Bishop's Waltham Matters

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Welcome

As we move through spring towards summer, we all look forward to the changes in the look of our landscape that surrounds us.

On a smaller scale, that is what I am now thinking about as I am now approaching the end of my three-year term as the Chairman of your Parish Council. I thank all the members of our community who have supported me during this period and especially all the Parish Councillors who have voluntarily served you during my term of office.

I hope that whomever is elected by the Parish Councillors as the next Chairman, will enjoy their time in office, and achieve the same level of satisfaction that I have when seeing the completed projects undertaken to improve the lives of you, the Bishop's Waltham community.

Terry Wilson - Chairman



Look out for our Autumn edition of Bishop's Waltham Matters in August 2022









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Dates for your Diary

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party

Sunday 5th June - From 12pm

Come along to the High Street for the Queen's Jubilee Street Party. Bring a picnic and enjoy the entertainment and music.

Bishop's Waltham Rotary Carnival Saturday 11th June - 12.00 to 5pm

A High Street motorcade of vintage & classic vehicles and bikes, ending at Hoe Road Recreation Ground for a family fun day with live music and a food and drink village. Children's inflatables, rides and games, pony rides, craft stalls, book stall, bottle stall, a fancy dress competition and a dog show.

Bishop's Waltham Palace A Tudor Experience

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd July

A fun-filled weekend in the Palace Grounds with a Grand Tudor Banquet on the evening of the 2nd July.

Website: www.henry500years.co.uk

'Clean-up' Bishop's Waltham

What a wonderful turn out we had for our litter pick event in March.

Thank you to everyone involved, you have helped to keep Bishop's Waltham tidy.

If you would like to be involved in our next 'Clean-up' event, keep an eye open for details in future editions of the Bishop's Waltham Matters newsletter.



Tree Planting

As part of the Queen's Canopy for her Platinum Jubilee, the Parish Council have been busy planting trees donated by The Woodland Trust and a member of the community.



Montague Road Play Park Update

We are very pleased to be able to update you that the land transfer from Linden Homes to the Parish Council is now complete. This will allow us to proceed with the project to install the play areas planned for this location. The designs for these areas resulted from public consultation that took place in March 2020 and we are excited to finally be able to move ahead with this new amenity. Some of the land will require drainage work to improve ground conditions prior to the installation of the play equipment.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish

On Wednesday 30th March 2022, the Parish Council held their Annual Meeting of the Parish. This community event gives the Parish Council an opportunity to report to its electorate on what it has accomplished in the preceding year. During this year's meeting, attendees were asked to complete suggestion cards. We have taken the time to review these, and have provided a small example below of the comments and suggestions provided.

Comments were received regarding local facilities, such as the Doctor's surgery and schools with regard to ongoing housing developments in Bishop's Waltham. The Parish Council does not control health or education services but we do aim to work with local bodies, to help to enhance our town for all its residents. However, it is important that we hear your thoughts to enable us to lobby on behalf of residents to support their issues.

Problems such as reliability with parking machines at the Jubilee Hall, broken hand sanitiser dispensers and Skate Park progress fit within the Parish Council's responsibilities. All are issues we are aware of and we are working hard to address them. Suggestions such as a community garden were welcomed as this is something we are considering as a future project.



Parish Council Notice Boards

When you are passing one of our noticeboards, please do take the time to have a look at the notices posted.



You can find Parish Council noticeboards in the following locations:-

Hoe Road (outside the Police Station)
The Jubilee Hall building
Red Lion Street (outside Costa Coffee)
Cross Street (alongside D&G hardware store)
The Avenue (alongside Londis store)

There is also a community noticeboard at the front of Basingwell Street Car Park, open for all non-businesses to use.

Priory Park Overflow Car Park Extension

Earlier this month an ecological appraisal was undertaken at the site. This will form one of the final elements of the planning application. We hope that the planning application will be submitted in June and we will keep you posted on its progress.

Southern Footpath Update

The Parish Councillors recently met with the housing developers involved, as well as representatives from Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council, regarding the Southern Footpath project. One key topic discussed in these meetings was how to establish the links between the various stages of the footpath. The Parish Council will shortly be going out to tender for the section of path that will cross Priory Park to link with Bosworth Gardens and existing public footpaths.

Telephone Box Refurbishment

Refurbishment of the old red telephone box from Hoe Road is well underway by the wonderful Men's Shed group. The Parish Council plan to re-purpose the telephone box, to be located in Red Lion Street, as an information point for residents and visitors.



The Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

As part of The Queen's Jubilee celebrations, the Parish Council will be holding a street party in the High Street on Sunday 5th June 2022, from 12pm until 4pm. There will be live music and entertainers, games and activities to enjoy. Pack yourself a picnic and come along to join in with the celebrations. There will be something for all ages. To get the party started, there will be a children's magic show at 12.15pm. There will also be games for all ages and even a play area for toddlers.

We hope that this will be a day for the children of our town to remember, and that lots of children will take part in our 'fun hat' competition. The theme is, of course, *The Queen and the Jubilee*, so time to get out the felt tips, scissors and sticky tape and have some creative fun. Come along wearing your hat on the day, we can't wait to see your creations! There will be a certificate for every child who takes part on the day.



STREET PARTY SUNDAY 5TH JUNE

STARTING AT 12PM

ST GEORGE'S SQUARE ~ BISHOP'S WALTHAM

COME ALONG TO THE HIGH STREET FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE STREET PARTY, BRING A PICNIC, AND ENJOY THE ENTERTAINMENT AND MUSIC



Celebration organised by
Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

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Speed Indicator Device

The Parish Council have taken action after seeing a number of speeding incidents recorded on the Speed Indicator Device. Reports have shown maximum speeds of 87mph on Coppice Hill and 117mph on The Hangers!

The Planning & Highways Committee resolved to forward the reports to the relevant authorities and request assistance in reducing the excessive and dangerous speed of

traffic within the area. The Committee where disappointed with the response from the Police and so decided to follow this up with a letter, including the response to, Donna Jones, Hampshire Police, and Crime Commissioner and Flick Drummond, MP for the Meon Valley.

The Parish Council would like to make road users aware that the speed device records the speed of vehicles approaching the device from the rear, not just those approaching the front



Spotlight on: The Halls Team

If you've ever hired one of our halls, you may have met or spoken with one of the halls team. For those that haven't, let's take a moment to introduce the team and their roles within the Parish Council.

<u>Matthew Wanstall - Halls Manager</u> hallsmanager@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk 07376 205310

Matthew is on hand to ensure the smooth running of all our halls, from plumbing and electrical issues, to cleaning schedules and health and safety. If you would like to take a look around any of our halls to see the facilities we offer, please do contact Matthew to arrange an appointment.

<u>Alison Trott - Administration Assistant - Halls & Grounds</u> halls@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk 01489 892323

Alison manages our halls booking process from start to finish and will ensure everything is in place for your event, so please contact her if you have any halls booking enquiries or questions.

<u>Richard and Gloria Stratton - Caretakers</u> 07435 970501

Richard and Gloria are our husband and wife team who look after all the cleaning and caretaking requirements of our halls. We offer a caretaker cleaning service with every booking, which means that you can leave your event knowing that our caretakers will take care of the clean up.





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)

June 2022

7th Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

14th Parish Council

21st Halls & Grounds Committee

27th Community & Environment Committee

28th Planning & Highways Committee

July 2022

5th Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

12th Parish Council (Annual Meeting of the Council)

19th Halls & Grounds Committee

25th Community & Environment Committee

26th Planning & Highways Committee

August 2022

2nd Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

9th Parish Council

16th Halls & Grounds Committee

22nd Community & Environment Committee

23rd Planning & Highways Committee