham', or the settlements that preceded our town, existed long before this.

Before Domesday, Buckingham and the surrounding area will have been no more than a few isolated rural settlements taking advantage of an adjacent river. There is archaeological evidence of habitation (most of it admittedly scant) leading us back through Saxon and Roman times, and into pre-history. Let's have a brief look at the Roman era.

In Roman times (AD 43 to AD 410) the Buckingham area played a pivotal role in the development of the south-east Midlands. Numerous coins have been found in the area, suggesting a large and varied population in those 400 years. In those days, Buckingham probably lay within the *Verulamium* (St Albans), the nearest main administrative centre, with day to day affairs overseen by one of the three medium towns *Lactodurum* (Towcester), *Magiovinium* (Fenny Stratford) and Alchester (near Bicester, Roman name not known), which were all roughly equidistant from Buckingham. The Romans established an extensive road network, including Watling Street (linking Fenny Stratford, Towcester and Dunstable); and the A421 coincides in part with another Roman road, running east-west from Fenny Stratford to join the Towcester – Alchester Road south of Stowe. A crossroads at Thornborough Bridge (often called the Roman Bridge, but in fact Mediaeval and dating from the 14th Century), has a further route joining Thornborough with settlements

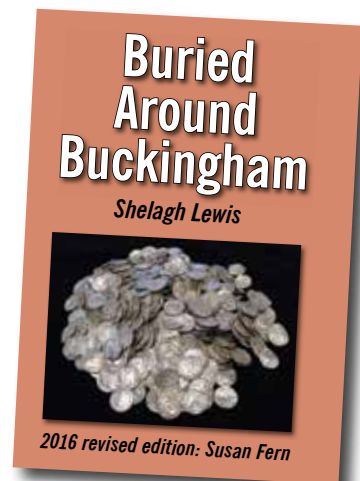
at Fleet Marston and Stony Stratford. Dozens more minor Roman roads can be traced around the area.

Foscote Manor, the Roman-era villa was excavated in 1840 and revealed a tessellated (mosaic) pavement which is now set in the floor of the Music Room at Stowe School; and many more Roman artefacts have been found locally.

The picture shows a coin, minted in Rome in BC 79, found recently in a field in Buckingham. We can only imagine who may have dropped it there. You can see the original coin, plus many more Roman coins and artefacts in Buckingham Old Gaol Museum, which also sells the booklet *Buried Around Buckingham* containing a wealth of information about ancient finds in the area.



Picture courtesy of Buckingham Old Gaol Trust



EVENTS REVIEW EVENTS REVIEW

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE



The **Remembrance Day Parade** was held on Sunday 12th November. The morning was cold and windy but that did not stop the many organisations from taking part in the Parade.



The parade marched from Market Hill to the war memorial at Buckingham Parish Church where the Act of Remembrance took place. The Rector of Buckingham, Revd Will Pearson-Gee led the service. Town Mayor, Cllr Jon Harvey, laid a wreath on behalf of

the town. On the march back the salute was taken by The Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Millie Soames.

CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

Town Mayor, Cllr Jon Harvey, led the **Christmas Light Switch On** which took place on Sunday 26th November. The winners of the Buckingham Trader of the Year, organised by the



Buckingham Society, were announced and the presentation made by the Mayor. They were: Leeders

Hardware (winner of the overall Trader of the Year), Meadow Row Tea Rooms (winner of Buckingham's Favourite Eating Place of the Year) and Isla Jane Bakery (winner of Market Trader of the Year)

There were performances by the Buckingham Glee Club and the Winslow Concert Band, who played a medley of carols. Captain Coleman from the Salvation Army gave a dynamic chocolate themed rendition of the Christmas story.

Every year the WI raise money for a project; last year it was to buy a star to go on top of the Christmas tree. This was handed over to the Town Mayor by Former President of the WI, Sian Whyte.



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CHRISTMAS PARADE



A crowd of about 2,000 people braved the icy cold morning to watch as the annual **Christmas Parade** made its way from Chandos Road and through the town centre. The parade is organised by the Christmas Parade Committee and sponsored by Buckingham Town Council. Brackley Morris Men entertained the gathering crowd in advance of the parade; the theme for which was Nursery Rhymes.



The winners were:

Floats:

1. Field House Day Nursery, who also won 'Best in Show';
2. Cancer Research UK Relay For Life,
3. Burgess Builders.

Adult Walking Group:

1. St Edmund's Church Maids Moreton,
2. University of Buckingham,
3. Buckingham Library.

Junior Walking Group:

1. Padbury Pre-School,
2. 2nd Buckingham Guides,
3. George Grenville Academy.

Commendations (across all categories):

Buckingham Primary School, Dogs For Good, Buckingham Air Cadets, Newbottle and Charlton Pre-School, and Carers' Trust Thame.

COMMUNITY FAIR



Organised by Buckingham Town Council, local organisations, groups and charities took part in the annual **Community Fair** on Saturday 9th December after the Christmas Parade. Twenty one stall

holders which included Men In Sheds, Brain Tumour Research and Maids Moreton WI sold goods such as Christmas cards, plants, baked goods and hand knitted items. Refreshments were provided by the Buckingham WI and Inner Wheel. The Buckingham Children's Choir's first gig took place during the event. Led by Choir Leader, Suzy Smith, the children sang a range of tunes including seasonal favourites.



FUTURE EVENTS FUTURE EVENTS

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT BIG BREW COFFEE MORNING

This will be held at The Old Gaol from 10am–12 noon on **Saturday 10th March**. Come on in and enjoy a cup of Fairtrade tea or coffee and home-made cakes.



MAY DAY

Join the children from the local primary schools in some traditional



Maypole and country dancing on **Tuesday 1st May**. Maypoles are erected on the green outside Buckingham Parish Church and dancing begins at 11am. Organised by Buckingham Town Council, the event will be opened by the Town Crier.

COMMONWEALTH DAY

Monday 12th March is **Commonwealth Day**. Join Town Mayor, Cllr Jon Harvey, at 10am outside the Community Centre as he raises the Commonwealth Flag.



SCOUTS PARADE

The **Scouts Parade** takes place on **Sunday 22nd April**. The Buckingham, Winslow and District Scouts will form up on Market Hill outside M & Co at 1:30pm and march to Buckingham Parish Church for the service. The parade will march back to Market Hill at 3pm and the salute will be taken outside the White Hart. A road closure will be in place for the parade and details of this will be available nearer the time on the Town Council Facebook page and web site.



MUSIC IN THE MARKET

Free event!!

Organised by The Buckingham Acoustic Club and sponsored by Buckingham Town Council, this year's **Music**



In The Market will take place on **Sunday 27th May** in the Bull Ring in the town centre. The event will be opened by the Town Mayor and Town Crier at 1pm and local acts perform on a stage until 10pm. Last year acts included The Straight Laces, Rock Formation, Thirlby & Smith, Henry Sampson and Zumba with Janey Betts.



Do you have some spare time and would like to volunteer at Town Council events? Whether it be marshalling at the Christmas Parade and Remembrance Day parade or even taking the Mayor's charity buckets round at events, contact Amanda Brubaker, our Events Co-ordinator, by e-mail events@buckingham-tc.gov.uk or phone 01280 816426.

BUCKINGHAM SHOPMOBILITY

After its temporary lodging in the Library, Buckingham's new Shopmobility home was formally opened by Mayor, Councillor Jon Harvey, in November. Situated in Cornwalls Meadow car park, the new premises adjoin the new toilets and changing places facility, and four disabled parking bays have been reserved for its users.

Shopmobility is a free scheme allowing anyone with a permanent or temporary need to have free access to a wheelchair or 4 wheel mobility scooter on Market days, from 9.30am until 3.30pm on Tuesdays, and 9.00am until 1.00pm on Saturdays. New users will receive full training.

In addition, wheelchairs can be hired for a £20.00 refundable deposit plus £3.00 per day if, for example, you need one short-term, or a relative with a mobility problem comes to stay.

All wheelchairs and scooters are regularly maintained, and our scooters have a shopping basket, back bag and stick holders. Wheelchairs are fully foldable for loading into a vehicle for home use, hospital appointments, trips out to local events and places of interest etc.

You can turn up and take 'pot luck' on Tuesdays and Saturdays, but it is advisable to book in advance by telephoning Sue Rossforth on 07738 314027 between 10.00am and 5.00pm on weekdays.

A WORD FROM YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE...

Police Sergeant Emily Dover

The Buckingham District neighbourhood policing priority is currently '**Youth related anti-social behaviour (ASB) in Buckingham Town Centre**'. This priority was identified via consultation and feedback from members of the local community at the most recent Buckingham District Community Forum. *ASB is behaving in a manner that has caused or was likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household as the perpetrator.*

Our team has been busy working in partnership to problem solve the issue of low level disorder, drug dealing and ASB that affects the quality of life of our community in Buckingham.

We encourage residents to continue to report incidents to us. Always call 999 in an emergency. It is an emergency when a crime

is being committed, there's a risk of injury, or there's a risk of serious damage to property. If it isn't an emergency, you can call 101 or report an incident via the Thames Valley Police website <https://reportonline.thamesvalley.police.uk>

We are also in the process of establishing a Buckingham Youth Independent Advisory Group (IAG) to encourage local young people to have their say on how we can improve the quality of the policing service we deliver and issues affecting them in Buckingham. We are looking for young volunteers between 14–26 years willing to take part.

Please contact your local neighbourhood team via 101 or email BuckinghamandDistrictNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk for more information on either the Youth IAG or indeed the next Community Forum.

WHAT YOUR LOCAL COUNCILS

What Buckingham Town Council is responsible for:

- Many big community events in town
- Buckingham planning application responses
- Bourton and Chandos Parks
- Chandos Park & Cornwalls Meadow public toilets
- Public play areas (Bourton Park, Chandos Park, Otters Brook, Ken Tagg, and Lace Hill Community Centre Play Area)
- Town Cemetery & Burials
- Council Chamber & Buckingham Community Hall
- Provision of litter and dog bins (but not emptying)
- Provision of salt bins (but not refilling)
- Stratford Road bus shelter & maintenance of High Street shelter
- Christmas Lights and High Street pea lights
- Planters and Hanging Baskets
- Markets (Street, Flea & Speciality)
- Railway and Circular Walks
- Town Map
- Grants to local Organisations
- Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre & sports pitches
- Shopmobility Service
- Devolved Services (grass and verge cutting)
- Tourist Information Centre

Buckingham Town Council Office

Buckingham Centre,
Verney Close,
Buckingham
MK18 1JP

Mondays by appointment only

Tuesday 11am–5pm

Wednesday & Thursday 10am–5pm

Friday 10am–3pm

Tel: 01280 816426

www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk



What Aylesbury Vale District Council is responsible for:

- Administration of Council Tax
- Social Housing (via VAHT) & H
- Household waste and recycling
- Environmental Health (including pest control)
- Emergency Planning and flood
- Licensing (alcohol, public ent
- Leisure Services
- Planning Applications decisio
- Planning Enforcement
- Conservation areas, listed and
- Off-Street Parking & Public ca
- Open Spaces (including Bridg
- Wittmills Oak and Stratford Fi
- Hunter Street Churchyard
- Grass cutting & horticulture
- Trees – protection, condition
- Road sweeping and litter pick
- Dog & litter bin emptying
- Clearing fly-tipping
- Bus Shelter (High Street)
- Moreton Road Public Toilets
- Swan Pool and all-weather pi
- Bulky Item Collection

Aylesbury Vale District Council

The Gateway,
Gatehouse Road,
Aylesbury HP19 8FF

Mon–Thurs 8:45am–5:15pm

Friday 8:45am–4:45pm

(Customer Services closes at 4pm)

Tel: 01296 585858

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What Buckinghamshire County Council is responsible for:

- Maintenance of pavements, roads & drainage
- Gritting
- On-Street parking, parking restrictions, speed limits and road closures
- Road signs and street furniture such as traffic lights
- Street lighting
- Education including Adult and Further Education and Student Grants
- Public Transport including school buses
- Rights of Way, Public Footpaths, Cycleways and Bridle Paths
- Social Services including care of children and the elderly
- Blue Badges
- Public Health
- Youth Services
- Strategic Planning (transport, waste disposal)
- Household Waste and Recycling Centre ('the tip')
- Registrar
- Bus passes
- Buckingham Library

Buckinghamshire County Council

County Hall
Walton Street,
Aylesbury,
HP20 1UA

Monday–Friday 8:30am–5:30pm

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www.buckscc.gov.uk





In 1892 the world's first conference for Health Missioners took place in Buckingham. In recognition of this history, Buckingham Town Council decided to organise an event to celebrate the birth of rural community nursing. This developed into a significant high profile week of events, held between 6-11 November, sponsored and supported by NHS England, Oxford Brookes University, the University of Buckingham Medical School and a number of other local healthcare professionals.

The aim was to get the whole community involved in a big conversation, focussing on health and the future of rural healthcare. Local organisations, businesses and schools were invited to take part and do something special to promote health and well-being in the community. Several of the local schools participated enthusiastically, organising their own health-themed projects.

Public events during the week included an exhibition at Buckingham Library related to the history of nursing locally and nationally. Other free events for the community included:

- a free mum and baby yoga taster session by local Yoga Instructor Kay Morrison c/o LushTums



- an Accessibility Awareness day in collaboration with the Buckingham Access for All group, involving around 25/30 participants, including mobility scooter and wheelchair users. The difficulties they experienced negotiating the pavements and accessing shops and restaurants in the town centre were compiled into a report which has been circulated to local County, District and Town Councillors
- free NHS health checks at the Library, with 17 people being screened over two days
- the Healthwatch Bucks public board meeting was held in Buckingham, with a greater number of members of the public attending than would usually be expected
- a talk delivered by the local Aceso Family Chiropractic aimed at preventing pain during pregnancy
- alongside the nursing exhibition, the library hosted a pop-up museum. 25 schoolchildren from two schools visited in the morning. They were issued with their ID cards and got to handle the artefacts, ask lots of questions and learn about healthcare before the birth of the NHS. Clients from the Opportunities Centre and members of the public were able to view the exhibits later in the day
- an afternoon tea party for retired healthcare professionals hosted by the Villiers Hotel
- a nutrition seminar led by founder and head coach Richard Roach from *Intent 2 Improve* was attended by 20 participants.



On Friday 10 November, 30 healthcare professionals attended a conference, facilitated by Town Mayor, Cllr Jon Harvey, using Open Space technology. The scene was set by three distinguished keynote speakers: Professor Viv Bennett CBE (Chief Nurse, Public Health England), Dr Jane O'Grady (Director of Public Health, Buckinghamshire) and Lou Patten (Chief Officer of Aylesbury Vale & Chiltern CCGs, Buckinghamshire). The conference featured in the October edition of the RCNI Nursing Standard. A special thank you to Buckingham WI who served up a hot tasty lunch to all attendees!



we plan to build on the success of the 2017 Festival and organise a similar event in the future, contributing to making Buckingham a healthy community.

The NHS Thames Valley and Wessex Leadership Academy provided a small grant to support the Festival of Health. Professor Marion Lynch of NHS England has said 'The event was successful because it was jointly planned and delivered by local people and health professionals. The events appealed to all ages, local health professionals and healthcare system leaders and raised awareness in the community about how to stay healthy, available local support and what the future of health and social care will look like. The professional conference enabled system leaders to hear local concerns and has created new ways of working together to improve health and healthcare.'

On Saturday 11 November, the Festival culminated in a Health & Well-Being Fair in the Community Centre. Over 30 exhibitors, from the public, voluntary and commercial sectors, came together to provide information about their services and to sell their wares. Free BMI, blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose checks were provided by the BMI Saxon Hospital.



We've received excellent feedback from everyone who participated in or attended events during the Health Festival. As a result



FLOOD ACTION



Like many other parts of the country, flooding remains a big risk for Buckingham. We are a riverside town which brings delights for us all but big worries for some. Despite the Environment Agency in the past having suggested major flooding only happens twice in every 100 years, many readers will remember the floods of 1998, 2007 & 2016. We estimate this to be once in every 10 years! Therefore flooding is a big risk for Buckingham.

The Environment Agency takes the lead in supporting flood relief and organising efforts to prevent flooding. However, the Town Council, of course, continues to take an active interest in all flooding matters and is currently reviewing the Community Flood Plan. If you would like to be involved please

contact us (details on the back inside page). We are looking for volunteers to help with door knocking, looking in on vulnerable people and helping at local centres, dealing with the aftermath of flooding.

Additionally, every Autumn the Town Council organises the River Rinse to do our bit, as should all Riparian Owners, to clear the river and keep it flowing. The dates this year are still to be confirmed but will be in a future edition and on our social media. We always need more volunteers. So do come and join us!

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

**Wednesday 21 March,
Community Centre, 7.30pm**

The Town Council is required by statute to host an Annual Town Meeting (note this is not a Town Council meeting) to review what concerns local people: what questions and issues need to be addressed? During the week before, officers and members will use social media to start the conversation

and residents will be invited, via a variety of media, to post questions or comment, with full answers being provided at the Annual Town Meeting on the 21st March. The evening meeting will be run in an Open Space type way; all that needs to be discussed, will be. Everyone is very welcome!

BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT AND BUDGET 2018/19

The precept is the amount of money the Town Council asks Aylesbury Vale District Council to raise from residents as Council Tax. It is used to fund all the activities the Town Council undertakes for the benefit of the community.

Last year, in addition to our regular operations in the parks and play areas, Cemetery and Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre, we opened the new Shopmobility building and the public toilets in Cornwalls

Meadow Car Park; purchased the Buckingham Community Centre; installed new signage in Bourton Park; opened Lace Hill Park play area and transferred management of the Tourist Information Centre to the Town Council.



The infographic on the next page give details about what we will do this year. The full precept and budget can be viewed on our website at www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk

PRECEPT 2018-19

In 2018-19 the Buckingham Town Council budget will be increasing by **£12.10 per year** for a **Council Tax Band D** property to **£159.49**. This **7.59% increase** is so that we can continue to provide the current services, as well as take on new services and facilities.



This year, we will be investing to save money and reduce CO² emissions by installing **solar panels** onto the Lace Hill and Buckingham Community Centres



The public toilets and **Shopability** building were opened last year, and **maintenance and cleaning costs** are now included in the budget

48% of the budget will be spent on **parks, green spaces, property & the cemetery**

We will buy more **grounds maintenance equipment** to be able to carry out more services in-house



Our Green Spaces team will expand from 4 to 7 posts



The **Tourist Information Centre** is now under management of the Town Council, and we will recruit a **Town Plan Officer** to update the **Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan**.





This means our costs in relation to maintenance, utilities, rates, staffing, pensions and administration have increased.

We will continue to plan and secure the purchase of land for an additional town **Cemetery**



We will continue to review all of the **contracts and services** to ensure **best value for money**

If you would like to find out more about the services Buckingham Town Council deliver, or if you would like to get involved in **events, activities or volunteering** please visit   or our website www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk or call us on 01280 816 426

Buckingham Town Council



COMMUNITY GRANTS

Buckingham Town Council supports a number of organisations in the town with grants to aid them in providing facilities and services for the people of the town. This year the Council has helped the following organisations with grants:

Buckingham AED Project	£900	Friends of the Old Gaol Museum	£750
Buckingham Camera Club	£400	Lace Hill Resident's Association	£1,000
Buckingham Churches		North Bucks Carers	£1,000
Children's Holiday Club	£500	Open House (Community Care North Bucks)	£300
Buckingham Literary Festival	£700	Project Street Life	£500
Buckingham Summer Festival	£1,200	The Swan Community Hub	£1,000
Buckingham Tennis Club	£1,000	U3A Creative Writer's Group	£50
Buckingham West End Bowls Club	£500		
Chandos Park Bowls Club	£500		



In addition to this the council gives long term grants to Buckingham Community Centre, Buckingham Old Gaol, Citizens Advice Aylesbury Vale and Buckingham Youth Club. As well as grants the Council also aids charities and other community organisations in a number of ways including advertising events, providing a venue for meetings and by campaigning for issues and changes with other authorities.

The Town Council grants process starts again in September.

More information on grants and the grants process is available on our website:
<http://www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/community-matters/grants/>

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

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Cllr. Mark Cole JP – Deputy Mayor	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. Margaret Gateley	01280 816 317	Cllr. Christine Strain-Clark	01280 816 832
Cllr. Jon Harvey – Mayor	01280 812 711	Cllr. Robin Stuchbury	01280 824 285
Cllr. Paul Hirons	01280 812 072	Cllr. Martin Try	01280 816 202
Cllr. Derrick Isham	01280 813 770		
Mr Christopher Wayman – Town Clerk			01280 816 426

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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
		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		
Buckingham Tourist Information Centre	01280 823 020		

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2018 EVENTS DIARY



FEBRUARY	Tues 13th (11am) Sat 24th (10am)	Church Green Community Centre	Pancake Race Food Fair
MARCH	Sat 10th (10am) Mon 12th (10am) Wed 21st (7pm) Sat 24th	Old Gaol Town Flagpole Community Centre Villiers Ballroom	Fairtrade Fortnight Coffee Morning Commonwealth Day Annual Town Meeting Mayor's Charity Ball
APRIL	Wed 4th (7pm) Sun 22nd Sat 28th (3pm)	Buckingham Athletic Football Club Town Centre/Church <i>stadiumMK</i>	MK Dons Football Forum Scouts Parade MK Dons Buckingham Big Day Match
MAY	Tues 1st (11am) Sun 27th (1pm)	Church Green Town Centre	May Day Celebrations Music in the Market
JUNE	Thurs 14th – Sun 17th	Various	Buckingham Literary Festival
JULY	Sat 7th – Sat 14th Fri 13th (7pm) Sat 14th – Sun 22nd Sun 15th (10am) Monday 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th Thurs 26th (10am)	Various Cattle Pens Various Bourton Park Bourton/Chandos Park Chandos Park	Buckingham Summer Festival Bastille Day Boules Tournament Buckingham Fringe Week Dog Show Free Basketball Sessions Play Around the Parishes
AUGUST	Monday 6th, 13th, 20th Thurs 9th (10am) Thurs 23rd (10am) Sun 26th (1pm)	Bourton/Chandos Park Chandos Park Chandos Park Town Centre	Free Basketball Sessions Play Around the Parishes Play Around the Parishes BandJam
SEPTEMBER	Sat 22nd Sun 23rd	Old Gaol TBC	Fairtrade Anniversary Event River Rinse
OCTOBER	Sun 7th Sat 13th (1pm) Sat 20th (1pm)	TBC Town Centre Town Centre	River Rinse Charter Fair Charter Fair
NOVEMBER	Sat 3rd (6pm) Sun 11th (10:30am)	Bourton Park Town Centre/Church	Bonfire & Fireworks Remembrance Parade
DECEMBER	Sat 1st (5pm) Sat 15th (10:45am) Sat 15th (11:30am)	Town Centre Town Centre Community Centre	Christmas Lights & Carols Christmas Parade Community Fair



Please find further details inside or online:

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