



## BISHOP'S WALTHAM MATTERS



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Welcome to the thirty first issue of 'Bishop's Waltham Matters'.

This newsletter is brought to you by Bishop's Waltham Parish Council as part of its communication with the community initiative. If you have any comments or would like a particular topic to be discussed or explained in the next issue, please contact the Parish Council office.

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### New Councillors.

At the Council meeting on 8.3.16 two new Councillors were co-opted. We would like to welcome Mrs Josephine Wood and Mr David Rowe to the Council.



### Annual Meeting of the Parish.

Thank you to the 100+ residents who attended the Annual Meeting of the Parish on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March. It was wonderful to see so many people there to hear the presentations and to speak to the Councillors and representatives from other organisations.

Comments received following the event included:

*"We thought it was excellently organised and delivered, inclusive, with informative presentations of the right length - and a sense of humour."*

*"A great idea, very informative and a good opportunity to raise queries ..."*



### Events to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.



#### Queen's Birthday Beacon.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> April to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday along with 300+ other communities the Parish Council will be lighting a beacon at Priory Park. The event, which will include a bar, burgers and music, will start at 7.00pm with the lighting of the beacon at 7.30pm.

### Bishop's Waltham Street Party.

There will also be a street party on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and all 90-year olds in Bishop's Waltham. The theme will be "The Roaring Twenties". The party will take place in the whole of the High Street and there will be continuous bands and other entertainment from 11:30am to 6.00pm. There will be a children's area with its own non-stop entertainment.

Food and drink stalls will be positioned along the length of the High Street. Entry badges will be on sale for £5.00 (children free) from early April at Best Wishes, Hays Travel, the Post Office and Apple Crumble & Kitsch. Programmes will be available with the badges which will entitle holders to a goodie bag on the day and a place at a table to enjoy the entertainment. This will be a big party – put in in your diary and buy your badges early! Contact is

[robert.shields@xmoor.com](mailto:robert.shields@xmoor.com)



### **Bishop's Waltham Design Statement.**

The Bishop's Waltham Design Statement has been adopted by Winchester City Council. It provides the background to the distinctive features of the town and its immediate surrounds which the residents value and wish to see protected or enhanced. It then provides policies to guide both developers and the local planning authority about how developments may be undertaken in order to respect the character of Bishop's Waltham.

The Design Statement was researched and produced by local residents. Copies can be purchased from the Post Office in the High Street, price £3.50.

### **Priory Park Multiuse Games Area.**

The Council has now approved the contractor for the new multiuse games area at Priory Park. The work is not likely to start until May and is dependent on the weather. Whilst the work is ongoing the Council will be closing the play area on the site to allow the contractor's vehicles to access the site. We hope that you will bear with us during this period.

### **North Pond Bridge Refurbishment.**

Officers from Winchester City Council have advised the Council that refurbishment works will be undertaken on the North Pond Bridge later this year. It is hoped that the work will be carried out during the school holidays to minimise the disruption as the bridge will be closed for 3-4 weeks.

### **Hoe Road Tennis Road Courts.**

The Hoe Road Tennis courts have been resurfaced and are now open again. The courts can be booked via [www.bw.active.tennis](http://www.bw.active.tennis). There are two free to play sessions a week on a Thursday and Sunday.

### **Age Concern's Village Agents.**

Bishop's Waltham now has two new Village Agents; Ann and Ray. Their role is to help older people to find information and services. You can contact them during the week on 07834 853001 or [villageagent@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk](mailto:villageagent@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk).

### **Your Parish Councillors:**

Tracy Conduct	Chairman	895184	David Rowe	895208
Barry Nicholson	Vice Chairman	896285	Robert Shields	894289
Helen Gabriel		893531	George Westcombe	893803
Robin Howe		896148	Pat Wilson	895742
Judy Marsh		896240	Terry Wilson	895742
Steve Miller		891122	Josephine Wood	895002
			Adam Wright	890905

### **Council and Committee Meeting Dates.**

#### **April 2016**

5th Planning, Environment and Highways Committee (6.00pm)

5th Finance, Policy and Resources Committee

12th Parish Council

19th Halls and Grounds Committee

26th Community Development Committee

#### **May 2016**

3rd Planning, Environment and Highways Committee (6.00pm)

3rd Finance, Policy and Resources Committee

10th Parish Council

17th Halls and Grounds Committee

24th Community Development Committee

#### **June 2016**

7th Planning, Environment and Highways Committee (6.00pm)

7th Finance, Policy and Resources Committee

14th Parish Council

21st Halls and Grounds Committee

28th Community Development Committee

***All members of the Bishop's Waltham community are welcome at any Parish Council or Committee meeting. The first 30 minutes are always reserved for questions and comments from members of the public.***

***All meetings are held in the Jubilee Hall, commencing at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.***

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