

Bishop's Waltham *Matters*

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Welcome

Reflecting on the past year, I hadn't been surprised by the many stories I heard about members of our community assisting others.

This was highlighted by the Mayor of Winchester when he chose seven people from Bishop's Waltham to receive an award in recognition of the help they freely provided to others during the pandemic.

These were:

Andrew Brown, Darren Campbell, Andy Clifton, Gilly Dean, Jane Earley, Peter Hurley, Helen Johnson and David Spackman.

In addition to those named, on behalf of your Parish Council, I thank all other volunteers and also the key workers who all make Bishop's Waltham such a special place to live.

I wish you all a happier 2021 and that all problems resulting from Covid Virus issues will soon become a distant memory.

Terry Wilson
Chairman

BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL - COVID 19 LOCKDOWN SUPPORT

If Lockdown is still in place - or extended - at the time you read this, please try to help your older neighbours with shopping etc. If you are a Bishop's Waltham resident and in need of help yourself, please contact the Parish Council on 01489 892323 who have a team of volunteers able to assist you.



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High Street Management

Many residents and visitors have offered their opinions during the Parish Council surgeries, and the recent pavement widening exercise, about how to improve the High Street.

Look out for our High Street Traffic Management Survey coming soon. Responses can be made online via Survey Monkey or (when restrictions allow) by returning a paper copy to various locations around the village.

The survey will seek views on improvements required to reduce traffic congestion and increase pedestrian safety in just the upper High Street as a first phase. The Parish Council will publish the results and use them as a basis for putting proposals to Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council.



Bishop's Waltham CSO

During lockdown, following a risk assessment, our Community Support Officer (CSO) Ben, will not be carrying out his usual patrols. Ben can be contacted by phone, Facebook and email with any concerns or support queries. For any Covid19 related issues/enforcement, please contact the police as per government guidance. Ben will keep you up to date with regular posts on the Bishop's Waltham CSO Facebook page.

Phone: 07837 026413

Email: cso@bishops-waltham-pc.gov.uk

Facebook: Bishop's Waltham CSO

Priory Park Skate Park Update

Thank you to everyone who took the time to email us with your suggestions for the Skate Park



site. The closing date for responses was 12th January. Ideas will be considered by the Council in due course and we look forward to working with the community to provide an exciting new facility.

Covid19 Emergency Support for Meon Valley Food Bank



Emergency funding provided by Winchester City Council has been passed to Meon Valley Foodbank to help those struggling to afford food and essentials due to COVID19.



Botley to Bishop's Waltham Bridleway

The Council have confirmed that the project will go ahead and are considering the appointment of a Project Manager to oversee the Bishop's Waltham section.

Pondside/Montague Road Open Space

The transfer of land has been delayed and we have concerns with site drainage to raise with Linden Homes. Once complete we will be liaising with the play area contractor regarding final designs.



Bishop's Waltham Bottle Bank Facility

Like residents, we were saddened to hear that Sainsbury's had taken the decision to remove the bottle bank facility from their car park. From concerns raised by residents it was quite clear that a facility in Bishop's Waltham was needed. Therefore, the Parish Council have resolved to return a bottle bank facility to the Jubilee Hall Car Park for a temporary period.



Winchester City Council Dog Warden

The Winchester City Council Dog Warden has been regularly visiting Bishop's Waltham. On a recent monitoring visit to Hoe Road Recreation Ground they have spoken with dog walkers to remind them of their responsibilities in controlling and cleaning up after dogs.



New Automatic Doors for Jubilee Hall

Users will be pleased to hear that we have replaced the heavy front entrance doors to Jubilee Hall with new automatic opening doors.



Shore Lane/Post Mead Development

We are aware of the problems caused by the developers parking on Shore Lane whilst working on the Post Mead site. We are in contact with the developers and Winchester City Council to try and reduce the impact to traffic flow. It is hoped vehicles will move on to site soon.

Self-Build Opportunity

Six self-build homes proposed for local people in Bishops Waltham, subject to planning approval. Site now being assembled following discussions with the Parish Council, who will be involved with the allocation of the homes. Interested in knowing more? Please get in touch with Peter and Catherine for more details. Peter Kyte, Enabling Projects (Town Planners) - pdk@enablinguk.com - 020 8381 4311. Catherine Kirkham, Community Led Housing Adviser, Action Hampshire - 01962 857387 - catherine.kirkham@actionhampshire.org



Grant Applications

The Parish Council will now consider grant applications twice yearly. Once in April (to be received by 31st March) and again in October (to be received by 30th September). Second applications will be considered, if funds are available, and full grants have not previously been awarded.

Annual Meeting of the Parish 2021

It is unlikely that we will be able to hold an Annual Meeting of the Parish in March as planned. Should restrictions allow, it may be possible to hold this event later in the year.

BWEI Grants

At the request of the Trustees of the Bishop's Waltham Educational Institute (BWEI), the Charity Commission agreed that the funds held by the Charity could be transferred to St Peter's Bishop's Waltham Parochial Church Council (PCC). The funds have now been transferred and income received by the PCC to enable this to happen, so applications are invited for grants. A formal application form and details of the grant criteria (including deadlines for submitting applications) can be found on our website or are available on request from the Stables Parish Office, telephone 01489 892197. Applications must be submitted in writing, either electronically to the Stables Parish Office at bwuoffice@tiscali.co.uk or by post to the Stables Parish Office, Maypole Green, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1PW. For more information please contact Paul Emmerson on (01489) 895079 or e-mail: paulemmerson46@gmail.com

Be a Parish Councillor

We currently have three Parish Councillor vacancies, there are over 4000 potential candidates!

It's not all about committees. It's about contributing to making Bishop's Waltham a lovely place to live, engaging with residents, supporting the community and turning ideas into results.

Attracted?

Contact our Executive Office, Lindsay Edge for more information. 01489 892323 or parishclerk@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk



Spotlight on: Coronavirus Lockdown

Coronavirus cases are rising rapidly across the country .

It is such a difficult time for everyone. However, you must stay at home, except for a limited set of exemptions.

For further information, go to www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home





ENGLAND LOCKDOWN
STAY AT HOME

THE NEW VARIANT OF CORONAVIRUS IS SPREADING FAST. WE ALL NEED TO PLAY OUR PART TO STOP THE SPREAD.

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| ▶ LEAVING HOME You must not leave, or be outside of your home or garden, except for a very limited set of exemptions e.g. to shop for basic necessities, exercise, go to work if you cannot do so from home, or to escape risk of harm. | ▶ WORK AND BUSINESS Everyone must work from home unless they are unable to do so. | ▶ WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS Funerals of up to 30 people permitted. Weddings up to 6 people permitted in exceptional circumstances. Wakes and other linked ceremonial events of up to 6 permitted. |
| ▶ MEETING OTHERS You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone, except with your household or support bubble (if eligible to form one). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble. | ▶ EDUCATION Early years settings open. Primary and secondary schools and colleges move to remote provision except for vulnerable children and children of critical workers. Most university students to move to remote learning. | ▶ PLACES OF WORSHIP Places of worship can remain open and communal worship is permitted, but you must not mix with those outside your household or support bubble. |
| ▶ EXERCISE You may exercise on your own, with your household or support bubble, or with one person from another household (when on your own). Stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household or support bubble. | ▶ LEISURE AND SPORTING FACILITIES Closed, with limited exceptions. | ▶ TRAVELLING You must stay at home. If you do leave home for a very limited set of exemptions, you should stay local in the village, town, or part of the city where you live where possible. Do not travel abroad unless an exemption applies. |
| ▶ BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS Hospitality closed aside from sales by takeaway (until 11pm), click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery. Alcohol cannot be purchased through takeaway or click-and-collect from hospitality venues. | ▶ ACCOMMODATION Closed, with limited exceptions. | ▶ CLINICALLY EXTREMELY VULNERABLE Shielding reintroduced across England. You should not travel to work, school, college or university and should limit the time you spend outside the home. You should only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential. |
| ▶ RETAIL Essential shops can open. Non-essential retail must close and can only run click-and-collect and delivery. | ▶ PERSONAL CARE Closed. | ▶ CARE HOME VISITS Visits can take place with arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, or behind windows. Close-contact indoor visits are not allowed. No visits will be permitted in the event of an outbreak but end of life visits are permitted in all circumstances. |
| | ▶ ENTERTAINMENT Closed. | |
| | ▶ OVERNIGHT STAYS You must not stay overnight away from home. Limited exceptions apply e.g. to stay with your support bubble. | |

STAY HOME ▶ PROTECT THE NHS ▶ SAVE LIVES

For more information go to:
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

STAY HOME - PROTECT THE NHS - SAVE LIVES

Contact Us

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

Address: Parish Council Office
The Jubilee Hall
Little Shore Lane
Bishop's Waltham
SO32 1ED

Telephone: 01489 892323

Email: parishclerk@bishopsvaltham-pc.gov.uk
Web: www.bishopsvaltham-pc.gov.uk

The Parish Council Office is not currently open to the public, please do contact us by phone or email.

Council and Committee Meeting Dates

(All meetings are currently held online until further notice. Details for public access can be found on the meeting agendas uploaded to our website or on the town noticeboards)

February 2021

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| 2nd | Finance, Policy and Resources Committee |
| 9th | Parish Council |
| 16th | Halls and Grounds Committee |
| 22nd | Community Development Committee |
| 23rd | Planning and Highways Committee |

March 2021

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April 2021

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| 6th | Finance, Policy and Resources Committee |
| 13th | Parish Council |
| 20th | Halls and Grounds Committee |
| 26th | Community Development Committee |
| 27th | Planning and Highways Committee |