

Message from your Mayor

I feel honoured and privileged to have been elected as Buckingham's new mayor. I look forward to meeting the people of Buckingham at events over the next year and to hear from you if there are any issues that concern you.

We have many things to look forward to over the summer, including Celebrate Buckingham Day in June, Buckingham Fringe Week and Buckingham in Bloom in July, and Bandjam in August. I hope we will all enjoy a summer of exciting or relaxing activities in our beautiful town.

We are lucky to live in a beautiful and welcoming town with a lot of community activity. Our town is becoming ever more diverse, making it a more vibrant and culturally rich place to live. It is therefore particularly important to me that all residents of Buckingham, from whichever background and in whatever circumstances, should feel equally welcome in our town.

At the same time, these remain challenging times. Climate change is being increasingly felt in our town as well as more widely. Buckingham Town Council is making great efforts to protect nature locally and to provide welcoming green spaces for all to enjoy.

The cost of living has gone up significantly in the last 12 months and is making daily life challenging for many residents. I have therefore again chosen the Buckingham Food Bank and Jedediah as the two Mayor's Charities for the coming year. Please, if you can, support these charities with generous donations. All money donated goes directly to helping residents of Buckingham in these difficult economic times.

My heartfelt thanks go to all those volunteers who make much of the community work in our town possible. Local community groups and charities are in urgent need of new volunteers to support and occasionally replace those who have carried the load for many years. If you have a little time to spare and would like to volunteer, please check out the volunteering opportunities on the Town Council website.

Anja Schaefer

Cllr. Anja Schaefer
Mayor of Buckingham



BUCKINGHAM SWAN TRAIL

**JUNE
24TH
until
Sep
3rd**

& Future Events

Bastille Boules:
Twinning Association
Fri 14th July (6:30pm)
Cattle Pens

**Buckingham Summer
Festival: Classical musical
concerts**

Sat 8th - Sun 15th July
www.buckinghamsummerfestival.org

**Fringe Week: arts,
sports & culture
celebration**
Sat 22nd -
Sun 29th July
See inside for details!

Buckingham Play Days
Tues 8th & 22nd Aug
(10:30am - 3:30pm)
Chandos Park

Free Basketball Coaching
31st July and 3rd, 7th,
14th, 17th, 21st, 28th Aug
(5:30 - 6:30pm) 8 - 12 yrs
Chandos Park
(6:45 - 7:45pm) 12+ yrs
Bourton Park

Band Jam: Big Bash
Sun 27th Aug
(1pm - 10pm)
Town Centre

**Merchant Navy Day
Flag Raising**
Fri 1st Sept (10am)
Council Chamber

Dog Show
Sun 10th Sept (11am - 3pm)
Bourton Park

River Rinse
Sun 17th Sept (10am)
River Great Ouse

Useful Numbers

Buckingham Town Council	01280 816 426	Thames Valley Police	101
Buckingham Cemetery	01280 816 801	NHS Urgent Care	111
Buckingham Shopmobility	07738 314 027	Power Cut Helpline	105
Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre	01280 812 872	National Gas Helpline	0800 11 11
Buckingham Community Hall	01280 823 584	Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Buckingham Tourist Info Centre	01280 823 020	Floodline	03459 881 188
Buckinghamshire Council	0300 131 6000	ChildLine	0800 11 999
Transport for Buckinghamshire	01296 382 416	Samaritans	01908 667 777
Citizens Advice Bucks	0344 245 1289	Street Link	3005 000 914
Domestic Violence Helpline	0808 2000 247		

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Buckingham TownMatters

Summer 2023



BUCKINGHAM FRINGE WEEK

22 - 30 JULY 2023

**Introducing the new Mayor of Buckingham |
Buckingham Fringe Week | Important Contacts**

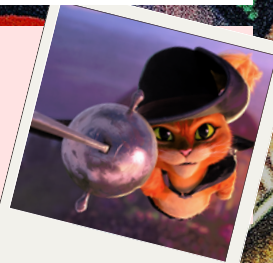
Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

Sat 22nd July, 5.30pm, The Film Place, The Vinson Centre



Watch family classic movie **Puss in Boots: The Last Wish** with The Film Place at their new home in the University of Buckingham's Vinson Centre. **Tickets for sale online: www.thefilmplace.org.uk**

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Charity Jumble Sale

Sat 22nd July, 10am - 1pm, Salvation Army



Pre-loved toys, clothes, books, bric-a-brac and more. All proceeds split between the Mayor's Charities and the Salvation Army. Free entry!

Family Fun Day

Sun 23rd July, 1pm - 4pm, Lace Hill Sports & Community Centre



Vibrant community fun for the whole family to enjoy including live entertainment, inflatables, zorbs, traditional games and more!



Buckingham Play Day

Mon 24th July, 10:30am - 3:30pm, Chandos Park



Have a blast on inflatables, play giant games, and try out crafts with the return of our popular play sessions in Chandos Park, for 0 - 12 yrs



Buckingham Photo Calendar & Buckingham in Bloom Competitions

Show off your best Buckingham photos in the Buckingham Calendar contest! Submit your photos before 30th September.

Are you a keen gardener? There is still time to enter the Buckingham in Bloom competition. **Full details on the Town Council website.**

Art in the Market

Tues 25th July, 1pm - 4pm, Buckingham Town Centre



Join us at the Cattlepens in the Town Centre for an afternoon of art. Artists of all ages are invited to create a masterpiece with our art supplies. Special guest **Marvin** from **Lemon Pop** will be on hand to teach street art and creative skills!



Oxford Fiddle Group

Tues 25th July, 8pm, Radcliffe Centre



The Oxford Fiddle Group perform pieces from England, Scotland, Ireland and the USA. Performances include the fiddle, Celtic harp, mandolin and concertina. **Tickets £6 from Buckingham Tourist Information Centre or the Town Council Fringe webpage.**



Crafts at the Chantry Chapel

Wed 26th July, 10am - 3pm, Buckingham Chantry Chapel



Credit: National Trust / Paul Watson

Join a National Trust volunteer, Jayne, for crafts in the Buckingham Chantry Chapel. A rare opportunity to enjoy this space while making some mess, getting creative, and learning new crafts. You'll also be able to visit the second-hand bookshop. **Children must be accompanied by adults..**

Now and Then Theatre Workshop

Fri 28th July, 10am - 5pm, St Peter & St Paul's Church Green



The Now and Then Theatre presents **Rumble: A Play for Today in a day**. This activity is open to children and adults. The sessions are 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 3pm with a 40 minute performance at 4pm. **All children must be accompanied by adults at all times. Bring a picnic and enjoy the show!**



Comedy Night

Sat 29th July, 7.30pm, Tanlaw Mill



Join us for a roaring Comedy Night co-hosted with the University of Buckingham Student Union, at Tanlaw Mill & Bar. **Tickets £15 from: Buckingham Tourist Information Centre or the Town Council Fringe webpage.**

Buckingham-opoly Trail

Sun 30th July, 11am, Buckingham Cricket Club



This is a three-hour timed event. Travel around Buckingham and see how many places your team can visit on the Buckingham-opoly board. The team with the most points wins! **£25 per team of 4-6, from Eventbrite or the Town Council Fringe webpage.**

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Visit the Town Council website and social media to buy tickets and for the latest updates on Fringe Week events: www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/fringe-2023

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