

Bishop's Waltham *Matters*

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Welcome

The highlight of the year was the recent award by the Hampshire Association of Local Councils of "Village of the Year 2019", Hampshire & the Isle of Wight to Bishop's Waltham. Congratulations must go to the members of the Parish Council and The Town Team who put the title winning entry together, and to the members of the various community organisations who acted as guides to the judges on the day that they visited us.

Following the recent staff resignations, I am pleased to inform you that Alison Trott has accepted the position of Administration Assistant with specific responsibilities to manage the Halls & Grounds booking system and to assist the Deputy Executive Officer with implementing the decisions of the Community Development and Halls & Grounds Committees. Interviews are currently being held for the positions of Halls Manager and Community Safety Officer.

Finally, I convey my thanks to all members of our community that attended the recent Remembrance Day Parade and Services, either by being in the High Street or in St Peters Church. This was a wonderful display of the community spirit present in Bishop's Waltham that was a major factor in us being named the "Village of the Year 2019".

On behalf of the Parish Council staff and councillors, I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous 2020.

Terry Wilson
Chairman

Bishop's Waltham announced as
The Hampshire Association of Local Councils -
Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year 2019

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Village of the Year - What Next?

The Hampshire Association of Local Councils awarded Bishop's Waltham £500 for winning the coveted title of "Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year 2019". This will be spent on further promotion of Bishop's Waltham to attract visitors who will then help support the local economy and the viability of the town centre.

Replicas for the award plaque have been placed in nearly all shop windows and road-side signs are being manufactured to welcome motorists to the "Village of the Year".

Next year, Bishop's Waltham will be hosting the award event and giving a presentation to all participants on what led to our success this year.



PCSO Beat Surgery

PCSO Sarah McCulloch is the neighbourhood officer for Swanmore and Bishops Waltham and will be holding a Beat Surgery in the reception of Meon Valley Police Station on Saturday 7th December 10.00 - 11.30. This will be an opportunity for members of the public to come and have a chat regarding any concerns they may have.

No. 69 Bus

There are late night buses from Winchester to Bishop's Waltham on Thursdays and Fridays. You can plan an evening out in Winchester using just public transport.



Convenient No. 69 buses are:

Out

Dep Bishop's Waltham	17:46	18:44	19:42
Arr Winchester	18:32	19:27	20:30

Return

Dep Winchester	22:00	22:52
Arr Bishop's Waltham	23:10	23:58

That's over 4 hours in Winchester for a pub-crawl, restaurant, cinema or theatre – and no car!

Jubilee Hall Car Park Extension

The work on extending the car park to include another 71 spaces is now due to start on the 6th January, for completion in March 2020. Subject to Parish Council final approval, it will have 2 hours free parking and a number of dedicated spaces for season ticket holders (apply now to the Parish Council Office). There will also be charging points for electric cars.

Parish Council Surgeries

After our successful Parish Council Surgery at Claylands Road, our Councillors attended Bishop's Waltham Junior School - Parents Evening, to be on hand to answer any questions and discuss matters affecting them. If you feel this would be beneficial to your group or you feel your neighbourhood is facing specific problems, please get in touch with the Parish Council Office.



Remembrance Day

On Sunday 10th November 2019 we were honoured to be a part of the Remembrance Day parade to St Peter's Church, Bishop's Waltham. Afterwards we invited all those who took part back to The Jubilee Hall for hot drinks and a warm bowl of soup. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported this special occasion

At 11am on Monday 11th November, to commemorate Remembrance Day, the High Street was closed to traffic and the old air raid siren was sounded to begin the two minutes silence. The siren was sounded again at 11.02am and the High Street re-opened.



Wheelie Bins

Wheelie bins must not:

- restrict access to the pavement or street
- cause an obstruction to neighbours
- force people using wheelchairs or buggies to walk on the road.

They may, however, be left outside a property for a few hours before a collection.



Climate Crisis



The Winchester City Council (2020 - 2025) Draft Plan has set the following priorities:-

- Tackling the Climate Emergency and creating a greener district
- Homes for all
- Vibrant local economy
- Living well
- Your services. Your voice

Use your voice to support the Parish Council in achieving these aims in Bishop's Waltham.

For top tips on saving money and to help reduce climate change, go to:-

www.winchester.gov.uk

(click on the Environment tab in the Services section and then click the Climate Emergency link)

Spotlight on: Reporting Crime

CALL YOUR LOCAL POLICE



101

IN AN EMERGENCY
ALWAYS CALL 999

Police Emergency

Only call 999 if:

- A crime is happening now (or just happened)
- You have immediate concerns for someone's safety
- You see a traffic collision involving injury or danger to other road users.
- You see something suspicious that needs immediate attention

Not an Emergency

Call 101 or go to www.hampshire.police.uk to report:

- crimes that are not in progress
- Suspicious people or vehicles
- Non urgent information
- Criminal damage / theft / theft from a vehicle (this can also be reported on-line at www.hampshire.police.uk)

For general information and advice go to www.hampshire.police.uk



Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the staff and Councillors at Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

Contact Us

For all enquiries relating to Parish Council matters or facilities, please use the following details:-

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The Parish Council Office is open to the public:
Tuesday to Friday from 10am to 2pm (at any other time by appointment only).

Council and Committee Meeting Dates

(7pm at The Jubilee Hall unless otherwise stated)

January 2020

7th	Finance, Policy & Resources Committee
14th	Parish Council
21st	Halls and Grounds Committee
27th	Community Development Committee
28th	Planning, Environment & Highways Committee

February 2020

4th	Finance, Policy and Resources Committee
11th	Parish Council
18th	Halls and Grounds Committee
24th	Community Development Committee
25th	Planning, Environment & Highways Committee

March 2020

3rd	Finance, Policy and Resources Committee
10th	Parish Council
17th	Halls and Grounds Committee
23rd	Community Development Committee
24th	Planning, Environment & Highways Committee

The Public are welcome to attend. All meetings include a section for public comment.