

For your 2024 Diary

All this and more!

JUBILEE HALL
SATURDAY 23RD MARCH
11.30AM - 4PM

SUSTAINABLE AND NATURAL GARDENING

HOW TO SAVE THE PLANET, ONE OUTFIT AT A TIME

GREEN TRAVEL

RETROFIT AND HOME INSULATION TIPS

PLANT-BASED FOOD

WASTE PREVENTION

GROUP WORK

SUSTAINABLE BISHOP'S WALTHAM

Bishop's Waltham Eco-Fair

Join us on **Saturday 23rd March from 11:30am until 4:00pm** for the Bishop's Waltham Eco-Fair. There will be plenty of stalls offering all sorts of products and advice about living a greener lifestyle: from saving money on your fuel bills and generating your own solar power, to tips on reducing food waste.

There will be fascinating talks from the likes of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, and Flight Free UK on how to enjoy the journey as much as the destination when travelling. There will also be a session about heat pumps, solar installations and home batteries. **Entry is free** and with food available for purchase, and eco-activities for the children, it promises to be a fun and informative day for all the family.

Clean-Up Bishop's Waltham Litter Pick

Saturday 23rd March
10:00am - 12:00pm.
Meet at the Jubilee Hall.

Annual Meeting of the Parish

At the Jubilee Hall on Wednesday 17th April all Bishop's Waltham residents are invited to a community meeting. Doors will open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. The Parish Council will give a brief update on its recently completed and ongoing work and the Forward Plan. The main purpose of the evening though is to provide residents with a chance to gather. Free drinks and light refreshments will be served.

Bishop's Waltham Volunteers

Volunteer Thank You Event

On Friday 24th November 2023, the Parish Council hosted a 'Thank You' event for all volunteers who helped the community during 2023. Have you thought of joining a group or do you wish to volunteer to help? If so, please see the information about Bishop's Waltham Community Volunteers.

Bishop's Waltham Community Volunteers is your way to get involved in one of our town's many community groups. Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet new people, develop new skills, put something back into the community, and to have fun. Look at the volunteering opportunities that are currently available by going to: <https://bwcommunityvolunteers.teamkinetic.co.uk/>
To receive regular updates on opportunities - so that you don't miss out on something that is just right for you - register on the site and create your own account. BWCV was set up in 2023 by the Bishop's Waltham Town Team to link potential volunteers with community groups. Volunteer self help and community spirit is a key attribute of our town. Let's keep it that way.



Albany Road Play Area

In December, the designs received for the new play area for Albany Road were displayed in the Jubilee Hall and on the Parish Council website. We were also given the opportunity to talk to pupils at Bishop's Waltham Infant School about the project. The results of the resident surveys were reviewed by the Halls and Grounds Committee when selecting the successful design.



The play area suppliers were asked to consider the rural location of the play area and many designs included natural materials to complement its environment. We look forward to being able to give further updates about the chosen design in the next newsletter.

Priory Park Overflow Car Park Extension

The Council is continuing with its long-running goal of increasing the car parking facilities at Priory Park for all the various groups and residents who make use of the green space and its facilities such as the new skate park and Clubhouse. A small stretch of hedge has been removed to increase the available parking footprint and we plan to enhance the hedging around the new perimeter.

We have also approached Winchester City Council for grant funding from the Rural England Prosperity Fund. If successful, the Council hopes to be able to proceed with the project in the coming months.

Parish Precept

Parishes may charge a parish precept to fund the Parish Council and activities they undertake on behalf of the community.

We manage and maintain three halls and 11 recreation grounds in the Parish, which include 8 play areas, an outdoor gym and football pitches.

We allocate money each year to be awarded in grants to organisations for projects or events that will be of benefit to the residents of the Parish.

We employ a Community Safety Officer, with good feedback on the role and work that he does.

We provide community events and environmental initiatives.

In conjunction with Swanmore Parish Council, we manage and maintain West Hoe Cemetery .

We provide litter bins, seating, erect signs and notices around the town where necessary.

We monitor the trees, footpaths, ditches and hedges in the Parish and carry out works where necessary.

How the precept is calculated:

Each Parish Council forecasts how much money it is going to need the following year.

This is then divided by the number of properties in the parish that fall into Band D for Council Tax. To determine the precept each Council Tax payer in the parish will contribute.

This figure is adjusted to take into things such as exempt properties and planned new houses

How the budget is funded:

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council has agreed that there should be an increase in Precept for 2024/25 in order to meet the estimates of expenditure for services administered by the Council. This increase equates to an additional £1.75 per month per household.	Item	2023/24	2024/25
	Expenditure	£1,321,548	£892,456
	Funded by:		
	Income	£197,028	£200,336
	Contribution from reserves	£592,307	£99,298
	Parish Precept Requirement	£532,213	£592,822
	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council's Band D Council Tax per household	£178.80	£196.30

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

Forward Plan 2024-2028

We have reopened the Parish Council's Forward Plan Survey 2024-2028 to enable more comments to be gathered regarding what residents would like the Parish Council to focus on over the next four years.

The link to the survey is on our website:-

https://www.bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk/News_and_Events_40267.aspx

Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to be taken straight to the survey.



Or pick up a paper form from the Parish Council or local outlets.

The survey will remain open until April 2024. We look forward to hearing your views!

Bishop's Waltham Parish Council, Planning and Highways Committee

Assessment of Parking Issues — Residents' Questionnaire

The Parish Council asked residents of Malvern Close, Middlebrook, St Bonnet Drive, Eastways and Bank Street to complete a survey to help the Parish Council's Planning and Highways Committee assess the current issues regarding parking in their areas. The responses were considered by the Committee, a third of those surveyed had responded with no clear issue arising. This report was submitted to Winchester City Council. It should, however, be noted that WCC/HCC are not currently minded to consider residential parking permits in market towns.



BISHOP'S WALTHAM WHAT'S ON GUIDE

2024 Events Calendar

Containing a wonderful range of community gatherings, there's something for everyone.

Stay up to date with the latest event news by checking the Parish Council and "Bishop's Waltham - What's On" Facebook pages and the Town Team website: www.lovebishopswaltham.com

	DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE	EVENT ORGANISERS	CONTACT DETAILS
March	Wednesday 6th	Evening	Community Film Night, refreshments & raffle	Bishop's Waltham Junior School	Bishop's Waltham Community Film Night	Wendy Belfield wendy@wendy17.plus.com
	Friday 15th	Evening	Bar and Band night	Bishop's Waltham Junior School	Friends of Bishop's Waltham Junior School	fobs@bwjsapps.co.uk
	Saturday 16th	10:30am-12:00pm	Open Forum - "Your opportunity to help shape future activities and events"	United Free Church	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
	Thursday 21st	7:30pm - 9:30pm	Wildlife Gardening Talk	St Peter's Church Hall	Wilder Bishop's Waltham	wilderbishopswaltham@gmail.com
	Saturday 23rd	10:00am – 12:00pm	'Clean Up BW' Litter pick event	Jubilee Hall & local area	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
		11:30am - 4:00pm	Eco Event	Jubilee Hall	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Sunday 24th	Daytime (TBC)	Easter Egg Trail	Around Bishop's Waltham	Friends of Bishop's Waltham Junior School	fobs@bwjsapps.co.uk
	Monday 25th	7:30pm	Museum AGM and Speaker – Georgian Bishop's Waltham	St Peter's Church Hall	Bishop's Waltham Museum	bishopswalthammuseum@gmail.com
April	Saturday 13th	10:00am	Open Morning for New Volunteers	Museum BW Palace Grounds	Bishop's Waltham Museum	bishopswalthammuseum@gmail.com
	Wednesday 17th	7:00pm for a 7:30pm start	Annual Meeting of the Parish	Jubilee Hall	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Thursday 18th	Evening	Charity Fashion Show	Jubilee Hall	Bishop's Waltham Rotary Club	info@bishopswalthamrotary.org.uk
	Saturday 20th	10:30am – 3:00pm	Bishop's Waltham 'Bites'	Town Centre	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
	Saturday 27th	Booking required	Open Day	Bowling Club, Priory Park	Meon Valley Bowling Club	To book your place call 01489 896194
May	Saturday 4th	12:00pm	Museum opens for the summer	Bishop's Waltham Palace	Bishop's Waltham Museum	bishopswalthammuseum@gmail.com
	Sunday 5th	10:00am – 4:00pm	Bishop's Waltham Charity Garden Fair	Wintershill Hall, Durlay	Bishop's Waltham Garden Fair	Joan Ferrer jcferrer@talk21.com www.bishops-waltham-garden-fair.org
	Saturday 11th	8:30am – 12:30pm	Plant Sale	Red Lion Street	Bishop's Waltham Scout Group	Nick Woollett 07812 926805
		9:30am	"Come and Sing" Join us to form a choir for the day	St. Peter's Church	Bishop's Waltham Festival	www.bwfestival.art
		6:30pm	Choir concert by the Festival Singers formed at the "Come and Sing"			
	Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th	10:00am – 1:00pm	Plant sale	Bishop's Waltham Allotments	Bishop's Waltham Gardening Club	www.bwgc.org.uk webbwgc@outlook.com
	Saturday 25th	10:00am – 12:00pm	Mothers Union Mini Fayre	St. Peter's Churchyard	St Peter's Church	07788 503769
		10:00am – 3:00pm	Give & Take event - DIY and Garden Tools, Equipment and Materials	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
June	Thursday 6th	Beacon to be lit at 9:15pm	D-Day 80 Beacons – Commemorating the 80 th Anniversary of D-Day Landing	Bishop's Waltham Palace	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Saturday 8th	12:00pm – 5:00pm	Summer Fayre and Family Fun Day with motorcade procession	High Street & Hoe Road Rec Ground	Bishop's Waltham Rotary Club	info@bishopswalthamrotary.org.uk


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June (continued)	Friday 28th	7:00pm	<u>Festival Ceilidh</u> (Family friendly) With Jigfoot	Bishop's Waltham Palace	Bishop's Waltham Festival	www.bwfestival.art
	Saturday 29th	3:00pm - 11:00pm	Bishop's Waltham Music Festival returns	Bishop's Waltham Palace	Bishop's Waltham Festival	www.bwfestival.art
		10:00am - 3:00pm	Give & Take event - Holiday, Travel and Sports	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
	Sunday 30th	Gates open at 1:00pm	<u>Theatre Performance</u> "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz"	Bishop's Waltham Palace	Bishop's Waltham Festival	www.bwfestival.art
		Gates open at 6:00pm	<u>Theatre Performance</u> "The Importance of Being Earnest"			
		6:00pm	Closing date for competition entries to the Annual Front Garden Competition		Bishop's Waltham In Bloom	j.kippenberger@btinternet.com
July	Sunday 7th	11:00am - 5:00pm	Hidden Gardens 2024	Bishop's Waltham	Bishop's Waltham In Bloom	bwinbloompauline@gmail.com
	Saturday 13th	2:00pm - 5:00pm	Bishop's Waltham Gardening Club Show	Jubilee Hall	Bishop's Waltham Gardening Club	www.bwgc.org.uk webbwgc@outlook.com
	Sunday 14th	9:30am - 3:30pm	Brocante / Vintage Market	High Street	Antique & Art Fairs	Jackie Edwards 07514 680872 jackieedwardsmarketing@gmail.com
	Saturday 20th	TBC	Summer Event	TBC	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Saturday 27th	10:00am - 3:00pm	Give & Take event - Toys, Games, Books and Clothes for under 11s	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
Aug	Saturday 24th	10:00am - 3:00pm	Give & Take event - Small Household Items and Entertainment	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
September	Saturday 21st	11:00am - 4:00pm	St. Peter's Country Fayre	St. Peter's Churchyard	St. Peter's Church	paulemmerson46@gmail.com 01489 895079/07901 842196
	Saturday 28th	10:00am - 3:00pm	Give & Take event - Arts and Craft Items	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
October	Wednesday 2nd	Evening	Community Film Night, refreshments & raffle	Bishop's Waltham Junior School	Bishop's Waltham Community Film Night	Wendy Belfield wendy@wendy17.plus.com
	Saturday 5th	10:00am -12:00pm	'Clean Up BW' Litter pick event	Jubilee Hall & local area	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
		11:30am - 4:00pm	Eco Event	Jubilee Hall	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Sunday 6th	9:30am - 3:30pm	Brocante / Vintage Market	High Street	Antique & Art Fairs	Jackie Edwards 07514 680872 jackieedwardsmarketing@gmail.com
	Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th	9:30am - 5:00pm	Photographic Exhibition	United Free Church, Basingwell Street	Bishop's Waltham Photographic Society	exhibition @bishopswalthamphotosociety. co.uk
	Saturday 12th	10:30am - 3:00pm	Bishop's Waltham 'Bites'	Town Centre	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
November	Saturday 26th	10:00am - 3:00pm	Give & Take event - Halloween and Christmas Items	St George's Square	Bishop's Waltham Town Team	bishopswalthamtownteam@gmail.com
	Saturday 2nd	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Community Fire works	Hoe Road Recreation Ground	Friends of Bishop's Waltham Junior School	fobs@bwjsapps.co.uk
	Wednesday 6th	Evening	Community Film Night, refreshments & raffle	Bishop's Waltham Junior School	Bishop's Waltham Community Film Night	Wendy Belfield wendy@wendy17.plus.com
Dec	Sunday 10th	10:30am	Remembrance Day Parade	Town Centre	Bishop's Waltham Parish Council	01489 892323 admin@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk
	Thursday 5th	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Christmas Fayre	Town Centre	Chamber of Trade	bishopswalthamcot@gmail.com

Who is responsible?

Hampshire County Council

Highway management □ Waste disposal □ Children's services (including supporting schools families and young people) □ Social care □ Libraries □ Discovery Centres □ Country parks □ Public Health

www.hants.gov.uk - 0300 5551375




Winchester City Council

Housing □ Benefits □ Business □ Waste, recycling and street cleaning □ Planning

□ Climate emergency □ Arts □ Building control □ Community safety and neighbourhood services □ Council tax □ Licensing □ Parking □ Pest control □ Dog Fouling/Barking

www.winchester.gov.uk - 01962 840222




Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

Allotments □ Burial Grounds, Cemeteries, Churchyards and Crematoria □ Bus Shelters

□ Bye-laws □ Public Clocks □Community Centres, Halls, Public Buildings □ Drainage – of ditches and ponds □ Provision of litter-bins and support for any anti-litter campaigns □ Planning – parish councils may be notified of any planning applications for the area □ Public conveniences □ Recreation □ Public Seats □ Signs – danger signs, place names and bus stops signs □ Traffic Calming □ Community Support


ww.bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk - 01489 892323



Hampshire Constabulary

Crime □ Anti-social Behaviour □ Road Traffic Incidents □ Missing Person □ Fraud □ Civil Disputes □ Lost/found Property □ Lost/stolen Vehicles □ Domestic Abuse

https://www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/ - call 101



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Look out for our next edition of Bishop's Waltham Matters in May 2024. You can sign up to our electronic newsletter by clicking the link from the front page of our website

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Council and Committee Meeting Dates

March 2024

5th Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

12th Parish Council

19th Halls & Grounds Committee

25th Community & Environment Committee

26th Planning & Highways Committee

April 2024

2nd Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

9th Parish Council

16th Halls & Grounds Committee

22nd Community & Environment Committee

23rd Planning & Highways Committee

May 2024

7th Finance, Policy & Resources Committee

14th Parish Council

21st Halls & Grounds Committee

28th Community & Environment Committee (6 pm)

28th Planning & Highways Committee (7 pm)

Contact Us

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

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Web:

www.bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk

All meetings are at 7.00pm in the Jubilee Hall unless otherwise stated and are open to the public.



Bishop's Waltham Matters

March 2024

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Welcome


Welcome to our first newsletter of 2024, complete with tear-out events calendar. We are looking forward to the first of this year's events on Saturday the 23rd of March. Our Spring Clean-Up litter pick will be taking place in the morning (10am - 12pm) and, staying with the environmental focus, The Eco Fair will be taking place from 11:30am until 4pm. Both events are happening at the Jubilee Hall.

Following a lower than hoped for number of responses to our Forward Plan questionnaire, we have reopened the survey. We know that a lot of our residents are keen to influence the future of our town and the community's input is crucial in setting the roadmap for the next four years of the Parish Council's work. Please go to our website to complete the online survey or pick up a paper copy from the information kiosk in Red Lion Street, the Co-op or the Jubilee Hall foyer.

Councillor Judy Marsh - Chair of Council




The new skate park under construction at Priory Park



Included in this edition! Your Bishop's Waltham What's On Guide 2024 - a handy tear-out events calendar

Before you pop this newsletter into the recycling, make sure you pull out the perforated page that lists some of the array of activities taking place in our vibrant community.

Containing a wonderful range of community gatherings, there's something for everyone. To ensure you stay up-to-date with the latest event news, check both the Parish Council and "Bishop's Waltham - What's On Facebook pages.



Priory Park - Skate Park and Southern Shared Pathway Update

It has been a busy winter at Priory Park with two of the Council's key projects nearing completion. Construction of the new skate park has been progressing well on the site of the original facility, with the new modern design steadily taking shape. The project is planned for completion by Easter. See our noticeboards, website and social media for information about the official opening.

The next phase of the Southern Shared Pathway has been constructed, running from Bosworth Gardens, through Priory Park to connect with the path that was installed last autumn alongside the football pitches. We hope that residents enjoy this improved access to Priory Park all year round.



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